Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District



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ADOPTED ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT Thursday, August 8, 2024 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 6:01 pm by President Goold. Board members present: Clark, Costa, Goold, Jones, Saylors, Sheetz, Wood and Webber. Board members absent: Rice. Staff present: Chief House and Board Clerk Rittburg.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

One (1) public comment was received.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- Action Summary Minutes
 Recommendation: Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting
 of July 11, 2024.
 Action: Adopted the Action Summary Minutes.
- Purchase Approval Fire-Dex TECGEN51 Single-Layer Garments Recommendation: Approve the purchase of Fire-Dex TECGEN51 Garments from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. using Sourcewell agreement #010424-MES for the Metro Medic Program. Action: Approved purchase.
- Purchase Approval Storage Area Network (SAN) Recommendation: Allow the District to procure the SAN from Dell Marketing L.P. using the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement #23026, participating addendum #7-23-70-55-01.

Action: Approved purchase.

 Joint Proclamation Commending Supervisor Sue Frost Recommendation: Approve the joint Proclamation with Rio Linda Elverta Recreation and Park District commending Supervisor Sue Frost. Action: Approved the joint Proclamation.

PRESENTATION ITEMS:

- Health & Safety Division & Metro Fire Cancer Task Force (Battalion Chief Anthony Peck)
 Recommendation: Receive presentation.
 Action: Presentation received. President Goold requested an update two Board meetings from now on the status of the implementation.
- 2. Health & Wellness Program (Health & Wellness Program Manager Patrick Gallagher) Recommendation: Receive presentation. Action: Presentation received.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Disclosure of Material Expenditure – Excess General Liability Insurance – Vantage Risk Specialty Insurance Company and Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company

(Brad Svennungsen, USI Insurance Services)

Recommendation: Authorize payment of \$284,776 to Vantage Risk Specialty Insurance Company and \$199,137 to Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company for Excess General Liability Insurance.

Action: Moved by Director Webber, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to authorize payment of \$284,776 to Vantage Risk Specialty Insurance Company and \$199,137 to Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company for Excess General Liability Insurance.

2. Adopt Resolution – Contract Award to Ready Rebound, Inc. for Rapid Intervention Injury Management and Navigation Services (Health & Wellness Program Manager Patrick Gallagher)

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution approving a contract award to Ready Rebound Inc. and authorize the Fire Chief or his designee to execute and administer an agreement materially similar to the attached agreement.

Action: Moved by Director Clark, seconded by Wood, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt **Resolution 2024-104** approving a contract award to Ready Rebound Inc. and authorize the Fire Chief or his designee to execute and administer an agreement materially similar to the attached agreement.

REPORTS

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - (President Goold)

No Report

2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT — (Chief House)

No Report 8.8.2024 Board Meeting Action Summary Minutes

OPERATIONS REPORT – (Deputy Chief Mitchell)

Squad 53 Implementation

- Our call volume has grown exponentially over time, resulting in our members and apparatus becoming busier and busier.
- One way we have been able to adapt to the growth in demand for services is through implementation of the squad response model, and we have seen great success with this model.
- Fortunately, through consistent exploration of budget efficiencies and the work of multiple divisions, we have been able to find innovative and fiscally responsible ways to support our members in the field. This has resulted in our ability to deploy a 4th squad unit.
- I'm happy to announce to the Board tonight that through collaboration with a number of folks, Operations has determined that Squad 53 will be implemented as our 4th squad unit on or before September 4, 2024 as an additional first responder.
- We are not done. We still need more resources in the streets. We look forward to continuing adapting to the needs of our community, and pursuing innovative ways of delivering service to the public through the right resource, with the right capabilities, at the right time.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – (Out-of-Class Deputy Chief Johnson)

Deputy Chief Johnson introduced himself to the Board and provided a brief background of his 22 years at Metro Fire.

SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – (Deputy Chief Bailey)

No Report

 SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT (Captain Sean Scollard, Local 522 Vice President)

Captain Scollard thanked staff for their fantastic presentations tonight on the wellness front and we appreciate the collaboration on the health and wellness visits. The PPGMT wellness funds that we secured in contracts negotiations are being utilized by members for PTSI or substance abuse treatments so the money is going to great use. This is a result of the collaborative efforts between labor and management.

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 Goold)

No Report

B. Communications Center JPA – (AC Greene)

No Report

C. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Jones)

No Report

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D. Policy Committee – (Director Saylors)

Met tonight and reviewed the new Administrative Policy 02.022.01, 56 Hour Alternate Assignment Position Policy which came out of a pilot program.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

No comments.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 7:49 p.m. on the following matters:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION – Pursuant to California Government Code Section § 54956.9(d): One Case

- Anthony Benelisha and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Claim No. 23-173286 Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP
- 2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Fire Chief Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957(b)(1) and 54954.5(e)

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT:

The Board reconvened to open session at 8:26 p.m. General Counsel John Lavra reported the Board met in closed session on two matters: 1. Workers' Compensation Claim of Anthony Benelisha, no reportable action was taken. 2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation of the Fire Chief, no reportable action was taken

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

https://metrofire.ca.gov/2024-08-08-board-meeting

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKIc_oOUGNrmogdQ_QA

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Grant Goold, President

Marni Rittburg, CMC, Board Clerk

Jennifer Sheetz, Secretary