

# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**FROM:** STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO

**SUBJECT:** BOARD MEETING PACKAGE

**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017

Enclosed is your Board package for the Regular **March** Board Meeting. We have tried to include the information you will need to effectively consider and act on agenda items. The Board meeting will be held at the normal meeting venue at **FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, 990 EAST MISSION ROAD, FALLBROOK, CALIFORNIA.**

Please note this month's meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 28, 2017,** beginning at 5:00 p.m.

It is our goal to be prepared to respond accurately to Board questions and concerns. You can help us achieve this goal by contacting me **prior to** the Board meeting with your questions and concerns. This will allow time for the Staff and me to provide the appropriate information for review at the Board meeting.

*To ensure a quorum is present, please call Loren in advance of the meeting if you will be unable to attend. She may be reached at (760) 723-2033.*

Respectfully,



Stephen Abbott  
Fire Chief/CEO



PROUDLY SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF FALLBROOK, BONSALE AND RAINBOW



# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## AGENDA FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MARCH 28, 2017

5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER  
ROLL CALL  
INVOCATION  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**  
**990 EAST MISSION ROAD**  
**FALLBROOK CALIFORNIA**

### PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA

*For those joining us for the Public Activities Agenda, please feel free to depart at the close of the agenda. We invite you to stay for the remainder of the business meeting.*

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT — PRESIDENT MUNSON** (pgs. 1-2)  
➤ Standing Event: Members of the Public may directly address the Board of Directors on Events of interest to the Public provided no action will be taken on non-agenda Events. The Board President may limit comments to three minutes per speaker (Board of Directors Operations Policy § 4.7.2.1.2.).
2. **EMPLOYEE OATH OF OFFICE AND BADGE PINNING - CHIEF ABBOTT** (pgs.3-6)  
➤ Standing Item: Badge Pinning and Oath of Office for new volunteers.

### ACTION AGENDA

#### CONSENT EVENTS:

*All Events listed under the Consent Events are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these Events prior to the Board action on the motion, unless members of the Board, Staff or public request specific Events be removed from the Consent Agenda.*

3. **APPROVE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES — MARCH 1, 2017** (pgs. 7-14)  
➤ Standing Event: Review and approve minutes from March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting as presented.
4. **APPROVE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES — MARCH 15, 2017** (pgs. 15-18)  
➤ Standing Event: Review and approve minutes from March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented.
5. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT — FEBRUARY 2017** (pgs. 19-40)  
➤ Standing Event: Review and Accept Financial Report for February as presented.
6. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT POLICIES & PROCEDURES** (pgs. 41-42)  
➤ Standing Event: None.
7. **REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-04 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MAKING ANNUAL REQUIRED FINDINGS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE MITIGATION FEE PARTICIPATION ORDINANCE FY 2017/2018 — DFC KOCH AND CHIEF ABBOTT** (pgs. 43-48)  
➤ Annual Event: Adoption of resolution for the Fire Mitigation Fee Program making required findings, with rate for construction currently at \$0.52 square foot and \$0.56 starting 07-01-17.

**Note:** The Americans with Disabilities Act provides that no qualified individual with a disability shall be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, District business. If you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the District Office 72 hours prior to the meeting at (760) 723-2012.



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### ACTION EVENTS:

All Events listed under the Action Events Agenda will be presented and discussed prior to the Board taking action on any matter. Time Certain Events will commence precisely at the time announced in the Agenda.

8. **REVIEW AND APPROVE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT REQUEST — CHIEF MAHR AND CHIEF ABBOTT** (pgs. 49-50)  
➤ Recurring Event: Review and Approve surplus and disposal of several vehicles based on recommendation of Staff.

### DISCUSSION AGENDA

No action shall be undertaken on any Discussion Event. The Board may: acknowledge receipt of the information or report and make comments; refer the matter to Staff for further study or report; or refer the matter to a future agenda.

9. **DISCUSSION ON STRATEGIC DIRECTION DISCUSSION — CHIEF ABBOTT** (pgs. 51-54)  
➤ Recurring Event: Follow-up discussion from January report.

### STANDING DISCUSSION EVENTS: All Events listed under the Standing Discussion Events are presented every meeting.

- **LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT:** (pgs. 55-56)
  - "Legal Billing Invoices Related to Lawsuits Filed Against the County of Los Angeles are not Categorically Exempt from Disclosure Under the Public Records Act."
- **WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:** (pgs. 57-60)
  - BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM
- **NEWS ARTICLES:** As attached. (pgs. 61-100)
- **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** (pgs. 101-02)
- **STAFF:**
  - Chief Abbott
  - Other Staff
- **BOARD**
- **BARGAINING GROUPS**
- **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### CLOSED SESSION

The Board will enter closed session to discuss Events as outlined herein. As provided in the Government Code, the public will not be present during these discussions. At the end of the Closed Session, the Board shall publicly report any action taken in Closed Session (and the vote or abstention on that action of every member present) in accordance with Government Code § 54950 ET. seq.

- CS-1. **ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT MUNSON** (pgs. 103-04)  
➤ An announcement regarding the items to be discussed in Closed Session will be made prior to the commencement of Closed Session.

CS-2. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.8 — CHIEF ABBOTT:**

- PROPERTY LOCATION: 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook, CA 92028;  
PARTIES: North County Fire Protection District (Purchaser) and Ian Forsythe (Seller);  
UNDER NEGOTIATION: Terms of Purchase;  
DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: Chief Abbott, District Counsel James





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CS-3. THREATENED LITIGATION OUTSIDE OF OPEN MEETING — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.9(e)(5) — CHIEF ABBOTT:

➤ Claimant is a member of public alleging assault by District employee.

CS-4. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION — PRESIDENT MUNSON

### ADJOURNMENT

#### SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is: Tuesday, April 25, 2017, 5:00 p.m. at FPUD.

#### CERTIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING

"I certify that this Agenda was posted in accordance with the provisions of the Government Code § 54950 et. seq. The posting locations were: [1] the entrance of North County Fire Protection District Administrative Offices, [2] Fallbrook Public Utility District Administrative Offices and [3] the Roy Noon Meeting Hall, [4] District's website at <http://www.ncfireprotectiondistrict.org>. The Agenda was also available for review at the Office of the Board Secretary, located at located at 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook (760) 723-2012. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the District after distribution of the agenda packet, are available for public inspection in the Office of the Board Secretary, located at 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook (760) 723-2012, during normal business hours or may be found on the District website at <http://www.ncfireprotectiondistrict.org>, subject to the Staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting. The date of posting was March 22, 2017."

Board Secretary Loren Stephen-Porter: *Loren A. Stephen-Porter* Date: March 22, 2017





**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
FIRE CHIEF/CEO**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO  
**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** PUBLIC COMMENT

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. *Members of the Public may directly address the Board of Directors on items of interest to the Public provided no action will be taken on non-agenda items. The Board President may limit comments to three minutes per speaker (Board of Directors Operations Policy § 4.7.2.1.2).*

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**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
ADMINISTRATION**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** CHIEF ABBOTT AND DEPUTY CHIEF MAROVICH  
**DATE:** MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** BADGE PINNING CEREMONY

## **PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA**

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Board of Directors has approved a process of inviting District volunteers to be introduced to the Board during regularly scheduled meetings. This practice provides a professional environment for congratulating the employees, volunteers and their families for all the hard work and sacrifice.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The following individuals will be presented to the Board during the March 28, 2017, Regular Board Meeting. Fire Chief/CEO Stephen Abbott will take this opportunity to officiate over the Badge Pinning Ceremony.

It is the distinct pleasure of the organization to present the following individuals as new volunteers:

Shane Applegate	Volunteer Firefighter
Adrian Del Castillo	Volunteer Firefighter
Garrett Mertz	Volunteer Firefighter
Gannon Oppenborn	Volunteer Firefighter
Sam Richards	Volunteer Firefighter
Kakela Sousa	Volunteer Firefighter
Weston Whitmore	Volunteer Firefighter

### **Shane Applegate**

Currently living in Murrieta with my parents, just recently graduated the fire academy at Palomar. I have worked as an EMT for over a year at Pala Casino prior to that. Now incredibly excited to be a part of the Rainbow Fire Department to gain additional knowledge and experience.

### **Adrian Del Castillo**

My name is Adrian Del Castillo; I am 26 years old. I was born in Oceanside CA. I currently live with my father, mother, sister and younger brother in Vista CA. I graduated from Vista High School, where I played football all of my high school years. My senior year I made all around defensive player in San Diego County. I also ran track all throughout my high



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school years where I ran varsity my sophomore, junior and senior years. I had the privilege to be team captain my junior and senior year. I graduated from the 49<sup>th</sup> Fire Academy in the spring of 2016 at Palomar College in San Marcos CA. I earned three Associate Degree's through Palomar College in Social Behavior Science, Fire Technology and Emergency Management. My goal is to get in to Paramedic school. My ultimate goal is to become a Firefighter/Paramedic. I am a very energetic and active individual. I enjoy the outdoors very much. I enjoy surfing, hiking, rock climbing, bike riding, paddle boarding, dirt bike riding and camping. I come from a very large united family and I enjoy being with them. I am currently part of the North County Fire Department at Station 6 in Rainbow as a Volunteer Fire Fighter; it is a great opportunity for me and I look forward to my future here.

**Garrett Mertz**

My name is Garrett Mertz; I am 21 years old. I live in Temecula CA. I go to Palomar College and am currently working on my Associate's in Fire Technology. I also work full-time at Mercy Ambulance Company the station I work at is in Warner Springs. I only have two sisters, and I'm the oldest. During my off time, I enjoy hanging out with family, going camping, hiking and relaxing.

**Gannon Oppenborn**

Gannon Oppenborn: 23 years old from Fallbrook CA and currently living in Temecula. I attended high school at Fallbrook Union High School and graduated in 2012. After high school, I joined the army and served four years as a combat medic in the Airborne Infantry. Completed one deployment to Iraq in 2015, while in the Army I had participated in various types of training ranging from live tissue medical training labs to mass airborne assaults. I have no family of my own, but my immediate family includes my parents, my father Chad who is a retired Carlsbad police officer and my mother Harriett who is a waitress and two brothers Dane and Gage. I finished my time in the Army in July of last year and I am going to school. I currently have very little formal fire education but am attending Palomar College in pursuit of my Associate's degree in Fire Technology.

**Sam Richards**

I was born in Inglewood, CA in 1976. Raised in Hemet and graduated from Hemet High School in 1994, competing in water polo and swimming and involved in Fire Explorers. I earned Eagle Scout rank in the Boy Scouts. After graduating high school, I went on a 2-year missions trip with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to Argentina, where I learned how to speak Spanish fluently. I met my wife, Jen, in Hemet in 1998 and have been married for 17 years. Together we have three children, Jackson 15, Lindsey 12 and Brighton, 8. We have lived in Fallbrook for the last 12 years. I am a licensed general contractor in California since 2001 and own my own business, Sam Richards Drywall and Construction. I enjoy spending time with my family, going to church and teaching Sunday school to 8 year olds. I am an active member of the NRA and Rainbow Shooting Club.

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**Kakela Sousa**

My name is Kakela Sousa and I am 30 years old and live in Oceanside, CA. I was born and raised on the island of Maui. I have family ties to the fire service as my brother is a firefighter for Maui County Fire Department and my father is a retired engineer from Maui County Fire Dept. I moved to San Diego almost 4 years ago, in the pursuit of trying to become a firefighter and the best one I could be at that. Since moving here, I have acquired two Associates Degree from Palomar College, one in Fire Technology and another in Emergency Management. I am still currently a full-time student at Palomar as I am finishing my transfer classes, as I intend to go to paramedic school as well as pursuing a degree in Public Administration at SDSU. I am very thankful for the opportunity I have been given as a volunteer firefighter here in Rainbow and all I hope in return is to make our community happy with our services we provide. Thank You.

**Weston Whitmore**

My name is Weston Whitmore. I am 20 years old and I moved to Bonsall when I was 8 years old with my family. I grew up with two older brothers and an older sister. I spent the most of my childhood racing motocross with my father and grandpa helping me. Aside from racing motorcross, I enjoy mountain biking, fishing, camping and hiking.

My interest to become a firefighter started from seeing my brother graduate Colorado Springs fire academy. I did a ride along in Orange County Fire Protection District with my cousin who used to work as a Fire Explorer and Reserve for North County Fire. He talked to me about North County's Explorer Post and the great experience he had as an Explorer. I joined North County's Explorer Post in November of 2015, and graduated the North Zone Explorer Academy 4 in May of 2016. I knew I had made the right choice in the career I wanted to work hard for. I joined Rainbow's Volunteer department to further my learning experience prior to starting Palomar's Fire Academy and to get a better understanding of what it takes to be a firefighter for North County Fire. I have continued my education at Palomar College, through which I have become an EMT. I am currently work for AirCare ambulance in Carlsbad. This is my last semester finishing my Fire Technology certification.

My goal is to be a great example of how Rainbow and North County are for training their Explorers and Volunteers; as well as showing what it means to give back to your community and how important it is to give back to the younger generation of our future Firefighters. After the Academy, I hope to interview for a Reserve Firefighter position with North County and hopefully, not to long after, I will be accepted to start Palomar's Paramedic Academy.

I am very grateful for all of the great opportunities North County has given me, as well as all the great people and friends I have made since my first day as an Explorer. I hope to be great example to the future Explorers and to spend my entire career at North County Fire Protection District.

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1 **March 1, 2017**

2 **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**  
3 **THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

4 President Munson called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

5 **THE INVOCATION GIVEN BY** Deputy Chief Marovich.

6 **ALL RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

7 **ROLL CALL:**

8 **Present:** Directors Harris, Hoffman, Luevano and Munson

9 **Absent:** Director Thuner.

10 **Staff Present:** Fire Chief/CEO Abbott, Attorney James and Board Secretary Stephen-  
11 Porter. In the audience were: Deputy Chief Marovich, D/Cs Lucore and Mahr, B/C Wilson,  
12 DFM Koch and members of the public and Association.

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14 **PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA**

15 1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** President Munson addressed the audience and inquired whether  
16 there were any public comments regarding items not on the Agenda. There being no  
17 comments, the Public Comment Section was closed.

18 2. **EMPLOYEE BADGE PINNING — CHIEF ABBOTT:** Chief Abbott presented installation  
19 new employees: Montana Dye, FF/PM; Robert Castellano, Enrique Jacobo, Grant Medica,  
20 Christopher Pena and Nicholas Tusa, all Limited Term Apprentice Firefighters. At the  
21 conclusion of the introductions, the members were sworn in. All members were given an  
22 opportunity to introduce family and friends available for the event and were pinned and  
23 congratulated by the Board.

24 3. **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS FOR BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM — B/S STEPHEN-**  
25 **PORTER AND CHIEF ABBOTT: OCTOBER 23, 2016 – EMAIL OF EXPLORER POST RECOGNITION:**  
26 Recognition of Explorer Post and Staff for the following awards: North County Fire  
27 Protection District recognized as 2016 National Exploring Journey to Excellence “Gold”  
28 level post, Explorer of the Year – Captain John Choi and FF/PM Rob Hager; **OCTOBER 22,**  
29 **2016 – EMAIL OF RECOGNITION:** FF/PM Klayton Symmes for receiving meritorious service

award from City of San Diego for lifesaving treatment of police officer; FIRE PREVENTION WEEK RECOGNITION: FPS Gregg Holdridge; Engineer Sam Russell; FF/PM Rob Hager; OPEN HOUSE RECOGNITION: FPS James Beebe; SEPTEMBER 24, 2016 FACEBOOK POSTING OF BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Engine 1111: Captain Berry, Engineer Quinn, FF/PM Rivera, Reserve Cain, Reserve Espinoza, Intern Puccio; SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 FACEBOOK POSTING OF BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Engine 1111: Captain Fieri, Engineer Harrington, FF/PM Hager, Reserve Rameriz, Reserve Symmes, Internal Michel. Each was presented with an award and thanked by the Board and Staff for their extraordinary efforts on behalf of the District and its communities.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

4. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR JANUARY 2017**
5. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 2017**
6. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT POLICIES & PROCEDURES**
7. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT ANNUAL EMERGENCY STATISTICS**

President Munson inquired whether there were any questions on Consent Items 4-7. There being no discussion, President Munson asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. On a motion by Director Harris, seconded by Director Luevano, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented, passed unanimously.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

8. **REVIEW AND RECOMMEND NOMINATIONS FOR CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS — CHIEF ABBOTT**: Chief Abbott noted that CSDA is currently soliciting nominations for the CSDA Board of Directors. The nominated party may be either a Board Member or General Manager and must be affiliated with an independent special district that is a regular CSDA member located within the geographic area they seek to represent. The Board members must complete certain attendance and educational requirements, which are not funded by

58 CSDA. There being no interest by the members present to serve, no further action is  
59 required.

60 9. REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-02 AND AUTHORIZE DISTRICT STAFF TO

61 EXECUTE GRANT DOCUMENTS — CHIEF ABBOTT: Chief Abbott presented the Urban Area  
62 Security Initiative (UASI) Grant documents to the Board, noting that specific approval of  
63 the grant assurances in the form of a resolution, is now required. For several years, the  
64 District has participated in the UASI Program, which is a federally funded grant program to  
65 assist Emergency Service Organizations (ESOs) with homeland security response training  
66 & preparedness. The key stipulations are: To provide all matching funds required for the  
67 grant project and that any cash match will be appropriated as required; to agree that any  
68 liability arising out of the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of the  
69 governing board; to agree that grant funds shall not be used to supplant expenditures  
70 controlled by the governing board and to assure that the official executing this agreement  
71 is, in fact, authorized to do so. The Grant agreement and Resolution 2017-02 was  
72 included for Directors review. On a motion by Director Luevano, seconded by Director  
73 Harris, the motion to approve Resolution 2017-02 passed unanimously.

74 10. REVIEW AND APPROVE LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR NEW AMBULANCE  
75 PURCHASE, APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-03 CERTIFYING APPROVAL OF MASTER EQUIPMENT

76 LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT — DFM MAROVICH AND CHIEF ABBOTT: Chief Abbott informed  
77 the Board that Staff had secured a lease/purchase agreement with Community Leasing  
78 Partners, at an interest rate of 3.15%, payable in payable in five (5) equal annual  
79 payments of \$45,742.17. With no residual on the lease after the final payment is received,  
80 the District will own the ambulance free and clear at the end of the term. On a motion by  
81 President Harris, seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to authorize the expenditure  
82 of \$208,591.57 toward the lease/purchase of the new ambulance, to approve Resolution  
83 2017-03 and to authorize the District Staff to execute the necessary contractual  
84 documents, passed unanimously.



## DISCUSSION AGENDA

### 11. FOLLOW-UP ON CSDA SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY — CHIEF ABBOTT:

Chief Abbott opening the discussion noting the Board had been to the Special District Leadership Academy, which helps to reduce the District's insurance rates and also provided thought provoking topics to the attendees. He inquired whether the Board had any specific recommendations, ideas or concerns that need to be addressed as a follow-up from the meeting. A recommendation was made to have a Board workshop to discuss budget items to look at new ways to present information and understand the process better. In addition, discussion ensued regarding a "dashboard" approach, wherein an overview that quickly allows for identification of areas that are doing well or in difficulty. It was noted the Budget is currently in development, which includes a dashboard overview for the coming year. For the newer Board members, the budgeting process and timing was reviewed. Deputy Chief Marovich offered to be available to discuss last year's budget for those who were not part of the process last year. In addition, it was agreed to have a Board workshop sometime in April to discuss the budget, to incorporate short, intermediate and long-term goals, including the strategic plan.

### STANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT: Counsel James presented his letter "Workers Win Rest Break Ruling – State Supreme Court Rules That Employers Cannot Call or Test." Brief discussion ensued regarding the ruling and its impact. This is informational only, no action required.

- WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: Brief discussion ensued regarding the items, with Chief Abbott noting that one of the founders for the GANAS, TEEN GANAS Program, Pat Braendel, passed away suddenly over the weekend. She was very involved in the community and will be missed. Informational only, no action required.

- BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM: See Item No. 3.

- NEWS ARTICLES: Brief discussion ensued regarding articles. This is informational only, no action required.

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● **COMMENTS:**

● **STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES:**

● **STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO:** Chief Abbott noted that the recent rains brought in many weather-related calls for accidents and flooding issues, including 29 calls in 24 hours. He thanked the staff for their diligence during this busy time. The Chief congratulated Chief McReynolds on completion of his Bachelor's degree. Chief Abbott has committed to continuing on the EMC Committee for the next four years. Chief Abbot noted that the District is looking into sharing IT services with North Comm. He brought the Board up-to-date on Community Paramedicine as it relates to California, a pilot study and changes in the law. Chief Abbott informed the Board he would be attending Executive Planning training, during which time, Deputy Chief Marovich would be acting Chief. Informational only, no further action required.

