

# RFA GOVERNANCE BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

10:00 A.M. – Monday, March 14, 2022 Fire Station #13, 18002 108<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Renton, WA 98055 Zoom Webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84836968318

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- Call Meeting to Order
- Roll Call
- Agenda Modifications
- Announcements, Proclamations, and Presentations
- Public Comment

Members of the audience may comment on items relating to any matter related to RFA business under the Public Comment period. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person pursuant to the rules established under Section 8 of the bylaws.

- Consent Agenda
  - Approval of <u>Minutes from February 14, 2022</u> Regular Meeting
  - Approval of <u>Minutes from February 28, 2022</u> Special Meeting
  - Approval of <u>Vouchers:</u> AP Check Register 1/16/2022 2/15/2022
     Payroll Checklist 1/1/2022 –1/31/2022
- Signing of Vouchers
- Board Committee Reports
  - Budget & Finance Committee
  - Operations and Capital Committee
- Chief's Report
- Division Reports
  - Administration (CAO Babich)
    - Class A Photos for the Organization
    - New Firefighter Hiring Process WA Fire Careers
    - Non-Response Operations New Hires:
      - Business Intelligence Analyst
      - Admin Specialist
      - o Program Manager
      - o Site Reliability Engineer
      - Finance Analyst

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- Additional Repairs to E314
- Linda Mann Certification
- April Newsletter
- EMS/Health Safety (Deputy Chief Aho)
  - <u>CPR/First Aid</u> started back up on Saturday (3/5). We plan on following the Governor's opening fire stations to the public on March 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Treat & Refer has begun; GEMT financial returns will be seen in June. <u>2021</u>
     Transporting Wrap-Up Report.
- Office of the Fire Marshal (Fire Marshal Barton)
  - OFM Division Report
- Support Services (Deputy Chief Seaver)
  - Aid Unit Final
  - Pumper Update
  - Station 11 and Station 14 OFM Update
- Response Operations (Deputy Chief Aho)
  - Significant Incident Reports
    - o 2/13 Residential Fire off Glennwood Ct NE
    - o 2/15 Apartment Fire in the Compass Ctr. Mutual aid from Skyway Fire
  - Total Call Volume by Station Area / Total Record Volume by Incident Type
  - Training
    - EMS Quarterly Training for all crews
    - Zone 3 Hazmat Block Training
    - o 1st Quarter Rescue Boat Operator Training
    - Wildland Hazardous Tree Bucking
    - JATC Prep Training E311, E313, E316, and E317
    - Sunday Rope Tech Training Aerial Strokes
  - Public Outreach
    - North Seattle Community College Ride-Along
- Correspondence
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
  - 2022 MIH Program Manager Pilot Proposal
  - Virtual Option for Governance Board Meetings
- Good of the Order
- Executive Session

Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

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Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(a), collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement.

Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with legal counsel, in a forum that maintains the attorney client privilege, legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the agency has identified when public discussion of the litigation or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

### • Future Meetings:

- Monday, March 28, 2022, 9:00 a.m., Budget/Finance Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, March 28, 2022, 10:30 a.m., Operations/Capital Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, April 11, 2022, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Regular Meeting, Fire Station #13 (18002 108th Ave SE, Renton) / Video Conference
- Adjournment

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### **Renton Regional Fire Authority**

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### **MINUTES**

### **RFA Governance Board Regular Meeting**

10:00 A.M. – Monday, February 14, 2022 Video Conference

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Governance Board Chair Morrell called the regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

### Governance Board Members Present:

Marcus Morrell, Chair (Fire District 25)
Ryan McIrvin, Vice Chair (City of Renton)
Myron Meikle (Fire District 25)
Valerie O'Halloran (City of Renton)
Linda Sartnurak (Non-Voting Advisory Position, Fire District 40)

### Governance Board Members Not Present:

Kerry Abercrombie (Fire District 25) Ruth Pérez, (City of Renton)

### Administrative Staff Present:

Fire Chief Steve Heitman, Deputy Chief Chuck DeSmith, Fire Marshal Anjela Barton, Deputy Chief Mark Seaver, Deputy Chief William Aho, Lieutenant Rick Laycock, Facilities Manager Scott Murphy, Fleet Manager Brice Callaway, IT Technician Wyatt Humphreys, Sr. Finance Analyst Jennifer Zhou, Administrative Specialist Evyn Villa, and RFA Attorney Brian Snure.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Meikle and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to excuse the absent Board Members from this meeting. **MOTION CARRIED (4-0)** 

### **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

There were no agenda modifications.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

There were no announcements, proclamations, and presentations.

