

**MINUTES FOR STUDY SESSION OF
RINCON VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

June 17, 2021

5:00 P.M.

RVFD Station 2

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1. OPENING OF STUDY SESSION

A. Call to Order at 5:03 pm by Chairperson Harrington

B. Roll Call - Chairperson Michelle Harrington present
Clerk Jennifer Spears present
Member Chris Klasen present
Member Kevin McKinley present
Member Matt Messmer present by virtual meeting

2. STUDY SESSION

A. Review, discussion and possible action regarding the future needs of Rincon Valley Fire District.

- Chief Kahle and Assistant Chief Tucker provided a PowerPoint presentation of statistics forecasting the future needs of the district. Topics of discussion included response times in the district, in our CON, in Corona de Tucson's area, and factors, such as, travel distance unit hour utilization and concurrent calls, to determine if a third station is needed and where the location should be based on the statistics. Potential growth in population and homes were also considered.
- Based on the growth, possible implications were also deliberated such as, personnel and facilities. Trigger points were presented to determine if and when suppression and support staff should be added, and/or outsourced, as well as options for facilities to place personnel as the district grows.
- And lastly, recommendations were made for potential temporary and permanent locations for a third station. The potential plan is to: 1) Place temporary station at VUSD Bus Yard, 2) Procure land for a permanent site in the gap area, 3) Adopt a growth based staffing plan.

- Benefits of the plan should immediately reduce EMS response times in the gap area, satisfy CRA-SOC recommendations, improve FF Safety, improve public safety, improve ISO coverage to suburban residents, improve overall CON response times, should be funding dependent, and adjustable.
- The members of the board discussed concerns with outsourcing fleet services. All board members agreed this service should be kept in-house. Outsourcing may take too much down time for a vehicle. The board recommended keeping fleet maintenance personnel in-house, but look to use other facilities to maintain vehicles, such as the VUSD Bus Yard.

-The Board gave direction for Chef Kahle to: 1) Move forward with seeking land for a third station, 2) Contact Vail School District for a temporary site, and 3) Go out to bid for a modular.

3. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Clerk Spears, second by Member McKinley to adjourn. Motion passed 5 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Dated this 21st day of June 2021.

Rincon Valley Fire District Governing Board

Chairperson Harrington

Clerk Spears

Member McKinley

Member Klasen

Member Messmer