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MEMORANDUM

Date: 5/15/2020

To: Board Directors

Attn: Mike Del Puppo

President

From: Fire District Staff

Subject: Station 74 (Morgan Canyon) Housing.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING PAPER

ISSUE:

Staff is requesting approval from the Board of Director's to purchase and install a single wide manufactured housing unit (13'4" X 64') at District Station 74.

BACKGROUND:

CAL FIRE has decided to staff an additional state funded fire engine at Hurley FFS, Station 73. This will result in two state funded and staffed engines and one District staffed engine daily from this location. The enhanced staffing at Hurley Station allows the District to consider alternate coverage options to further improve emergency response capabilities within the Eastern Foothills and Hwv 168 corridor. Over the last 45 days, because of the COVID-19 Pandemic and need to provide station personnel with additional living space and social distancing. Engine 73 was moved from Hurley Station to Station 74. The District rented an RV trailer for temporary sleeping quarters, at Station 74, which has allowed staff to analyze the operational value of this strategic deployment against real call data. With the addition of the second state funded Engine at Hurley Station, the daily staffing of Station 74 will further enhance the District's ability to improve services/reduce response times in the Morgan Canyon, lower Hwy 168 corridor, and greater Eastern foothill areas collectively. In addition, this operational deployment adjustment should assist area property owners with their home owner's insurance options and costs.

DISCUSSION:

Staff is seeking approval to purchase a single wide 2 bed/1 bath manufactured home and make all the regulatory, facility and ground improvements necessary to convert Station 74 into a career staffed fire station. This manufactured home will allow the District to fortify its operations at this facility quickly and will provide a bridge for future consideration of additional development of the apparatus garage/office building that was previously constructed at this site. Moreover, the single wide manufactured home will provide the District flexibility should the need arise to relocate it to an alternate site later. The costs and process for relocating a single wide unit as compared to the multiple width option(s) is exponentially more favorable and can be accomplished quickly.

Staff estimates that the desired manufactured Unit will cost \$95k to purchase and place at the facility. In addition, staff estimates that infrastructure improvements will cost nearly \$25K and recommends a contingency budget of \$20K for unforeseen construction related issues. This brings the total project estimated cost to \$140K.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board does not approve the purchase of the manufactured housing unit and directs staff to consider alternative options for consideration at a future date.

<u>IM</u>	PACTS (Consider potential consequences related to each of the following areas of concern for proposed alternatives):
	☑ Operational – Improved response performance for the Eastern Foothill Area.
	☐ Legal – No known impact
	☐ Labor – No known impact
	Sociopolitical – No known impact
	☐ Policy – No known impact

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☐ Environmental – No known impact.			
☐ Interagency – No known impact.			
RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of the manufactured housing unit for Station 74 at a total project cost of \$140K and direct staff to work with the Budget Sub-Committee for inclusion in the 2020/21 Budget.			
APPROVED: Chris Bump, Assistant Chief	5/15/2020 Date		