### Fire Benefit Charge (FBC) Hearing

The RFA Governing Board convened as the Benefit Charge Petitions Review Board at 10:02 a.m., pursuant to RCW 52.26.250. The Review Board will remain convened until end of business on Monday, February 28, 2022. The Review Board will hold two public hearings to receive petitions, the first being February 14, 2022 and the second being February 28, 2022.

Lieutenant Rick Laycock provided a Staff Report which included a Summary of the Petition process. The Benefit Charge Review Board had no petitions to review for adjustment.

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At 10:05 a.m., the Benefit Charge Hearing was recessed to reconvene at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022. The Regular Meeting then resumed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Meikle and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to approve the consent agenda for February 14, 2022. **MOTION CARRIED (4-0)** 

### **SIGNING OF VOUCHERS**

The members of the Board signed the Voucher Approvals for February 14, 2022 electronically via Adobe Sign.

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Board Committee reports.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Heitman's report included the following:

### • Recruit Graduation & New Entry Level Firefighters

On January 20<sup>th</sup>, colleagues, families, and friends gathered to celebrate the graduation of 4 recruits who are now officially Renton Firefighters. This was the twelfth academy graduation from the Training Consortium, providing consistent and thorough training for our recruits. We had 6 new recruits start the academy on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. One recruit was separated on January 26<sup>th</sup> and a 2<sup>nd</sup> member on Feb 8<sup>th</sup> for not meeting academy expectations.

### • Member of the Quarter

Please join me in congratulating the following members of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter! These members consistently exemplify our core values, and we appreciate their dedication to our department and community.

- o Officer of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Lt. Jacob Smith
- o Firefighter of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FF Zach Forghani
- Civilian of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Wyatt Humphreys, Site Reliability Engineer

### Congratulations are in Order

Please join me in congratulating the following firefighters for completing steps in the JATC program. Those completing their 3B step have all earned their Journeyman Firefighter status!

- 3B Step: FF Travis Retherford, FF Kasey Parker, FF Logan Wasem, FF Nick Felt, FF Cody Olson, and FF Lyubomir Lazurkevich
- o 3A Step: FF Daniel Yun and FF Sean Hartman
- 2B Step: FF Sean Pageau and FF Jace Reyes

### • January E-Team Retreat

On January 12, 2022 the Executive Team and I met to finalize our 2022 work plan and are moving toward a 2–3-year plan based upon the 2021-2025 Strategic Plan. We will also be putting together a COOP plan, which will be completed once our new Standard of Cover is developed as part of accreditation.

### • Reflecting on 2021 – A Year of Accomplishments

I completed my first year with Renton RFA on Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, and 2021 held many accomplishments for our organization. We were involved in several projects including:

- King County Fire District #40 Interlocal Agreement negotiations/finalization
- City of Renton Interlocal Agreement updates
- Launch of the Mobile Vaccination Unit and COVID-19 testing sites
- Implementation of Fee-for-Transport and GEMT
- o Replacement of outdated apparatus and equipment
- o Planning for the replacement of Station 16
- Successful planning (80+%) of the 10-year Fire Benefit Charge
- Coming in under budget for 2021 by 2.7 million dollars (during a pandemic)
- Navigated the Governor's mandatory vaccine mandate

I accepted the nomination to serve as Chair of the South King County Fire Training Consortium and Fire Garage Consortium Governing Boards, and to serve as Treasurer of the King County Fire Chiefs Association (KCFCA) while participating in the KCFCA's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion workgroup. It was a year of growth and collaboration, and we look forward to the opportunities 2022 will bring.

### • Fire Garage Consortium

Chief Seaver, Fleet Manager Brice Callaway, and I met with Mercury Associates to discuss the needs of the RFA with regard to services provided by the consortium. It was a positive meeting, and we feel confident that our reporting needs will be met, and we will have better tracking of our fleet, which will allow for more efficient planning of needs currently and in the future.

### Office of the Fire Marshal Hiring

Please help us welcome our newest Deputy Fire Marshal Robert Wittenberg to the Renton RFA family. He has extensive knowledge in the field, and we are excited to have him with us. I participated in the final interview panel for the Assistant Fire Marshal position and two Deputy Fire Marshal positions. One of the DFM candidates has accepted our offer and will start on February 16<sup>th</sup>, while the other DFM candidate has accepted our conditional offer and is still in backgrounds. The AFM candidate has not accepted our conditional offer yet. We anticipate a start date of mid-March for AFM and second DFM positions should they pass background. Filling these positions will bring our OFM staff up to full capacity.

