



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday, January 17th, 2024, 3:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting

CalFire / County Fire Meeting Room, 6059 HIGHWAY 9, FELTON, CA 95018

Remote Participation

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CALL IN: 650-564-3271 Conference ID: 887 871 738#

I. ROLL CALL / INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting called to order at 3:17

First District Representative/Chair:	Sanjay Khandelwal
Third District Representative:	Mike Phinn
Fourth District Representative:	Kirt Vojvoda
Department of General Services:	Michael Beaton
Second District Representative:	Carey Pico – 3:23 arrival
Firth District Representative:	Arnie Wernick – 3:47 arrival
Absent:	
Volunteer Firefighter Representative:	Doug Aumack

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

November 15th – Minutes - 1st Phinn – 2nd - Vojvoda

III. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE:

A. None

IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION

A. 1 – Public Comment

VII. BUSINESS MATTERS (CONTINUING)

- A. 24-25 CalFire Contract (Beaton)
- High level discussion, next steps for elements, potential one-year agreement.

VIII. BUSINESS MATTERS (NEW)

- A. County information with respect to County Commissions (Beaton)
- Board of Supervisor (BoS), Santa Cruz Like Me, Stipend for Commissioner was approved.
 - BoS looking at all commissions, viability.

- B. Master Plan Assessment Discussion and FDAC recommendations for County BoS submission; 2 attachments provided (Beaton)**
- a. Chief Armstrong reviewed questions provided by Commissioners.
 - b. Discussion on “DRAFT For Discussion at Jan 17th FDAC Meeting”
 - i. Round Table
 - 1. General input from each commissioner present
 - ii. Overall
 - 1. Reviewed DRAFT content.
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Minimal changes
 - iii. Finding
 - 1. Reviewed DRAFT content.
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Minimal changes
 - iv. Recommendations
 - 1. Chair Khandelwal updated document.
 - 2. Short Term Recommendations
 - a. A-1: 6-0
 - b. A-2: 0-6
 - c. A-3: 4-2
 - d. A-4: 6-0
 - e. A-5: 6-0
 - f. A-6: 6-0
 - g. A-7: 6-0 with additional funding
 - h. A-8: 6-0
 - i. A-9: Outside Scope
 - j. A-10: 6-0
 - k. A-11: 6-0
 - l. A-12: 6-0
 - 3. Medium Term Recommendations
 - a. B-1: 6-0
 - b. B-2: 6-0
 - c. B-3: 6-0
 - 4. Long Term Recommendations
 - a. C-1: 6-0 Deferred
 - b. C-2: 6-0 Deferred
 - 5. Priority Recommendation Identified
 - a. Removed
- C. FDAC meetings frequency and location**
- a. Change meeting times to 3PM – 6PM
- D. Elections for Chair and Vice Chair for 2024**
- a. Chair – Sanjay K.
 - b. Vice Chair – Mike Phinn

V. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS (Oral reports; No discussion / action)
Beaton

CSA 48 and CSA 4 Preliminary Budgets at March Meeting
Rob Sherman was appointed to member at large, final approval in January.

VI. SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FIRE UPDATE & REPORT

Facilities

- Septic system replacement at McDermott update
- Tree work at Davenport

Equipment

- New Type 3 Engines
- Surplus Equipment

General

- *Community Events*
- First Due
- County Volunteer Roster
- 24/25 Budget
- County Objectives
- Volunteer Center
- Policy/Procedure Manual
- Website

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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