



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

March 13, 2024

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

4. Public Comments Period

Any member of the public may speak on any matter that is not 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 Meeting February 14, 2024
- b. Special Meeting February 29, 2024

7. Acceptance of February Finance Reports-General, Capital and Mitigation Funds

8. Chief's Report

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

9. Committee Reports

- a. Station 2 Improvement-Directors Holley, Gordon, and Chief Morrison
Purpose: To oversee the transition of Station 2 from the existing facility to a permanent facility
Type: Ad hoc
- b. Threats, Hazard, and Mitigations-Directors Sealey, Kerrin and Chief Morrison
Purpose: To develop the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), develop the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR), update the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), and develop the Deer Springs Annex to the San Diego County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)
Type: Ad hoc
- c. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Committee-Directors Jackson and Kerrin
Purpose: Pursuant to Policies C01 and C02, develop the District's General, Capital, and Mitigation Preliminary Budgets for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; 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, 2024
Type: Ad hoc

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

- a. Standby/Availability Fee. 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.
Action requested: Adopt 1st reading of Resolution 24-02 to increase the Standby Fee from \$20.28 per benefit unit by the Consumer Price Index for San Diego County to \$20.54 per benefit unit effective July 1, 2024, with a final reading on April 10, 2024
- b. Fire Suppression Assessment Fee. 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.
Action requested: Adopt 1st reading of Resolution 24-03 to increase the Fire Suppression Assessment from \$0.2574 per benefit unit by the Consumer Price Index for San Diego County to \$0.2703 per benefit unit effective July 1, 2024, with a final reading on April 10, 2024

- c. Fire Mitigation Fees and Capital Improvement Program. 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 24-04 to participate in the County of San Diego Fire Mitigation Fee Program for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and update the established Capital Improvement Plan

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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