### • Zone 3 Chiefs PulsePoint Update

We are still working to bring PulsePoint online. Verified Responder.

### • Labor Agreement Negotiations

On Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will enter into negotiations with IAFF Local 864 on the Firefighter – Captain agreement and Battalion Chief agreement. The meeting will focus on housekeeping items and establishing ground rules. 2022 will also bring negotiations with AFSCME Local 2170, but we have not set a start date at this time.

### COVID Testing

Numbers continue to decrease, but recommended restrictions have not been lifted. We are providing POCCT tests for those members who may have been exposed or are showing symptoms. This has resulted in 20 members out on quarantine for a total of 40 overtime shifts.

### Telestaff Update

Telestaff will be up and running on February 15<sup>th</sup> with our information still intact. We have been adding the information that occurred during the 8 weeks we have been offline. I would

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again like to thank Puget Sound RFA (PSRFA) for allowing us access to their backup server so that, through the hard efforts of Craig Soucy, Linda Mann, and members of PSRFA, we have the ability to continue our staffing and payroll with only a slight disruption.

### • Governance Board Notifications

Per our procurement process and policy, I am notifying the Board of the following purchases:

- New Recruit Bunker Gear Academy 13 2022 \$31,223.37
- Cordless Holmatro Extrication Tools \$28,869.32
- New Response Unication Pagers \$20,147.20
- Blow Hard Electric Fans \$21,946.95
- o 2022 Bunker Gear Replacements \$26,292.14

### **DIVISION REPORTS**

### Administration

Chief Heitman on behalf of CAO Babich presented a 2021 Year-End Financial Overview.

### EMS/Health Safety

 Deputy Chief DeSmith shared with the Board that RRFA Firefighters and the CARES Team are still vaccinating in the community. In January, they conducted over 300 vaccinations at Renton HS and over 30 vaccinations in Renton for home-bound seniors. In addition, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter EMS Training has concluded with Response Operations. Crews received hands-on training with paramedic instructors on airway management and intubation techniques.

### Office of the Fire Marshal

• Fire Marshal Barton shared a quarterly report for the month of January. OFM Staff has completed 541 inspections, investigated 4 fires (estimated dollar loss of \$237K), 57 plans reviews, 25 construction inspections, and issued 17 fire systems and/or fire construction permits. The department has also responded to 133 false alarms to date w/ \$225 in fees. Public outreach efforts included social media messaging on winter safety, kindergarten safety program, and Health Heart Program. Revenue year to date is \$11,575.

### Support Services

Deputy Chief Seaver provided an update on Station 11 – drywall is coming this week and installation of a sprinkler system in the crew quarters. The 90-day deadline for the Station 11 remodel comes to completion on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Preventative maintenance has been completed on all station roofs. By end of late March or early April new engines will be finished. New aid units should be delivered within 2-4 weeks as well as new brush rigs.

### Response Operations

Deputy Chief Aho reported no significant incidents for the month of January. Training for the month included Hazmat Block, New Dive Open Water Certification, JATC Prep, E314 and E352 joint training, Basic Skills Refresher for Rope Tech Training. Public outreach efforts included visits to Fairwood HOAs and assistance with the Polar Bear Plunge at Gene Coulon Park. Operations events also included the Recruit #12 Academy Graduation, BC Promotional Test – 3 passed, and Captains Promotional Test – 4 passed.

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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

District #40 Fire Commissioner Charlotte Ryan expressed her thanks for the opportunity to join in a ride-along with the FD Cares Unit.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Resolution 2022-01 Establishing Emergency Medical Service Charges

Deputy Chief DeSmith proposed that the Board accept and authorize billing under a new fee schedule. Changes to the fee schedule included an increase of the mileage rate from \$17 to \$21 and the addition of a "Treat and Refer" charge of \$115.34.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Meikle and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to adopt Resolution 2022-01 to establish emergency medical service charges as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** (4-0)

### OFM Remodel – Authorization to Start Bid Process

The Office of the Fire Marshal (Station 14) is in need of additional workspace to accommodate current and future staff. There is currently \$300,000 budgeted for this remodel project with a projected cost of \$269,067. Deputy Chief Seaver proposed that the Board authorize the start of a bid process for the remodel of the Station 14 OFM office.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Meikle and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to begin the bid process for the OFM remodel. **MOTION CARRIED (4-0)** 

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Board Member McIrvin congratulated Chief Heitman on all that was accomplished during his first year at the Renton RFA.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with legal counsel, in a forum that maintains the attorney client privilege, legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the agency has identified when public discussion of the litigation or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b),(c) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate or the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased or decreased price. However, final action selling or leasing public property shall be taken in a meeting open to the public.