● **CHIEF OFFICERS AND OTHER STAFF:** **CHIEF MAHR:** Chief Mahr shared the new process for upcoming combined North Zone testing for Engineers, which will be conducted in a collaborative manner between the interested parties. He explained the process in detail. It is hoped that this method may be expanded for other positions. The main benefit is cost savings and efficiencies, especially in the use of raters. Chief Mahr discussed his upcoming conference in community paramedicine and one in L580 for Executive Leadership. **CHIEF MAROVICH:** Chief Marovich informed the Board that Finance is beginning the budget process. **B/C WILSON:** B/C Wilson noted the recent rate increase by SDG&E, primarily due to their desire to recoup 379 million from the 2007 fires. He also noted that the SAFER Grant has begun its second year, with the District losing LTAF Niehauser and Phillips to fulltime employment elsewhere.

● **BOARD:** **DIRECTOR HARRIS:** Director Harris inquired whether the transport rate has been impacted by the lack of a local hospital and whether urgent care use is picking-up. Discussion ensued regarding the overall trend throughout the nation to see EMS calls increasing, although there is some increasing use of urgent care facilities. Director Hoffman inquired the percentage of patients delivered to Tri-City and Palomar, with it being noted the percent is split about 50%. **DIRECTOR LUEVANO:** Director Luevano raised the

145 issue of how to reduce calls and the manner in which they are reported. He emphasized  
146 the importance of community outreach and the use of statistics to bring the story home to  
147 the public.

148 ● **BARGAINING GROUPS:** A/P Jones noted the EMS transport statistics do not collect  
149 data regarding certain indicators. Many of the public believe they will be processed faster  
150 at the hospital if they arrive via ambulance. A/P Jones updated the Board on the status of  
151 Engineer Harrington's son and his cancer treatment. A/P Jones noted the dedication of  
152 the staff during the rain with the numerous and difficult calls, including swift water rescues  
153 and other flooding-related events. He noted an event where there was a potential for  
154 flooding where a crew helped clean out a culvert to prevent the flooding, going beyond  
155 requirements to keep that community safe, as an example of staff going above and beyond  
156 what is required.

157 ● **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

## 158 **CLOSED SESSION**

159 ● **OPENING CLOSED SESSION:**

160 At 6:25 p.m., President Munson inquired whether there was a motion to adjourn to Closed  
161 Session. There being no objection, President Munson read the items to be discussed in  
162 Closed Session and the Open Session was closed. A short break ensued after the  
163 reading of the Closed Session Items. At 6:30 p.m., and the Board entered Closed Session  
164 to hear:

165 CS-1. **ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT MUNSON:** An announcement regarding the items to  
166 be discussed in Closed Session was made prior to the commencement of Closed Session.

167 CS-2. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.8**

168 **— CHIEF ABBOTT:**

169 **PROPERTY LOCATION:** 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook, CA 92028;

170 **PARTIES:** North County Fire Protection District (Purchaser)  
171 & Ian Forsythe (Seller);

172 **UNDER NEGOTIATION:** Terms of Purchase;

173 **DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS:** Chief Abbott, District Counsel James



174 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
175 Management Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott:  
176 NCFPD MANAGEMENT GROUP  
177 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES  
178 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Non-  
179 Safety Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott:  
180 FFA NON-SAFETY GROUP NEGOTIATORS  
181 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES  
182 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Safety  
183 Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott:  
184 FFA SAFETY GROUP NEGOTIATORS  
185 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES  
186 CS-6. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
187 Unrepresented Individual – Chief Abbott:  
188 BOARD SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  
189 DISTRICT NEGOTIATOR: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES  
190 CS-7. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
191 Unrepresented Individual – District Counsel James:  
192 FIRE CHIEF/CEO  
193 DISTRICT NEGOTIATOR: DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES  
194 **CS-8. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION — PRESIDENT MUNSON**  
195 **● REOPENING OPEN SESSION:**  
196 On a motion by Director Harris, which was seconded by Director Luevano and which  
197 passed unanimously, the Board returned Open Session at 7:25 p.m., the following items  
198 were reported out to the public:  
199 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.8  
200 — CHIEF ABBOTT: No reportable action.  
201 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
202 Management Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: On a motion by Director Harris,

203 seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to approve adding insurance and life insurance  
204 as per the side letter, which passed unanimously.

205 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Non-  
206 Safety Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: On a motion by Director Harris, seconded by  
207 Director Hoffman, the motion to approve adding insurance and life insurance as per the  
208 side letter, which passed unanimously.

209 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Safety  
210 Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: On a motion by Director Harris, seconded by Director  
211 Hoffman, the motion to approve adding insurance and life insurance as per the side letter,  
212 which passed unanimously.

213 CS-6. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
214 Unrepresented Individual – Board Secretary/Executive Assistant — Chief Abbott: On a  
215 motion by Director Harris, seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to approve adding  
216 insurance and life insurance as per the side letter, which passed unanimously.

217 CS-7. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
218 Unrepresented Individual – Fire Chief/CEO — Chief Abbott: On a motion by Director  
219 Harris, seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to approve adding insurance and life  
220 insurance as per the side letter, which passed unanimously.

## 221 ADJOURNMENT

222 A motion was made at 7:30 p.m. by Director Harris and seconded by Director Luevano, to  
223 adjourn the meeting and reconvene for a Special Meeting, date to be determined, at 17:00.

224 The motion carried unanimously.

225 Respectfully submitted,

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228 Loren Stephen-Porter

229 Board Secretary

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231 Minutes approved at the Board of Director's Meeting on: March 28, 2017

1 **March 15, 2017**

2 **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**  
3 **THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

4 President Munson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

5 **THE INVOCATION GIVEN BY** Deputy Chief Marovich.

6 **ALL RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

7 **ROLL CALL:**

8 **Present:** Directors Harris, Hoffman, Luevano, Munson and Director Thuner.

9 **Absent:** None.

10 **Staff Present:** Fire Chief/CEO Abbott, Attorney James and Board Secretary Stephen-  
11 Porter, Deputy Chief Marovich.

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13 **PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA**

14 1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** President Munson addressed the audience and inquired whether  
15 there were any public comments regarding items not on the Agenda. There being no  
16 comments, the Public Comment Section was closed.

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18 **CLOSED SESSION**

19 ● **OPENING CLOSED SESSION:**

20 At 5:02 p.m., President Munson inquired whether there was a motion to adjourn to Closed  
21 Session. There being no objection, President Munson read the items to be discussed in  
22 Closed Session and the Open Session was closed. A short break ensued after the  
23 reading of the Closed Session Items. At 5:03 p.m., and the Board entered Closed Session  
24 to hear:

25 CS-1. **ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT MUNSON:** An announcement regarding the items  
26 to be discussed in Closed Session was made prior to the commencement of Closed  
27 Session.

28 CS-2. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —**  
29 **Management Group Negotiations — Chief Abbott:**



30 NCFPD MANAGEMENT GROUP

31 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES

32 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Non-

33 Safety Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott:

34 FFA NON-SAFETY GROUP NEGOTIATORS

35 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES

36 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Safety

37 Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott:

38 FFA SAFETY GROUP NEGOTIATORS

39 DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES

40 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —

41 Unrepresented Individual – Chief Abbott:

42 BOARD SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

43 DISTRICT NEGOTIATOR: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES

44 CS-6. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —

45 Unrepresented Individual – District Counsel James:

46 FIRE CHIEF/CEO

47 DISTRICT NEGOTIATOR: DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES

48 **CS-7. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION — PRESIDENT MUNSON**

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50 ● **REOPENING OPEN SESSION:**

51 On a motion by Director Harris, which was seconded by Director Hoffman and which

52 passed unanimously, the Board returned Open Session at 7:45 p.m., the following items

53 were reported out to the public:

54 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —

55 Management Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: No reportable action.

56 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Non-

57 Safety Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: No reportable action.

58 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — Safety  
59 Group Negotiations – Chief Abbott: No reportable action.

60 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
61 Unrepresented Individual – Chief Abbott: No reportable action.

62 CS-6. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 —  
63 Unrepresented Individual – Chief Abbott: No reportable action.

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- 65 ● **COMMENTS:**
- 66 ● **BOARD:** No comments.
- 67 ● **BARGAINING GROUPS:** No comments.
- 68 ● **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.
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## ADJOURNMENT

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71 A motion was made at 7:50 p.m. by Vice President Thuner and seconded by Director  
72 Luevano, to adjourn the meeting and reconvene on March 28, 2017, at 17:00. The motion  
73 carried unanimously.

74 Respectfully submitted,

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77 Loren Stephen-Porter  
78 Board Secretary

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80 Minutes approved at the Board of Director's Meeting on: March 28, 2017

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**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
ADMINISTRATION - BUDGET & FINANCE**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** DIVISION CHIEF STEVEN MAROVICH, CHERIE JUUL, AND CHIEF ABBOTT  
**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** REVENUE & EXPENDITURES AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2017 (67%)

**FALLBROOK DIVISION**

Revenue Sources	Budgeted	Collected	Over/Under	% of Budget
Property Taxes	13,220,686.00	7,899,130.23	(5,321,555.77)	60%
Ambulance and Collections	1,546,988.00	1,443,707.48	(103,280.52)	93%
GEMT-State Supplement	70,000.00	-	(70,000.00)	0%
Prevention Fees	100,000.00	79,433.71	(20,566.29)	79%
Tower Lease Agreements	85,000.00	58,077.65	(26,922.35)	68%
Other Revenue Sources	110,000.00	41,337.00	(68,663.00)	38%
Interest	20,000.00	16,912.34	(3,087.66)	85%
Rainbow Div Admin Fees	25,000.00	16,666.64	(8,333.36)	67%
Cost Recovery	60,000.00	37,111.33	(22,888.67)	62%
Strike Team Reimbursements	-	201,618.78	201,618.78	-
Other Reimbursements	255,404.00	185,404.00	(70,000.00)	73%
Mitigation Fees & Interest	175,000.00	131,552.00	(43,448.00)	75%
Donations & Grants	724,830.00	431,514.08	(293,315.92)	60%
Annexation fees	-	75,000.00	75,000.00	
Transfers & Loans	740,259.00	45,661.41	(694,597.59)	
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>17,133,167.00</b>	<b>10,663,126.65</b>	<b>(6,470,040.35)</b>	<b>62%</b>
	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>% of Budget</b>
<b>TTL Expenditures YTD thru 2/28/2017</b>	<b>17,237,569.00</b>	<b>10,769,418.05</b>	<b>(6,468,150.95)</b>	<b>62%</b>
<b>Revenue over Expenditures</b>		<b>(106,291.40)</b>		

**RAINBOW DIVISION**

Revenue Sources	Budgeted	Collected	Over/Under	% of Budget
Property Taxes	242,000.00	148,055.95	(93,944.05)	61%
Other Revenue	-	8.00	8.00	-
Mitigation Fees & Interest		103.11	103.11	-
Grants		8,500.00	8,500.00	
Transfers & Loans		10,000.00	10,000.00	
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>242,000.00</b>	<b>166,667.06</b>	<b>(75,332.94)</b>	<b>69%</b>
	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>% of Budget</b>
<b>Expenditures YTD thru 2/28/17</b>	<b>253,000.00</b>	<b>90,974.42</b>	<b>(162,025.58)</b>	<b>36%</b>
<b>Revenue over Expenditures</b>		<b>75,692.64</b>		

**NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Tax Apportionments FY 16-17**

DATE	APP #	GROSS	REFUNDS & ADJUSTMENTS	FY 16/17 NET	FY 16/17 RUNNING	FY 15/16 NET	FY 15/16 RUNNING	
8/31/2016	1	202,731.47	1,058.62	201,672.85	201,672.85	203,770.18	203,770.18	
9/30/2016	2	59,503.81	1,924.91	57,578.90	259,251.75	57,493.46	261,263.64	
10/31/2016	3	165,777.76	19,157.67	146,620.09	405,871.84	128,727.78	389,991.42	
11/30/2016	4	372,733.46	10,644.24	362,089.22	767,961.06	322,805.04	712,796.46	
12/31/2016	5	4,477,872.68	17,083.23	4,460,789.45	5,228,750.51	4,355,808.18	5,068,604.64	
1/31/2017	6	2,222,576.48	19,667.02	2,202,909.46	7,431,659.97	1,971,465.01	7,040,069.65	
2/28/2017	7	472,861.30	5391.04	467,470.26	7,899,130.23	211,378.07	7,251,447.72	
3/31/2017	8					424,399.91	7,675,847.63	
4/30/2017	9					3,082,141.31	10,757,988.94	
5/31/2017	10					1,487,659.35	12,245,648.29	
6/30/2017	11					140,146.83	12,385,795.12	
6/30/2017	12					213,364.06	12,599,159.18	
7/31/2017	13					41,520.37	12,640,679.55	
<b>TOTAL YTD</b>		<b>7,974,056.96</b>	<b>74,926.73</b>	<b>7,899,130.23</b>	<b>7,899,130.23</b>	<b>12,640,679.55</b>	<b>7,251,447.72</b>	
							<b>Net Rev Increase</b>	
							<b>8.93%</b>	

**RAINBOW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Tax Apportionments FY 16-17**

DATE	APP #	GROSS	REFUNDS & ADJUSTMENTS	FY 16/17 NET	FY 16/17 RUNNING	FY 15/16 NET	FY 15/16 RUNNING	
8/31/2016	1	3,788.15	19.76	3,768.39	3,768.39	3,844.60	3,844.60	
9/30/2016	2	1,111.85	35.97	1,075.88	4,844.27	1,084.73	4,929.33	
10/31/2016	3	3,097.62	358.13	2,739.49	7,583.76	2,424.90	7,354.23	
11/30/2016	4	6,964.66	238.01	6,726.65	14,310.41	6,227.37	13,581.60	
12/31/2016	5	83,596.39	319.19	83,277.20	97,587.61	81,876.22	95,457.82	
1/31/2017	6	42,163.01	366.72	41,796.29	139,383.90	37,520.79	132,978.61	
2/28/2017	7	8,772.57	100.52	8,672.05	148,055.95	3,949.04	136,927.65	
3/31/2017	8					7,931.81	144,859.46	
4/30/2017	9					58,177.26	203,036.72	
5/31/2017	10					28,939.90	231,976.62	
6/30/2017	11					2,619.00	234,595.62	
6/30/2017	12					3,989.79	238,585.41	
7/31/2017	13					41,520.37	280,105.78	
<b>TOTAL YTD</b>		149,494.25	1,438.30	148,055.95	148,055.95	280,105.78	136,927.65	
							<b>Net Rev Increase</b>	
							<b>8.13%</b>	



NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

AMBULANCE REVENUE FY 2016-2017

MONTH	BILLED	CONTRACTUAL WRITE DOWNS	TOTAL		BAD DEBT WRITE-OFFS	REFUNDS	ADJ AR	DEPOSITS RECIEVED	BILLING FEES	NET REVENUE	
			AR FY 16-17	AR FY 15-16						FY16-17	FY15-16
7/31/2016	393,566.97	199,111.29	194,455.68	128,992.01	26,787.71	6,088.79	161,579.18	137,746.84	8,127.06	129,619.78	109,800.43
8/31/2016	464,469.80	257,809.78	206,660.02	169,321.53	27,232.42	-	179,427.60	167,684.98	9,893.41	157,791.57	125,429.99
9/30/2016	411,271.03	236,405.55	174,865.48	182,307.97	(386.63)	-	175,232.11	139,106.20	8,207.27	130,898.93	102,854.81
10/31/2016	385,429.12	198,082.36	187,346.76	156,135.29	39,513.08	2,448.74	145,384.94	156,912.48	9,257.84	147,654.64	129,227.33
11/30/2016	379,560.17	229,289.93	150,270.24	125,853.82	40,254.02	-	110,016.22	160,488.70	9,468.83	151,019.87	127,565.91
12/31/2016	463,914.26	250,901.14	213,013.12	165,693.91	9,130.08	8,759.10	195,123.94	127,837.04	7,017.29	120,819.75	104,524.01
1/31/2017	454,970.15	215,870.40	239,099.75	152,330.63	10,310.69	-	228,789.06	162,346.61	9,569.60	152,777.01	96,135.99
2/28/2017	443,671.20	217,939.46	225,731.74	202,412.12	13,770.51	-	211,961.23	165,445.68	9,759.41	155,686.27	120,613.84
3/31/2017			-	206,220.98			-			-	137,414.24
4/30/2017			-	186,380.06			-			-	110,539.10
5/31/2017			-	186,694.99			-			-	149,917.87
6/30/2017			-	184,707.16			-			-	137,898.31
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>3,396,852.70</b>	<b>1,805,409.91</b>	<b>1,591,442.79</b>	<b>1,283,047.28</b>	<b>166,631.88</b>	<b>17,296.53</b>	<b>1,407,514.28</b>	<b>1,217,568.53</b>	<b>71,300.71</b>	<b>1,146,267.82</b>	<b>916,152.31</b>
					<b>Net A/R Change</b>		<b>9.70%</b>			<b>New Revenue Change</b>	<b>25.12%</b>

<b>NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT</b> <b>MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT</b>
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February 28, 2017

	BALANCE	INTEREST	
<b>FALLBROOK</b>		<b>RATE</b>	
County of San Diego/General Fund	487,735.01	0.01%	Operating
County of San Diego/Capital Reserve	375,308.72	0.01%	Capital Reserves
County of San Diego/Fire Mitigation Fund	541,551.68	0.01%	Mitigation Fees
Local Agency Investment Fund	18,944.90	0.68%	LAIF
Workers' Comp JPA	451,875.54	0.26%	PASIS Funds
Bank of America/PASIS	46,674.23	0.01%	
Petty Cash	500.00	0.00%	
First National/Benefit Fund	152,409.30	0.70%	
First National/Payroll	541,525.89	0.70%	
First National/Accounts Payable	108,635.84	0.69%	
First National/Accounts Receivable	68,564.99	0.69%	
Wells Fargo/Accounts Receivable	1,088,412.70	0.00%	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,882,138.80</b>		
<b>RAINBOW</b>			
County of San Diego/General Fund	376,584.87	0.01%	Operating
County of San Diego/Fire Mitigation Fund	16,169.86	0.01%	Mitigation
Petty Cash	500.00	0.00%	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>393,254.73</b>		

**NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
COST RECOVERY FY 2016/2017**

<u>Month</u>	<u>Billed</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>YTD % Collected</u>	<u>Billing Fees</u>	<u>Net Revenue</u>	<u>FY 15/16 Net Revenue</u>
7/31/2016	6,925.00	4,676.00	67.52%	935.20	3,740.80	4,877.13
8/30/2016	9,497.50	9,149.43	96.34%	1,829.89	7,319.54	7,592.08
9/30/2016	6,215.00	4,225.00	67.98%	845.00	3,380.00	3,060.00
10/31/2016	7,750.00	7,565.00	97.61%	1,513.00	6,052.00	6,328.47
11/30/2016	8,115.00	7,530.10	92.79%	1,506.02	6,024.08	1,616.00
12/31/2016	5,665.00	5,151.00	90.93%	1,030.20	4,120.80	8,474.40
1/31/2017	2,610.00	2,479.50	95.00%	495.90	1,983.60	5,840.00
2/28/2017	14,985.00	14,555.00	97.13%	2,911.00	11,644.00	5,802.69
3/31/2017						6,444.74
4/30/2017						7,562.00
5/31/2017						5,310.45
6/30/2017						6,474.10
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>61,762.50</b>	<b>55,331.03</b>	<b>89.59%</b>	<b>11,066.21</b>	<b>44,264.82</b>	<b>43,590.77</b>
					<b>Net Rev Increase</b>	<b>1.55%</b>

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For the Second Month Ending February 28, 2017

