

## City of Apache Junction

## Home of the Superstition Mountains

MEMORANDUM TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Bryant Powell, City Manager

FROM: Liz Langenbach, Parks & Recreation Director

DATE: September 18, 2019

SUBJECT: Senior Services – Class A Bingo License Endorsement

Historically, Small Game Bingo was played at the MGC senior services under East Valley Adult Resources. When this non-profit entity left, and the Parks and Recreation Department took over senior services, their bingo license was transferred to the City of AJ, per State of Arizona guidelines. Over time, the department chose to switch to Bingo games played for prizes and allowed the Class A Bingo License to lapse/expire.

Since changing types of bingo, staff have heard from many participants that they miss the Bingo and have been asking for it to be brought back in it's original form. If re-instated, Small Bingo would be played weekly, for .25cents per card with 100% of proceeds going to the winners of each game (approximately \$10-\$25 total, shared between winners, per day). The game would be managed by volunteers and staff who have met all of the State of Arizona requirements.

In consultation with the City Clerk's office and the City Attorney, staff are familiar with the process and prepared to meet any State mandates/fees.

State law requires that the local governing body hold a public hearing and vote on endorsement of Bingo license applications.

The Department respectfully requests that the City Council consider endorsing the Bingo License application submitted by staff.