

City of Apache Junction

Home of the Superstition Mountains

January 6, 2025

MEMORANDUM TO:	HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
THROUGH:	BRYANT POWELL, CITY MANAGER
FROM:	PAM HARRISON, LIBRARY DIRECTOR
SUBJECT:	PINAL COUNTY TECHNOLOGY CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

The Pinal County School Office Education Service Agency created the Pinal County Technology Consortium for the purpose of providing affordable telecommunications and information services to Pinal County schools and libraries by way of the federal E-Rate program, which offers substantial discounts on telecommunications and internet access to eligible U.S. schools and public libraries. Under a Letter of Agency signed by the previous Library Director, the Apache Junction Public Library receives internet access at a greatly reduced rate through this consortium.

Due to recent changes in the Letter of Agency agreement, the library is seeking Council approval of its continued participation in the Pinal County Technology Consortium for funding years 2024 – 2035, as well as authorization be granted for Mayor signature. By entering into this agreement, the library will continue to provide fast and affordable internet access for its patrons.