

**Fire Services Efficiency Project
Operations Team Meeting
Tuesday, January 29, 2008**

Agenda

-The goal of this meeting is to finalize the work with Matrix Consulting by discussing remaining issues with the report and to decide on the operational models to use to determine the financial implications of the District

Discussion

-Initial discussion revolved around reconciling the difference between Matrix's total staffing number compared to our total staffing number. Committee members were unsure of where this increase came from, and its implications for decreased mutual aid

-Mayor Zanotti expressed concern over why we were trying to plan for self-sufficiency now. He argued that we could transition away from relying on mutual aid as the District matures

-Discussion briefly turned to how the district would be funded during its initial years of operation. It was asserted that cities would still contribute to the District during the first years of operation until self-sufficiency could be reached

-Mayor Zanotti noted how economic troubles are helping, rather than hindering, the case for regionalization

-With that in mind, it was agreed that for financial purposes, that both models on current staffing (60) and enhanced staffing (74) should be cost-out

-The model that the District will pursue will be based on personnel staffing of 74 positions in fire suppression: This will be the model used to determine the financial costs of the proposed District

-With a decision regarding a model for the proposed District completed, the committee scheduled a meeting of the Finance team for Friday, February 8

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