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AGENDA BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008 AT 9:00 A.M.
FIRE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM, CITY HALL EAST, ROOM 1820
200 N. MAIN STREET, 18TH FLOOR, LOS ANGELES

PUBLIC INPUT AT MEETINGS - The public may comment on any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the Board during public comment. Members of the public are invited to address the Board on any Agenda item prior to action by the Board on a specific item.

Comments from the public will be limited to two (2) minutes per individual, with ten (10) minutes total allowed for public presentation. Members of the public who wish to address the Board are urged to complete a Speaker Card and submit it to the Board Secretary prior to commencement of the public meeting. The cards are available in the Fire Commission Meeting Room.

CONSENT ITEMS - Designed to minimize the meeting time relative to routine matters. The documentation provided to the Board contains sufficient information for approval without inquiry or discussion. The President will call for a vote on the Consent Agenda as a whole. The Board's vote will be treated as separate votes for each item considered. Any item may be moved to the Regular Agenda for discussion at the request of a Board member or if a member of the general public submits a request to speak on the subject matter, prior to the vote.

DISPOSITION OF ITEMS - Actions of the Board shall become final at the expiration of the next five meeting days of the City Council during which the Council has convened in regular session, unless the Council acts within that time by two-thirds vote to bring the action before it or to waive review of the action.

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The meeting is audiotaped and the recording is kept for 30-days.

- **ROLL CALL**
- **FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE** in honor of past and present members of the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) who devote their lives to the protection of the community.

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- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT**– Non-agenda items within jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. ITEMS NOTICED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. [BFC 08-046] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 9, 2008, submitting a request for approval to modify the method of fee calculation and authorize an increase of the High-Rise Building Annual Inspection and Permit Fee. Change of the following:
1. Amendment to the Los Angeles Municipal Code (L.A.M.C.) Section 57.119.
 - a. Modify the method of determining costs from salaries with fringe benefits to total costs including salaries and indirect costs.
 - b. Include charging fees for inspection of high-rise residential apartments and condominiums.
 2. High-Rise Building Annual Inspection and Permit Fee Increases:
 - a. Building inspection rate to \$0.0131 per square foot of building area (+18 percent).
 - b. Garage inspection rate to \$0.0066 per square foot of garage area (+18 percent).
 - c. Base building fee of \$900 for all high-rise buildings including vacant and/or partially vacant buildings.

Recommendation: The Board approves the report and recommendations.

- B. [BFC 08-047] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 8, 2008 submitting the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Unified Program Fee Adjustment report. Change of the following fees:
1. Unified Program (L.A.M.C., Section 57.14.10C) – increase 10% (Attachment 1).

Recommendation: The Board approves the report and recommendations.

- C. [BFC 08-048-R1] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 8, 2008 submitting the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Annual Cost of Special Services Fee Adjustment report. Change of the following fees:
1. Continuing Permit Activities (L.A.M.C., Section 57.04.12C) – 5% decrease (Attachment A).
 2. Non-Continuing Permit Activities and Emergency Inspections (L.A.M.C., Sections 57.05.31 and 57.05.32) – 5% decrease (Attachment B).
 3. Miscellaneous Fees (L.A.M.C., Sections 57.01.28, 57.01.30, 57.05.14, 57.05.15 and 57.06.15) - 5% decrease (Attachment C).
 4. Brush Administrative Cost Fee (L.A.M.C., Section 57.21.07) - increase from \$982 to \$1026.

Recommendation: The Board approves the report and recommendations.

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3. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 1, 2008.
Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

- B. Verbal report from the Fire Commission Personnel/Employee Relations Committee [Tolentino/Hudley-Hayes.]
Recommendation: That the Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to the Committees' assignments or verbal report.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Events/Meetings/Announcements:
 - 1. [BFC 08-063] – Calendar of Events.
Recommendation: Receive and File

- B. Significant Incidents/Activities:
 - 1. Verbal report - Significant Incidents/Activities for the period of May 2 through May 6, 2008.

 - 1. [BFC 08-051] - Significant Incident Summary report for the period of April 7 through April 14, 2008.
Recommendation: Receive and File

 - 2. [BFC 08-055] - Significant Incident Summary report for the period of April 14 through April 21, 2008.
Recommendation: Receive and File

 - 3. [BFC 08-062] - Significant Incident Summary report for the period of April 21 through April 28, 2008.
Recommendation: Receive and File

- C. Verbal report on the disposition of LAFD matters considered by or referred to City Council/Committees during the period of April 16 through May 6, 2008.
Recommendation: That the Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to the LAFD matters considered by or referred to City Council/Committee during the reporting period.

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5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Continued discussion and consideration of City policy compliance relative to services and programs provided by organizations to the Fire Department.
Recommendation: The Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to services, programs and association with organizations, entities or affiliates to ensure that all LAFD programs and services are in compliance with City policy.
- B. [BFC 08-065] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 28, 2008, submitting an overview of the LAFD Youth Development Programs, including the Learning for Life Youth Service Provider.
Recommendation: Approve the report and recommendations.
- C. Review and consideration of the following documents relative to the LAFD Explorer Program:
1. [BFC 08-064] – Human Relations Commission Resolution dated March 3, 2008 regarding the Explorer Program.
 2. [BFC 08-053] - Correspondence from the Board of Fire Commissioners' to the City Attorney requesting a legal opinion on the distinct and legal separation between the Boy Scouts of America and Learning for Life.
 3. [BFC 08-052] - Correspondence from Lambda Legal Services to the City Attorney regarding the LAPD and LAFD Explorer Program relationship with Learning for Life and Boy Scouts of America.
 4. [CF 00-1590 - S1 and S2] - Council Motions, Goldberg/Feur and Miscikowski/Ridley-Thomas, regarding the Boy Scouts of America – City Policy prohibiting discrimination.
- Recommendation: The Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to services and programs provided by the Learning for Life, Boy Scouts of America and its affiliate organizations to ensure that all LAFD programs and services are in compliance with City policy.
- D. [BFC 08-044-R1] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 21, 2008, requesting authorization to begin the 2007 Brush Clearance Appeals Process and appointment of the following hearing officers to conduct appeals on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners:
1. Janice Iving
 2. David Shapiro
 3. Paula Petrotta (alternate hearing officer)
- Recommendation: Approve the report and recommendations.

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- E. Verbal status report and consideration on the disposition of the Fire Department Budget.
 - 1. Fiscal Year 2007-08 Budget
 - 2. Mayor's Proposed Fiscal Year 2008-09 Budget

Recommendation: That the Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to the Fire Department budget.

- F. Verbal status report and consideration of the Department's strategic implementation plan - indicators of progress/measures of success of reforms.

Recommendation: That the Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to the Department's plan for reform.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. [BFC 08-066] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 28, 2008, requesting acceptance of an in-kind donation of fourteen portable Tom Tom One XL GPS Navigation Devices valued at approximately \$3,8000 for distribution to Battalion 14. The equipment was purchased by the Brentwood 90049 Adopt-a-Fire Station Homeowner's Group with funds from an anonymous donor.

Recommendation: Approve the report and recommendations.

7. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. [BFC 08-067] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 28, 2008 submitting the EMS Deployment Plan Update – April 2008.

Recommendation: Receive and File

- B. [BFC 08-068] - Fire Chief's transmittal dated April 14, 2008 submitting the Fire Department Statistics for Fourth Quarter 2007.

Recommendation: Receive and File

8. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURNMENT