


Agenda Report Reviewed by:  
City Manager: 

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL  
CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Meeting: May 16, 2023  
To: Honorable City Councilmembers  
From: Fire Ad-Hoc Committee  
Mayor Neysa Hinton  
Councilmember Jill McLewis  
City Manager/Attorney Larry McLaughlin  
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Mary Gourley  
Interim Fire Chief Jack Piccinini  
Subject: Report on progress on the Fire and Emergency Services Option workplan  
Recommendation: This Item does not require action  
Funding: Currently Budgeted:  Yes  No  XX N/A

Account Code/Costs authorized in City Approved Budget: AK/ - (verified by Administrative Services Department)  
N/A

**INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE:**

This item is bringing forward to the City Council a progress report on the Fire Ad Hoc Committee’s Workplan progress specific to the Fire and Emergency Services Options project. This work plan addresses all options for consideration for the Future of Fire Services in the City of Sebastopol.

**BACKGROUND:**

As the Council is aware, the City has been reviewing options for the future of Fire Services for the City of Sebastopol. The Council has received multiple reports from previous Ad Hoc Committees as well as contracted a Consultant to conduct a Fire Services Delivery Study which was presented at the January 31, 2023 Special City Council Meeting.

At the City Council Meeting of February 14, 2023, the council appointed a Fire Ad Hoc Committee to continue the process of addressing Fire and Emergency Services Options project. Since that meeting, the committee met and developed a work plan specific to the consideration of all options of Fire Delivery Services to guide the committee through the tasks necessary to provide a final report on the fire and emergency response options. The Council approved that work plan at the March 21, 2023 Council meeting. As one of the deliverables, the full council is receiving this report on the project's progress.

**DISCUSSION:**

Since the inception, the Committee has met multiple times and made progress on the tasks in the work plan, specifically completing some of the tasks necessary to meet the mission, and provide the deliverables as outlined in the workplan. This presentation will provide a brief overview of those accomplishments to date.

**City Council / General Plan Goals:**

This item reflects the City Council Goals and Values as listed below:

The City of Sebastopol is committed to maintaining a high quality of life for current and future members of our community, through excellent public service and careful stewardship of its financial, human, and natural resources.

Goal 6: Maintain a highly qualified Staff that works to provide services to serve and protect the residents of this community.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The proposed action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

As of the writing of this staff report, the city has not received any public comment. However, if staff receives public comments from interested parties following the publication and distribution of this staff report such comments will be provided to the City Council as supplemental materials before or at the meeting. In addition, public comments may be offered during the public comment portion of this item.

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

This item was noticed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and was available for public viewing and review at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact with presentation of the informational item.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is a report item that does not require formal action.

**Attachment(s):**

The presentation slides will be posted prior to or at the City Council Meeting.