

RESOLUTION NO. 11-961

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, THROUGH THE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS AND ITS MUNICIPAL MEMBERS, CALL UPON THE ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE NOT TO FURTHER REDUCE THE HIGHWAY USER REVENUE FUND ALLOCATIONS TO ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS; AND CHINO VALLEY FURTHER ADVOCATES THAT THE ARIZONA LEGISLATURE DEVELOP A PLAN TO, AT A MINIMUM, RESTORE HURF (HIGHWAY USER REVENUE FUND) FUNDING TO ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS TO THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2008 LEVELS OVER THE NEXT 3 TO 5 YEAR PERIOD

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona is mandated under A.R.S. § 28-6540 to distribute revenues collected on sales of motor vehicle fuel to Arizona Cities and Counties based upon a distribution formula; and

WHEREAS, Article IX Section 14 of the State Constitution mandates all Highway User Revenue fees be used solely for construction, maintenance, repair and reconstruction of local streets and roads; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Highway User Fund was set up as method of sharing State gas tax revenues with Arizona municipalities; and

WHEREAS, The State of Arizona has swept 25% of these revenues from Arizona municipalities to fund the operation of the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS); and

WHEREAS, additional losses of State Shared Revenues have made General Fund revenues insufficient to subsidize road repair; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Chino Valley will no longer be able to do either minor or major future local road construction, reconstruction or maintenance; and

WHEREAS, as local streets decline, public and private sector construction jobs are lost, and economic growth suffers; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Chino Valley will be forced to seek higher local taxation to replace swept and lost State revenues for street repair or allow its transportation infrastructure to fall into further disrepair; and

WHEREAS, local residents have endured increases in local taxes and user fees to cover losses of State Shared Revenues to pay for the operation of State departments and balance the State budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY, COUNTY OF YAVAPAI, ARIZONA, that the Town of Chino Valley Supports the submission of a resolution of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns that would require the State of Arizona Executive Branch to:

1. Freeze or discontinue future sweeps of municipal HURF; and
2. Restore HURF sweeps to 2008 levels over a three to five year period beginning with State FY 2012/2013.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona this 28th day of June, 2011.

Chris Marley, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jami C. Lewis, Town Clerk

Musgrove Drutz & Kack, PC,
Town Attorney