

May 20, 2014

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT



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INTERIM FIRE CHIEF

May 13, 2014

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FILE NO. 14-049

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: James G. Featherstone, Interim Fire Chief

SUBJECT: LAFD PROJECT STATUS REPORT

FINAL ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Corrections	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input type="checkbox"/> Received & Filed	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

SUMMARY

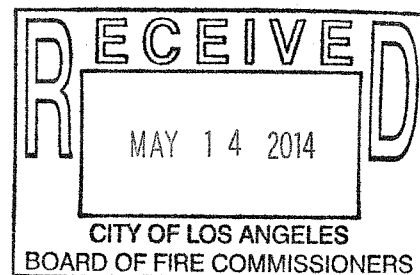
Attached for the Board of Fire Commissioners review is the LAFD project status report dated May 13, 2014 from the Planning Section. This report was prepared for the Fire Commission Meeting on May 20, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:
Receive and file.

Board report prepared by Steve Hissong, Battalion Chief, Planning Section.

Attachment



Topic of Information Requested	LAFD Contact	Requested From Date	Due Date	Written or Verbal	Status	Discussion Date(s)
Monthly Updates on status of AVL project	Chief Richmond, Capt. Gikas	1/21/14 (Glazier, Commissioners)	Monthly; Next report due 5/20/14	Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: Phase I (GPS) is 100% complete. Phase II (Dispatch Floor Map Replacement) Adashi has completed testing and is running a BETA working model – software to be delivered on 5/19/14. Phase III (Mobile Field Mapping) is performing successfully in the test bed at MFC and test dispatches are successfully being sent to the mobile map. Upcoming: Phase IV (Incident Location Quick Find) Adashi will provide the first phase of Quick Find on 7/7/14. Project remains on course to be completed March 2015. 	4/23/14
FireStat	Chief Rueda, Chief Wordin	3/4/14 (Glazier, Commissioners)	5/20/14	Verbal with written materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: The first trial meeting was conducted on 3/31/14 for Battalion 14-A in North Division and on 4/17/14 for Battalion 4-C and 18-C in South Division, with successful results. Upcoming: Relevant materials from each FireSTAT meeting will be provided at upcoming Commission meetings. The development of future FireSTAT meetings is ongoing. 	4/23/14
False Alarms Prevention System plan	Chief Frazeur Chief Stormes ASB (Gibson)	Dec 2013 (Glazier)	6/3/14	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: Ordinance is being reviewed by the City Attorney and revisions are currently in progress. Cost comparisons to LAPD false alarms are being conducted as well as percentages of commercial vs. residential false alarms. Upcoming: A project timeline will be submitted on 5/20/14. 	4/23/14
Vacancies Report	ASB June Gibson	5/6/14 (Glazier)	6/3/14	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written report requested to Commission regarding staffing vacancies and status of examinations 	5/6/14
Community Risk Reduction Program	Chief Rueda, Chief Cooper	10/15/13 (Glazier)	6/3/14	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: The program is currently being restructured and an implementation plan, including a timeline, is being developed. Upcoming: Ultimately, the goal will be to connect the information gathered with the FireSTAT program. 	4/1/14
Standards of Cover	Planning Section Chief Hisson	5/6/14 (Glazier)	6/3/14	Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: The Department is in the process of writing up an RFQ and is on track to present a verbal update to the Fire Commission on 6/3/14. Should include an explanation of what a Standards of Cover study is, as well as an explanation of NFPA standards and how those relate to a Standards of Cover study. 	5/6/14
LAFD Response to LAX Shooting Report	Chief Castro	5/12/14 (Glazier)	6/3/14	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written Report regarding LAFD response to the LAX Shooting Blue Ribbon Report and any changes to be undertaken 	5/6/14
"Super Users" Partnership with LA County Health,	EMS Division (Dr. Eckstein, Chief Reynar)	12/03/13 (Ibarra)	7/1/14	Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: The LA County District Attorney's Task Force is chaired by District Attorney Lacey. The Department has engaged in several meetings with the LA County EMS Agency and LAPD Crisis Response Support Section focusing on available options to assist in reducing the number of "Super User" patient contacts. Upcoming: Additional meetings will be scheduled with above agencies – tentative dates are being discussed. 	4/23/14

Report on Quarterly Budget Updates	ASB (Martinez) Chief Hissong	2/18/14 (Woods-Gray, Ibarra)	Quarterly 8/19/14	Verbal with written report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verbal update with written report will be submitted to the Fire Commission quarterly. 	4/23/14
Briefing on "Wall Time": Resource Kits and Wait Time Statistics	EMS Division (Dr. Eckstein, Chief Reynar)	2/18/14 (Glazier)	8/19/14	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: The Department has initiated efforts to educate hospital partners and other stakeholders to help mitigate the incidence of hospital offload delays. The Department will continue to monitor the impact of hospital offload delays, will continue to meet with local hospital officials, and continue to support the efforts of the coalition created by the State EMS Authority and California Hospital Association. Upcoming: Joint efforts by the State EMS Authority and California Hospital Association to develop a best practice "Tool Kit" for hospitals and providers to address "wall time" is expected to be completed and distributed in the next several months. 	4/23/14
Smoke Alarm Campaign: Department's response to Council motion and to increased fire fatalities	Chief Rueda, Chief Welch, Chief Harvey	2/18/14 Commissioners	8/19/14	Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: In March and April, Fire Companies distributed Smoke Alarm informational flyers and Fire Smart brochures to all elementary schools in the City (5th grade classes). Several companies, including Battalion Chiefs have conducted Smoke Alarm Field Education (SAFE) following fatality fires and near miss incidents. My Safe LA compiled a preliminary report based on the 55 pledge cards that were returned to the Research Unit. Upcoming: 10,000 smoke alarms were donated and received at the Shops for distribution on Fire Service Day (May 10, 2014). Smoke alarm materials in English and Spanish will also be delivered to each Fire Station for Fire Service Day. 	4/1/14
Proposed Recruitment Plan	ASB (Gibson) TSB (Palacios)	12/03/13 2/18/14 (Woods-Gray)	TBD	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June Gibson, Chief Palacios, Budget information, HR Consulting. 	12/03/13
Modifications to Disciplinary Process	Professional Standards Division	1/21/14 (Glazier, Commissioners)	TBD	Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now: On 2/12/14, Professional Standards Division met with the newly appointed Independent Assessor to begin discussions regarding alternatives to the disciplinary process. Upcoming: Discussions with the Independent Assessor are continuing based on her time and availability. 	1/21/14
Cost of Civilian Dispatch Staffing Model	ASB (Gibson) Chief Richmond	4/1/14 (Glazier)	TBD	Written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written report requested to Commission before going to City Council. 	4/1/14