

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 34
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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AGENDA

FIRE SERVICES FORUM
between
THE KCFD 34 BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
and
THE CITY OF REDMOND COUNCIL MEMBERS

City of Redmond Council Chambers
Redmond City Hall
15670 N.E. 85 Street, Redmond, Washington

May 23, 2006
7:45 p.m.

- I. Call to Order – Fire Services Forum
- II. Progress Report on the Move of Station 15 to Station 18
- III. Public Survey to Determine Desire to Fund Additional Services
- IV. Consultants Sought for Developing Corridor Access Improvements
- V. Impacts of Current Staffing Model
- VI. General Discussion on Potential Property Acquisition
- VII. Adjournment

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- I. Call to Order – The Fire Services Forum of the Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire District 34 and the City of Redmond City Council was called to order on Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at 7:50 p.m. at the City of Redmond Council Chambers, located at 15670 N.E. 85th Street, Redmond, Washington. The following representatives were present:

KCFD 34/Redmond Fire

Chairman Thomas Johnston
Commissioner Peter Lucarelli
Commissioner Sherman Colson
District Secretary Anne Carlson
Fire Chief Tim Fuller
Deputy Chief Andy Hail
Deputy Chief Bob Oliver
Deputy Chief Deb Ayr

City of Redmond

Mayor Rosemarie Ives
Council Member Pat Vache
Council President Richard Cole
Council Member John Marchione
Council Member John Resha
Council Member Nancy McCormick
Council Member Jim Robinson
Council Member Tom Paine

- II. Progress Report on the Move of Station 15 to Station 18 – Chairman Johnston stated that the move of Station 15 was very unpopular to the residents in that part of the district. Council President Cole stated his belief that the commissioners work together well and that they made the best decision possible. Council Member Robinson stated that he understands the emotion of the residents after losing Station 15. Chairman Johnston acknowledged the difficult decision, especially since his children attend Alcott Elementary across the street from Station 15. He confirmed that no decision has been made regarding the future use of Station 15. It will be kept in serviceable condition for six months from May 1, 2006. Redmond fire staff will be monitoring the impacts of the station closure so changes could be made if necessary. Commissioner Lucarelli stated that the commissioners are looking at mitigation solutions that would provide better service to everyone in the district.
- III. Public Preference Survey – The commissioners have decided to hire a consultant to do a public preference survey to determine if the District 34 residents are in favor of raising property taxes to pay for an increased level of service. Five consultants responded to a request for qualifications. Commissioner Lucarelli will be meeting further with the two top candidates and will make a recommendation to the commissioners.
- IV. Corridor Access Improvements – Due to geography and streets in several areas of the fire district that present problems for efficient emergency response, the commissioners will be developing emergency access corridors with opticom gates allowing quicker access to these areas. Commissioner Lucarelli visited Hilton Head Island, North Carolina where these dead-end accesses were implemented, and costs were decreased and response improved to these areas.
- V. Impacts of Current Staffing Model – There has been some hostility expressed via email by Station 15-area residents toward the City of Redmond regarding the lack of action to build Station 17.
- VI. General Discussion on Potential Property Acquisition – Chairman Johnston informed the Council that the commissioners are researching the possibility of acquiring property midway between Station 13 and Station 15 for location of a fire station that would better serve the area.
- VII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.