Executive session was called at 10:42 a.m. for 20 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 11:02 a.m.

Once out of executive session, A **MOTION** was made by Board Member McIrvin and **SECONDED** by Board Member Meikle to authorize a purchase and sale agreement and to use power of eminent domain per discussion during the executive session. **MOTION CARRIED (4-0)** 

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### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Monday, February 28, 2022, 9:00 a.m., Budget/Finance Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, February 28, 2022, 10:30 a.m., Operations/Capital Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, February 28, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Governance Board Special Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, March 14, 2022, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Regular Meeting, Fire Station #13 (18002 108<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Renton) / Video Conference

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.	
Marcus Morrell, Board Chair	
Evyn Villa, Board Secretary	

# REGODANT FIRE AUTHOR

### **Renton Regional Fire Authority**

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### **MINUTES**

### **RFA Governance Board Special Meeting**

4:00 P.M. – Monday, February 28, 2022 Video Conference

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Governance Board Chair Morrell called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

### Governance Board Members Present:

Kerry Abercrombie (Fire District 25)
Marcus Morrell, Chair (Fire District 25)
Ryan McIrvin, Vice Chair (City of Renton)
Myron Meikle (Fire District 25)
Valerie O'Halloran (City of Renton)

### Governance Board Members Not Present:

Ruth Pérez, (City of Renton) Linda Sartnurak (Non-Voting Advisory Position, Fire District 40)

### Administrative Staff Present:

Fire Chief Steve Heitman, Chief Administration Officer Samantha Babich, Deputy Chief William Aho, Lieutenant Rick Laycock, IT Technician Wyatt Humphreys, Administrative Specialist Evyn Villa, and RFA Attorney Brian Snure.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Abercrombie and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to excuse the absent Board Members from this meeting. **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)** 

Board Member Pérez joined the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

### FIRE BENEFIT CHARGE HEARING

The Renton Regional Fire Authority Governing Board reconvened as the Benefit Charge Review Board at 4:02 p.m., pursuant to RCW 52.26.250. The Review Board held two public hearings to receive petitions, the first on Monday, February 14, 2022 and the second being held today.

Lieutenant Rick Laycock provided a Staff Report which included a Summary of the Petition process. The Benefit Charge Review Board had no petitions to review for adjustment.

At 4:06 p.m., the Benefit Charge Hearing closed and the Regular Meeting resumed.

### **DELIBERATIONS**

There were no deliberations.

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### **ACTIONS**

There were no actions.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The WA indoor mask mandate ends on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued regarding whether a virtual option will be made available for future Board Meetings. Further discussion will continue at the next Regular Board Meeting.

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- Monday, March 28, 2022, 10:30 a.m., Operations/Capital Committee Meeting, Video Conference

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:09 p.m.							
Marcus Morrell, Board Chair							
Evyn Villa, Board Secretary							

### **VOUCHER APPROVAL FOR MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 MEETING**

### **AUDITING OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, do herby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against the Renton Regional Fire Authority, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claim.

Auditing Officer:

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EFTs	01/16/2022 - 02/15/2022		\$305,318.48	
Bank Drafts	01/16/2022 - 02/15/2022		\$659,054.11	
AR Refund Checks	01/16/2022 - 02/15/2022	-	\$0.00	
TOTAL A/P			\$1,394,892.46	
PAYROLL VOUCHERS		No. of Vouchers	Amount	
Direct Deposits	1/25/2022	174	\$653,936.57	
Payroll Checks	1/25/2022	0	\$0.00	
Direct Deposits	2/10/2022	171	\$642,439.28	
Payroll Checks	2/10/2022	1	\$0.00	
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Renton Regional Fire Authority Governance Board:



### RENTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY

### MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 14, 2022

TO: Kerry Abercrombie (Fire District 25)

Ryan McIrvin (City of Renton) Myron Meikle (Fire District 25) Marcus Morrell (Fire District 25) Valerie O'Halloran (City of Renton)

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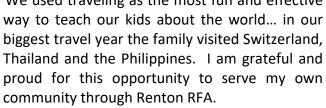
FROM: Steve Heitman, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Renton Regional Fire Authority Chief's Report

### 1. Welcome to Our New Members

If you've seen a few new faces around the stations, it is because there are a few new members that have joined us. Please join me in welcoming our new Administrative Specialist, Samantha Vergara, and our new Business Intelligence/GIS Analyst, Kelvin Li, to the RFA.