Account	District Administration			2016-2017		Amount Remaining	% Used
	February Actual	2016-2017 Actual	Annual Budget	2016-2017 Actual	Annual Budget		
00-101-0-5010-14-000	700.00	2,900.00	5,500.00			2,600.00	52.7%
00-101-0-5043-00-000	-	-	250.00			250.00	0.0%
00-101-0-5150-00-000	-	7,556.25	7,419.00			(137.25)	101.8%
00-101-0-5170-72-000	135.00	186.02	2,000.00			1,813.98	9.3%
00-101-0-5180-83-000	950.00	13,677.50	15,000.00			1,322.50	91.2%
00-101-0-5180-84-000	1,601.00	1,661.00	4,000.00			2,339.00	41.5%
00-101-0-5190-00-000	-	1,402.83	3,500.00			2,097.17	40.1%
00-101-0-5230-30-000	-	1,152.16	5,000.00			3,847.84	23.0%
00-101-0-5230-31-000	-	1,774.07	9,000.00			7,225.93	19.7%
00-101-0-5230-32-000	-	953.96	150.00			150.00	0.0%
00-101-0-5230-38-000	-	2,365.00	2,365.00			1,411.04	40.3%
00-101-0-5340-00-000	3,876.39	64,733.68	100,000.00			35,266.32	64.7%
00-101-0-5340-01-000	-	7,966.65	7,607.00			(359.65)	104.7%
<b>Total District Administration</b>	<b>7,262.39</b>	<b>103,964.12</b>	<b>161,791.00</b>			<b>57,826.88</b>	<b>64.3%</b>
<b>Administration</b>							
00-102-0-5010-01-003	13,284.62	111,610.54	172,700.00			61,089.46	64.6%
00-102-0-5010-01-004	11,718.46	80,466.51	151,887.00			71,420.49	53.0%
00-102-0-5010-01-005	6,714.00	53,696.82	87,135.00			33,438.18	61.6%
00-102-0-5010-01-006	-	6,579.98	9,322.00			2,742.02	70.6%
00-102-0-5010-01-007	10,837.28	84,635.71	140,843.00			56,207.29	60.1%
00-102-0-5010-01-025	3,816.12	18,197.47	37,207.00			19,009.53	48.9%
00-102-0-5010-06-000	449.79	5,669.82	13,167.00			7,497.18	43.1%
00-102-0-5010-16-000	37,019.93	131,946.46	465,244.00			333,297.54	28.4%
00-102-0-5020-00-000	12,490.95	33,826.18	92,644.00			58,817.82	36.5%
00-102-0-5020-00-001	-	2,303.04	3,610.00			1,306.96	63.8%
00-102-0-5020-00-102	-	199,255.00	206,561.00			7,306.00	96.5%
00-102-0-5020-00-103	10,067.80	15.00	15.00			-	100.0%
00-102-0-5030-40-000	665.76	116,854.34	149,837.00			32,982.66	78.0%
00-102-0-5030-45-000	17.81	5,138.77	8,765.00			3,626.23	58.6%
00-102-0-5050-00-000	9,569.60	70,971.81	4,200.00			862.88	79.5%
00-102-0-5100-42-000	16,658.42	348,325.15	88,500.00			17,528.19	80.2%
00-102-0-5100-43-000	-	4,466.94	500,000.00			151,674.85	69.7%
00-102-0-5130-66-000	7,654.85	40,386.68	60,000.00			533.06	89.3%
00-102-0-5140-01-000	-	3,000.00	3,000.00			19,613.32	67.3%
						-	100.0%

Account	February 2016-2017		2016-2017		Amount		% Used
	Actual	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining	Remaining		
00-102-0-5145-00-000	300.00	13,771.19	14,213.00	441.81	441.81	96.9%	
00-102-0-5150-00-000	359.00	2,528.41	4,200.00	1,671.59	1,671.59	60.2%	
00-102-0-5170-70-000	1,514.65	26,039.41	185,798.00	159,758.59	159,758.59	14.0%	
00-102-0-5170-71-000	-	198.20	1,000.00	801.80	801.80	19.8%	
00-102-0-5170-72-000	366.06	8,983.32	9,000.00	16.68	16.68	99.8%	
00-102-0-5170-73-000	-	2,119.87	4,500.00	2,380.13	2,380.13	47.1%	
00-102-0-5170-74-000	1.00	496.65	4,500.00	4,003.35	4,003.35	11.0%	
00-102-0-5180-81-000	1,200.00	6,000.00	12,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	48.0%	
00-102-0-5180-82-000	7,180.50	77,735.92	68,300.00	(9,435.92)	(9,435.92)	113.8%	
00-102-0-5180-83-000	15,651.73	72,614.99	124,000.00	51,385.01	51,385.01	58.6%	
00-102-0-5180-84-000	-	4,260.30	7,800.00	3,539.70	3,539.70	54.6%	
00-102-0-5180-85-000	-	28,886.20	28,500.00	(386.20)	(386.20)	101.4%	
00-102-0-5200-00-000	8,641.10	69,668.75	105,000.00	35,331.25	35,331.25	66.4%	
00-102-0-5221-01-000	-	-	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.0%	
00-102-0-5230-19-000	-	7,257.00	7,257.00	-	-	100.0%	
00-102-0-5230-30-000	-	-	3,640.00	3,640.00	3,640.00	0.0%	
00-102-0-5230-31-000	-	-	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.0%	
00-102-0-5230-37-000	744.58	14,275.52	33,580.00	19,304.48	19,304.48	42.5%	
00-102-0-5230-38-000	660.00	12,404.49	11,500.00	(904.49)	(904.49)	107.9%	
00-102-0-5230-39-000	-	3,840.00	7,000.00	3,160.00	3,160.00	54.9%	
00-102-0-5230-40-000	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.0%	
00-102-0-5230-49-000	-	2,831.70	4,965.00	2,133.30	2,133.30	57.0%	
00-102-0-5260-23-000	1,815.47	17,430.39	16,000.00	(1,430.39)	(1,430.39)	108.9%	
00-102-0-5260-24-000	1,122.91	6,432.84	8,500.00	2,067.16	2,067.16	75.7%	
00-102-0-5260-25-000	706.50	5,646.80	9,500.00	3,853.20	3,853.20	59.4%	
00-102-0-5260-26-000	2,837.07	17,158.20	30,000.00	12,841.80	12,841.80	57.2%	
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>184,065.96</b>	<b>1,721,263.49</b>	<b>2,924,390.00</b>	<b>1,203,126.51</b>	<b>1,203,126.51</b>	<b>58.9%</b>	
<b>Fire Prevention</b>							
00-103-0-5010-01-010	6,847.20	52,210.92	84,172.00	43,252.67	43,252.67	62.0%	
00-103-0-5010-01-022	5,958.89	87,102.25	153,223.00	76,563.83	76,563.83	56.8%	
00-103-0-5010-06-000	-	2,888.78	3,034.00	3,107.67	3,107.67	95.2%	
00-103-0-5010-07-000	-	161.28	3,034.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	5.3%	
00-103-0-5010-24-000	-	4,753.30	14,500.00	9,746.70	9,746.70	32.8%	
00-103-0-5020-00-000	1,552.84	22,726.05	29,770.00	7,043.95	7,043.95	76.3%	
00-103-0-5030-08-000	46.71	365.45	1,000.00	634.55	634.55	36.5%	
00-103-0-5030-40-000	3,639.84	37,041.72	55,047.00	18,005.28	18,005.28	67.3%	
00-103-0-5030-45-000	193.95	3,254.20	3,390.00	135.80	135.80	96.0%	
00-103-0-5050-00-000	-	756.24	2,100.00	1,343.76	1,343.76	36.0%	
00-103-0-5120-56-000	374.46	20,025.64	14,500.00	(5,525.64)	(5,525.64)	138.1%	
00-103-0-5150-00-000	130.00	3,888.65	3,200.00	(688.65)	(688.65)	121.5%	
00-103-0-5230-30-000	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.0%	
00-103-0-5230-31-000	30.06	4,608.24	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.0%	
00-103-0-5230-32-000	-	-	15,000.00	10,391.76	10,391.76	30.7%	
00-103-0-5230-34-000	-	129.57	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.0%	
00-103-0-5230-35-000	-	20.00	3,000.00	2,870.43	2,870.43	4.3%	
00-103-0-5230-36-000	-	2,636.08	6,500.00	1,480.00	1,480.00	1.3%	
00-103-0-5230-38-000	-	-	6,500.00	3,863.92	3,863.92	40.6%	
00-103-0-5230-38-001	-	-	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.0%	
<b>Total Fire Prevention</b>	<b>18,773.95</b>	<b>242,568.37</b>	<b>402,970.00</b>	<b>160,401.63</b>	<b>160,401.63</b>	<b>60.2%</b>	

Emergency Services									
00-104-0-5010-01-009	Division Chief, Operations	11,541.82	103,842.96	149,594.00	45,751.04	69.4%			
00-104-0-5010-01-010	Battalion Chiefs	29,069.69	227,897.82	369,609.00	141,711.18	61.7%			
00-104-0-5010-01-011	Captains/Captain Medics	112,833.99	895,197.09	1,503,756.00	608,558.91	59.5%			
00-104-0-5010-01-012	Engineers/Engineer Medics	107,217.79	847,177.97	1,348,140.00	500,962.03	62.8%			
00-104-0-5010-01-013	Firefighters/FF Medics	142,870.79	1,070,269.74	1,688,119.00	617,849.26	63.4%			
00-104-0-5010-01-014	SAFER 1	10,757.88	95,850.68	215,023.00	119,172.32	44.6%			
00-104-0-5010-01-015	SAFER 2	8,198.08	74,453.24	24,594.24	49,858.76	33.0%			
00-104-0-5010-02-000	FLSA 56 Hour Adjstmt.	10,515.39	199,250.23	255,171.00	55,920.77	78.1%			
00-104-0-5010-02-001	SAFER 1 FLSA	-	1,981.59	5,612.00	3,630.41	35.3%			
00-104-0-5010-03-000	Overtime Promotional Testing	-	512.40	4,387.00	3,874.60	11.7%			
00-104-0-5010-04-000	Association Leave	-	-	-	-	0.0%			
00-104-0-5010-05-000	Overtime/Ambulance Callback	91.36	1,298.10	3,287.00	1,988.90	39.5%			
00-104-0-5010-06-000	Lead Medic	276.80	3,118.80	7,008.00	3,889.20	0.0%			
00-104-0-5010-07-000	Overtime/Other	-	27,570.05	15,171.00	(12,399.05)	181.7%			
00-104-0-5010-08-000	Rainbow Coverage	-	-	-	-	0.0%			
00-104-0-5010-09-000	Overtime/Replacement	17,630.45	211,726.80	591,669.00	379,942.20	35.8%			
00-104-0-5010-09-001	Admin	715.88	4,586.21	20,228.00	15,641.79	22.7%			
00-104-0-5010-10-000	Overtime/Strike Team	3,456.60	316,632.02	-	(316,632.02)	-			
00-104-0-5010-11-000	WC- Industrial Injury	7,897.87	51,668.21	76,050.00	24,381.79	67.9%			
00-104-0-5010-15-000	Overtime/Fire Callback	-	1,670.61	1,011.00	(659.61)	165.2%			
00-104-0-5010-16-000	Holiday Time Adjustment	17,550.41	134,443.09	222,551.00	88,107.91	60.4%			
00-104-0-5010-16-001	SAFER 1 Holiday Time Adjustment	-	3,332.49	9,747.00	6,414.51	34.2%			
00-104-0-5010-17-000	Vacancy	5,172.72	84,387.23	-	(84,387.23)	-			
00-104-0-5020-00-000	Retirement	77,547.96	805,086.07	996,896.00	191,809.93	80.8%			
00-104-0-5020-00-001	PEPRA	-	39,780.04	81,228.00	41,447.96	49.0%			
00-104-0-5020-00-002	SAFER 1 Retirement	61.44	15,384.32	34,676.00	19,291.68	44.4%			
00-104-0-5020-00-102	SAFER 2 Retirement	847.20	3,240.33	14,559.00	11,318.67	22.3%			
00-104-0-5020-00-103	Classic UAL Safety	-	1,109,146.00	1,149,987.00	40,841.00	96.4%			
00-104-0-5030-40-000	PEPRA UAL Safety	-	46.00	47.00	1.00	97.9%			
00-104-0-5030-40-000	Flexible Plan Insurance	86,363.25	652,988.73	977,168.00	324,179.27	66.8%			
00-104-0-5030-41-000	SAFER 1 Flexible Plan Insurance	646.72	14,722.79	35,187.00	20,464.21	41.8%			
	SAFER 2 Flexible Plan Insurance	1,510.78	2,776.00	14,657.00	11,881.00	18.9%			



Account	February		2016-2017		2016-2017		Amount Remaining	% Used
	Actual		Actual	Annual Budget	Annual Budget			
00-104-0-5030-45-000	6,846.65		60,709.46	77,318.00	16,608.54	78.5%		
00-104-0-5030-46-000	-		1,549.11	3,288.00	1,738.89	47.1%		
00-104-0-5050-00-000	117.54		294.58	732.00				
00-104-0-5050-01-000	10,242.39		40,995.51	38,500.00	(2,495.51)	106.5%		
	5.58		5.58	2,100.00	2,094.42	0.3%		
	5.58		5.58	700.00	694.42	0.8%		
00-104-0-5080-00-000	-		302.16	1,500.00	1,197.84	20.1%		
00-104-0-5090-21-000	1,498.16		14,257.81	19,000.00	4,742.19	75.0%		
00-104-0-5100-44-000	-		66,513.68	73,000.00	6,486.32	91.1%		
00-104-0-5120-12-000	4,290.62		28,174.92	54,000.00	25,825.08	52.2%		
00-104-0-5125-00-000	-		7,745.28	13,500.00	5,754.72	57.4%		
00-104-0-5150-00-000	-		6,343.00	4,500.00	(1,843.00)	141.0%		
00-104-0-5221-00-000	10,206.23		17,990.95	55,000.00	37,009.05	32.7%		
00-104-0-5221-01-000	4,401.60		7,897.56	-	(7,897.56)	0.0%		
00-104-0-5223-00-000	-		200.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	10.0%		
00-104-0-5230-38-000	646.00		2,345.84	4,000.00	1,654.16	58.6%		
<b>Total Emergency Services</b>	<b>691,035.22</b>		<b>7,205,509.63</b>	<b>10,214,129.00</b>	<b>3,008,619.37</b>	<b>70.5%</b>		
<b>Emergency Med Services</b>								
00-105-0-5010-01-009	10,992.20		87,905.96	144,251.00	56,345.04	60.9%		
00-105-0-5010-06-000	-		999.20	8,034.00	7,034.80	12.4%		
00-105-0-5010-07-000	-		250.00	-	(250.00)	0.0%		
00-105-0-5020-00-000	10.42		20.84	28,026.00	28,005.16	0.1%		
00-105-0-5030-40-000	154.58		1,016.42	20,104.00	19,087.58	5.1%		
00-105-0-5030-45-000	158.05		316.10	2,074.00	1,757.90	15.2%		
00-105-0-5050-00-000	-		66,874.57	700.00	(66,174.57)	0.0%		
00-105-0-5140-00-000	-		314.25	114,000.00	47,125.43	58.7%		
00-105-0-5180-82-000	-		-	-	(-314.25)	0.0%		
00-105-0-5221-00-000	-		-	-	0.00	0.0%		
00-105-0-5230-32-000	-		1,425.60	1,500.00	74.40	95.0%		
00-105-0-5230-33-000	630.00		489.37	2,000.00	1,510.63	0.0%		
00-105-0-5230-34-000	-		2,966.00	10,000.00	7,034.00	29.7%		
00-105-0-5230-35-000	-		16,825.47	35,848.00	19,022.53	46.9%		
00-105-0-5230-36-000	-		7,473.60	2,800.00	(4,673.60)	0.0%		
00-105-0-5230-37-000	-		150.00	5,000.00	4,850.00	3.0%		
<b>Total Emergency Med Svcs</b>	<b>17,630.86</b>		<b>187,027.38</b>	<b>374,337.00</b>	<b>187,309.62</b>	<b>50.0%</b>		
<b>Reserves</b>								
00-106-0-5010-01-000	29,555.38		123,393.42	223,380.00	99,986.58	55.2%		
00-106-0-5010-01-014	-		68,453.63	111,690.00	43,236.37	61.3%		
00-106-0-5010-02-000	1,296.00		5,014.50	14,000.00	8,985.50	35.8%		
00-106-0-5010-02-001	-		9,644.25	7,000.00	(2,644.25)	137.8%		
00-106-0-5010-06-000	-		-	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.0%		
00-106-0-5010-09-000	-		1,236.00	-	(1,236.00)	0.0%		
00-106-0-5010-13-000	-		1,539.62	5,000.00	3,460.38	30.8%		

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Account	February		2016-2017		2016-2017		Amount Remaining	% Used
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Annual Budget	Annual Budget	Remaining		
00-106-0-5010-14-000	207.48		3,902.19	5,000.00		1,097.81	78.0%	
00-106-0-5010-15-000							0.0%	
00-106-0-5020-00-000	1,154.44		5,607.88	31,027.00		25,419.12	18.1%	
00-106-0-5020-00-001	2,273.93		6,045.89					
00-106-0-5020-00-002			4,149.97	14,904.00		10,754.03	27.8%	
00-106-0-5030-08-000	217.48		2,481.93	4,220.00		1,738.07	58.8%	
00-106-0-5030-08-001			2,707.45	2,100.00		(597.45)	128.3%	
00-106-0-5030-40-000	3,233.60		3,233.60	15,000.00		11,766.40	21.6%	
00-106-0-5030-45-000	457.53		2,099.17	3,176.83		1,076.83	66.1%	
00-106-0-5030-46-000			1,120.83	1,588.00		467.17	70.6%	
00-106-0-5050-00-000	1,571.90		5,009.01	11,100.00		6,090.99	45.1%	
00-106-0-5120-12-000			4,196.43	2,000.00		(2,196.43)	209.8%	
00-106-0-5180-82-000	1,200.00		2,243.99	5,600.00		3,356.01	40.1%	
00-106-0-5230-38-000	1,000.00		1,000.00	500.00		(500.00)	200.0%	
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>41,167.74</b>		<b>253,079.76</b>	<b>482,295.00</b>		<b>235,261.13</b>	<b>52.5%</b>	

**Communications**

00-107-0-5010-06-000								
00-107-0-5060-26-000	248.34		1,409.90	2,011.00		601.10	70.1%	
00-107-0-5060-27-000				300.00		300.00	0.0%	
00-107-0-5060-29-000	3,532.31		41,413.71	71,270.00		29,856.29	58.1%	
00-107-0-5060-30-000			370.95	12,000.00		11,629.05	3.1%	
00-107-0-5120-52-000				15,500.00		15,500.00	0.0%	
00-107-0-5120-54-000			10,779.59	25,600.00		14,820.41	42.1%	
00-107-0-5120-56-000	398.79		732.79	1,500.00		767.21	48.9%	
00-107-0-5120-69-000				500.00		500.00	0.0%	
00-107-0-5150-00-000	2,608.00		18,321.00	37,500.00		19,179.00	48.9%	
00-107-0-5180-00-000	117.00		936.00	1,000.00		64.00	93.6%	
00-107-0-5230-31-000			187,579.77	289,567.00		101,987.23	64.8%	
00-107-0-5230-38-000				500.00		500.00	0.0%	
<b>Total Communications</b>	<b>6,904.44</b>		<b>261,543.71</b>	<b>457,248.00</b>		<b>195,704.29</b>	<b>57.2%</b>	

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Account	Shop/Maintenance	February		2016-2017		2016-2017		Amount Remaining	% Used
		Actual		Actual	Annual Budget	Annual Budget			
00-108-0-5010-01-018	Mechanic III	6,834.90		54,663.78	88,801.00	88,801.00	34,137.22	61.6%	
00-108-0-5010-01-029	Mechanic II	5,264.16		40,306.56	66,455.00	66,455.00	26,148.44	60.7%	
00-108-0-5010-06-000	Overtime/Admin			224.27	4,046.00	4,046.00	3,821.73	5.5%	
00-108-0-5020-00-000	Retirement	1,220.98		9,127.20	11,125.00	11,125.00	1,997.80	82.0%	
00-108-0-5020-00-001	PEPRA Retirement	-		2,258.92	4,605.00	4,605.00	2,346.08	49.1%	
00-108-0-5030-40-000	Flexible Plan Insurance	1,204.84		13,088.10	22,949.00	22,949.00	9,860.90	57.0%	
00-108-0-5030-45-000	Medicare Tax	172.84		1,158.17	1,416.00	1,416.00	257.83	81.8%	
00-108-0-5050-00-000	Uniforms				800.00	800.00	800.00	0.0%	
00-108-0-5090-22-000	Laundry/Linen Supplies				3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00	0.0%	
00-108-0-5090-53-000	Hazard Disposal & Permits	723.00		5,073.36	8,600.00	8,600.00	3,526.64	59.0%	
00-108-0-5120-52-000	Parts & Accessories	6,284.07		61,768.45	92,000.00	92,000.00	30,231.55	67.1%	
00-108-0-5120-53-000	Fuel	11,714.55		71,777.16	120,000.00	120,000.00	48,222.84	59.8%	
00-108-0-5120-54-000	Oils & Lubricants	257.51		5,349.38	7,000.00	7,000.00	1,650.62	76.4%	
00-108-0-5120-59-000	Sublet Repairs	27.00		10,015.39	24,000.00	24,000.00	13,984.61	41.7%	
00-108-0-5150-00-000	Memberships/Subscriptions	-		147.00	80.00	80.00	(67.00)	183.8%	
00-108-0-5180-52-000	Fleet Maint Software				3,235.00	3,235.00	3,235.00	0.0%	
00-108-0-5220-06-000	Small Tools/Minor Equipment	513.28		1,787.58	4,100.00	4,100.00	2,312.42	43.6%	
00-108-0-5230-38-000	Professional Development	-		2,650.72	3,600.00	3,600.00	949.28	73.6%	
	<b>Total Shop/Maintenance</b>	<b>34,217.13</b>		<b>279,396.04</b>	<b>466,212.00</b>	<b>466,212.00</b>	<b>186,815.96</b>	<b>59.9%</b>	
	<b>Training</b>								
00-109-0-5010-07-000	Overtime/Training	292.90		17,876.32	42,479.00	42,479.00	24,602.68	42.1%	
00-109-0-5150-00-000	Memberships/Subscriptions				500.00	500.00	500.00	0.0%	
00-109-0-5230-20-000	Training Materials	558.85		2,437.38	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,562.62	24.4%	
00-109-0-5230-38-000	Professional Development	6,065.70		34,336.15	41,000.00	41,000.00	6,663.85	83.7%	
00-109-0-5230-39-000	Formal Education	3,754.25		16,853.25	50,000.00	50,000.00	33,146.75	33.7%	
	<b>Total Training</b>	<b>10,671.70</b>		<b>71,503.10</b>	<b>143,979.00</b>	<b>143,979.00</b>	<b>72,475.90</b>	<b>49.7%</b>	
	<b>General Fund Reserve</b>								
00-120-0-5400-00-000	Contingency Fund				175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	0%	
00-120-0-5400-02-000	Transfer to Vehicle Reserve				-	-	-	0%	
00-120-0-5400-03-000	Transfer to Facilities Reserve				-	-	-	0%	
00-120-0-5400-05-000	Equip Reserve - Defib Replacement				-	-	-	0%	
00-120-0-5400-07-000	Transfer to Equip Reserve - MDC				-	-	-	0%	
	<b>Total General Fund Reserve</b>				<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>	



