



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

## FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

### APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 15, 2017  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) CONFERENCE ROOM  
5200 SOQUEL AVE, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95062  
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

#### I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:

Meeting called to order at 4:08 pm

##### **Present:**

Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Chair: Doug Aumack  
Second District Representative: Carey Pico  
Third District Representative: Janet Webb  
Fourth District Representative: John Walker  
Fifth District Representative: Arnie Wernick

##### **Absent:**

First District Representative/FDAC Co-Chair: Alex Leman  
Office of Emergency Services Manager: Rosemary Anderson

#### II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:

- A. Impact of proposed bike park development in Sanborn County Park at top of Black Road at Skyline. (Wernick)
- B. Discussion of meeting date change (Aumack)

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 20, 2017:

**Motion:** Pico to approve draft minutes.

**Motion Seconded:** Webb

**In Favor:** Aumack, Pico, Walker, Webb, Wernick

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** Anderson, Leman

#### IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION: (Items not on agenda, 3 minutes/person)

A. None

#### V. CORRESPONDENCE:

A. None

#### VI. BUSINESS MATTERS:

- A. Impact of proposed bike park development in Sanborn County Park at top of Black Road at Skyline. (Wernick)

**Motion:** In view of potential impacts to County Fire emergency resources, the FDAC recommends that Santa Cruz County Fire management make contact with Santa Clara County Fire Department regarding concerns over the proposed Sanborn Mountain Bike Park.

**Motion Seconded:** Aumack

**In Favor:** Aumack, Pico, Walker, Webb, Wernick

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** Anderson, Leman

**B. Discussion of meeting date change. (Aumack)**

- i. Updates from Commissioners:
- ii. Master Plan Subcommittee (Wernick, Pico, Webb)
  - a. Changing name to Strategic Plan Subcommittee
- iii. Recruitment Subcommittee (Leman, Aumack)
- iv. Volunteer Company Officers' Representative (Aumack)

**C. Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Hess)**

- i. Moved out of peak staffing from 12 to 10 engines.
- ii. On 11/20/17 will transition 5 state engines/5 county engines.
- iii. On 12/4/17 will transition to 2 state engines/5 county engines.
- iv. Attempted a Big Basin VMP burn in October but fuels were too moist. A VMP burn was conducted at UCSC.
- v. Bear Fire (391 acres) provided a good cooperative effort with the Sheriff, an opportunity for all personnel to be activated within the county, and flagged some emergency response concerns for future review.
  - a. Post Bear Fire community meeting had a good response and another will be scheduled in the future.
- vi. Local agency departments are completing a grant for ballistic armor.
- vii. MCI Cards are being distributed to all local agencies.
- viii. 2 Type III engine chassis are at Hi Tech.

**D. Announcements**

- i. Ginny Petras has been promoted to an Administrative Officer II position and a new Staff Services Analyst will be selected in 2018.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT AT 6:00 PM.**

**Motion Seconded:** Aumack

**In Favor:** Aumack, Pico, Walker, Webb, Wernick

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** Anderson, Leman

Next regular meeting – January 17, 2018 at 4:00 pm, located at CAL FIRE CZU HQ Conference Room.

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