

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT 11 BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS



MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE 2023 FBC HEARING & BUDGET

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of North Highline Fire District was held in-person and remotely on November 14, 2022 commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, pursuant to virtual meeting software GoToMeeting were Commissioners Giba, Hiatt and Barrera. Also attending in-person were Chief Mike Marrs, Assistant Chief Wayne Metz, Assistant Chief Ray Desmarais, and District Secretary Christina Parker.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Commissioner Giba.

Agenda Approval. Commissioner Hiatt moved to accept the meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Barrera seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Discussion. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Fire Benefit Charge (FBC).

Commissioner Giba called for discussion of the 2023 Fire Benefit Charge (FBC). Chief Marrs opened the discussion with the FBC Budget Packet. He explained that the dollar amounts in the Draft Resolutions are for discussion, that they will be updated once we receive the final figures from King County. He also explained how he arrived at the proposed FBC amount and highlighted the new line items pertaining to NHFD's contract with District 2. Next year, the overall ILA cost will be broken out into (5) five categories to better classify expenses, i.e., Station, Personnel, Apparatus, Other Miscellaneous Cost and AID 318 Upstaffing costs. Commissioner Hiatt asked Chief Marrs to confirm her understanding that the FBC requested in the Draft Resolution is equal to \$1.50 per \$1,000 in assessed value and will keep the AID 318 in service. Chief Marrs indicated that the expectation is to have AID 318 in service, full-time, in the early part of the 2nd quarter. Commissioner Giba was concerned about the tax increase and sought further


clarification, asking if taxpayers could anticipate a decrease in 2024 since station construction costs would be covered by the 2023 increase? Chief Marrs explained that there are evolving costs that we cannot know today. Commissioner Hiatt voiced her support and appreciation for keeping the AID 318 in service while keeping costs low. Commissioner Giba also supports having Aid 318 in service and added that the Station 18 remodel is a one-time expense, which we will not have to budget for next year. Chief Marrs further affirmed that the District is in a good position financially.

Motion to set the Draft 2023 Fire Benefit Charge amount for the 2023 Tax Year. Commissioner Hiatt made the motion to set the draft FBC for 2023 in the amount of \$1,725,000.00. Commissioner Barrera seconded. Motion carried, 3-0


Public Comment. None.

Adjournment. Commissioner Giba moved to adjourn. Commissioner Hiatt seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Christina Parker (Nov 16, 2022 10:09 PST)
District Secretary, Christina Parker


Liz Giba (Nov 16, 2022 12:54 PST)
Chairman, Commissioner Liz Giba


Julie Hiatt (Nov 16, 2022 10:58 PST)
Commissioner Julie Hiatt


Dominic Barrera (Nov 16, 2022 17:29 PST)
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