Account Number	Description	Amount	Percentage
<b>Capital Expense</b>			
00-200-0-5500-03-000	Building Repairs	-	0%
00-200-0-5500-04-000	Personal Protective Equip	-	0%
00-200-0-5500-05-000	EMS Equipment	29,839.00	99%
00-200-0-5500-08-000	Communication Equipment	85,000.00	0%
00-200-0-5500-55-000	Station 5 Loan	-	0%
00-200-0-5500-55-001	Station 5 Loan Payment #1	182,739.00	50%
00-200-0-5500-55-002	Station 5 Loan Payment #2	235,674.00	101%
00-200-0-5500-59-000	Station 4 Project	250,000.00	0%
00-200-0-5500-56-000	E/CAA/Solar Loan	12,575.00	50%
00-200-0-5500-56-001	E/CAA/Solar Loan Payment	35,729.00	46%
00-200-0-5500-57-000	Hwy 76 Traffic Controllers	2,000.00	0%
00-200-0-5500-58-000	Apparatus Loan	45,662.00	0%
00-200-0-5500-58-001	Emergency Vehicles	556,000.00	11%
	<b>Total Capital Equipment</b>	<b>1,435,218.00</b>	<b>31%</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,769,418.05</b>	<b>62.5%</b>

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Account	February 2016-2017		2016-2017		Amount Remaining	% Used
	Actual	Actual	Annual Budget	Annual Budget		
<b>Rainbow General Fund</b>						
11-000-0-5010-09-000		1,890.01	20,600.00	18,709.99	0%	
11-000-0-5050-00-000	5,900.35	5,900.35	-	(5,900.35)	0%	
11-000-0-5060-27-000	-	-	300.00	300.00	0%	
11-000-0-5080-00-000		692.21	4,000.00	3,307.79	17%	
11-000-0-5100-42-000		758.00	15,200.00	14,442.00	5%	
11-000-0-5100-44-000		26,800.00	27,300.00	500.00	98%	
11-000-0-5120-52-000		4,247.44	13,000.00	8,752.56	33%	
11-000-0-5120-54-000	886.35	4,804.71	10,000.00	5,195.29	48%	
11-000-0-5120-69-000	609.50	4,266.50	8,000.00	3,733.50	53%	
11-000-0-5130-00-000	1,309.60	5,453.73	7,500.00	2,046.27	73%	
11-000-0-5170-72-000		397.17	1,500.00	1,102.83	26%	
11-000-0-5180-91-000		145.43	1,000.00	1,000.00	0%	
11-000-0-5220-00-000		53.90	4,000.00	3,854.57	4%	
11-000-0-5221-00-000	-	-	-	(53.90)	0%	
11-000-0-5230-30-000		129.60	4,500.00	4,370.40	3%	
11-000-0-5230-37-000	5,425.15	17,982.70	12,000.00	(5,982.70)	150%	
11-000-0-5240-38-000		40.00	-	(40.00)	0%	
11-000-0-5260-23-000	272.12	1,101.24	1,800.00	698.76	61%	
11-000-0-5260-26-000	332.68	1,467.47	3,500.00	2,032.53	42%	
11-000-0-5270-00-000	2,083.33	14,583.31	25,000.00	10,416.69	58%	
11-000-0-5340-00-000	28.09	260.65	3,000.00	2,739.35	9%	
11-000-0-5400-00-000			10,000.00	10,000.00	0%	
<b>Total Rainbow General Fund</b>	<b>16,847.17</b>	<b>90,974.42</b>	<b>172,200.00</b>	<b>81,225.58</b>	<b>53%</b>	

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Account	2016-2017		Annual Budget	Amount Remaining	% Used
	February Actual	2016-2017 Actual			
<b>Rainbow Capital Fund</b>					
11-200-0-5370-00-386		88.00	6,000.00	5,912.00	1%
11-200-0-5370-00-387		2,974.79	5,000.00	2,025.21	59%
11-200-0-5420-00-000			38,800.00	38,800.00	0%
11-200-0-5500-02-000	191.42	8,264.65	10,000.00	1,735.35	83%
11-200-0-5500-03-000			3,000.00	3,000.00	0%
11-200-0-5500-04-000		146.37	15,000.00	14,853.63	1%
11-200-0-5500-06-000	0.00	1416.30	3,000.00	1,583.70	47%
<b>Total Rainbow Capital Fund</b>	<b>191.42</b>	<b>12,890.11</b>	<b>80,800.00</b>	<b>67,909.89</b>	<b>16%</b>



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2/1/2017	15356	AAIR PURIFICATIONS SYSTEMS	Replace fuse	\$191.16
2/1/2017	000103674580	Arch Health Partners	Cardio physical - Castellano	\$300.00
2/1/2017	000103622129	Arch Health Partners	Cardio physical - Dye	\$300.00
2/1/2017	000103667210	Arch Health Partners	Cardio physical - Pena	\$300.00
2/1/2017	000103667225	Arch Health Partners	Cardio physical - Jacobo	\$300.00
2/1/2017	000103667754	Arch Health Partners	Cardio physical - Tusa	\$300.00
2/1/2017	07A0030602940	READY FRESH	12/21/16-1/20/17	\$7.53
2/1/2017	07A0030618029	READY FRESH	12/21/16-1/20/17	\$201.41
2/1/2017	07A9901381948	READY FRESH	12/21/16-1/20/17	\$36.62
2/1/2017	28678835	Arrow Pipeline Repair, Inc.	Kitchen sink/shower drain	\$135.00
2/1/2017	12/9/16-1/8/17	AT&T	12/9/16-1/8/17	\$146.83
2/1/2017	018172	BIOMEDIX, INC.	Medical supplies	\$1,198.12
2/1/2017	018162	BIOMEDIX, INC.	Medical supplies	\$754.62
2/1/2017	12-4702	Across the Street Productions	Annual support 2/17-2/18	\$3,251.20
2/1/2017	14932	BP Battery	2/0 Terminal/POS Terminal	\$15.60
2/1/2017	15329	BP Battery	Core Chg/Deka 665-MF	\$159.56
2/1/2017	161503	City of Oceanside	IT support 02/2017	\$7,096.17
2/1/2017	61936157	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CENTERS OF CA	Valderrama/Krainock	\$903.35
2/1/2017	INV74819	L.N. CURTIS & SONS	Reaxtion Jacket	\$2,266.21
2/1/2017	STMT 01/2017	D.F. Cleaning Service	Admin janitorial 1/2017	\$400.00
2/1/2017	FDAC0217-NCTY	Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc.	Dental/Vision/Life 02/2017	\$9,251.11
2/1/2017	INV77760	Ensemble Care For Heroes	Cleaning of PPE	\$711.15
2/1/2017	24928	FALLBROOK AWARDS	(5) Signage	\$135.00
2/1/2017	69	FALLBROOK CAR WASH	(2) car wash	\$27.00

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2/1/2017	STMT 1/15/17	FALLBROOK OIL COMPANY	Fuel 01/01/17-1/15/17	\$3,548.99
2/1/2017	0000092	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	Hydrant repair	\$374.46
2/1/2017	12/22/16-1/23/17	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	12/22/16-1/23/17	\$89.22
2/1/2017	12/22/16-1/23/17-2	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	12/22/16-1/23/17	\$456.15
2/1/2017	98231	FIRE, ETC.	Wildland tactical boots	\$1,315.63
2/1/2017	119988	Global CTI	Gloabl shield support	\$134.48
2/1/2017	STMT 02/2017	Harry J. Wilson Insurance Center	LTD 2/1/17-2/28/17	\$1,020.00
2/1/2017	155882	HI-TECH E.V.S. INC.	K980 Inlet Flapper Repair kit	\$857.29
2/1/2017	STMT 1/31/17	KEN GRODY FORD CARLSBAD	Pump/Hose/Cleaner Asy	\$675.62
2/1/2017	9304643649	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC.	Sheet metal/Brk/Tbe Insrt	\$513.28
2/1/2017	55674180	Linde Gas North America LLC	Oxygen refill	\$92.21
2/1/2017	55674179	Linde Gas North America LLC	Oxygen refill	\$194.74
2/1/2017	55674181	Linde Gas North America LLC	Oxygen refill	\$85.10
2/1/2017	HUM1020	BRIAN MACMILLAN	HUM1020 Critical thinking	\$769.50
2/1/2017	MATH 1010	GREG MANN	Math 1010	\$769.50
2/1/2017	IN1083142	MES California	Nomex Twill Navy	\$3,890.40
2/1/2017	STMT 1/31/17	PINE TREE LUMBER	Trng materials/FF supplies	\$486.44
2/1/2017	1772	Quality Gate Company	Circuit Board	\$635.00
2/1/2017	1760	Quality Gate Company	Sta 1 gate repair	\$125.00
2/1/2017	12/12/16-1/12/17	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	12/12/16-1/12/17	\$202.63
2/1/2017	12/12/16-1/12/17-RNB	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	12/12/16-1/12/17	\$120.80
2/1/2017	12/12/16-1/12/17-RB	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	12/12/16-1/12/17	\$15.00
2/1/2017	12/18/16-1/24/17	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	12/18/16-1/24/17	\$414.65
2/1/2017	26043	Richardson Technologies	Scheduled MX Sta 2	\$99.00

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2/1/2017	26042	Richardson Technologies	Scheduled MX Sta 4	\$99.00
2/1/2017	26044	Richardson Technologies	Scheduled MX Scout Hut	\$99.00
2/1/2017	26045	Richardson Technologies	Scheduled MX Sta 1	\$149.00
2/1/2017	26046	Richardson Technologies	Scheduled MX Admin	\$129.00
2/1/2017	1926591	Santander Leasing, LLC	Amb pymt #1	\$40,105.86
2/1/2017	12/19/16-1/19/17	SDG&E	12/19/16-1/19/17	\$197.91
2/1/2017	12/22/16-1/24/17	SDG&E	12/22/16-1/24/17	\$200.23
2/1/2017	12/22/16-1/24/17	SDG&E	12/22/16-1/24/17	\$213.87
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$146.50
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$115.48
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$443.47
2/1/2017	12/19/16-1/19/17	SDG&E	12/19/16-1/19/17	\$84.60
2/1/2017	12/20/16-1/20/17	SDG&E	12/20/16-1/20/17	\$50.94
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$27.47
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$12.00
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$364.65
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$14.53
2/1/2017	12/21/16-1/23/17	SDG&E	12/21/16-1/23/17	\$20.83
2/1/2017	2/2/17-3/1/17	TIME WARNER CABLE	2/2/17-3/1/17	\$654.72
2/1/2017	96451	UNIVERSAL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	Printer Cartridges Finance	\$98.20
2/1/2017	9779003617	VERIZON WIRELESS	12/21/16-1/20/17	\$1.76
2/1/2017	9779211971	VERIZON WIRELESS	12/24/16-1/23/17	\$738.79
2/1/2017	9779003616	VERIZON WIRELESS	12/21/16-1/20/17	\$475.66
2/1/2017	7801	World Landscape	Admin landscaping 1/2017	\$200.00

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2/17/2017	PR AP 2/17/17	FALLBROOK FIREFIGHTERS' ASSN	PR AP 2/17/17	\$2,394.27
2/17/2017	PR AP 2/17/17-RESV	FALLBROOK FIREFIGHTERS' ASSN	PR AP 2/17/17	\$11.70
2/17/2017	PR AP 2/17/17	FIREFIGHTERS LEG. ACTION GRP	PR AP 2/17/17	\$108.00
2/17/2017	PR AP 2/17/17	NORTH COUNTY FIRE RESERVES	PR AP 2/17/17	\$23.40
2/17/2017	PR AP 2/17/17	LINCOLN NATIONAL	PR AP 2/17/17	\$3,021.86
2/28/2017	01770-1976-RI-2016	CO OF SD -AIR POLLUTION CONTROL	APCD Renewal Sta. 1	\$723.00
2/1/2017	17NOCFPDN07	COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO - RCS	Fire radios January 2017	\$3,217.50
2/1/2017	67818223081	HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	Kitchen supplies	\$979.02
2/1/2017	335975	Cully Repair	Chain sharpen	\$160.50
2/9/2017	5020	DDL Traffic Inc.	Opticom Phase Selector	\$4,401.60
2/2/2017	30576590129	DIRECTV	2/1/17-2/28/17	\$138.98
2/9/2017	FDAC0317-NCTY	Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc.	Dental/Vision/Life 03/2017	\$9,407.24
2/2/2017	STMT 02/02/17	Fallbrook Alarm	Feb-April 2017	\$191.00
2/2/2017	83603	FALLBROOK PROPANE GAS CO.	Sta 3 propane	\$688.50
2/20/2017	1/6/17-2/6/17	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	1/6/17-2/6/17	\$197.34
2/20/2017	1/6/17-2/6/17 STA 2	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	1/6/17-2/6/17	\$154.27
2/12/2017	1206672204	Citrix Systems, Inc	GoTo Meeting 2/12/17-3/11/17	\$117.00
2/13/2017	17-36	IAFC	Mahr - IAFC Academy	\$1,485.00
2/9/2017	INV00929574	KNOX COMPANY	Front Cover Board Assm	\$207.79
2/1/2017	9304688224	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC.	Tru-Crimp	\$258.07
2/3/2017	779797	LIFE-ASSIST, INC	Medical supplies	\$3,360.82
2/2/2017	1231783	MYERS-STEVENS & CO. INC.	LTD 03/2017	\$566.50
2/10/2017	40511	Premier Fitness Service	Bi-annual mx Sta 1	\$95.00
2/10/2017	40487	Premier Fitness Service	Bi-annual mx Sta 2	\$95.00



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2/10/2017	40489	Premier Fitness Service	Bi-annual mx Sta 4	\$95.00
2/10/2017	40490	Premier Fitness Service	Bi-annual mx Sta 5	\$95.00
2/1/2017	452003	Public Safety Source	Motorola faceplate	\$334.00
2/3/2017	1849	Quality Gate Company	Sta 1 gate repair	\$620.45
2/3/2017	234	RIDEOUT ELECTRIC	RNBW Fire and Shop	\$849.60
2/1/2017	ANNUAL TRAIN SYM	FRED SCHOENHEIT	Annual Training Symp - Schoen	\$646.00
2/13/2017	STMT OF FACTS	Secretary of State	Record request	\$1.00
2/1/2017	STEVEN MAROVICH	County of San Diego EMS Certification Services	Marovich - Medic renew 17-19	\$17.00
2/1/2017	DANNY DELGADO	County of San Diego EMS Certification Services	Delgado Medic renew 17-19	\$54.00
2/1/2017	BRANDON LUCORE	County of San Diego EMS Certification Services	Lucore Medic renew 17-19	\$54.00
2/1/2017	KEVIN MAHR	County of San Diego EMS Certification Services	Mahr Medic renew 17-19	\$17.00
2/16/2017	GARY NELSON	County of San Diego EMS Certification Services	Nelson EMT renew 17-19	\$54.00
2/2/2017	2101218M	STRYKER MEDICAL	Retrofit kit	\$655.73
2/6/2017	2103579M	STRYKER MEDICAL	Stair chair	\$3,065.27
2/6/2017	33010 - REPRINT	THE COUNSELING TEAM	Employee support srvs 01/17	\$660.00
2/1/2017	T19 5/17-4/18	THOMSON REITERS/BARCLAYS	T19 05/01/17-4/30/18	\$130.00
2/10/2017	2/20/17-3/19/17	TIME WARNER CABLE	02/20/17-3/19/17	\$149.95
2/1/2017	9089 - REPRINT	Ultra Graphix	PT clothes	\$3,744.90
2/1/2017	9779524399 - REDO	VERIZON WIRELESS	01/02/17-02/01/17	\$77.30
2/13/2017	1701099 - REDO	Wittman Enterprises, LLC	Amb billing 01/2017	\$9,569.60
2/6/2017	25668 - REPRINT	Work Partners OHS	Respirator exam	\$115.00
2/1/2017	087949335 - REDO	XEROX - PASADENA	12/21/16-1/21/17	\$685.65
2/1/2017	087949336 - REDO	XEROX - PASADENA	12/21/16-1/21/17	\$354.83
2/1/2017	44109	Uniform Plus	Uniform - Marovich	\$17.81

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2/1/2017	00965980	Controlled Motion Solutions, Inc.	Assy/Ball valve/Hose barb	\$290.30
2/1/2017	DYE - FFII	STATE FIRE TRAINING	Dye - FFII	\$40.00
2/1/2017	LEWIS - FFII	STATE FIRE TRAINING	Lewis - FFII	\$40.00
2/23/2017	ENG I	Erik Alter-Reitz	Eng I	\$769.50
2/8/2017	1/9/17-2/8/17	AT&T U-VERSE	1/9/17-2/8/17	\$156.12
2/6/2017	LIFE MEANING AND VOC	AUGUST, PETER	Life, Meaning and Vocation	\$769.50
2/21/2017	HUM1000	Collin Baker	HUM1000	\$676.25
2/14/2017	SOP195383	BAY CITY ELECTRIC WORKS INC.	Pressure switch	\$301.62
2/16/2017	I282158	BESTWAY LAUNDRY SOLUTIONS	Sta 4 Extractor repair	\$610.33
2/16/2017	162886	City of Oceanside	IT support 03/2017	\$7,096.17
2/5/2017	58827351	HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	Burr Grinder	\$96.96
2/5/2017	GIRD TRAINING BURN	CO OF SD - AIR POLLUTION CONTROL	App for Training Burn	\$331.00
2/13/2017	INV81707	Ensemble Care For Heroes	PPE Cleaning	\$719.45
2/15/2017	STMT 2/15/17	FALLBROOK OIL COMPANY	Fuel 2/1/17-2/14/17	\$4,298.20
2/23/2017	1/24/17-2/23/17	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	1/24/17-2/23/17	\$434.87
2/23/2017	1/27/17-2/23/17-315	FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTR	1/24/17-2/23/17	\$84.22
2/15/2017	120520	Global CTI	Global Shield Support	\$134.48
2/23/2017	INV84021	L.N. CURTIS & SONS	Reaxtion jacket/pant	\$4,951.87
2/21/2017	MTH1010	KEITH MCREYNOLDS	MTH1010	\$769.50
2/15/2017	IN1106198	MES California	MPD, CMC Rescue	\$3,396.39
2/3/2017	1897	Quality Gate Company	Sta. 1 gate repair	\$688.00
2/13/2017	01/13/17-02/13/17	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	1/13/17-2/13/17	\$14.85
2/13/2017	1/13/17-2/13/17	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	1/13/17-2/13/17	\$121.47
2/13/2017	1/13/17-2/13/17-4157	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	1/13/17-2/13/17	\$212.65

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2/22/2017	1/25/17-2/21/17	RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	1/25/17-2/21/17	\$423.96
2/22/2017	MEDIC SCHOOL	CRISTO RAMIREZ	Completion of Medic School	\$1,000.00
2/22/2017	07B0030602940	READY FRESH	01/21/17-02/20/17	\$7.53
2/22/2017	07B0030618029	READY FRESH	01/21/17-2/20/17	\$235.71
2/22/2017	07B9901381948	READY FRESH	01/21/17-02/20/17	\$36.62
2/24/2017	4559	SCOTT'S ULTRA CLEAN	Sta. 2 carpet cleaning	\$160.00
2/8/2017	1/19/17-2/20/17-122	SDG&E	01/19/17-02/20/17	\$88.18
2/22/2017	1/19/17-2/20/17-390	SDG&E	01/19/17-02/20/17	\$326.23
2/23/2017	1/20/17-2/21/17-871	SDG&E	1/20/17-2/21/17	\$6.90
2/23/2017	1/23/17-2/22/17-657	SDG&E	01/23/17-02/22/17	\$27.59
2/22/2017	3/2/17-4/1/17	TIME WARNER CABLE	3/2/17-4/1/17	\$654.72
2/15/2017	69155	UNIFORM SPECIALIST/ACE UNIFORMS	Crilly - jacket	\$128.82
2/20/2017	9780677880	VERIZON WIRELESS	01/21/17-2/20/17	\$1.76
2/1/2017	VES5292	Vehicle Electrical Supply	Delco starter motor	\$426.58
2/21/2017	7831	World Landscape	Admin landscaping 02/17	\$200.00
2/24/2017	01/23/17-2/22/17-550	SDG&E	01/23/17-2/22/17	\$12.00



**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
FIRE CHIEF/CEO**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** STEPHEN ABBOTT FIRE CHIEF/CEO  
**DATE:** March 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** STANDING ITEM: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** DFM KOCH AND CHIEF ABBOTT  
**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** FIRE MITIGATION FEE PROGRAM (FMF)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

To approve Resolution 2017-04 as submitted.

