

SAFER Council

January 13, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order:

Chief Snyder called the SAFER Council meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. via Zoom.

Present:

Mike McKeel, Dave Keller, Nolan Young, Steve Owen, Eric Schmidt, Janine Gladfelter, Ray Young, Randy Lauer, Greg Dirks, Bruce Nissen, Mitch Snyder, Scott Lewis, Frank Ray, Randi Deverell, Kevin Larson, Julie McAllister, Josh Butler, John Horvick

Agenda Items:

- Quorum & Public Meeting
- Survey Research Presentation
- NFPA 1710 Presentation
- State of Fire Facilities Report

Quorum & Public Meeting: The group determined one representative from each jurisdiction is needed to make a quorum. Absent members may send a representative if needed. The SAFER Council meetings are open to the public. Public notices are provided in The Outlook and City of Gresham website. Meeting agendas, minutes and recordings are posted at GreshamOregon.gov/SAFER-Council.

Survey Research Presentation: John Horvick with DHM Research presented information on local election statistics and the basis for surveying the voting population when preparing for ballot measures. Surveys gauge priorities, determine support, present alternatives, assess the voter profile and provide insight for messaging adjustments if needed. To obtain 300-400 survey results on 25 questions or more, expect 10-15 minute conversations in the range of \$20-30k.

NFPA 1710 Presentation: Kevin Larson, IAFF Local 1062 President presented on NFPA 1710. The National Fire Protection Association is a self-funded, non-profit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. Chapter 1710 provides standards to career fire departments for the minimum requirements to organize, operate and deploy resources to include Unit Staffing, Response Times and Initial Full First Alarm Assignments. Two short videos were watched to provide an understanding of the minimum requirements and illustrated the public's reduced time to escape fire.

State of Fire Facilities Report: Josh Butler, Chief of Training, Safety and EMS provided an overview of the state of fire stations. Stations were inspected and deemed structurally solid, having been seismically retrofitted. Lead and radon found during inspections was immediately mitigated. Modern facilities including Station 31 and Station 76 have gender neutral spaces with private showering, modern HVAC providing cancer reducing measures, meet ADA requirements, include private dorms with workstations and proper egress, exercise facilities and storage space. Stations 71-75 and the Training Center (as applicable) do not have these benefits. Private dorms are available in each station. However, private

showering space, egress and workstations are not. The Training Center is not seismically stable, it has not been retrofitted.

Next Meeting:

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