My name is Samantha ("Sammee") Vergara, and I was born in the Philippines, raised in the Bay Area and have happily settled into the PNW life for the last 20 years. My husband and I have been married for 20 years now, and we've raised our son Gabe (19) and daughter Elle (17) here in Renton. I love music and dancing and absolutely enjoy traveling, which brings me so much appreciation of all cultures (especially the food!). We used traveling as the most fun and effective







My name is Kelvin Li, and I was born in Seattle but was raised in Hong Kong before coming back to Seattle for High School and College. I graduated from the University of Washington in 2019 and worked as a GIS Analyst for Lyft and Apple prior to this position. In my free time I enjoy gaming, reading, working out, and watching football. Go Hawks!

### 2. Additional Hiring Updates

We've hired a candidate for the IT Technician position who will start on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. We are currently in the process of interviewing candidates for the Accreditation Program Manager position and have posted a Payroll Analyst position which we hope to begin interviewing for this month.

Our first round of joint hiring using the Washington Fire Careers website begins in April. We should be finished with that round by May and have candidates onboarded for the next academy. Renton RFA is looking to hire at least 8 new firefighters.

### 3. Tukwila Update

The Executive Team met with representatives from Tukwila on March 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss the potential for the provision of all fire services by Renton RFA for the City of Tukwila. This was a meeting to clarify costing and personnel counts before recommendations are presented to their City Council in April.

### 4. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Workshop

As I reported a few meetings prior, the King County Fire Chiefs Association hosted a DEI recruitment workshop at Bellevue City Hall on December 11, 2021, which Renton RFA participated in. The event was very successful and we received good feedback. Therefore, we are hosting two more events in 2022. Seattle Fire Department will be hosting the next recruitment workshop in April and Renton RFA will be hosting a second workshop in the Fall.

### 5. Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) Conference

The 2022 CPSE Conference is from March 22-25 in Orlando, Florida. I will be attending with CAO Samantha Babich, DC Mark Seaver, Lt. Rick Laycock and Business Intelligence Analyst Kelvin Li. The conference this year is focusing on accreditation, credentialing, leadership, resiliency and reinvention, giving attending agencies the opportunity to hear from keynote speakers and panels on topics such as technology solutions, staff development strategies and compliance processes (and more).

### 6. City of Renton Integrated Emergency Management Course (IEMC)

City of Renton has invited Renton RFA leadership to attend the IEMC on September 12-15, 2022 in Emmitsburg, MD. 75 of Renton's top leadership and community partners will have the opportunity to participate in a simulated emergency event using Renton's own community emergency plans, policies and procedures to improve Renton's readiness for the next crisis. I will be attending with Deputy Chief Aho, and potentially more if spots open.

### 7. AFSCME Proposal on Fire Investigations

We are drafting an agreement for a 6-month trial period that we will bring to the Board once it's ready. The agreement covers sharing Fire Investigation duties with Puget Sound RFA.



FF Victoria Berg delivering CPR/AED/First Aid Instruction.



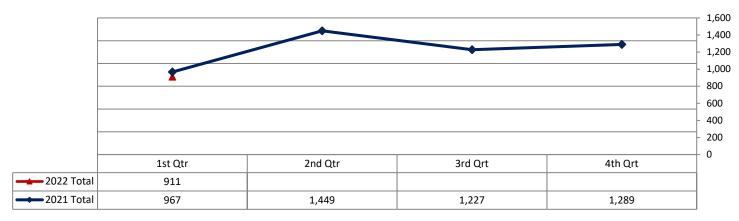
### Office of the Fire Marshal 2022 Quarterly Report

### March 2022

### Inspections

Staff completed 370 inspections (business, multi-family, IFC permit, special, complaint & re-inspections) in February.

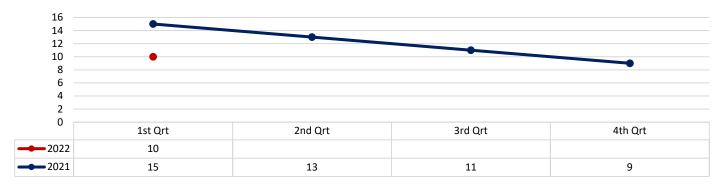
### Inspections Completed by Quarter - Comparative to 2021

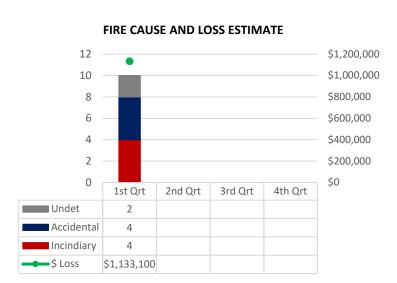


### **Fire Investigations**

Staff investigated 6 fires in February. Total cumulative dollar loss is estimated at \$1.1million.

