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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
November 4, 2019

1. **Call to Order-Special Meeting**

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at 15212 N.E. 95th St., Redmond, WA on November 4, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 2:50 p.m. by Commissioner Pylant.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioner Pylant, Commissioner Lucarelli (via Skype). Commissioner Pylant confirmed that Commissioner Lucarelli could hear the conversation via Skype.

Others Attending:

Ron Seng, Project Manager
Beth Padilla, District Secretary

3. **FS 14/18 Septic Upgrade Update –**

- **Bay Doors –**
Ron Seng advised that he had met with Joe O’Leary, Reid Middleton and Tom Langton earlier in the day. The architect on the project feels that new four-fold doors are not feasible due to space limitations both in the width of the door opening and the encroachment on interior bay space when they are opened. It is likely that new high-speed roll-up doors are the best option and their seismic impacts are currently being studied. New doors are being considered for the FRONT only of both stations while the rear doors will remain the same with any needed maintenance. The roll-up doors seem to come in at a slightly lower cost than the four-fold. Tom Langton is expected to do some research into other departments currently using these types of doors.
- **Mezzanine and stairs at FS 18 –**
Per Ron, the architect believes they have a solution to the mezzanine issue by running a stairway at the current location. It would be in line with the doorway into the living quarters. Money for the stairway is already in the budget and Ron does not believe it will have a drastic impact on the budget since they do not have to relocate anything to install the stairs.
- **West side storage area at FS 18 -**
This added storage area is on the plans and Ron believes already in the budget, although he is going to confirm that. It is a planned expansion to the space that already exists. Should budget issues arise that require cutbacks, this would be one upgrade that could be reevaluated.
- **Window replacements -**
There is no blanket request for new windows. However, station 18 would like to add a window in the hose tower as this area is becoming a popular training location for the department. Ron will get the price but does not expect it to be too significant and believes this would be an easy department request to fulfill.

- **KC Sheriff Space -**
It is likely any upgrades that affect the area of FS 18 used by the KC Sheriff will be included in the overall project. If associated costs are significant, the District may consider seeking compensation.
- **Generators -**
Commissioner Pylant asked for clarification as to if the District is planning to install new generators at each station. Per Ron Seng, FS 18 has a full-size generator that operates on diesel and has a large tank. He does not feel this generator needs to be replaced. FS 14 has a very small generator that operates on gas and does very little to help power much of the station when needed. A new, larger diesel generator is recommended for this station. Ron will confirm as to if this has already been noted in the budget.
- **City Water Tanks -**
Ron will confer with Joe O'Leary as to if the tanks at each station have been tested for seismic resiliency. As they are not owned by the District, any upgrades to them are not part of the current projects. However, the District wants the City to be aware of its concern for the integrity of the tanks during a significant seismic event and, were they to fail, the impact they would have on both the water supply and the stations themselves.
- **Ron Seng brought up a few issues that have been raised by FS 14 personnel –**
 - The crew would like the ceiling in the exercise room raised as they bump it when lifting weights. Ron suggested an open ceiling (removing ceiling tiles) would be a simple solution at very little cost and would be part of the expected retrofit of that area anyway.
 - There is an issue with getting cold water in the kitchen. Reid Middleton advised that they would have their electrician look into this while other work is being done to see if there is an easy fix.
 - The crew voiced the desire for a gas range to replace the current electric one in the case of a power outage. With the planned generator upgrade, this may become a moot point.

Ron advised that the staff is still concerned with how the stations will operate during these upgrades and if additional living quarters will be required. The Commissioners believe this is a decision that will have to be made by the Fire Chief once more information is available as to how the stations will be impacted. Ron suggested it may even be feasible to ask the contractor to include temporary quarters in their quote so as to have them responsible for getting and removing any needed trailers.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25p.m.

ATTEST



Beth Padilla, Secretary
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