

Fire Department

DATE: February 7, 2005

TO: Public Safety Committee

RE: Request for Information

Ronald Crowell, Acting Fire Chief

Listed below are responses to several questions received in an email request from Linda Raschke on February 1, 2005 for the next Public Safety Committee meeting on February 7, 2005.

1. What is planned for 2005 in the Fire Department?

- Hire two (2) Basic EMT's to staff an ambulance during the day
- Hire a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic to fill current vacancy
- Move forward with department operations
- Purchases
 - Take delivery of 2 apparatus (2004 purchase)
 - (2) staff vehicles
 - (1) Squad
 - Ambulance
 - Extrication equipment (JAWS – 5 units)
 - Station sign repairs
 - Community Alert System
 - AVL system for all Apparatus
 - SCBA Masks (30)
 - Turnout Equipment
 - AED Units (4)
- Continue cooperation with North Oakland Mutual Aid Group
- Construct new entrance ramp to Headquarters
- Complete installation of station generators

2. What were the results of the recent Agility Test?

During the recent Agility Test there were six (6) people who tested for the full-time Firefighter/Paramedic position in which four (4) successfully passed. The city plans to have this position filled in March.

There were 23 candidates who tested for Paid-on-Call positions. Orientation for the Paid-on-Call Division is scheduled on February 15th, and EMT Class begins in March. The new POC's should be licensed around August.

3. What is the actual head count for each station presently?

Station No.	Fire/EMS Division	EMS Division	Fire Division	Total Count
1	11	1	3	14
2	16	2	2	20
3	9	1	2	13
4	6	1	3	10
5	4	0	2	6

4. Are there any new recruits and how many?

Answered in question No. 2 above

5. Discuss the two (2) postings regarding the EMTs

The department will hire two (2) full-time Basic Emergency Medical Technicians. These Basic EMT's will enhance the departments daytime EMS System working in conjunction with Paid-on-Call EMT's. The plan is to have one ambulance staffed from 0600 – 1600 hours and another from 0800 – 1800 hours Monday thru Friday.

Five Year Plan Update

The Five Year Plan and its objectives do not have an expiration date. It was created as a plan of direction for fire department implementation over a specific 5-year time period. All objectives within the plan were completed in November 2002.

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