### Fire Investigations by Quarter - Comparative to 2021





# PROPERTY TYPE OF INVESTIGATED FIRES Business/Commercial Vehicle Multi-Family Single Family

### **Plans Review, Construction Inspections & Permits**

Staff completed 73 plans reviews, 31 construction inspections, and issued 27 fire systems and/or fire construction permits in February.

2nd Qrt 3rd Qrt 1st Qrt 4th Qrt 44 Permits Inspections 56 Plans Rev 130 • 2021 313 421 306 341

Plans Review, Construction Inspections & Permits by Quarter - Comparative to 2021

Construction highlights.... reviews completed for the King County Health Through Housing homeless shelter that will be in the former Extended Stay Hotel for 106 housing units.

Reviews completed for Blue Origin/Davinci new research, development, and office space. This is a high-tech company that will operate at both 1415 Maple Ave SW and 1601 East Valley Road.



### **Public Education / Community Outreach Highlights**

- Provided fire and life safety education to area pre-schools with over 25 students participating
- Provide Youth Firesetter Intervention Services to a family in Renton who requested assistance.
- Planning and development for hosting our annual 2022 Scout Night event is underway. We are excited to move back to an in-person program – where we have the opportunity to work with an estimated 200+ area scouts. This is a partnership with Renton PD, Emergency Management, Valley Comm and other Public Safety Partners. Tentative date will be early June.

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Ü	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	U
Community Events	2	0											2	
Educational Events	6	5											11	
Participants (Educational)	133	115											248	
Participants (Community)	72	0											72	
TOTAL Community Interaction	205	115											320	

**PUBLIC EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH** 

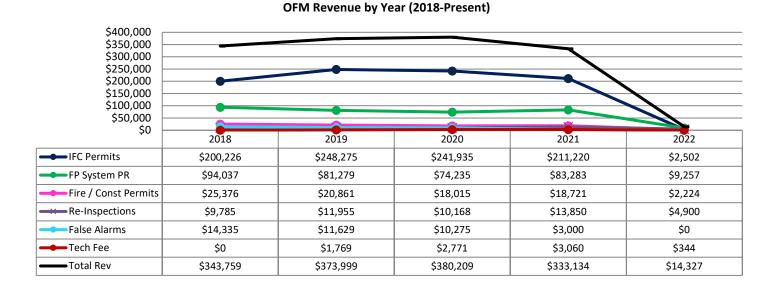
### **False Alarms**

The Department has responded to 216 false alarms to date, with \$675 in fees issued to property owners/tenants for preventable alarms. (False alarm fees were waived in 2020 and 2021).

\$800 \$600 \$400 \$200 \$0 2nd Qrt 4th Qrt 3rd Qrt 1st Qrt 2022 City FAs 216 ■ 2022 Couty FAs 5 ■2021 Total FAs 331 365 359 357 2022 Fees \$675

2022 False Alarms by Month, Location & Fees - Comparative to 2021

**Revenue** \$14,327 in Fire Marshal revenues have been collected in 2022. (Bulk permit billings for 2022 have been sent to our billing agent, and total approximately \$260k)



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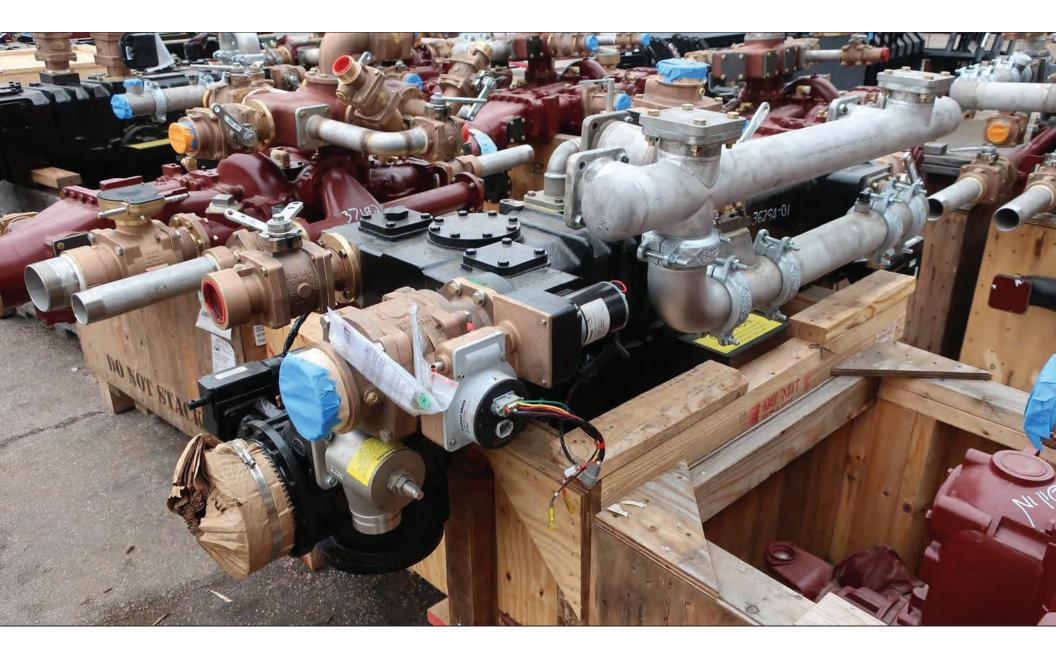




