**BACKGROUND:**

San Diego County has established a Fire Mitigation Fee Program wherein fire departments receive Developer Impact Fees for new construction to compensate fire agencies for new infrastructure needs resulting from new development. In order to continue participation in this Program, by April 16<sup>th</sup> of each year, the District must annually adopt a resolution making the required annual findings.

**DISCUSSION:**

The proposed Resolution 2017-04 is enclosed for your review. It is our standard annual Resolution with the exception of the dates. It establishes collection of 100% of the ceiling amount set by the County of San Diego. It also specifies the recording requirements and how the Mitigation Fees can be expended. Mitigation Fees are established using a formula contained in the County ordinances. The County's Fire Mitigation Fee Committee will be meeting October of this year to discuss rates, which were increased last year to \$0.56 psf.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

The estimated Fire Mitigation Revenue for NCFPD FY 2016/2017 is \$175,000 with an additional \$1,000 estimated for the Rainbow Volunteer Fire Division. This is consistent with the current outlook and is based upon the anticipated building rate, pursuant to the County of San Diego Economic Roundtable projections.

**SUMMARY:**

Adoption of this Resolution is a standard and required practice to participate in the FMF Program. Later in the year, Staff will forward a Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan as a secondary component to Program participation.

# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



## RESOLUTION 2017-04

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, MAKING THE ANNUAL REQUIRED FINDINGS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE MITIGATION FEE ORDINANCE FY 2017/2018

**WHEREAS**, the North County Fire Protection District is anticipating that further new development will occur within the District which will cause the further need for the expansion of existing fire protection facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the North County Fire Protection District is currently participating in the San Diego County Fire Mitigation Fee Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Diego has established fee ceilings for types of constructions by Chapter 3 of Division 10 of Title 8, (commencing with Section 810.301) of the San Diego County Codes; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Diego has amended Chapter 3, Division 10 of Title 8 of the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances relating to fire mitigation fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the North County Fire Protection District intends hereby to comply with said amendments to continue to participate in the Fire Mitigation Fee Program.

#### IT IS HEREBY FOUND THAT:

- A. The North County Fire Protection District does not have existing facilities which could be used to provide an adequate level of service to new development within the District's boundaries; and
- B. The North County Fire Protection District does not have sufficient funds available to construct additional facilities from fund balances, capital facility funds, property tax sources or any other appropriate sources; and
- C. The lack of fire protection facilities and equipment to serve new development would create a situation perilous to the public health and safety if Fire Mitigation Fees are not levied within the District; and
- D. The Annexation Fees and Plan Check Fees charged by the North County Fire Protection District do not include a payment towards costs of capital facility and equipment expansion as a component of the fee.

#### T IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. The North County Fire Protection District requests the County of San Diego to collect 100% of the ceiling amount of the Fire Mitigation Fee on the District's behalf from applicants for building permits or other permits for development.



# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



## RESOLUTION 2017-04

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2. Mitigation fees paid under this Program will be used to expand the availability of capital facilities and equipment to serve new development.
3. The District shall place all funds received by the County under this Program and all interest subsequently accrued by the District on these funds, in a separate budget accounting category to be known as the "San Diego County Fire Mitigation Fee."
4. The District shall expend funds from said "San Diego County Fire Mitigation Fee" budget accounting category only for the purposes of providing capital facilities and equipment to serve new development.
5. The District shall submit a Fire Mitigation Fee Annual Report to the County of San Diego no later than August 29<sup>th</sup> of each year to the Administrator of the Mitigation Fee Program. Said report shall include, but not limited to, the balance in the account at the end of the previous fiscal year, the fee of revenue received, the amount and type of expenditures made and the ending balance in the fund. The report shall further specify the actions the District plans to take to alleviate the facility in equipment needs caused by new development in a Multi-year Facilities and Equipment Plan adopted at a noticed public hearing. The District shall make available, upon request by the Administrator, a copy of its annual audit report.
6. The District shall make its records available to the public on request, which justify the basis for the fee amount.
7. The District shall hold San Diego County harmless for any errors made by the County in collecting and/or transmitting these fees to the District.
8. The District shall make findings, with respect to any portion of the fee remaining unexpended or uncommitted in its account five (5) or more years after deposit of the fee, to identify the purpose to which the fee is to be put and to demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the fee and the purpose for which it was charged. The agency shall refund to the then current record owner or owners of the development project or projects on a prorated basis, the unexpended or uncommitted portion of the fee and any interest accrued thereon, for which need cannot be demonstrated.
9. The Board of Directors of the District shall send a certified copy of the Resolution to the Clerk. The Clerk shall immediately transmit a copy of the resolution to the Director and Administrator. Within thirty days from the date of receipt of the resolution by the Clerk, the provisions of this chapter shall be applicable to all building permits and other permits issued for new construction.



# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



## RESOLUTION 2017-04

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10. By April 16<sup>th</sup> of each year following the year of original adoption of this District's Resolution, pursuant to this section, the District shall submit a copy of a new resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the District, making the required findings and setting the percentage of the Fire Mitigation Fee ceiling requested by the District. This percentage may be revised by resolution, up to the ceiling amount. This revision shall be effective the following July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED** by the Board of Directors, North County Fire Protection District, County of San Diego, State of California, on this **28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017**, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**RECUSED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kenneth Munson, Board President

**ATTEST:**

I **HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District thereof held on the **28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017**, and that the same now appears on record in the Board Secretary's office.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and affixed by official seal this **28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017**.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Loren Stephen-Porter, Board Secretary

Official Seal

**FIRE MITIGATION FEES (per square foot)**

**Effective on 7/1/2017**

<b>FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Construction Fire Fee</b>	<b>Agricultural</b>	<b>Agricultural - w/Sprinklers</b>	<b>Poultry/ Greenhouse</b>
Alpine FPD	1/31/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Bonita-Sunnyside FPD	7/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Borrego Springs FPD	7/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
County Service Areas (CSA) Pepper Drive (#115) CSA #135	NO FEE 6/23/2010	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Deer Springs FPD	1/17/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Julian-Cuyamaca FPD	1/17/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Lakeside FPD	2/25/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Lower Sweetwater FPD	NO FEE				
Mootamai MWD	7/1/1987	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
North County FPD	7/1/1987	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Pauma MWD	7/1/1992	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Pine Valley FPD	7/11/1990	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Ramona MWD	7/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Rancho Santa Fe FPD	4/7/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Rincon Del Diablo MWD	3/3/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
San Marcos FPD	8/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
San Miguel FPD	7/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Valley Center FPD	3/7/1986	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Vista FPD	7/1/2011	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Yuima MWD	7/1/1987	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01

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# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** DIVISION CHIEF MAHR AND FLEET SUPERVISOR NIETO  
**DATE:** MARCH, 28 2017  
**SUBJECT:** SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES

### **ACTION AGENDA**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is the recommendation of Staff that the Board of Directors approve the sale of six District owned vehicles that have been deemed surplus.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On occasion and usually after the purchase of new vehicles, the District will evaluate the reserve fleet of vehicles and determine if any unused and or older vehicles should be sold as surplus, primarily due to them no longer having the ability to meet the District's Mission. In most cases, these vehicles will be sent to the San Diego County auction or other approved auction.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The assessment described above was recently conducted by NCF Fleet Services personnel and it was determined that two 1990 General Fire Engines, one 2008 IHC Model 34 (salvaged title), 2-Crown Victoria's (1999/2000) and one 1996 Suburban owned by the Rainbow Division should be sold as they are no longer serviceable within the District. In accordance with NCF Policy Section 217.04 and these vehicles having an anticipated value of greater than \$1,000.00, the Board must give their approval prior to the vehicles being released for sale. The Rainbow Advisory Board has given the approval for the sale of their one vehicle included in this list.

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

It is anticipated that these vehicle will have a combined value of approximately \$17,000.00.

#### **SUMMARY:**

By the approval of this request, the District would remove and dispose of these surplus vehicles from the fleet via an approved method.



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**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
FIRE CHIEF/CEO**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** CHIEF ABBOTT  
**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** STRATEGIC DIRECTION DISCUSSION

## **DISCUSSION AGENDA**

### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2003, the District engaged a consultant to develop a Strategic Plan, which included a number of action steps. Approximately ten years later, the District had largely accomplished most of the achievable items, so the Board convened a special meeting to discuss the future strategic direction for the District. Following five years of economic downturn, the goal of the discussion was to identify “strategic priorities” for the District going forward, especially as revenue and the budget situation improved. Each year the Board reviews and modifies those strategic initiatives; *below is a much abbreviated and updated synopsis of each:*

1. **FACILITIES:** It is estimated that the District has facilities needs exceeding \$25 million and considering rising construction costs, it is likely the District will only be able to handle debt service on one additional facility prior to build-out in or around 2050, at which point Fire Mitigation Fees (FMF) will likely diminish. The current FMF account balance is \$541,000. At present, we need to replace the 27-year-old modular living quarters at Station 4, enhance the sleeping quarters at Stations 1 & 6, address plumbing issues at Station 1 and add an additional bathroom at Station 2. The estimated cost for replacing the modular at Station 4 and necessary site enhancements alone is approximately \$500,000. We will be imminently pursuing a Reserve Study that will further refine our facility needs & costs and timeframes for addressing them.
2. **RESTORATION OF RESERVE FUNDS UTILIZED DURING RECESSION:** The District needs approximately \$1.5M in cash for “cash flow” purposes and an additional \$1.5M in spendable assets (cash) to weather the storm of another recession (based upon the economic impact of the Great Recession). Although we do not yet have the FY 15/16 audit, according to the FY 14/15 audit we have approximately \$2.6M in cash assets as of June 30, 2016, \$390,000, of which is in annexation fees yet to be allocated for a specific purpose.
3. **PUBLIC OUTREACH IN THE COMMUNITY:** Although the District currently does outreach through personal appearances, social and print media and one annual mailing, there is more that we can and should be doing to communicate what challenges the

District is facing and what the community needs to know to help us help them. Currently these responsibilities are shared; the District is seeking consultation through the CSUSM Senior Experience Program to develop up to date marketing messages and an outreach strategy to communicate them.

4. STATION STAFFING & APPARATUS DEPLOYMENT: Since having the SAFER 2 deployment model in place since July of last year, it is evident that post-SAFER, at a minimum, we will need to maintain staffing of a third ambulance, as well as full time position(s) at Rainbow. In addition, the District will need a new source of funds to sustain such efforts, unless we wish to revert to our pre-SAFER deployment model. The pending deployment analysis report may indicate further enhancements are warranted. Maintaining the SAFER funded staffing on 1195 would cost approximately \$150,000/yr. for three Limited-Term Firefighter (LTFF or "LT") positions and \$425,000/yr. for three Firefighter/Paramedic positions.

5. CAPITAL EQUIPMENT: Since 2010, the District only purchased needed capital equipment (fire engines and ambulances) and ceased setting aside monies into this fund. Commencing July 2018, the District will need to allocate approximately \$375,000 in additional monies annually to adequately fund our future capital equipment needs; at present there are no dedicated funds to do so. Based upon the increased utilization of our ambulances after implementation of the ACA and Fallbrook Hospital closure, next FY and every year thereafter, it is anticipated we will need to remount an ambulance. Separately, by mid-2018 we will need to replace our fleet of EKGs and a then 28-year-old Engine. This FY, the District was successful in obtaining grant funds toward replacement of one ambulance and recently purchased another.

6. COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE: It is likely pre-hospital healthcare will dramatically change within the next five years and incorporate community paramedicine concept, which has the potential to alter both our service delivery as well as our revenue stream. This last year the District entered into a JPA with the Fallbrook Healthcare District to further explore mutually beneficial opportunities that could incorporate this concept.

7. RESTORATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITY: As a result of the Great Recession, four staff positions were eliminated through attrition. Since that time, administrative responsibilities continue to be delegated, reorganized, outsourced and/or eliminated. The District was able to temporarily restore the Administrative Captain position as a result of the SAFER 2 grant. Most recently, various Non-Safety positions were restructured to augment administrative capacity with existing funds from a recently vacated position. Moving forward the District will need to secure additional funds to sustain the Administrative Captain position post-SAFER.

**DISCUSSION:**

In light of these immediate challenges, the aforementioned strategic priorities and the District's Mission & Vision statements, it would appear that we are in need of addressing



**REPORT ON STRATEGIC DIRECTION DISCUSSION**  
**MARCH 28, 2017**  
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both short and long-term needs. For the last few months, there has been considerable dialogue around these short-term needs, our present and impending financial circumstances and the steps to address them in the interim. Immediately before us is the need to develop a strategy that by early to mid-2018 will allow the District to: (1) Staff 1195 and Rainbow post SAFER, (2) begin funding the Capital Equipment Plan and (3) replace the living quarters at Station 4.

To address these short-term challenges, the District has been engaging the membership to discuss how to meet capital equipment, staffing needs and deployment options and has met with building designers & engineers to launch replacement of Station 4's living quarters. As SAFER 1 will expire at the end of February 2018 and by September 2017 (approval of the FY 17/18 Final Budget), we will need an approved plan to address the aforementioned staffing & deployment needs. As the Capital Equipment Replacement Plan is dependent in part on the outcomes of these discussions and is currently unfunded, it will be necessary to develop a funding plan for it within that same general timeframe. Similarly, as our facility needs at Station 4 alone would exhaust our remaining FMF funds; this too should be accounted for simultaneously.

Beyond our immediate short-term challenges, in reviewing our remaining strategic priorities it would appear that they are predominantly problem-focused. In light of our increasing demands for service, the changing architecture of healthcare, new development within the community, changes in customer expectations, changes in industry tools, technology and tactics, our long-term facility and capital equipment needs and challenges faced as a result of by CalPERS, it would be beneficial to shift from a problem-centered to a mission-centered approach. Stated differently, clearly the District has its work cut out for it in addressing our short-term needs, however without adjusting our focus we may continue to be reactive in nature, as we have been since inception of the Great Recession nearly eight years ago. For reference, our Mission, Vision and Value Statements are included below:

**Mission:** To meet our community's expectations through excellence in public safety and service.

**Vision:** It is our shared vision to be a trusted and respected public safety leader, committed to ensuring the safest community possible through service, collaboration and innovation.

**Values:** Duty, respect, integrity.

Our current strategic plan is now in excess of ten years old, which is generally considered the maximum timespan for relevancy. There are a number of short-term needs that will fully occupy the District's time over the next 12-15 months, not to mention a rather significant attrition of staff over the next few years. In light of our current and future changes, in order to have clear strategic direction, it would be of value to gain a clearer picture of where we want to go and how we want to get there.



To do so it would be beneficial to re-evaluate our present and future anticipated position with a more robust analysis, which could include a combined Board & staff workshop, a limited Strategic Analysis review, or even the redevelopment of an entirely new Strategic Plan. Involving our future leadership in the strategic planning process would not only be a good developmental opportunity but would also bring unity of vision in implementing our to-be-determined goals and objectives for the future.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Discussion item; fiscal impact would depend upon specific action steps determined by the Board for each area of focus.

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1. Does the Board concur with our immediate short-term needs and plan to address them?
2. Does the Board wish to pursue any additional initiatives now or in the immediate future to address these strategic priorities or related challenges?
3. Does the Board believe additional analysis beyond a Reserve Study would be of benefit, such as a Financial Review & Analysis or a full Strategic Plan?

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March 6, 2017

**Board of Directors  
North County Fire Protection District**

Re: General Counsel Board Report for March 2017

**Legal billing invoices related to lawsuits filed against the County of Los Angeles are not categorically exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act.**

**Discussion:** Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (PRA: Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), the ACLU of Southern California submitted a request for the disclosure of legal invoices related to nine lawsuits involving allegations of inmate abuse by the Sheriff's Dept. the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors complied with the request in part, but withheld records related to pending lawsuits, asserting the attorney-client privilege. The ACLU petitioned for writ of mandate, seeking to compel the County to comply with PRA, which the trial court granted. The Court of Appeal thereafter vacated that order, finding that the invoices were confidential communications under the Evidence Code and, therefore, exempt from disclosure under Section 625(k).

The case was reversed and remanded. PRA grants access to public records held by public agencies, but such access is not without limits. Section 625(k) expressly exempts attorney-client privileged communications from disclosure. Nevertheless, "the fact that parts of a requested document fall within the terms of an exemption does not justify withholding the entire document." Section 6253(a) allows disclosure of "segregable" non-privileged portions of a document, meanwhile, protects "confidential communication," i.e., "information transmitted between a client and his or her lawyer" made in the course of representation that bear some relationship to the provision of legal consultation. Because not all communication between the client and his or her attorney become privileged solely by virtue of the mode of communication (confidential or not) and because invoices for legal services are generally not communicated for the purpose of legal consultation, the invoices here are not categorically privileged. Rather, the privilege turns on content and purpose, not form. Accordingly, this court overturned the judgment.

ROBERT H. JAMES, Attorney at Law



Robert H. James, General Counsel for the  
North County Fire Protection District

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cc: Chief Steve Abbott

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**NORTH COUNTY FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
FIRE CHIEF/CEO**

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**FROM:** STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO  
**DATE:** MARCH 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

● **WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:**

- None

● **BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM:**

- **February 6, 2017 – Letter re Fire Crew Presentation for GANAS & TEEN GANAS:**

Captain Eddie Jones  
Engineer Nick Quinn  
FF/PM Leo Espinoza

- **February 19, 2017 – Email re: Commendation for Medic 1195:**

FF/PM Mitch Igelsias  
LTAF Jack Campbell

- **Undated Thank You Card – Station 4C:**

Captain Rob DeCamp  
Engineer Danny Sahagun  
FF/PM Dennis Soriano  
FF/PM Klayton Symmes



# Fallbrook Citizens' Crime Prevention Committee

## Ganas Adopt-a-Block Front Porch

February 06, 2017

North County Fire Protection District  
330 S. Main Avenue  
Fallbrook, CA 92028

Attn: Fire Chief Steve Abbott

Re: Fire Crew's Presentation For GANAS & TEEN GANAS  
Mentees at VFW

Dear Chief Abbott,

On behalf of the Fallbrook Citizens' Crime Prevention Committee, GANAS & TEEN GANAS mentors, mentees and AVID students, we wanted to thank your firemen from Fire Station #2 for their excellent presentation on January 3, 2017 at the VFW in Fallbrook. Captain Eddie Jones, Engineer Nick Quinn and FF/Paramedic Leo Espinoza did an outstanding and thorough job of explaining what it takes to become a fireman. Dick Braendel, GANAS Mentor, said the detailed information presented was very interesting and educational for the youngest mentee to the oldest mentor. Our youth responded with lots of inquisitive questions. Hopefully they will be inspired to pursue this terrific career in the future. We are grateful to all of the firemen/paramedics for informing our mentees and AVID students about fire safety. They should be commended for a great job!

Thank you for allowing your firemen/paramedics to do this presentation for our youth. Patty Koch was instrumental in making all the arrangements, also.

Sincerely,



Patricia D. Braendel, Founder & President  
Fallbrook Citizens' Crime Prevention Committee  
GANAS & TEEN GANAS Mentoring Programs, Executive Director

**Sent:** Sunday, February 19, 2017 9:36 AM

**To:** Buchanan, John <[JBuchannon@ncfire.org](mailto:JBuchannon@ncfire.org)>

**Subject:** Commendation: Mitch, Medic #1195 and Jake / 29 January 2017, De Luz

Dear Mr. Buchanan,

I'm uncertain if you are the correct person to contact regarding the help I received in De Luz. On 29 January, I put my motorcycle down where we were attempting to avoid water runoff and go back towards Fallbrook.

I had a bad laceration to my right hand and several people came to help.

First a resident, then the guys at Station 16 and then **Mitch, Medic #1195 and Jake** with ambulance service to Tri-City.

