

HIGHLANDS RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING ADDENDUM

May 30, 2017

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<http://highlandsranch.org>

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<http://intranet.highlandsranch.org/default.aspx>

- Metro District's South Metro Fire Rescue unification proposal needs



SMFR Unification Proposal Needs

- A. In order for the Metro District to consider a proposal to unify with South Metro Fire Rescue the following information is needed in addition to the information already provided:
1. Specific resources that will be provided in Highlands Ranch including:
 - a. Stations with general location;
 - b. Ladders, engines, medic units and other apparatus including locations and hours per day, days per week in service and ALS capability;
 - c. Number of personnel and basic qualifications (firefighter or paramedic) assigned to each apparatus;
 - d. Costs for capital improvements and purchases and who pays.
 2. Ownership of stations and equipment.
 - a. Allowance for value of stations upon unification?
 3. Cost of the service as follows:
 - a. Dollars per year;
 - b. Cost per call
 - c. Sources of revenue
 - d. Who would run/pay for any required election?
 - e. Rationale for set mill levy versus dollars per call or dollars per year
 - f. Prognosis for stability of future costs.
 4. First responding unit response time in Highlands Ranch (90%):
 - a. Actions proposed to reduce travel time in Highlands Ranch such as forward deployment/dispersal vs. all units in stations.
 - b. Goal - urban or suburban standard response times?
 - c. Provide map with projected response times within Highlands Ranch.
 5. Recommended governance:
 - a. Contract
 - b. Authority
 - c. Inclusion
 - d. Phased approach
 - e. Representation?
 - f. Rationale.
- B. Cost of service is a concern for the Metro District and the initial proposal included two service levels that seem excessive as follows:
1. Four firefighters per engine when multiple units are always dispatched to fires;
 2. All medic units are manned 24/7/365 when the vast majority of calls occur between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.;
 3. Please comment on these specifically and how the proposed service will provide high quality service efficiently.