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Date: July 11, 2018

To: Mayor and City Councilmembers

Thru: Darin Atteberry, City Manager
Tom DeMint, PFA Fire Chief

From: Kirsten Howard, Budget & Finance Supervisor

Re: July 10, 2018 Work Session Summary: Poudre Fire Authority 2017 Annual Report

On July 10, 2018, City Council and staff from the Poudre Fire Authority (PFA) met in work session to discuss PFA's governance, PFA's 2017 Annual Report including 2017 performance measurements and metrics, financial position, and a focus on issues moving forward. The 2014 Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement between the Poudre Valley Fire Protection District and the City of Fort Collins, establishing the PFA, stipulates that the Authority will provide a report to the City and District annually. The goal of providing this report was to reflect on the progress of continuous improvement efforts and the ever increasing attention to data-driven, outcome-based decision making. The 2017 Annual Report can be viewed at www.pfaannualreport.com.

Highlights of the report included:


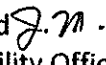


- Participation of 69 community members in the Strategic Planning process.
- Elimination of \$450,000 in interest payments due to pre-paying the Station 4 Lease/Purchase.
- Partnership with Colorado State University social work students to install life-saving smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in high-risk, low-income homes with a result of decreased emergency calls in those neighborhoods within six months of the alarm-installs.
- Keep Fort Collins Great (KFCG) funding, is critical to PFA's budget; the tax initiative sunsets on December 31, 2020. KFCG revenue is used at PFA to fund key safety positions, firefighters, and equipment. Without it, PFA would not be able to provide the same high-level services the community currently receives.
- Information regarding three unrelated fire deaths in 2017.
- The value of property protected by PFA exceeded \$29 billion.
- Two fire sprinkler activations resulted in fires being extinguished.
- Goals moving forward include innovation in fire-behavior research, drone technologies in public-safety applications, right-sized response deployment models, community risk reduction, and educational opportunities.

Discussion at the Council work session centered on the Roving Alternative Medical Unit (RAM); a 2017 pilot program with the intent of measuring alternative deployment strategies to meet the increasing call volume of low acuity medical responses and the impact on response reliability, and dynamic smoke and carbon monoxide installation events resulting in a decrease in medical- and fire-related calls by utilizing partner agencies and social work students from Colorado State University to assess other needs.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 2018
TO: Mayor and Councilmembers
THRU: Darin Atteberry, City Manager; 
Jeff Mihelich, Deputy City Manager; and  -
Jacqueline Kozak-Thiel, Chief Sustainability Officer 
FROM: Josh Birks, Economic Health and Redevelopment Director 
RE: JULY 10, 2018 WORK SESSION SUMMARY: METRO DISTRICT POLICY REVISIONS

Staff Present: Josh Birks, Tom Leeson, John Duval

During the discussion of the proposed updates to the City Council Policy for Reviewing Proposed Service Plans for Title 32 Metropolitan Districts ("Metro District Policy"), Council offered the following feedback:

- **Public Benefits** – Council provided a variety of feedback on the public benefits described in the policy: (a) appreciate the increased specificity; (b) maintain focus on achieving community "stretch" goals, (c) consider a systems approach and the interplay between the various objectives; and (d) avoid "checking boxes".
- **Transparency** – Council provide feedback regarding public notice, financial transparency, and engagement: (a) supportive of providing a form of notice to be used during real estate transactions; (b) support publishing and sharing financial statements of districts provided as part of the annual report requirement; and (c) encourage board meetings occur more frequently than the minimum annual requirement.
- **Affordable Housing** – Council shared the following feedback on affordable housing: (a) attainable or workforce housing could also be part of the objectives; (b) concern about the ability to deliver affordable housing with increased property tax costs; and (c) please share some examples of how a metro district would affect an individual homeowners cost of living.
- **Policy as Framework** – Staff reiterated and council agreed that the policy should establish a framework for creating and evaluating Service Plan that will deliver extraordinary public benefits – Council retains the final approval of all Service Plans.
- **Other** – Remove the limitation on covenants currently in the Model Service Plan.

Next Steps: Incorporate feedback from Council and present the policy for adoption on August 21, 2018.