**The caring and help were extraordinary and I wanted to express my appreciation.**

Everything that was done was calm and efficient and it all helped me get through the next 9 hours in an ER.

I would appreciate it very much if this Commendation could reach Mitch #1195 and Jake.

Thanks for your help.

FF/PM Mitch Igelsias LTAF Jack Campbell
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*SM 4C*

Captain DeCamp  
Engineer Sahagun  
FF/PM Soriano  
FF/PM Symmes

AND I'M, LIKE,  
**THANKFUL!**

*So sorry & thankful*





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# Controlled Building Fires Planned at Fallbrook Golf Course County Fire Training

North County Fire will burn two buildings to the ground in Fallbrook for training exercises.

By [Cassia Pollock](#)



### TRENDING

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- 2 Forbes Billi Diego Ties
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- 4 NBC 7 Res

Don't be alarmed if you see plumes of smoke billowing from the Fallbrook Golf Course from late March to early April.

The North County Fire District will be conducting live fire training exercises in the form of controlled building fires, at the now closed golf course, according to officials. There will be morning and afternoon training sessions daily, starting on March 26 through April 4.

### [\\$1M Settlement for Family of Teen Who Drank Liquid Meth](#)

Firefighters will burn two buildings for the training exercises, according to North County Fire officials. Both structures are part of the former Clubhouse of the Fallbrook Golf Course. On March 27 and March 31, each building will be burnt to the ground.

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The golf course is located in the 2700 block of Gird Road in Fallbrook. North County Fire has offered this training to other North Zone agencies for their bi-monthly training exercise.

Washington State

### Toddler Pulled From Mission Bay Pond Has Died: ME

That will include agencies from Vista, Oceanside, San Marcos, Carlsbad, Escondido, Encinitas, Pala and Camp Pendleton, along with Valley Center Fire and Rincon Fire, said North County Fire officials.

They will train 10 engine companies and two Truck Companies each day, according to North County Fire. The training will focus on Flow Path, Thermal Imaging and the use of drones at the scene of fires.

### San Diego Among Top 10 US Travel Destinations

Firefighters will enhance their skills in combating structure fires at this Fire Control Class. It will serve as an educational tool for both recently hired firefighters and seasoned veterans.

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## AB-211 State responsibility area fire prevention fees: reporting requirement. (2017-2018)



Date Published: 03/14/2017 09:00 PM

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 14, 2017

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2017-2018 REGULAR SESSION

### ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 211**

Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow

(Principal ~~coauthor: Senator Berryhill~~ *coauthors: Senators Berryhill and Morrell*)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members ~~Obernolte and Patterson~~ *Obernolte, Patterson, and Wood*)

January 23, 2017

An act to amend Section 4214 of the Public Resources Code, relating to fire prevention.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 211, as amended, Bigelow. State responsibility area fire prevention fees: reporting requirement.

Existing law requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection to establish a fire prevention fee in an amount not to exceed \$150 to be charged on each habitable structure on a parcel that is within a state responsibility area. Existing law requires the fee moneys to be expended, upon appropriation, in specified ways, including to reimburse the State Board of Equalization's expenses incurred in the collection of the fee and to the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection and to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for administrative purposes, with excess moneys being expended only for specified fire prevention activities, as provided. Existing law, until January 31, 2017, requires the board to submit an annual written report to the Legislature on the status of the uses of the fee moneys.

This bill would ~~require~~ *require, by January 31, 2018, the department to submit the report to the Legislature and the board. The bill would require* the report to include an itemized accounting of all expenditures from the ~~fund and~~ *fund, including a specific itemized accounting relating to equipment expenditures, and a description of any positions that are associated with each expenditure, among other things.* The bill would require the reporting to occur annually for an indefinite period of time.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** Section 4214 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

**4214.** (a) Fire prevention fees collected pursuant to this chapter shall be expended, upon appropriation by the Legislature, as follows:

(1) The State Board of Equalization shall retain moneys necessary for the payment of refunds pursuant to Section 4228 and reimbursement of the State Board of Equalization for expenses incurred in the collection of the fee.

(2) The moneys collected, other than those retained by the State Board of Equalization pursuant to paragraph (1), shall be deposited into the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury, and shall be available to the board and the department to expend for fire prevention activities specified in subdivision (d) that benefit the owners of habitable structures within a state responsibility area who are required to pay the fire prevention fee. The amount expended to benefit the owners of habitable structures within a state responsibility area shall be commensurate with the amount collected from the owners within that state responsibility area. All moneys in excess of the costs of administration of the board and the department shall be expended only for fire prevention activities in counties with state responsibility areas.

(b) (1) The fund may also be used to cover the costs of administering this chapter.

(2) The fund shall cover all startup costs incurred over a period not to exceed two years.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the moneys in this fund be fully appropriated to the board and the department each year in order to effectuate the purposes of this chapter.

(d) Moneys in the fund shall be used only for the following fire prevention activities, which shall benefit owners of habitable structures within the state responsibility areas who are required to pay the annual fire prevention fee pursuant to this chapter:

(1) Local assistance grants pursuant to subdivision (e).

(2) Grants to Fire Safe Councils, the California Conservation Corps, or certified local conservation corps for fire prevention projects and activities in the state responsibility areas.

(3) Grants to a qualified nonprofit organization with a demonstrated ability to satisfactorily plan, implement, and complete a fire prevention project applicable to the state responsibility areas. The department may establish other qualifying criteria.

(4) Inspections by the department for compliance with defensible space requirements around habitable structures in state responsibility areas as required by Section 4291.

(5) Public education to reduce fire risk in the state responsibility areas.

(6) Fire severity and fire hazard mapping by the department in the state responsibility areas.

(7) Other fire prevention projects in the state responsibility areas, authorized by the board.

(e) (1) The board shall establish a local assistance grant program for fire prevention activities designed to benefit habitable structures within state responsibility areas, including public education, that are provided by counties and other local agencies, including special districts, with state responsibility areas within their jurisdictions.

(2) In order to ensure an equitable distribution of funds, the amount of each grant shall be based on the number of habitable structures in state responsibility areas for which the applicant is legally responsible and the amount of moneys made available in the annual Budget Act for this local assistance grant program.

(f) By January 31, ~~2015~~, **2018**, and, notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, annually thereafter, the ~~board~~ **department** shall submit to the Legislature **and the board** a written report on the status and uses of the fund pursuant to this ~~chapter, including an itemized accounting of all expenditures from the fund. The written report shall also include an~~ **chapter. The report shall include all of the following:**

**(1) An** evaluation of the benefits received by counties based on the number of habitable structures in state responsibility areas within their jurisdictions, the effectiveness of the board's grant programs, the number of

defensible space inspections in the reporting period, the degree of compliance with defensible space requirements, measures to increase compliance, if ~~any, and any recommendations to the Legislature.~~ *any.*

*(2) An itemized accounting of all expenditures from the fund, including a specific itemized accounting relating to equipment expenditures, and a description of any positions that are associated with each expenditure.*

*(3) A description of each program, subprogram, and element for which the department uses moneys generated from the fire prevention fee, including an itemized accounting of expenditures for each program, subprogram, and element.*

*(4) A description of the grants awarded and expenditures of grant moneys.*

*(5) A description of actual expenditures for the previous fiscal year, estimated expenditures for the current fiscal year, and budgeted expenditures for the budget year.*

*(6) Any recommendations to the Legislature, including any recommendations on the status and use of the fund.*

(g) A report to be submitted *to the Legislature* pursuant to subdivision (f) shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(h) It is essential that this article be implemented without delay. To permit timely implementation, the department may contract for services related to the establishment of the fire prevention fee collection process. For this purpose only, and for a period not to exceed 24 months, the Public Contract Code or any other law related to public contracting shall not apply.





## CSDA Sponsors Bill to Promote Local Process for LAFCO Representation

CSDA is proud to announce the introduction of Assembly Bill 979 (Lackey), which simplifies the process for seating special district representatives on Local Agency Formation Commissions. Co-sponsored by CSDA and the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO), AB 979 would ensure a local opt in approach for special districts to gain representation on Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs).

AB 979 simplifies the existing process by allowing special districts to vote on LAFCO representation in a meeting of the county's independent special districts selection committee. Every independent special district would have the opportunity to participate in the election process, either in-person or by mail, casting one vote for or against the question.

LAFCOs administer and approve the formation, dissolution, and boundaries of local agencies, including the cities and special districts, in each county. LAFCOs are composed of representatives from local cities, counties, and members of the public. Special districts have the ability to opt in to representation on LAFCOs. Since 1972, special districts have obtained LAFCO representation in 30 of the 58 counties in California.

Under current law, special districts may acquire representation on a LAFCO if a majority of all special districts in a county pass a board resolution supporting such action within a one-year period. The most recent county to gain special district representation was Santa Clara County in 2012. Organization of the county's 20 special districts to vote on an individual board resolution within a one-year period required a well-funded campaign and a part-time organizer.

Simplifying the LAFCO representation process empowers special districts in the 28 counties with no special district representation to more effectively consider their participation on LAFCO. In cases where special districts choose to participate, special district representation on LAFCO would provide a more diverse and representative decision-making foundation to the LAFCO. Special districts are often instrumental in solving communities' service deficiencies and their input in these processes is of great value.

Importantly, AB 979 ensures a local decision-making process when it comes to special district representation on LAFCO. Some have previously proposed eliminating local control related to this process by imposing mandates on special districts. This legislation would guard against such efforts by facilitating a manageable, efficient, and effective process that maintains the local opt in by each county's special districts.

AB 979 has been referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee for a hearing. Further information on the bill can be found [here](#). Should you have any questions about the bill, please contact CSDA Legislative Representative Rylan Gervase at [rylang@csda.net](mailto:rylang@csda.net). For the most up to date information on AB 979 and other important affecting special districts, be sure to sign up for CSDA's [Legislative Roundup Webinar](#) on March 30.

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# CalPERS Forced to Declare Southern California Agency in Default of Pension Obligations

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East San Gabriel Valley Human Services consortium failed to fund pension benefits it promised its employees

**SACRAMENTO, CA** - The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Board of Administration today declared the East San Gabriel Valley Human Services consortium in default and terminated its contract after it failed to pay more than \$400,000 to fund its pension plan.

Under the law, pension benefits will be reduced by approximately 63 percent for 191 members and 24 percent for six members hired after pension reform went into effect in 2013, effective July 1, 2017 if the consortium fails to pay.

"The Board was forced to make this painful decision after East San Gabriel Valley failed to stand by its contractual obligations despite repeated and numerous attempts by CalPERS to avoid this terrible situation," said Rob Feckner, president of the CalPERS Board. "Cutting benefits to retirees is truly the last step we want to take, but our employers must uphold their obligations and keep the promises that they made to their employees. We have a fiduciary responsibility to protect the long-term future of all beneficiaries and the fund."

East San Gabriel Valley is a Joint Powers Authority consortium formed in 1979 by the cities of West Covina, Covina, Azusa, and Glendora to primarily provide employment and training services to local residents and inmates incarcerated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

The consortium lost a major contract and closed its headquarters in 2014. Since August 2015 it has failed to pay its Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL), now totaling \$406,345. CalPERS made multiple attempts to collect the outstanding amount due, including:

- Holding discussions with consortium officials in over 34 telephone calls
- Sending multiple collection and demand notices to the consortium
- Contacting all four of the cities that formed the consortium 38 years ago to request

immediate payment

California Public Employees' Retirement Law allows the Board to terminate an agency contract after it fails for 30 days to pay the full amount owed in contributions. The law also requires retirement benefits be reduced by the proportion of the amount due in accumulated employer and member contributions.

The terminated contract will take effect in 60 days. Once the contract is terminated, the consortium is liable to pay the full amount of its termination liability of approximately \$19.3 million, which would fully fund current and future payments of retirement benefits to its members. If the consortium fails to pay the termination liability, then CalPERS will send a notice to current and former employees of the consortium outlining the decision to reduce retirement benefits, beginning July 1, 2017.

CalPERS first notified employees and retirees in January 2017 that the consortium had failed to pay the amount due and that retirement benefit reductions could follow. The reduction applies only to the portion of benefits a member earned while working at the consortium.

"Our financial oversight of public agencies will continue to further reduce the risks to members, employers, and the CalPERS Fund," said Richard Costigan, chair of the CalPERS Finance & Administration Committee. "We're committed to being a reliable partner to our participating employers and helping them fully understand the costs of the pension benefits they offer."

One of the consortium's four founding cities contends that it cannot pay the pension contributions because doing so would constitute a "gift of public funds." CalPERS General Counsel Matthew Jacobs disagreed, and said that public entities have a legal right to appropriate funds as they see fit, as long as it's for a public purpose, such as paying public pension contributions.

Last November, CalPERS declared the city of Loyalton in default of its obligations to CalPERS after failing to pay what it owes to fund its pension plan, and reduced benefits for four Loyalton retirees.

For more information, see the agenda item (PDF) and presentation (PDF) outlining this issue.

For more than eight decades, CalPERS has built retirement and health security for state, school, and public agency members who invest their lifework in public service. Our pension fund serves more than 1.8 million members in the CalPERS retirement system and administers benefits for 1.4 million members and their families in our health program, making us the largest defined-benefit public pension in the U.S. CalPERS' total fund market value currently stands at approximately \$309 billion. For more information, visit [www.calpers.ca.gov](http://www.calpers.ca.gov).

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# Report: Driver in Rainbow drownings had meth in system

Rescue workers recovered the body of a man swept away in his vehicle in Rainbow California. A search continues for a child reported missing.



By **J. Harry Jones**

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**T**he man who tried to drive across a flooded road in Rainbow in January with a 5-year-old boy in his care was under the influence of methamphetamine when both were killed after their car was washed into a raging creek, according to an autopsy report.

The level of methamphetamine found in Roland Phillips' blood would likely have caused confusion and anxiety, a doctor said.

Phillips, 73, and the boy, 5-year-old Phillip Campbell, drowned on Jan. 22. Phillips' body was recovered the next day but it took searchers five more days to find the child's remains.

Witnesses said Rainbow Creek had swelled so much that day, that water was flowing 3 to 4 feet above the spot where the road dips to cross the creek, a few hundred feet east of Interstate 15.

According to an autopsy and toxicology report released Sunday by the San Diego County Medical Examiner's office, Phillips' cause of death was drowning, with contributing factors of alcohol and methamphetamine use.



The toxicology results showed there was 1.8 mg/L of methamphetamine detected in Phillips blood and a small level of alcohol.

“All we can really say is (the methamphetamine levels) are indicative of recent use,” said Iain McIntyre, the office’s forensic toxicology laboratory manager. “How recent we can’t be sure, most likely within the last 12 hours but without knowing the individual’s history of use we can’t be adamant to that fact.”

McIntyre said such levels of intoxication would impair one’s ability to make good decisions.

“At these levels...it can produce confusion and anxiety,” he said adding that the elevated levels also indicate illicit drug use. If some form of a methamphetamine had been prescribed for a medical condition, the levels would have been far lower, he said.

A report prepared by the U.S. National Library of Medicine said a study of methamphetamine related traffic deaths showed blood methamphetamine concentrations ranging from 0.52 – 2.60 mg/L. The data showed most meth deaths occur with blood concentration greater than 0.5 mg/L, (far less than the 1.8 mg/L found in Phillips’ blood) but can occur with levels as low as 0.05 mg/L.

The drownings occurred after days of rain in the area that caused Rainbow Creek to swell to levels most in the area said they hadn’t seen in decades.

According to the report, Phillips’ longtime girlfriend, Tracy Jenkins, filed a missing person report the night the two had gone missing. She said Phillips and the boy had left their Fallbrook home about 3 p.m. in a 1997 Toyota Camry and were going to Homeland in Riverside County to buy a car. Jenkins was the boy’s guardian.

Jenkins told an investigator Phillips may have gone to see his stepson, Jerry, who lives in the Rainbow area before they headed to Homeland.

The stepson does not have a telephone and several attempts to contact him by investigators were unsuccessful, the report said.

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
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# Gov. Jerry Brown Requests Federal Aid, Declares Emergency For San Diego, Other Counties Across State

Emergency proclamations were issued due to storms in January and February.

By Kristina Houck (Patch Staff) - (<http://patch.com/users/kristina-houck>) March 8, 2017 12:29 am ET   <http://my.patch.com/article/26964372/edit>



SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CA – Gov. Jerry Brown on Tuesday declared a state

of emergency for San Diego County, along with other counties across the state, in response to damage caused during powerful storms that struck in January and February.

According to officials in the governor's office, Brown also sent a letter to the White House requesting a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to bolster state and local recovery efforts.

In his request, Brown said record-breaking rainfall "resulted in numerous rivers, creeks and streams again exceeding flood stages throughout California," while contributing to localized mud and rock flows. He also cited heavy winds that led to widespread power outages and the need to establish emergency evacuation shelters.

The emergency proclamations direct Caltrans officials to formally request assistance through the Federal Highway Administration's Emergency Relief Program. They also direct the Office of Emergency Services to provide assistance to counties affected by the late January storms. Damage assessments for the February storms and for the damaged spillway at Oroville Dam are ongoing, officials said.



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The governor's office noted that two other Presidential Major Disaster Declaration requests were granted last month to assist with the response and recovery efforts for the situation at Oroville Dam and the impacts of the early January storms. In March, Brown also announced a plan to bolster dam safety and flood protection statewide.

*City News Service contributed to this report.*

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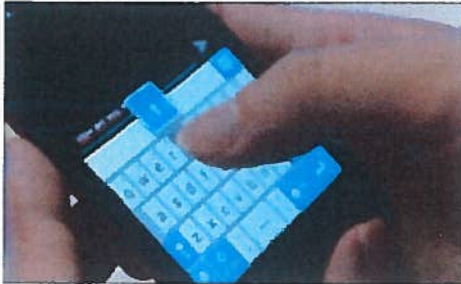
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By Miriam Raftery

March 2, 2017 (San Diego) – State or local officials who discuss public business on their private email accounts or phone text messages must turn those communications over when asked under a Public Records Act request, the California Supreme Court ruled unanimously today.

Some state and local officials have sought to avoid scrutiny by the press or public through use of private email accounts, such as former Secretary of State Clinton utilized at the federal level.

While certain officials have tried to claim a need for privacy to discuss sensitive matters or voice unpopular viewpoints, open government advocates have argued successfully that such actions amount to evading public disclosure required under state law.

Following lower court cases, many jurisdictions have already taken action to advise officials to communicate only through official channels on government business. Others have warned officials that use of private email could subject such communications to public disclosure. Still others are now scrambling to address the matter.

The Alpine Community Planning Group addressed the issue several years ago, says George Barnett, a member of the ACPG. He says the planning group asked County Counsel about use of private emails following training on how to avoid conflict of interest issues. County Counsel advised that "of course" use of personal email accounted by elected persons discussing public issues with peers would be considered public records, Barnett recalls.

"Counsel said that using personal addresses and accounts as a convenience is acceptable, as long as records are maintained. Since then, our planning group has setup a Google Group email account through which all correspondence is recorded for record, whether the email originates from a personal address or not."

The Grossmont Healthcare District Board's agenda for its March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting includes a report from the Chief Executive Officer on initial review of the California Supreme Court opinion on private cell phones and e-mails in the case, *City of San Jose v. Superior Court*.

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# ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

## San Clemente will privatize ambulance service

By [FRED SWEGLES](#)

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SAN CLEMENTE – After 24 years of receiving ambulance service from the Orange County Fire Authority, the city this year will privatize the service.

The OCFA has informed the city that it will not participate in a bidding process for ambulance services in San Clemente.

“OCFA staff recently reviewed the feasibility of continuing the OCFA Emergency Transport Program and concluded the OCFA can no longer compete competitively with more efficient and cost effective private ambulance services available in the area,” OCFA Fire Chief Jeff

Bowman said in a March 2 letter to the city.

For many years, the city got its ambulance service exclusively from OCFA. Since 2015 the city has contracted for one OCFA ambulance and one private ambulance through Care Ambulance Services.

In December, the City Council directed staff to issue a request for proposals for two ambulances, plus ambulance overflow services as needed. The bidding process was to be open to private providers and to OCFA.

OCFA's decision means that the OCFA will continue to provide emergency fire services for San Clemente, but the ambulance function will be privatized. The council added some stipulations to the request for proposals at Tuesday night's meeting designed to ensure that the private ambulance contract reflects OCFA standards.

Erik Sund, assistant city manager, said the city will draft the request for proposals and work with OCFA “to make sure that we got everything right.”

“They're still going to be our primary emergency responder,” Councilman Chris Hamm said.

Councilman Steven Swartz agreed, saying the OCFA will be looking to have the best possible emergency services partner.

Sund said it could take 45 to 60 days for the city to solicit proposals, evaluate them and recommend an ambulance contract to the council.

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## Study says San Diego needs more fire stations, new approaches



A new first station opened in eastern Mission Valley in fall 2015 (Eduardo Contreras / San Diego Union-Tribune)



By **David Garrick**

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**A** new analysis says San Diego needs to build at least 10 additional fire stations and embrace new emergency response methods to adequately serve the sprawling and increasingly congested city.

