

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE March 25, 2025

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee

TO Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno
Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **Dallas Fire-Rescue's Facility Construction Update**

Please accept this memorandum as an update to the ongoing construction projects involving fire stations through a collaboration between Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) and Facilities and Real Estate Management (FRM), the Office of Bond and Construction Management (BCM), Office of Economic Development (ECO), and construction contractors:

1. Status of previously reported items that are ongoing:
 - a. DFR was awarded funding in the recent bond election to replace Fire Station 43 (2844 Lombardy Ln., Council District 6) and remodel Fire Station 11 (3828 Cedar Springs Rd., Council District 14).
 - i. DFR and BCM have identified a potential site for replacement Fire Station 43; the environmental assessment and offer to purchase are still being processed.
 - ii. A draft of the remodel design for Station 11 is still in progress.
 - b. DFR has begun a project to upgrade all Fire Stations from analog to digital landlines. While all new sites are designed and built with digital lines, the existing facilities must be converted one at a time.
 - i. Each conversion takes approximately two weeks to complete.
 - ii. The project is approximately 25% complete.
 - c. The DFR Maintenance building has one repair bay wall where bricks have started to fall. FRM has a contract in process for a full repair in FY25.
 - d. FRM and the Department of Transportation & Public Works are still in the process of plan development for apparatus approach repairs.
 - e. DFR and FRM Capital have prioritized FY25 funds to pay for the following station and work location modifications:
 - i. A Lactation Room for 1551 Baylor St.
 - ii. Renovation and code updates for the Fire Dispatch Kitchen, located at L1CS City Hall.
 - iii. Renovation and repurposing of the old Fire Station at 3241 N. Hampton Rd. (Council District 06) that will house the Safety Staff who work in the Quartermaster Program (provides clean

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- iv. Renovation of restroom and shower facilities at the 5000 Dolphin Rd. Training Academy.
 - f. Roof work at Fire Station 56 (7040 Belt Line Rd. Council District 11) began on February 5th after a prolonged weather delay. No current completion date has been established.
 - g. Newly purchased equipment for the propane training prop at the Training Academy at 5000 Dolphin Road was tested and found to be in full working condition on February 25th, 2025.
 - h. Fire Station 17's (6045 Belmont Ave, Council District 14) mold abatement began February 10th. Resources will remain relocated for an estimated additional three weeks.
 - i. Repairs / Remodeling of the training towers at the Training Academy at 5000 Dolphin continue. Demolition and preparatory work have been completed; FRM anticipates having a fully executed contract for rebuild and renovations by early April, which should allow work to begin by the end of July.
2. New Projects:
- a. Structural exploratory / investigation work is scheduled to begin on Building C of the Training Academy at 5000 Dolphin Road next week and will last approximately 10 days.

Questions may be referred to interim Fire Chief Justin Ball at justin.ball@dallasfire.gov.



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