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**KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**

**EASTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
BELLEVUE CITY HALL
SERVICE FIRST DESK, 1ST FLOOR
450 110TH AVENUE NE
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2007
11:30 A.M.**

- **THE FIRE COMMISSIONERS AND THE REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
WILL TOUR THE EASTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER***

*If a member of the public would like to participate in this tour, please show up at the time specified as these are secured facilities. Questions should be directed to Anne Carlson @ 425 556-2226.

POSTED:
Fire Stations 11, 13, 14, and 18
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District's Webpage: [HTTP://WWW.KCFD34.ORG](http://www.kcfd34.org)

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 34

Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Location: Council Conference Room
Redmond City Hall
15670 NE 85 Street
Redmond, WA

AGENDA

Friday, October 5, 2007
11:30 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL MEETING
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- V. TOUR OF BELLEVUE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
- VI. NORCOM DISCUSSION
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

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**KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34
SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

October 5, 2007

- I. **Call to Order** – A special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire District 34 was called to order at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, October 5, 2007, at Eastside Communications, located at Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, Washington.

The purpose of this meeting was to tour the Eastside Communications Center and discuss emergency dispatch and NORCOM.

II. **Roll Call**

Present: Chairman Thomas Johnston
Commissioner Peter Lucarelli
Commissioner Sherman Colson

Others Attending: District Secretary Anne Carlson
Fire Chief Tim Fuller
Deputy Chief Andy Hail
Mayor Rosemarie Ives
Assistant to the Mayor Jane Christenson
Finance Director Lenda Crawford
Information Services Manager Linda Hermanson
Redmond City Council Members Cole, Allen, Marchione, Myers, McCormick, and Vache
Redmond City Council Candidate Schuelke

III. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion from Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the October 5, 2007 agenda. Motion seconded by Chairman Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. **Public Comments** – None

- V. **Tour of Eastside Communications** – Alan Komenski, Manager of the Communications Center for 24 years, gave an overview of the facilities. The center was designed to the latest NFPA standards. There are 42 dispatchers. Approximately 5.75 people must be hired for each position. The workstation modules can be expanded to add more consoles if other cities join NORCOM at a later date. The center has bulletproof glass and is fire/smoke proof. They receive 250,000 calls per year and dispatch all of Zone 1 fire jurisdictions, an area of 1,400 square miles with a population of 700,000. If the facility must be evacuated, dispatch would move to the Bellevue Training Center. Calls can also be routed to the Washington State Patrol. They are one of three accredited communications centers in the state of Washington. Bellevue does not have full staffing today for NORCOM. If all the police departments join, two police dispatch positions and one call receiver would be needed in addition to all dispatchers from the other agencies.

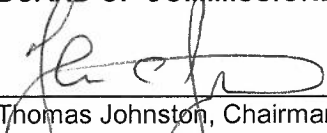
Commissioner Lucarelli stated his concern regarding the 50/50 Police/Fire split in the agreement. Mr. Komenski responded that the dispatcher's effort to support fire is much more than police, and the technology required is much more complex. He stated that the number of calls is 60% police and 40% fire. Commissioner Lucarelli asked about costs of equipment replacement. Mr. Komenski replied that all the equipment was new in April 2006 except for some logging equipment that needs to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$100,000. NORCOM includes replacement costs for three years.

Mr. Komenski stated there is an advantage in keeping all fire departments in NORCOM because otherwise it would be complicated to manage mutual aid.

Attendees toured the computer equipment room and the training room.

VI. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Thomas Johnston, Chairman



Sherman Colson, Commissioner



Peter Lucarelli, Commissioner

ATTEST:



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