The new emergency response methods, primarily two-man “fast response” squads and additional engine companies during peak hours, can help meet response time goals in many areas, but won’t eliminate the need for the new stations.

The new stations recommended in the analysis include four in the planning stages — Black Mountain Ranch, north University City, UC San Diego and Mid-City — and six in areas with weak response times — northern Pacific Beach, southern University City, Torrey Pines, Southeastern San Diego, northern Rancho Bernardo and Sabre Springs.

Those 10 are significantly different than the 10 stations recommended in a 2010 analysis by the same company, Citygate Associates of Northern California. Pacific Beach, south University City and Mid-City are the only stations to appear on both lists.

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy said that’s primarily because new technologies exist to better analyze how congestion affects response times, and because the Fire-Rescue Department has more robust data about its operations than it did seven years ago.

"The modeling is far more advanced," he said.

But of the 19 areas identified in the 2010 report as either needing a station or additional coverage, most are still trouble spots that the report recommends the city address when funding is available.

The report recommends more fast response squads, which the city has already deployed in Encanto, San Pasqual and south University City, and peak-hour engine companies, a concept the city recently began to embrace.

The fast response squads, which have been called "mini-fire engines," aim to boost response times in areas located relatively far from other stations by placing two-man crews in revamped pick-up trucks in those locations.

The city's first squad has significantly lowered response times in Encanto since it was deployed nearly three years ago. A second squad was added last year in southern University City, and a third was recently added in San Pasqual in a partnership with the county.

Peak-hour engines are a different model where the city adds multiple four-person fire engine crews during peak emergency hours — 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. — to cover the four to six stations each day when a crew is absent because they are in legally required training sessions.

Fennessy said it's a more efficient way to deploy new resources than building additional stations, particularly because emergency calls are highly predictable and always spike during evening commute hours — the middle of the peak shifts.

But Fennessy said the city plans to embrace all of the recommendations in the 280-page report, which is scheduled to be discussed Wednesday by the City Council's Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee.

"We envision a mix of fast response squads, peak-hour engine companies, continuing to build stations that are under way and working toward the future when we can plug those other gaps," he said.

Alan Arrollado, president of the labor union representing city firefighters and a 29-year veteran, also praised the report.

"I've watched this problem grow through my whole career," said Arrollado, explaining that the city's fire coverage hasn't kept up with its growth. "These last couple reports are the first times we've gotten documents that really articulate where these shortages are."

He also said the union is open to the new approaches the report recommends.

"We're up for flexible ideas," he said. "We have to look for other ways to provide services."

But building additional fire stations beyond the 47 the city now operates is still the report's key recommendation.

The city opened its first new station in many years in eastern Mission Valley in late 2015, and also opened a temporary station in Skyline Hills last year.

Six additional stations are in the planning or early construction stages, but two of them won't solve response-time problems — one under construction in Little Italy that was funded by Civic San Diego and another in Otay Mesa funded by developer fees.

The other four include: north University City, where construction is expected to begin in 2019; UC San Diego, where the city and the university are still negotiating a partnership; Black Mountain, where a site has been secured and the city is negotiating with a developer; and Home Avenue in Mid-City, where station design is complete and the city is negotiating a land purchase.

The six additional stations recommended by the new analysis are in areas where the drive times to emergencies are the longest: northern Pacific Beach, southern University City, Torrey Pines, Southeastern San Diego, northern Rancho Bernardo and Sabre



## Government Officials' Private Messages Can Be Subject to Public Record, Rules California Supreme Court

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By Maura Dolan

Texts and emails sent by public employees on their personal devices or accounts are a matter of public record if they deal with official business, the California Supreme Court ruled Thursday in a unanimous decision hailed by open-government advocates.

But the court provided only general guidance on where the line would be drawn, posing a challenge for cities and counties forced to balance employees' privacy against the public's right to know.

The court said that communications sent on personal cell phones and computers must be disclosed to the public if they "relate in some substantive way to the conduct of the public's business."

"A city employee's communications related to the conduct of public business do not cease to be public records just because they were sent or received using a personal account," Justice Carol A. Corrigan wrote for the court.

Karl Olson, who represented the news media, including the Los Angeles Times, called the decision "a resounding victory for the public."

He said the ruling sent "a strong message that public officials and employees should not try to evade public scrutiny by using personal accounts."

Local governments throughout the state have expressed concerns that broad requests for information would be costly and might invade the privacy rights of workers.

The court acknowledged those concerns, saying it would not always be clear whether a communication had to be disclosed.

An email to a spouse complaining that a co-worker was an "idiot" would likely not be a public record, the court said, but an email to a supervisor reporting a co-worker's mismanagement of a project probably would have to be disclosed.

Deciding whether something written in a personal account is public record will require an examination of the content, the purpose for which it was sent, the person to whom it was sent and whether the communication was prepared within the scope of the worker's job, the court said.

Although the standard set by the court broadly favored public disclosure, "it is not so elastic as to include every piece of information the public may find interesting," Corrigan wrote.

If the communication is primarily personal and contains only an incidental mention of an agency, it is not covered, she said.

The court ruled in a case brought by Ted Smith, a community activist who filed a public records request eight years ago for the communications of San Jose City Council members and staff about a proposed downtown development.

San Jose supplied some records in response to the request but said communications on private devices were not covered by the public records act. Smith sued, winning in a trial court but losing in a court of appeal.

Smith, 71, a former attorney who has been fighting for public access to government information for decades, called Thursday's decision "the most important victory so far."

He said it showed that California was a beacon for the rest of the country and expressed hope that the federal government and the Trump administration might take note.

Cities, counties and other local governments in California had urged the court to side with San Jose, arguing they lacked the funds to ensure communications on private devices were disclosed and feared liability if some information on personal devices was not found and produced.

Patrick Whitnell, general counsel for the League of California Cities, said the ruling was unclear about whether cities could be held responsible for employees who fail to make required disclosures.

"I would have liked the court to have provided more concrete guidance," he said.

He also expressed concern about how cities could ensure that text messages were preserved. Preserving voicemails, which the decision did not directly address, would even be more problematic, he said.



The ruling does not require government to search the private devices of employees, but only to make "reasonable efforts" to obtain the information.

The court cited a policy developed by the Washington state Supreme Court, which said employees could be required to write declarations explaining how they searched their accounts, what they found and why they decided certain communications were not public records.

Olson, the news media attorney, argued in the case that the intent of the California Public Records Act was to make government business public, even though the law was written before the advent of the internet and cellphones.

He cited a host of cases involving public officials who used private email accounts for government business in Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and Sacramento.

On the national level, Hillary Clinton used a personal email account for work while she was secretary of State, and staff members of New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie used emails in the Bridgegate scandal.

David Snyder, executive director of the First Amendment Coalition, said the decision closed what had become a loophole in the public records act.

"If employees are conducting written business about the people's business on email, that ought to be available to the public," said Snyder, whose group promotes free speech and government transparency. "It shouldn't matter if the email is privately owned or owned by the government."

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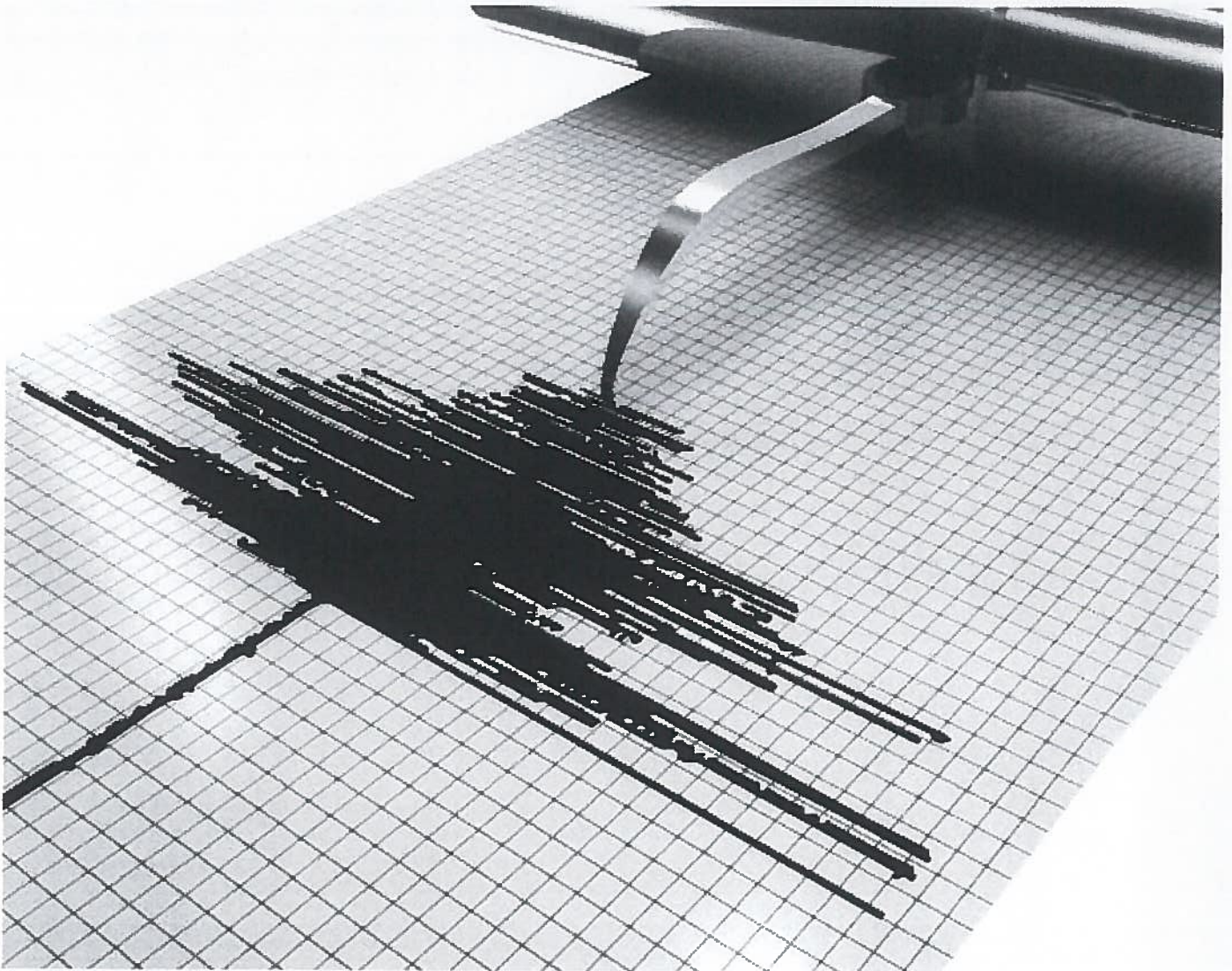
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LA JOLLA, CA – The offshore Newport-Inglewood and Rose Canyon faults are part of the same fault system and could produce earthquakes of a magnitude 7.3 or greater, according to a study released Tuesday by La Jolla-based Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

The faults, which run from San Diego to Los Angeles, had previously been considered separate.



Instead, they are actually one continuous system running from San Diego Bay to Seal Beach in Orange County, then on land through the Los Angeles basin, according to the study, published in the American Geophysical Union's Journal of Geophysical Research.

"This system is mostly offshore but never more than four miles from the San Diego, Orange County, and Los Angeles County coast," said lead author Valerie Sahakian, who performed the work during her doctorate at Scripps.

"Even if you have a high 5- or low 6-magnitude earthquake, it can still



have a major impact on those regions which are some of the most densely populated in California," said Sahakian, now a postdoctoral fellow with the U.S. Geological Survey.

An offshore quake could register as much as 7.3, however, while one on land could hit 7.4, she said.

Researchers processed data from previous seismic surveys, and supplemented it with high-resolution underwater topography data gathered offshore by Scripps researchers between 2006 and 2009 along with seismic surveys conducted aboard Scripps research vessels in 2013.



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The disparate data have different resolution scales and depth of penetration, which allowed the scientists to define the fault architecture at an unprecedented scale and create magnitude estimates with more certainty, according to Scripps.

The fault system most famously produced a 6.4-magnitude quake in Long Beach that killed 115 people in 1933.

Researchers have found evidence of earlier earthquakes of indeterminate size on onshore portions of the fault, finding that at the northern end of the fault system, there have been between three and five ruptures in the last 11,000 years. At the southern end, there is evidence of a quake that



took place roughly 400 years ago and little significant activity for 5,000 years before that.

The Rose Canyon Fault runs alongside the northern San Diego County coast, comes inland around La Jolla, extends under downtown San Diego and winds up offshore again off Imperial Beach.

The authors conclude that further study is needed to improve the understanding of the threat posed to urban areas between Tijuana and Los Angeles.

Researchers at the Nevada Seismological Laboratory assisted with the study, which was funded by Southern California Edison.

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## California Supreme Court Rules on Public's Access to Public Employees' Personal Email and Text Messaging Accounts

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The Supreme Court of California has handed down a long-awaited ruling on the applicability of the state's public records law to work related emails and text messages sent over a public employee's personal devices and accounts. At issue in the case is whether governmental employers, such as fire departments, invade employee privacy by requiring employees to provide public access to personally owned email accounts and

devices in an effort to comply with public records requirements.

While the case, *Ted Smith v. City of San Jose*, does not involve a fire department per se, the ruling has inevitable consequences for fire departments in California and perhaps beyond. It will serve as important guidance for courts in other jurisdictions as they wrestle with the balance between the privacy rights of public employees and the public's right to know in the digital age.

The case was decided today, coming down in favor of the public's right to access public employees' personal email accounts and text messages sent via personally owned devices when the communications in question relates to the business of the public agency. The court does a good job of explaining the case. We will approach it from two perspectives, with a brief overview and a more in depth analysis for those who choose to go a bit deeper.

For the brief overview:

- This case concerns how laws originally designed to cover paper documents apply to evolving methods of electronic communication. It requires recognition that, in today's environment, not all employment-related activity occurs during a conventional workday, or in an employer-maintained workplace.
- In June 2009, petitioner Ted Smith requested disclosure of 32 categories of public records from the City of San Jose [under the California Public Records Act or CPRA].
- The targeted documents concerned redevelopment efforts in downtown San Jose and included emails and text messages "sent or received on private electronic devices used by" the mayor, two city council members, and their staffs.
- The City disclosed communications made using City telephone numbers and email accounts **but did not disclose communications made using the individuals' personal accounts.**
- Smith sued for declaratory relief, arguing CPRA's definition of "public records" encompasses all communications about official business, regardless of how they are created, communicated, or stored.
- **The City responded that messages communicated through personal accounts are not public records because they are not within the public entity's custody or control.**
- The trial court granted summary judgment for Smith and ordered disclosure, but the Court of Appeal issued a writ of mandate. At present, no documents from employees' personal accounts have been collected or disclosed.
- Enacted in 1968, CPRA declares that "access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business is a fundamental and necessary right of every person in this state."
- In 2004, voters made this principle part of our Constitution. A provision added by Proposition 59 states: "The people have the right of access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business, and, therefore, . . . the writings of public officials and agencies shall be open to public scrutiny."
- Public access laws serve a crucial function. "Openness in government is essential to the functioning of a democracy. Implicit in the democratic process is the notion that government should be accountable for its actions. In order to verify accountability, individuals must have access to government files. Such access permits checks against the arbitrary exercise of official power and secrecy in the political process."
- However, public access to information must sometimes yield to personal privacy interests.
- CPRA and the Constitution strike a careful balance between public access and personal privacy.
- This case concerns how that balance is served when documents concerning official business are created

or stored outside the workplace.

- The issue is a narrow one: Are writings concerning the conduct of public business beyond CPRA's reach merely because they were sent or received using a nongovernmental account?
- Considering the statute's language and the important policy interests it serves, the answer is no. **Employees' communications about official agency business may be subject to CPRA regardless of the type of account used in their preparation or transmission.**

For those interested in a more in depth analysis:

- CPRA establishes a basic rule requiring disclosure of public records upon request.
- In general, it creates "a presumptive right of access to any record created or maintained by a public agency that relates in any way to the business of the public agency."
- Every such record "must be disclosed unless a statutory exception is shown."
- Section 6254 [of the CPRA] sets out a variety of exemptions, "many of which are designed to protect individual privacy."
- The Act also includes a catchall provision exempting disclosure if "the public interest served by not disclosing the record clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure."
- We begin with the term "**public record**," which CPRA defines to include "**any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency regardless of physical form or characteristics.**"
- Under this definition, a public record has four aspects. It is (1) a writing, (2) with content relating to the conduct of the public's business, which is (3) prepared by, or (4) owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency.
- Whether a writing is sufficiently related to public business will not always be clear.
- For example, depending on the context, an email to a spouse complaining, "my coworker is an idiot" would likely not be a public record. Conversely, an email to a superior reporting the coworker's mismanagement of an agency project might well be.
- Resolution of the question, particularly when writings are kept in personal accounts, will often involve an examination of several factors, including **the content itself; the context in, or purpose for which, it was written; the audience to whom it was directed; and whether the writing was prepared by an employee acting or purporting to act within the scope of his or her employment.**
- Here, the City claimed all communications in personal accounts are beyond the reach of CPRA. As a result, the content of specific records is not before us. Any disputes over this aspect of the "public records" definition await resolution in future proceedings.
- **We clarify, however, that to qualify as a public record under CPRA, at a minimum, a writing must relate in some substantive way to the conduct of the public's business.**
- This standard, though broad, is not so elastic as to include every piece of information the public may find interesting.
- Communications that are primarily personal, containing no more than incidental mentions of agency business, generally will not constitute public records. For example, the public might be titillated to learn that not all agency workers enjoy the company of their colleagues, or hold them in high regard. However, an employee's electronic musings about a colleague's personal shortcomings will often fall far



short of being a "writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public's business."

- The City focuses its challenge on the final portion of the "public records" definition, which requires that writings be **"prepared, owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency."**
- The City argues this language does not encompass communications agency employees make through their personal accounts. However, the broad construction mandated by the Constitution supports disclosure.
- A writing is commonly understood to have been prepared by the person who wrote it.
- If an agency employee prepares a writing that substantively relates to the conduct of public business, that writing would appear to satisfy the Act's definition of a public record.
- The City urges a contrary conclusion when the writing is transmitted through a personal account. In focusing its attention on the "owned, used, or retained by" aspect of the "public records" definition, however, it ignores the "prepared by" aspect.
- This approach fails to give "significance to every word, phrase, sentence, and part" of the Act.
- The City's narrow reading of CPRA's local agency definition is inconsistent with the constitutional directive of broad interpretation.
- A disembodied governmental agency cannot prepare, own, use, or retain any record.
- Only the human beings who serve in agencies can do these things. **When employees are conducting agency business, they are working for the agency and on its behalf.**
- An agency's actual or constructive possession of records is relevant in determining whether it has an obligation to search for, collect, and disclose the material requested.
- It is a separate and more fundamental question whether a document located outside an agency's walls, or servers, is sufficiently "owned, used, or retained" by the agency so as to constitute a public record.
- In construing FOIA, federal courts have remarked that an agency's public records "do not lose their agency character just because the official who possesses them takes them out the door."
- We likewise hold that documents otherwise meeting CPRA's definition of "public records" do not lose this status because they are located in an employee's personal account.
- A writing retained by a public employee conducting agency business has been "retained by" the agency within the meaning of section 6252, subdivision (e), even if the writing is retained in the employee's personal account.
- In light of these principles, and considering section 6252, subdivision (e) in the context of the Act as a whole ... **we conclude a city employee's communications related to the conduct of public business do not cease to be public records just because they were sent or received using a personal account.**
- Sound public policy supports this result.
- The City counters that the privacy interests of government employees weigh against interpreting "public records" to include material in personal accounts.
- Of course, public employees do not forfeit all rights to privacy by working for the government.
- Even so, the City essentially argues that the contents of personal email and other messaging accounts should be categorically excluded from public review because these materials have traditionally been considered private.
- However, compliance with CPRA is not necessarily inconsistent with the privacy rights of public employees.



