

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 14, 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 Facility Construction Update**

Please accept this memorandum as an update on the ongoing and upcoming construction and facility improvement projects involving Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR), in collaboration with Facilities and Real Estate Management (FRM), the Office of Bond and Construction Management (BCM), the Office of Economic Development (ECO), and various construction contractors.:

1. ONGOING PROJECTS:

- a. Fire Station 43 Replacement and Fire Station 11 Remodel
 - i. 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).
 1. On March 26, 2025, FRM received Council approval to fund and acquire land near Lombardy Ln. and Brockbank Dr. for the new Station 43.
 2. A draft design for the Station 11 remodel is currently in development.
- b. Digital Landline Conversion
 - i. DFR is upgrading all fire stations from analog to digital landlines. While new stations are built with digital lines, existing facilities must be converted individually.
 1. Each conversion takes approximately two weeks.
 2. The project is approximately 25% complete.
 3. Progress has been delayed due to recent incidents of copper wiring theft.
- c. Apparatus Approach Repairs
 - i. FRM and the Department of Transportation & Public Works are continuing to develop plans for apparatus approach improvements across multiple stations.
- d. FY25 Station and Facility Modifications
 - i. FRM and DFR have prioritized FY25 funding for the following updates:

1. Installation of a lactation room at 1551 Baylor Street
 2. Renovation and code compliance updates for the Fire Dispatch kitchen (L1CS) at City Hall.
 3. Renovation and repurposing of the former Fire Station at 3241 N. Hampton Rd. (Council District 6) to house Safety Staff assigned to the Quartermaster Program (responsible for providing clean PPE following emergency incidents)
 4. Renovation of restrooms and showers at the 5000 Dolphin Rd. Training Academy
- e. Roof Repairs – Fire Station 56
- i. Roof work is ongoing at Station 56 (7040 Belt Line Rd., Council District 11). A completion date has not yet been established.
- f. Training Academy (5000 Dolphin Rd.) Updates
- i. Propane prop training is underway with staff and recruits. The project is progressing on schedule.
 - ii. On March 3rd, structural investigation and exploratory work on Building C were completed. A final consultant report with recommendations and cost estimates is expected next week.
 - iii. Training tower renovations are moving forward. Demolition and prep work are complete, and a construction contract is expected in early April. Work is anticipated to begin by the end of July.
 - iv. FRM is finalizing a contract to fully repair one bay wall of the Maintenance Building during this fiscal year.
- g. Fire Station 17 Mold Remediation
- i. Mold remediation at Station 17 (6045 Belmont Ave., Council District 14) has been completed. Crews returned to the station on March 7, 2025.

2. NEW PROJECTS:

- a. Fire Station Alerting System Implementation
- i. The Fire Station Alerting System project launched with a kickoff meeting on March 26, 2025.
 1. Site inspections for Stations 7 and 41 were completed March 13.
 2. The initial project timeline targets completion by December 2026.
 3. A detailed project schedule will be finalized after installation sequencing is determined, anticipated by mid-to-late April.
 4. A pilot implementation is planned for Battalion 1, with site visits tentatively scheduled for April 17.
- b. Fire Station 18 Relocation Project
- i. On April 1, 2025, the Downtown Connection TIF District and the Downtown Dallas Development Authority approved the relocation of Fire Station 18.

1. The City will acquire new properties for the new Station 18 site:
 - a. 1205 Patterson Avenue
 - b. 1212 San Jacinto Street
 - c. 1214 San Jacinto Street
 2. The existing Station 18 (660 N. Griffin Street) will be sold after the new facility is constructed by the Developer.
 3. Construction is expected to begin in December 2026 and be completed by December 2028.
- c. Preventative Roofing Maintenance
- i. FRM has contracted Castro Roofing to conduct inspections and perform preventative maintenance on station roofs.
 - ii. The program began last week with inspections at Stations 10, 24, 39, 48, and 57.
 - iii. Minor issues are being addressed onsite; more serious items will be scheduled for future repair.
- d. HVAC Preventative Maintenance
- i. FRM has also contracted Metco to perform preventative maintenance on HVAC systems.
 - ii. The first step involves collecting asset data for each station's HVAC.
 - iii. This process began on March 25 with the following stations: 10, 12, 13, 17, 20, 22, 23, 25, 38, 40, 46, 49, 54, 56, and 58

Should you have questions, or need additional information, please contact Fire Chief Justin Ball at justin.ball@dallasfire.gov.



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