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June 6, 2014

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

FILE NO. 14-062

TO:

Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM:

James G. Featherstone, Interim Fire Chie

SUBJECT: LAFD PROJECT STATUS REPORT

FINAL ACTION:	Approved	Approved w/Corrections	Withdrawn
	Denied	Received & Filed	Other

SUMMARY

Attached for the Board of Fire Commissioners review is the LAFD project status report dated June 6, 2014 from the Planning Section. This report was prepared for the Fire Commission Meeting on June 17, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board: Receive and file.

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

Attachment

Topic of Information	LAFD	Requested From	Due	Written	Status	Discussion
Requested	Contact	Date	Date	Verbal		Date(s)
Monthly Updates on status of AVL project	Chief Richmond, Capt. Gikas	1/21/14 (Glazier, Commissioners)	Monthly; Next report due 6/17/14	Verbal	 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)	6/17/14	Verbal with written materials	 Now: The next FireStat meeting is scheduled on 6/26/14 for Battalions 5 and 14 "C" Platoon at Fire Station 89. Trends are being indentified and discussions for follow-up strategies are underway. Upcoming: Relevant materials from each FireSTAT meeting will be provided at upcoming Commission meetings. The schedule for future FireSTAT meetings is complete. 	4/23/14
FPB Vacancies Report	Chief Stormes	6/3/14 (Glazier)	6/17/14	Verbal	 Verbal report requested to Commission pertaining to current Inspector vacancies and inspection performance records (including back logs). 	6/3/14
Briefing on Adopted Budget	ASB (Gibson)	6/3/14 (Woods-Gray)	6/17/14	Written	 Written report on final budget to identify which requests made by the Fire Commission were honored in the budget. 	6/3/14
LAFD Response to LAX Shooting Report	Chief Castro	5/12/14 (Glazier)	7/1/14	Written	 Written Report regarding LAFD response to the LAX Shooting Blue Ribbon Report and any changes to be undertaken. 	5/6/14
Community Risk Reduction Program	Chief Rueda, Chief Cooper	10/15/13 (Glazier)	7/1/14	Written	 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
"Super Users" Partnership with LA County Health,	EMS Division (Dr. Eckstein, Chief Reynar)	12/03/13 (lbarra)	7/1/14	Verbal	 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
NFPA Standards	Chief Rueda, Chief Hissong	6/3/14 (Glazier)	7/15/14	Verbal	Presentation requested on NFPA standards significant to the LAFD.	6/3/14
Supply and Maintenance Update	Chief Palacios	6/3/14 (Fazio)	7/15/14	Verbal	Report to include vacancies, shop maintenance and status of apparatus.	6/3/14
False Alarms Prevention System plan	Chief Frazeur Chief Stormes ASB (Gibson)	Dec 2013 (Glazier)	8/5/14	Written	 Now: Request for \$500,000 to put the current proposed plan in motion was denied by Council. Two alternative programs will be prepared as possible options to reduce false alarms: a fee based program and a non-fee based program. Proposed plans will include analysis and regulations. Upcoming: Analysis of the newly proposed alternative programs. 	6/3/14
Report on Quarterly Budget Updates	ASB (Martinez) Chief Hissong	2/18/14 (Woods-Gray, Ibarra)	Quarterly 8/19/14	Verbal with written materials	 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	 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	 Now: Over 3000 smoke alarms have been distributed to the community throughout the City and Battalion Chiefs will continue to conduct Smoke Alarm Field Education (SAFE) following fatality fires and near miss incidents. Smoke alarms and educational materials in both English and Spanish remain available at LAFD Fire Stations. Upcoming: The LAFD has reached out to the vendor who will donate 4,500 9-volt batteries. 	4/1/14
Modifications to Disciplinary Process	Professional Standards Division	1/21/14 (Glazier, Commissioners)	TBD	Verbal	 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
Proposed Recruitment Plan	ASB (Gibson) TSB (Palacios)	12/03/13 2/18/14 (Woods-Gray)	TBD	Written	June Gibson, Chief Palacios, Budget information, HR Consulting.	12/03/13
Cost of Civilian Dispatch Staffing Model	ASB (Gibson) Chief Richmond	4/1/14 (Glazier)	TBD	Written	Written report requested to Commission before going to City Council.	4/1/14
Mutual Aid/ Automatic Aid and Budget Impact	Chief Castro	5/20/14 (Ibarra, Fazio)	TBD	Written	Written report requested on Mutual Aid/ Automatic Aid and how it affects the budget considering the upcoming fire season.	5/20/14
Facilitating the CPAT	Chief Palacios	5/20/14 (Fazio)	TBD	Verbal	Verbal report requested regarding localized CPAT testing sites; less distant CPAT locations; possible collaboration with Los Angeles County Fire Department; additional possibilities for testing of candidates.	5/20/14
Helipad Information	Chief Villanueva	6/3/14 (Glazier)	TBD	Verbal	Report to Commission as updated by Council.	6/3/14
Increasing the LAFD Minimum Age Requirement	Chief Palacios	5/20/14 Fazio	TBD	Verbal	 Follow-up discussion in regards to increasing the LAFD minimum age requirement from 18 to 21 years. Verbal report to include possible adverse impact of demographics, comparison of requirements to other Fire Departments, and further research of the Santa Monica and Beverly Hills Fire Department's which both increased their age requirements. 	5/20/14