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## **PUBLIC REPORT FIRE PROTECTION CLAUSE INDIVIDUAL**

**FIRE PROTECTION:** Fire department services are provided by Rural/Metro Fire Department, which provides emergency and non-emergency fire and medical service to numerous communities within Pinal and Maricopa Counties. These services are not covered through your property taxes or homeowners' insurance. Instead, each property owner is responsible for establishing a fire department services account directly with the fire department.

### **\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\***

**In the State of Arizona, homeowners' insurance policies do not provide coverage to your property for fire department services. Insurance companies regulated by the Arizona Department of Insurance are restricted from paying for the activation and annual fees of fire accounts as well as reimbursements for any charges incurred due to services provided by the fire department during an incident on the property. Property owners are responsible for all fire account fees and/or service charges.**

**Fire service account fees are assessed annually and are based upon the total enclosed square footage of all real property on an improved lot including living areas, basements, garages, storage buildings, and barns. Current annual residential fees are structured in ranges and average in costs from \$0.118 to \$0.210 per square foot plus a \$35.00 registration fee. When the fire department responds to a property that is later discovered to be inactive for fire department services coverage, charges shall be assessed at a rate of \$1,000.00 per hour per fire fighting vehicle plus \$100.00 per hour per fire fighter (\$1000.00 minimum response charge) for fire suppression. A minimum rate of \$525.00 per call will be assessed for Emergency First Aid. Services and fees exclude ambulance transportation and are subject to change. Accounts may be verified or activated by calling Rural/Metro Fire Department directly at 1(800) 645-9413.**