- Any personal information not related to the conduct of public business, or material falling under statutory exemption, can be redacted from public records that are produced or presented for review.
- Furthermore, a crabbed and categorical interpretation of the "public records" definition is unnecessary to protect employee privacy. **Privacy concerns can and should be addressed on a case-by-case basis.**
- The City ... contends the search for public records in employees' accounts would itself raise privacy concerns. In order to search for responsive documents, the City claims agencies would have to demand the surrender of employees "electronic devices and passwords to their personal accounts. Such a search would be tantamount to invading employees' homes and rifling through their filing cabinets, the City argues. It urges no case has extended CPRA so far.
- Arguments that privacy interests outweigh the need for disclosure in CPRA cases have typically focused on the sensitive content of the documents involved, rather than the intrusiveness involved in searching for them.
- Assuming the search for responsive documents can also constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy, however, this concern alone does not tip the policy balance in the City's favor. **Searches can be conducted in a manner that respects individual privacy.**
- CPRA requests invariably impose some burden on public agencies.
- Unless a records request is overbroad or unduly burdensome, agencies are obliged to disclose all records they can locate "with reasonable effort."
- Reasonable efforts do not require that agencies undertake extraordinarily extensive or intrusive searches, however.
- In general, the scope of an agency's search for public records "need only be reasonably calculated to locate responsive documents."
- A federal employee who withholds a document identified as potentially responsive may submit an affidavit providing the agency, and a reviewing court, "with a sufficient factual basis upon which to determine whether contested items were agency records" or personal materials."
- The Washington Supreme Court recently adopted this procedure under its state public records law, holding that employees who withhold personal records from their employer "must submit an affidavit with facts sufficient to show the information is not a „public record“ under the PRA. So long as the affidavits give the requester and the trial court a sufficient factual basis to determine that withheld material is indeed nonresponsive, the agency has performed an adequate search under the PRA."
- We agree with Washington's high court that this procedure, when followed in good faith, strikes an appropriate balance, allowing a public agency "to fulfill its responsibility to search for and disclose public records without unnecessarily treading on the constitutional rights of its employees."

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SAN DIEGO – Firefighters from almost every fire department in San Diego County will take to the streets Thursday, March 9, for the Burn Institute's 18th annual "Fill the Boot for the Burn Institute" Firefighter Boot Drive.

Hopping aboard their engines, hundreds of firefighters hit the streets with their boots in hand at intersections around their local community to collect donations. In Fallbrook, firefighters will be soliciting donations at the intersection of South Mission Road and Ammunition Road from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Each year passing motorists help to fill those boots with their spare change and bills – ones, fives, twenties, and even \$100 bills. No matter the economy or weather, San Diegans have always given generously.

What began almost two decades ago as a grassroots effort backed by the fire service, the Burn Institute's countywide Boot Drive is now a hallmark fundraiser for the organization. The event raised more than \$240,000 for Burn Institute programs and services in 2016.

Proceeds benefit the Burn Institute's fire and burn prevention programs and burn survivor support services such as Camp Beyond the Scars for burn-injured children. This unique camp program has provided a safe place for hundreds of young burn survivors to share their experiences in a supportive and nurturing camp environment.



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# Californians Hit as Bad Debts Lead to Government Pension Cuts

by **Romy Varghese**

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- Calpers may slash benefits from defunct agency that didn't pay
- More workers could suffer as retirement costs mount for cities

Maureen Lynch, 66, retired when the California <https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/STOCA1:US> government job-training agency where she worked was shuttered in 2014, assuming she could count on a \$1,705 monthly pension for the rest of her life.

But her former employer, East San Gabriel Valley Human Services Consortium, left a \$406,027 unpaid bill to the [California Public Employees' Retirement System https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/3261Z:US](https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/3261Z:US), which manages benefits for 3,000 local governments and districts. As Calpers, the nation's largest public pension, deals with a growing gap between what's been promised and what's been set aside, it may slash the checks of Lynch and 190 other workers by 63 percent -- the rate by which the agency has fallen short.

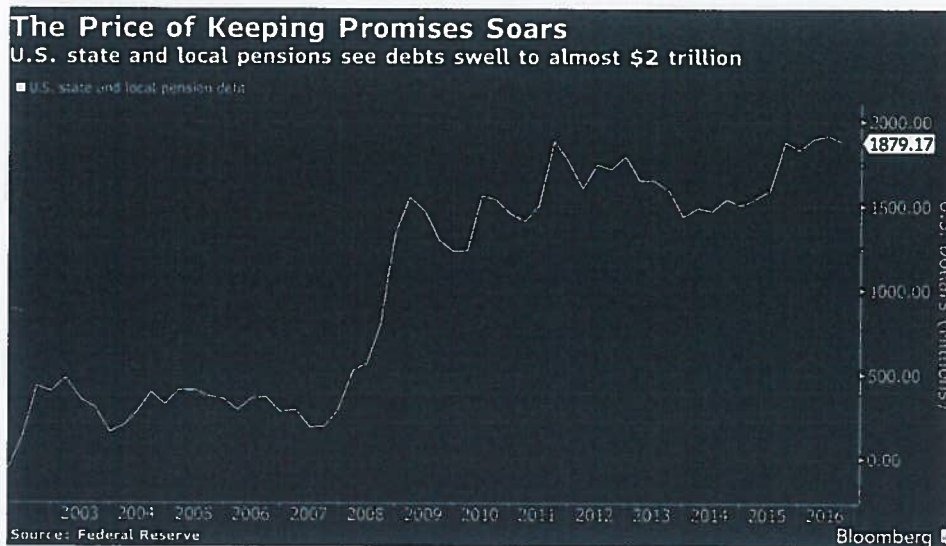
"We were always told that it was set in stone. Now to find out that's not true -- is the sky blue? Is water wet?" Lynch, who lives in a 1994 motor home, said of her pension. "We've paid 100 percent of our responsibility into it. I just don't understand how they can come along and cut so much out."

The East San Gabriel agency would be the first to see benefits reduced by Calpers since November's action against the tiny city of Loyalton <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2016-11-16/pension-battle-pushes-precedent-in-distressed-california-town>, illustrating what can happen to

promises once viewed as sacrosanct when money runs out. Two other small California agencies may also face cutbacks, affecting five people, as Calpers pushes back against derelict governments.

"We end up being the bad person because if the payments aren't coming in, we're left with the obligation to reduce the benefit, as we did in Loyaltan," Richard Costigan, chairman of Calpers's finance and administration committee, said in an interview. "Otherwise the rest of the people in the system who have paid their bills would be paying for that responsibility."

Across the country, states and local governments have about \$2 trillion less than what they need to cover retirement benefits -- the result of investment losses, inadequate contributions and perks granted in boom times. In Puerto Rico, where the retirement system is nearly out of cash, pensioners may take a hit, while employees in cities including Dallas and Chicago are also under pressure to give back some benefits to prevent their plans from collapsing.



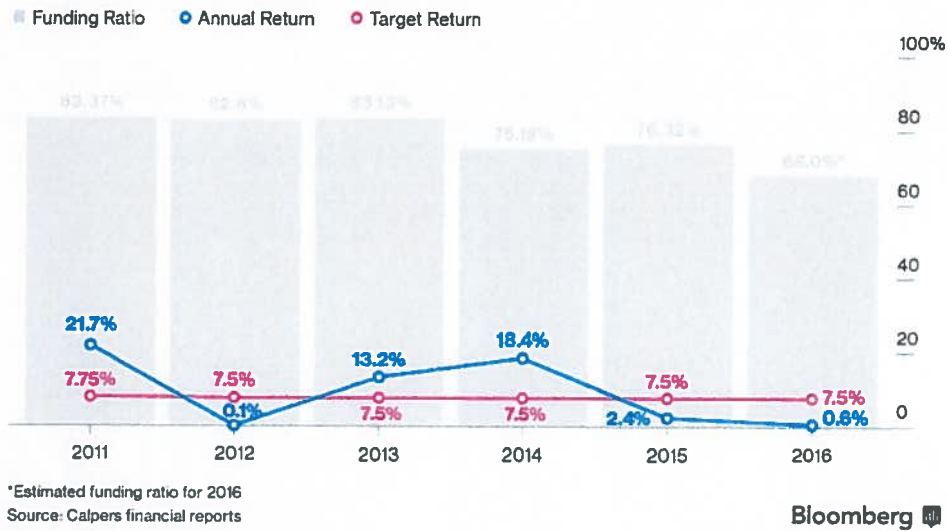
Calpers has been paying benefits at a faster pace than it brings money in. In December, the system moved to ensure its long-term sustainability by reducing the assumed return on its investments to 7 percent from 7.5 percent. That will trigger higher annual contributions from governments, since it can't count as much on financial-market gains to cover the obligations.

"Unless something is done to stem the mounting costs or to find ways to fund those mounting costs for employees, then the only recourse, beyond reducing service levels to unsustainable levels, is going to be to cut benefits for retirees," said Michael Coleman, fiscal policy adviser for the League of California Cities <https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/0572667D:US> .

Calpers, which holds some \$311 billion <https://www.calpers.ca.gov/page/investments> of assets, says it's following its fiduciary responsibility. It doesn't set benefits but manages them on behalf of local governments, most of which are fulfilling their obligations. Permitting monthly checks to flow to retirees whose former employers haven't paid their bills undermines a system that has just two-thirds of what it needs to cover liabilities due in the years ahead.

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Both the [Independent Cities Association](https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/1469582D:US) <https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/1469582D:US>, a nonprofit with one retiree, and Niland Sanitary District, which has four workers in the system, may also see benefit reductions. The board of the cities' group, which promotes municipal issues, hopes to resolve the matter, its attorney [Arnold Alvarez-Glasman](http://www.agclawfirm.com/content.aspx?view=attorneys&AttID=5) <http://www.agclawfirm.com/content.aspx?view=attorneys&AttID=5> said in an interview. Debbie Salas, a Niland board representative, didn't reply with detail to emails or return phone messages.

The action against Loyalton was believed to be the first time, at least in recent decades, that Calpers reduced employee benefits.

The case of the former East San Gabriel agency would be felt more broadly. Known locally as LA Works, the service at its height had about 140 employees and an annual budget, funded mainly through government grants, of about \$13 million, said Tom Mauk, a consultant hired to help wind down its books. It went out of business after Los Angeles County severed its relationship, citing [overbilling](http://www.latimes.com/local/politics/la-me-county-contractor-overbilling-20140521-story.html) <http://www.latimes.com/local/politics/la-me-county-contractor-overbilling-20140521-story.html> by the agency.

Calpers had asked the cities that formed the entity -- Azusa, Covina, Glendora, and West Covina -- to pay the debt to the retirement plan because, as staffers said during a February board meeting, of their ethical responsibility.

"What's unacceptable is the fact you have a number of employees who were promised a benefit, nobody is paying to meet that liability and people are walking away from their responsibility," Costigan said in an interview.

Municipal officials said they have no legal obligation. Any payment could be considered an illegal use of public funds, said Chris Freeland, West Covina City Manager.

"Personally, I think it's a way to deflect from their handling of pensions for the last several years," said Glendora City Manager Chris Jeffers of Calpers's request.

Retirees feel abandoned. Sandra Meza, who spent nearly three decades at the job-training service and receives about \$3,300 a month, said she plans to attend a March 15 meeting of the agency to appeal for help. The 62-year-old Chino resident views the cities and Calpers as equally responsible.

"When it comes to money and business, sometimes moral and ethics don't mean anything to those people," she said.





## Commissioner Suggests Sunset Date for Special Districts

During the Little Hoover Commission's February 23 business meeting, Commissioner Scott Barnett suggested special districts should have a sunset date

The Commissioner suggested districts should be required to hold an election every 10 years to reauthorize their existence.

The Little Hoover Commission held its business meeting in part to review a draft report on special districts, written by Commission staff following three public hearings in 2016. Commissioner Barnett participated via conference call along with Commissioners Janna Sidley and Don Perata. Commissioners attending in person included Commission Chair Pedro Nava and Vice-Chair Jack Flanigan, along with Commissioners Helen Iris Torres and Sean Varner.

Although the draft report is not available for public review, it was evident based on the discussion that Commissioner Barnett's suggestion was not included in the draft report. Commissioner Barnett made it clear that his idea was one of a "menu of options" he felt the Commission should consider. Nonetheless, he made it apparent that he would "like to start on the extreme," saying to his fellow Commissioners, "let's do something more radical."

Prior to the February 23 meeting, it was expected the Commission would take up a final report on special districts in the spring, likely at its scheduled March 23 meeting. However, following discussion by Commissioners, staff was directed to table the report and consider holding a fourth hearing on special districts in the fall.

Commissioner Barnett cited two special districts in San Diego County as reasoning for his idea, including a resource conservation district that he referred to as a "Dust Bowl" era agency and a healthcare district that now leases its hospital.

In response to Commissioner Barnett's idea, other Commissioners posited their own questions and comments relative to the potential consequences of such a proposal. It was questioned whether voters could effectively evaluate such complex decisions; and it was suggested that perhaps local oversight boards, similar to the redevelopment agency (RDA) oversight boards created to facilitate the dissolution of RDAs, could be the answer. Commissioners also questioned what the impact would be on the ability of special districts to secure and pay-down bonds for infrastructure investments. Eventually, Commissioner Torres summed up the discussion by stating, "I think we can all agree that no one is for the status quo."

CSDA Advocacy and Public Affairs Director Kyle Packham attended the meeting and was afforded an opportunity to address Commissioners during their discussion. Packham noted for the Commissioners that a radical new approach was unnecessary and would have unintended consequences. Moreover, a system fitting the main criteria they outlined exists today in the form of Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs). He stated that, "LAFCOs offer a local and public process whereby stakeholders provide input, an objective analysis is conducted, and ultimately the local residents who receive and pay for services are given the final say. This balances the concerns and ideas noted by Commissioners regarding the desire for voter participation and the need for objective analysis of complex issues."

Responding to a Commissioner's statement that special districts are "exploding" in California, Packham noted that census data shows the number of special districts in California has actually declined by five percent since 1997 while at the same time the number of special districts nationwide has increased by 10 percent. Packham attributed these facts to the establishment of LAFCOs in California. Known as "Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg," LAFCO law was updated by the State Legislature in 2000 by empowering LAFCOs with additional tools to address local

agency reorganizations.

Packham acknowledged that the LAFCO process is methodical, rather than radical, but advised that when essential public services like water and fire protection are at stake, methodical is the right approach.

With the its report now tabled, the next opportunity for special districts to engage the Little Hoover Commission will be at [Special Districts Legislative Days](#) May 16-17 in Sacramento, where Commission Chair Nava has confirmed to participate as a keynote speaker. Registration is now available at [legislatedays.csda.net](http://legislatedays.csda.net).

CSDA will spend the coming months meeting with Commission staff and stakeholders to further consider the issues raised by the Commission. As this occurs, CSDA will develop appropriate responses and potential solutions beyond what was shared within [CSDA's August 8, 2016 written testimony](#) and August 25 oral testimony to the Commission. CSDA members will receive periodic updates, with information on how you can take proactive steps to communicate in a constructive manner on these important issues, as well as actions you can take to engage in this review. If you are interested in actively participating in this process, please contact CSDA Advocacy and Public Affairs Director Kyle Packham at [kylep@csda.net](mailto:kylep@csda.net).

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## Estimating investment returns tricky, even for pros

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Estimating future returns in the stock and bond markets involves plenty of guesswork. Even investment professionals grapple with that dilemma, as recent pension-fund deliberations show.

CalPERS, the giant pension plan for California public-sector workers, generated headlines when it recently decided to reduce its estimate of future returns very gradually to 6.5% from 7.5%. The trend toward reduced expectations already had been underway at various other pension funds in New York, Illinois, Arizona and other states. The moves recognize lofty stock-market valuations, decades-low bond yields and other factors that can make it hard to realize future goals.

For pension funds, one consequence is that municipalities or other entities that pay into these funds, along with their employees, often will need to boost their ongoing contributions to make up for subdued investment results. But the more interesting and broader implication is that investors everywhere — not just pension-fund managers and beneficiaries — might need to prepare for lower returns by saving more money, taking on greater risks — or both.

Pension funds can be good guides for what types of returns mainstream investors can expect. The funds have very long investment horizons, meaning they can and often do pump up their portfolios with stocks, real estate and other types of growth assets. But they also have ongoing payout obligations to retirees and other beneficiaries, forcing them to maintain some liquidity. As a result, pension funds maintain a balanced portfolio divided among growth investments and fixed-income instruments. Most people also invest with balance in mind, avoiding the temptation to put all their eggs in one basket.

Actually, the challenges highlighted in the recent CalPERS decision have been apparent for a while. Pension funds have been forced to "reach for yield" and accept greater levels of risk to meet their goals, reported Moody's Investors Service in a recent report.

"U.S. public pension funds have maintained investment-return assumptions above 7% by shifting away from fixed income toward more volatile assets (such as stocks)," the report said.

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For example, CalPERS in 1990 held 50% of its assets in bonds and cash, but that's down to 20% today. "Meanwhile, (the fund's) investments in riskier assets such as real estate and equities have conversely risen," Moody's said.

The report cited an even more extreme example: The South Carolina Retirement System was solely invested in fixed-income securities until a 1997 state constitutional amendment allowed it to add U.S. stocks, according to Moody's. Now, the fund has only about 12% of its portfolio in cash and bonds and most of the rest in stocks and other potentially volatile investments.

It's not just a dilemma for pension funds. J.P. Morgan reduced its long-term expectations for most types of investments over the next decade. Of 51 asset classes tracked, only five have expected annual compounded returns of 7.5% or higher — and these tend to be in volatile, somewhat esoteric areas such as private-equity companies and the stock markets of developing nations.

For mainstream investors, there are some lessons to be learned from the tough choices faced by pension funds.

- Stock prices still might have room to run on the upside — perhaps more than a lot of people assume. But investors nevertheless are taking on more risk for each 1,000-point domino that the Dow Jones industrial average knocks over on the upside. Pension funds, and other balanced investors, typically don't abandon their stock holdings entirely, even when prices are high. This reflects the market's long-term propensity to rise, albeit in fits and starts, and the potential to stay at elevated levels for years.
- Low yields on bonds present an even more formidable challenge for entities such as pension funds and retirees managing their own portfolios. There's a lot less wiggle room for mistakes when bonds are yielding around 2%, as they are now, for 10-year Treasuries, compared to the 5% payouts of a decade ago and 7% from 20 years ago.

- Subdued investment results, when they occur, often must be made up somehow. For pension funds, this usually involves asking employers and workers to ante up more cash. For private investors, it can mean adding more money from each paycheck into 401(k)-style retirement plans or other vehicles.
- Underscoring these portfolio changes is the assumption that returns for various assets will "regress to the mean" or fall back in line with their long-term averages. For stocks, this doesn't necessarily mean that the supercharged gains of the past several years will be followed by a crash. But at a minimum, a cooling-off period of mild losses or single-digit gains, possibly spanning several years, is likely. In other words, things even out over time.

If there's one consoling thought, it's that these decisions aren't easy, even for professionals. Everyone with investment dollars at stake is in the same boat, pondering what to do if future returns don't exactly sizzle.

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## No-cost chipping service is available to reduce fire risk

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FALLBROOK – The Fire Safe Council of San Diego County is offering a free chipping service to property owners in the

Fallbrook area who, after preparing their defensible space, have piles of brush that are still a fire risk.

To schedule the chipping service go to [www.firesafesdcountry.org](http://www.firesafesdcountry.org), click on tab labeled "Programs", "No Cost Chipping", then on "Sign Up" and complete all questions on the form before clicking "Submit".

The piles of brush must be ready prior to submitting an application and the material will not be chipped until the form has been received. Scheduling the service is subject to many factors including: equipment uptime, weather, personnel, geographic grouping of chipping requests, funding and demand.

**To prepare for the chipping crew's arrival, please note:**

- Brush that has been cleared or stacked with heavy equipment will not be chipped.
- Material including but not limited to palm, succulents, poison oak, and bamboo will not be chipped.
- Old, matted sticks are not eligible for chipping.
- Brush must be free of mud, rocks, and other debris.
- Maximum six-inch diameter on cut limbs.
- Piles must be stacked no more than six feet high, and have easy chipper access. Cut ends must face the chipper access area.
- Piles must be fully accessible for chipping equipment and crew.
- Chipped material is left on-site, not hauled away.
- Donations are appreciated to continue offering this no-cost service to the public.
- The chipping program is dependent on funding availability.

The No-Cost Chipping Program is administered by the Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County in partnership with the Fire Safe Council of San Diego County (FSCSDC). Funding is provided by a grant from AT&T, SDG&E, and additional funding from the Cooperative Fire Program of the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Pacific Southwest Region, and through the California Fire Safe Council. The FSCSDC is a 501(c)3 Nonprofit; tax-deductible donations are accepted.



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**CLOSED SESSION**

*The Board will enter closed session to discuss items as outlined herein. As provided in the Government Code, the public will not be present during these discussions. At the end of the Closed Session, the Board shall publicly report any action taken in Closed Session (and the vote or abstention on that action of every member present) in accordance with Government Code § 54950 et. seq.*

**CS-1. ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT MUNSON:**

- *An announcement regarding the items to be discussed in Closed Session will be made prior to the commencement of Closed Session.*

**CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.8 — CHIEF ABBOTT:**

- PROPERTY LOCATION: 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook, CA 92028;  
PARTIES: North County Fire Protection District (Purchaser) and Ian Forsythe (Seller);  
UNDER NEGOTIATION: Terms of Purchase;  
DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: Chief Abbott, District Counsel James

**CS-3. THREATENED LITIGATION OUTSIDE OF OPEN MEETING — GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.9(e)(5) — CHIEF ABBOTT:**

- Claimant is a member of public alleging assault by District employee.

**CS-4. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION — PRESIDENT MUNSON:**

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