

# PUBLIC MEETING OF THE DEER SPRINGS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (DSFPD)

April 9, 2025 Agenda Open Session 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: DSFPD Station 1, 8709 Circle R Drive, Escondido, CA 92026

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# 1. Call to Order, Roll Call

President Jackson Vice-President Sealey Secretary/Treasurer Kerrin Director Gordon Director Caples

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Adoption of Agenda

# 4. Public Comments Period

Any member of the public may speak on any matter that is <u>not</u> on the agenda. However, under State law, no decisions or actions can be taken and any such matters shall be deferred to the next meeting.

- 5. Fire Safe Council Report
- 6. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Regular Board Meeting March 12, 2025
- 7. Acceptance of March Finance Reports-General, Capital and Mitigation Funds

# 8. Chief Report

- a. Fire Marshal Report
- b. Community Emergency Response Team Report

# 9. Committee Reports

1. Station 2 Improvement-Director Gordon, and Chief Morrison

<u>Purpose</u>: To oversee the transition of Station 2 from the existing facility to a permanent facility

Type: Ad hoc

2. Threats, Hazard, and Mitigations-Directors Sealey, Kerrin and Chief Morrison

<u>Purpose</u>: To develop the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), develop the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) and develop the Deer Springs Annex to the San Diego County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)

Type: Ad hoc

3. County of San Diego and Deer Springs Cooperative Approach Committee-Directors Jackson and Sealey

<u>Purpose</u>: To develop a revision to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Deer Springs Fire Protection District and County of San Diego, Public Safety Group, San Diego County Fire dated June 2023.

Type: Ad hoc

4. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Committee-Directors Kerrin and Caples

Purpose: Pursuant to Policies C01 and C02, develop the District's General, Capital, and Mitigation Preliminary Budgets for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; publish the Preliminary Budgets for public review; prepare Final Budgets; and make recommendations on Standby/Availability and Fire Suppression fee changes to go into effect July 1, 2025

Type: Ad hoc

#### 10. Unfinished Business

a. <u>Standby/Availability Fee.</u> The fee was established by the residents upon the formation of the District in 1981 to provide emergency services, with the ability to increase the fee by the Consumer Price Index if needed. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code §13910, if the District determines the amount of revenue available to the District is inadequate to meet the costs of providing services, the Board may raise the fee. The first reading of the Resolution was conducted on March 12, 2025.

Action requested: Adopt Resolution 25-01 to increase the Standby Fee from \$20.54 per benefit unit by the Consumer Price Index for San Diego County to \$21.11 per benefit unit effective July 1, 2025. The proposed values are a 2.78% annual increase to last year's rate.

b. <u>Fire Suppression Assessment Fee.</u> The fee was established by the residents in 2004 to increase emergency service capabilities, with the ability to increase the fee by the Consumer Price Index if needed. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code §13910, if the District determines the amount of revenue available to the District is inadequate to meet the costs of providing services, the Board may raise the fee. The first reading of the Resolution was conducted on March 12, 2025.

Action requested: Adopt Resolution 25-02 to increase the Fire Suppression Assessment from \$0.2703 per benefit unit by the Consumer Price Index for San Diego County to \$0.2787 per benefit unit effective July 1, 2025. The proposed values are a 3.11% annual increase to last year's rate.

c. <u>Fire Mitigation Fees and Capital Improvement Program.</u> Pursuant to Government Code §66000, et seq. San Diego County has established a Fire Mitigation Fee program for new development that allows local agencies to participate. Government Code §66002 allows local agencies to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan to determine location, size, time of availability, and estimates of cost for all facilities or improvements to be financed with the fees. Deer Springs has historically used these fees to repay a General Fund loan for the building of Station 3, located at 10308 Meadow Glen Way East (APN 186-620-57-00). Action requested: Adopt Resolution 25-03 to participate in the County of San Diego Fire Mitigation Fee Program for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and update the established Capital Improvement Plan

## 11. New Business

a. Discussion: 2025-26 DSFPD Goals and Objectives and how to measure

## 12. Correspondence

### 13. Directors Comments

# 14. Adjournment

Members of the public may submit written comments. The public is strongly encouraged to submit their comments on agenda and non-agenda items via e-mail to liz@dsfd.sdcoxmail.com. All comments submitted are sent to the members of the Board for their consideration. Written comments will be accepted until 30 minutes before the start of the meeting. Public comments that are submitted will be read into the record at the Board Meeting. The public retains the right to make comments during the course of the meeting.

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