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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 September 12, 2006 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order Fire Services Forum
- II. Briefing on Station 18 Transition
- III. Property Acquisition Efforts
- IV. Update on District Public Preference Survey
- V. Redmond Fire Staffing and Station Closures
- VI. Emergency Vehicle Access Corridors
- VII. Adjournment

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KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34 FIRE SERVICES FORUM September 12, 2006

 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, September 12, 2006, at 7:03 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 Ayrs

City of Redmond
Mayor Rosemarie Ives
Council Member Kim Allen
Council President Richard Cole
Council Member John Marchione
Council Member John Resha
Council Member Nancy McCormick
Council Member Jim Robinson

- II. <u>Briefing on Station 18 Transition</u> Chairman Johnston reported that Station 15's crew was moved to Station 18 on May 1, 2006. The relocation and effects of the move will be monitored and reviewed this fall. Station 15 is not being used currently but could be re-opened if necessary. Since Station 15 is located on the border between the City of Sammamish and District 34, which is a poor location, the commissioners chose to relocate the personnel and equipment.
- III. Property Acquisition Efforts The commissioners have been searching for property where Station 13 and Station 15 could both be relocated into a more efficient location. An offer was made on a piece of Union Hill property, but the feasibility study showed the property was not suitable for that purpose due to wetlands, poor septic, and large setbacks. The offer was rescinded. The search for suitable property will continue. Deccan software will be used to assist the commissioners in locating a new station. Dispatch information is downloaded into the software, and calls are classified as BLS, ALS, or Fire.
- IV. Public Preference Survey The commissioners agreed to do a public survey to determine if the population of the fire district was interested in raising taxes to fund a fourth fire station. Results of the survey will be presented to the commissioners and the public by the consultant, Hebert Research, on September 21, at 7:00 p.m., at the Redmond Ridge Community Center. The Fire District received outstanding ratings on quality of service. The citizens were almost split on whether to raise taxes, but approximately 67% stated they wanted a vote. The survey was given randomly to citizens in the entire district.

Mayor Ives stated that she would be interested in hearing if the citizens surveyed brought forth a preferred method of communication.

- V. Redmond Fire Staffing and Station 16 Closures The commissioners expressed their concern with current staffing issues and closures of Station 16. They understand the reasons but hope the Council will look forward to a long-term solution.
- VI. <u>Emergency Vehicle Access Corridors</u> The commissioners have hired RH2 Engineering to assist in opening emergency access corridors to help responses in the district. A cost/benefit analysis will be done in the next year. Locations have been identified.
- VII. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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ATTEST

Anne Carlson, District Secretary Board of Commissioners King County Fire District 34