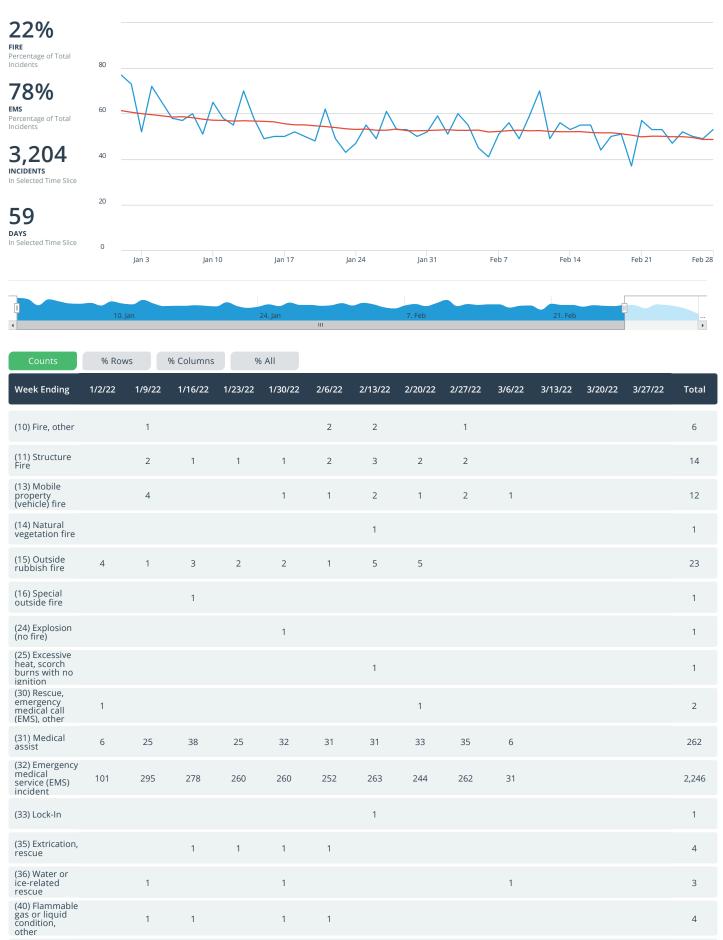




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Week Ending	1/2/22	1/9/22	1/16/22	1/23/22	1/30/22	2/6/22	2/13/22	2/20/22	2/27/22	3/6/22	3/13/22	3/20/22	3/27/22	Total
Out of Jurisdiction	5	23	25	31	25	37	22	20	19	4				211
Station 11	42	90	76	67	82	67	83	75	67	5				654
Station 12	27	64	68	55	64	50	57	51	54	6				496
Station 13	29	81	88	77	77	71	89	75	84	9				680
Station 14	6	50	35	31	44	32	35	39	45	7				324
Station 15	8	30	23	23	14	31	25	16	28	8				206
Station 16	11	37	28	20	24	23	24	24	27	6				224
Station 17	22	39	62	50	37	52	55	44	37	8				406
Total	150	414	405	354	367	363	390	344	361	53				3,201



