



Special Commissioner Meeting

Strategic Plan Organizational Meeting

October 20, 2016

Attendance:	Commissioners	Mike Irvan Margaret Dimmick Jeff Ramey Shelley Young Kim Brown Romeo Gervais Perry Oldenburg Greg Womack Alan Smith Darby Weston
	Sr Administrative Assistant	
	Boise City Administrative of Finance	
	Boise City Fire Marshal	
	Boise City Fire Chief of Operations	
	President Local 149	
	Ada County GIS/Financial Analyst	
	Ada County Paramedic Director	

Call to Order: 14:00 Hours

OVERVIEW OF PROJECTED FOOTHILLS DEVELOPMENT

Population Density 2010-2040

Commissioner Dimmick welcomed the attendees and explained the reason for the meeting. The headcount in the Hidden Springs area, including Cartwright Ranch and other startup subdivisions, is increasing. Staffing and tactically there are issues in those areas. Population maps were created for the foothills areas. Maps show population, subdivisions and commercial properties with projections from 2010-2040.

Financial Impact – Ada County GIS Appraisal/Analyst Alan Smith

The District would like to look at the financial impact and how to deal with the growth from a financial and tactical standpoint. GIS/Appraisal Analyst Alan Smith gave information through a PowerPoint presentation including assessed value by year from 1985-2015, and taxable value was also included. Mr. Smith presented several forecast models with his recommendation on which to use for short term and which to use for long term forecasting.

GETTING ORGANIZED

Define Scope
Identify the players
Refine Objectives
Establish Time Lines

Commissioner Dimmick explained that the District first wants to begin talking about objectives to discuss and then wanted this group to build on that. One of the other issues is that Neville Ranch's original agreement was to donate land for a fire station.

Chief Oldenburg stated that everything runs off of demand. What is the demand projection based on the projected growth? Currently, there are less than 50 calls per year. Director Weston commented that staffing is always driven by demand.

Chief Oldenburg stated that there are response alternatives to look at regarding staffing and response. Seasonal staffing is a possibility, with the idea of flexing current resources (4-person crew). Also potential mitigation projects may be a good use of funds. Fire risk is way ahead of the EMS risk in the Dry Creek Basin. Firewise has been successful there. There are also new options such as the PulsePoint app cell phone response utilizing homeowners in the area as a stop-gap for self help. Also, co-staffing with BLM is a possibility.

There was discussion on who to invite to the SP meeting process. A rep from Hidden Springs was recommended as well as someone from Garden City Council and BLM. The Union E-Board will be invited to sit in as well. A request has been made for Eagle FD to attend, but since they are currently in the process of hiring a new Chief, the District may have to put off the SP Committee timeline in order to get attendance from Eagle FD.

There was discussion regarding objectives. Different response time objectives exist for urban areas and population densities. Goals might be "How do we get to a ____ min response time?"

Commissioner Dimmick suggested that the group meet again sometime after the first of the year—sometime early to mid February or April. That will give Eagle Fire Department time to hire a new Chief and allow time to invite other stakeholders.

Agenda: The next agenda will include a little bit of "paint the picture", NFPA 1720 Standards and Timeline. Also, expectations from Stakeholders can be discussed.

Commissioner Dimmick will reach out after the first of the year to establish a new meeting date.

Chief Oldenburg will run response numbers and look at NFPA 1720 to be prepared for the next meeting.

Commissioner Dimmick reiterated that this strategic planning effort is meant to be a long-term planning process. The District is not anxious to start a new staffing model in the immediate future.

ADJOURN: 16:00

Margaret Dimmick, Commissioner

Date