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## ADOPTED ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Held at the following locations:

10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room

Mather, California

&

Remotely Via Zoom

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice President Costa. Board members present: Costa, Goold, Jones, Saylor, Stark, and Webber. Remotely: Clark and Rice. Board members absent: President Wood. Staff present: Chief House and Board Clerk Rittburg.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were received.

### CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by Director Goold seconded by Jones and carried unanimously by members present to adopt the consent calendar as follows:

- 1. Action Summary Minutes**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of March 27, 2025.  
**Action:** Adopted the Action Summary Minutes.
- 2. Adopt Resolution – Budget Amendment – SHSGP23 Grant Amendment**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt Resolution to amend the Midyear Budget for Grants Fund 212G for the Fiscal Year 2024/25.  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution **2025-018**.

### PRESENTATION ITEMS

- 1. Strategic Planning: Capital Improvement Projects**  
(Jeff Frye, Chief Development Officer)  
**Recommendation:** Receive the presentation.  
**Action:** Presentation received.

2. **Capital Improvement Program Update**  
(Erin Castleberry, Administrative Analyst)  
**Recommendation:** Receive the presentation.  
**Action:** Presentation received.

## REPORTS

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - (President Wood)  
No Report
2. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT** — (Chief House)

Good evening, Directors, Colleagues, and Members of the Public.

### Director Rice: Body-Worn Camera Follow-Up

At our last meeting, Director Rice inquired about the use of Ring cameras and body-worn cameras within the District. I've confirmed Metro Fire does not currently have a policy on body-worn or Ring cameras, nor has the District requested body-worn camera footage. Leslie Miller is looking into what such a policy might look like.

### Acknowledgments

#### **Frontline First Award – Captain Ryan Manfredi:**

On April 5, Captain Ryan Manfredi was honored with the 2024 Frontline First Meritorious Service Award for his outstanding leadership of our Peer Support Program. His efforts continue to shape how we support our members' mental health and well-being.

#### **2024 California EMS Awards:**

This year, two of our members were selected among more than 150 nominees for top honors from the CA EMS Authority at the upcoming 2024 CA EMS Awards ceremony:

- **Assistant Chief Jon Rudnicki** will receive the **Distinguished Service Medal** for leading EMS system improvements, including reduced ambulance offload times, a BLS-tiered response model, and county-wide protocol updates.
- **Firefighter Barry Chris Lloyd** has been named **Paramedic of the Year** for his exceptional clinical care, lifesaving actions during a critical trauma call, and years of service as a mentor and instructor.

These honors reflect their individual excellence and our agency's leadership statewide. This marks the second year in a row Metro Fire personnel have been recognized with statewide EMS awards.

Congratulations to Captain Manfredi, FF Lloyd, and AC Rudnicki for their well-deserved recognition.

#### **OPERATIONS REPORT** – (Deputy Chief Mitchell)

Deputy Chief Mitchell surprised AC Keeley with his 30-years of service pin.

#### Shift Commander Spotlight:

BC's Parker Wilbourn and Jason Vestal recognized Firefighter Asher Smith from M29 for facilitating a ride-along with one of our graduates from the 25-1 Citizens Academy. This spotlight reinforces our members' dedication to going above and beyond the call for emergency service and meeting Metro Fire's mission of educating our community. Firefighter Smith spoke regarding his experience.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – (Out-of-Class Deputy Chief Fiorica)**

No Report

#### **SUPPORT SERVICES – (Deputy Chief Wagaman)**

No Report

#### **3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT (Captain Sean Scollard, Local 522 Vice President)**

BC Matt Cole gave the report for Captain Sean Scollard. During the last Board meeting, there was a focus on collaboration. BC Cole spoke about what 522 has been doing and the relationships they have built at the State and Federal levels. We strive to provide the highest level of service to our communities to make our communities safer. BC Cole stated that President Wood suggested 522 put a comprehensive presentation together to share who we are, what we do and why we do it at a future Board meeting.

#### **4. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS**

*All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.*

##### **A. Executive Committee – (President Wood)**

No Report

##### **B. Communications Center JPA – (Out-of-Class Deputy Chief Fiorica)**

No Report

##### **C. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Jones)**

No Report

##### **D. Policy Committee – (Director Costa)**

No Report

#### **BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Director Jones reported that she attended a Parkway Coalition meeting. We had an excellent presentation from Mr. Ed Smith, a graduate of our Citizen Academy. He could not have been more positive about the academy, and everyone in attendance expressed interest in signing up for the next Citizens Academy.

Director Saylors thanked staff for the great presentations tonight. Sacramento City Fire is having a Girl Camp this weekend if any of my fellow Directors want to check that out.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board recessed to closed session at 6:54 p.m. on the following matters:

**1. PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (A) – ONE (1) MATTER OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY.**

1. Steven Thorns and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # SMDQ-550289 – Workers' Compensation Settlement Authority  
Tyler Sonksen of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP  
**Action:** Moved by Goold, seconded by Stark, and carried unanimously by members present to give authority to its third-party administrator to conclude a settlement of the matter.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT:**

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:02 p.m. General Counsel John Lavra reported the Board met in closed session on one item: 1. Workers' Compensation Settlement Authority of Steven Thorns claim, the Board voted unanimously to give settlement authority to its third-party administrator to effectuate a settlement of that claim.

To view the video of the meeting, please visit the Metro Fire Website or our YouTube channel:

<https://metrofire.ca.gov/2025-04-10-board-meeting>

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKlc\\_oOUGNrmogdQ\\_QA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKlc_oOUGNrmogdQ_QA)

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.



Ted Wood, Board President



Robert Webber, Secretary



Marni Rittburg, CMC  
Board Clerk