

## Memorandum

DATE February 28, 2020 CITY OF DALLAS

TO Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee

## **SUBJECT Temporary Fire Stations**

This memo provides an update on Fire Stations 19, 30, 41 and 46, which are currently out of service. Station 19 sustained roof damages due to a rainstorm in June 2019, and Station 41 was destroyed by a tornado in October 2019. Then in November, personnel and apparatus from Station 30 were forced to relocate due to concerns over the structural integrity of that station. Station 46, which is a 2017 bond project, is currently in the process of being replaced in its same location. Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) is working with the Office of Risk Management and the city's insurance adjuster to understand the reimbursement capacity for replacing Stations 41 and 19 which were damaged by storms. Additionally, the Bond Office and Building Services Department have developed an estimated project timeline for new Stations 19, 41 and 46. Station 30 however, is currently being assessed to determine the needed repairs and the associated costs.

DFR is exploring the concept of placing temporary modular fire stations in locations that have been forced to relocate. The department expects to be reimbursed for temporary Stations 19 and 41 by the city's insurance adjuster. Station 46 is also being evaluated for a temporary fire station, and funding options for the temporary station are currently being explored.

DFR has conducted research to identify vendors who could provide temporary fire stations and equipment shelters by engaging local fire departments (the City of Grapevine, Glenn Heights and the City of Plano). The department has also requested quotes from the vendors which have provided temporary member quarters and equipment shelters to neighboring cities. As a result, DFR identified vendors who can provide a furnished 12-month rental for temporary living quarters that can accommodate approximately 5-8 members. This proposal is estimated to cost \$45,000 for each/per year. Additionally, DFR identified vendors that can provide vinyl dome structures to protect fire equipment from the environmental elements. The dome structures protect the apparatus and has an estimated cost of \$75,000.

In order to secure definitive pricing for the temporary member quarters and equipment shelters, Procurement Services will conduct a solicitation of goods and services through either an informal or formal solicitation to ensure compliance with the City of Dallas Charter, the City Code and State and Federal procurement laws.

Estimated Project Timeline for a new Fire Station 41 (5920 Royal Lane, Council District 13):

- Demolition begins 2/17/2020 and completes 3/2/2020
- Anticipated clean site by March 2, 2020
- Council Award of Design-Build Contract May 2020
- Award Construction Contract (GMP) January 2021
- Start Construction April 2021
- Complete Construction March 2022

The proposed temporary station location identified for Fire Station 41 is 5807 Royal Lane.

Estimated Project Timeline for a new Fire Station 19 (5600 East Grand, Council District 2):

- Demolition begins 3/2/2020 and completes 3/16/2020
- There should be a clean site by March 16, 2020
- Council Award of Design-Build Contract May 2020
- Award Construction Contract (GMP) January 2021
- Start Construction April 2021
- Complete Construction March 2022

The proposed temporary station location for Fire Station 19 is 5000 Dolphin Road.

Estimated Project Timeline for Fire Station 46 (331 W. Camp Wisdom Road, Council District 3):

- Council Award of GMP (construction) December 11, 2019
- Start Construction December 30, 2019
- Complete Construction March 24, 2021

The proposed temporary station location for Fire Station 46 is 7200 South RL Thornton Freeway.

These are short-term solutions to provide DFR services for these locations. The department will continue to monitor operations of all personnel and apparatus to make sure response delays are minimized and will adjust assigned locations as necessary. We are committed to delivering the highest service possible to the citizens of Dallas.

Please let me know if you require any additional information.

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