



**City of Arvada Council - Arvada Fire Department Board Joint Meeting
June 16, 2022
West Woods Golf Club
Unofficial Minutes**

Attendees:

City of Arvada: Mayor Marc Williams, Mayor Pro Tem David Jones, Councilwoman Lisa Smith, Councilmember Lauren Simpson, Councilmember John Marriott, Councilmember Randy Moorman, Councilmember Bob Fifer, City Manager Mark Deven, Deputy City Manager Lorie Gillis, Deputy City Manager Linda Haley, Chief of Police Link Strate, Deputy Police Chief Ed Brady, Police Commander Melanie Thornton, CED Director Ryan Stachelski, Resilience Coordinator Melissa Ryder

Arvada Fire Department: District Board President Jim Whitfield, District Board Vice President Bob Loveridge, District Board Secretary Ted Terranova, District Board Treasurer Mark McGoff, Fire Chief Mike Piper, Deputy Chief Kirk Lock, EMS Chief Dave Mitchell, CRR Chief Deanna Harrington, Fire Marshal Steven Parker, Executive Assistant Amy Rogers

I. Call to Order

The study session of June 16, 2022, was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Mayor Marc Williams.

II. Residential Sprinklers

Fire Marshal Parker discussed the residential sprinkler proposal and the recommendation for the prescriptive residential sprinkler requirements to be maintained (or added back into the code) and answered questions from council members. Following discussion, it was agreed to carry the agenda item forward to future liaison meetings between the city and the fire department.

III. Collaboration Co-Responder Programs

EMS Chief Dave Mitchell discussed the co-responder proposal and best practices for utilizing the AFD program with the existing program maintained by Arvada Police, explaining the model is emulated after the Denver STAR program with the goal to provide care first to pre-empt 911 calls, provide increased service, and decrease ambulance transports. Police Commander Melanie Thornton emphasized the advantage to customizing each of the programs to cover a broad spectrum of the community, reducing the number of high utilizers, and providing a broader intervention. Both agencies agreed they are willing to

work together to co-exist while continuing to have regular high utilizer and steering committee meetings. Elected officials committed to adding the topic to the next legislative agenda and sharing the program information with county commissioners.

IV. **Wildfire Mitigation**

CRR Chief Harrington discussed the progress on developing a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and the associated action items. Resilience Coordinator Melissa Ryder explained the grant opportunities offered for all hazard agencies to develop a plan. Actions currently being taken to reduce concern are published evacuation plan/routes – published and xeriscape landscaping. Stakeholder requirements will be considered along with specific hazards for police and fire agencies. Chief Harrington believes the current IGA would cover any considerations for developing and funding the program jointly and sharing in any associated costs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Minutes approved and entered the proceedings of the district on November 2, 2022.

Ted Terranova

Ted Terranova (Nov 7, 2022 14:00 MST)

Ted Terranova, Board Secretary







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