Week Ending	1/2/22	1/9/22	1/16/22	1/23/22	1/30/22	2/6/22	2/13/22	2/20/22	2/27/22	3/6/22	3/13/22	3/20/22	3/27/22	Total
(41) Combustible/f spills & leaks		2	4		6	2	2	2	1					19
(42) Chemical release, reaction, or toxic condition		1		1	1	1	1	1						6
(44) Electrical wiring/equipm. problem		2	1	2	2			1		2				10
(48) Attempted burning, illegal action				1	1	2		1						5
(50) Service call, other		1		3	1	1			2	2				10
(51) Person in distress	1	1	1	1	2									6
(52) Water problem	8	5	1		3	2	6	1	2					28
(53) Smoke, odor problem		1	1	2	1		1	2						8
(55) Public service assistance		3	6	4	4	2	4	4	5	2				34
(56) Unauthorized burning		2		2		1								5
(60) Good intent call, other	1		1		1									3
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route	9	23	23	25	19	25	32	20	21	4				201
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found			3		2	2	4	3	1					15
(63) Controlled burning						1								1
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		3	3		3	4	3	1	1	1				19
(67) HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat		3	3			1		1	2					10
(70) False alarm and false call, other	4	5	4	2	2	6	1	3	4					31
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		2	4	1	2	3	1	3	1					17
(73) System or detector malfunction	11	11	11	8	3	3	3	1	10					61
(74) Unintentional system/detect operation (no fire)	3	19	16	8	12	15	18	14	6	2				113
(90) Special type of incident, other	1			5	3	1	5	1	3					19
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Total	150	415	405	354	368	363	390	345	361	53				3,204

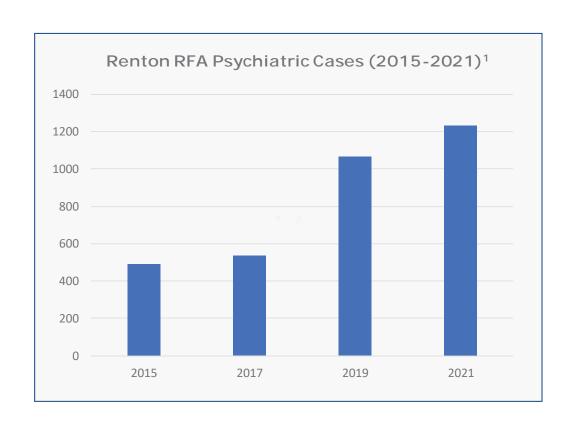


# Governing Board Agenda Item

SUBJECT/TITLE: 2022 MIH Program Manager Proposal STAFF CONTACT: DC Aho
SUMMARY STATEMENT:
In an effort to align strategic and programmatic response to the growing amount of behavioral health calls across all King County response agencies, the Renton Regional Fire Authority proposes a partnership with the Health Commons Project to provide a MIH Program Manager for CARES as a pilot in 2022.
FISCAL IMPACT:
Expenditure N/A Revenue  Currently in the Budget Yes No
SUMMARY OF ACTION:
Approval of the Governance Board to authorize the financial support of an MIH Program Manager. The supporting cost is \$60,000 paid through the Annual King County EMS Levy Core Service Grant, and shared through the CARES partnership with PSRFA, RRFA, and KCFD #20.
Reviewed by Legal Yes V No EXHIBITS:
2022 MIH Program Manager Proposal
RFA GOVERNANCE BOARD RECOMMENDED ACTION:
I move to approve the Renton Regional Fire Authority's support of a 2022 MIH Program Manager.

### The COVID-19 Pandemic exacerbated an already growing Behavioral Health Crises

- Since 2015, Renton RFA's psychiatric cases have more than doubled (+152%).
- Renton PD, Valley Medical Center, and other local service agencies are seeing similar growth rates.
- Today, Renton RFA, Renton PD, and our partners don't have the right staff, processes, and information systems to effectively and efficiently respond to these cases.



1) PaperMIRF 2015-2018 and NEMSIS 2016-2021: Dispatch Center Incident Year Crosstabulation for Psychiatric NEMSIS Primary Impressions

# Good News!

- New policy and funding initiatives are driving improvements to behavioral health crisis response at the state and local level.
- Local communities across WA State and the greater PNW Region are setting-up Fire and Police-based Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) services to respond more effectively and efficiently to psychiatric cases.
- Renton RFA and Puget Sound RFA have established one of the leading MIH programs (FDCARES) in WA State.
- Renton PD has committed to joining forces with Renton RFA and Puget Sound RFA.





To continue to grow and evolve our MIH service to meet the needs of the community, FDCARES needs strategic and programmatic support

### Strategic & Programmatic Support

- 1. Identify a common vision and roadmap for improved MIH outcomes.
- 2. Promote strategic and programmatic alignment across agencies and community partners.
- 3. Implement IT systems to demonstrate success and progress to key stakeholders.
- 4. Explore funding options to ensure program sustainability.

### Our Ask

Proposal: Contract with Health Commons
Project to provide Strategic and
Programmatic Support for CARES in 2022

Cost: \$60,000
Paid for by Annual King County
EMS Levy Core Service Grant

Timeline: March 2022 – December 2022