

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Montecito Fire Protection District Headquarters
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

June 22, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Agenda items may be taken out of the order shown.

1. Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. (30 minutes total time allotted for this discussion.)
2. Consider recommendation to approve Resolution 2026-05, Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)
 - a. Staff report presented by Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas.
3. Consider recommendation to approve Resolution 2026-06, Amending Final Budget for FY 2025-26. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)
 - a. Staff report presented by Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas.
4. Consider recommendation for approval of Resolution 2026-07, Establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee, Rescinding Resolution 2019-08. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)
 - a. Staff report presented by Fire Chief Fallon.
5. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Fire Chief to enter into the License Agreement for the Upstaffing Location between Montecito Fire Protection District and Montecito Water District. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)
 - a. Staff report presented by Fire Chief Fallon.
6. Approval of Minutes of the May 26, 2026, Regular Meeting.
7. Fire Chief's report.
8. Board of Director's report.
9. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the July 27, 2026, Regular Board meeting.

Adjournment

This agenda posted pursuant to the provisions of the Government Code commencing at Section 54950. The date of the posting is June 19, 2026.



Brian Fallon, Fire Chief

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Agenda

Item #2



STAFF REPORT

To: Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Brian Fallon, Fire Chief *BF*
Prepared by: Araceli Nahas, Finance and Administrative Manager *AN*
Date: June 22, 2026
Topic: Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27

Summary

The Board of Directors received a detailed presentation of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 at the May 2026 meeting, including a review of projected revenues, expenditures, fund balance levels, capital improvement projects, and one-time budget requests. Following Board discussion, no modifications or adjustments to the proposed budget were requested.

The Preliminary Budget presented for adoption is unchanged from the version reviewed by the Board in May. Staff recommends adoption of the Preliminary Budget for the General, Capital Outlay, and Land & Building Funds through the attached Resolution 2026-05.

Discussion

At the May 2026 Board meeting, staff presented the first draft Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27. The proposed budget maintains current service levels, supports emergency response readiness, funds necessary infrastructure improvements and equipment needs, and invests in firefighter health and wellness initiatives. The budget also provides flexibility to address future organizational needs.

Following adoption of the Preliminary Budget, staff will continue to monitor revenues, expenditures, and reserve funding levels. Any necessary adjustments will be incorporated into the Final Budget, which will be presented to the Board for adoption no later than September 30, 2026.

Conclusion

The Preliminary Budget for 2026-27 has been developed to meet the needs of the organization and to ensure exceptional service to our community. Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve Resolution 2026-05 and the accompanying preliminary budget documents as presented.

Attachments

1. Budget Summary
2. Resolution 2026-05: Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for the Fiscal Year 2026-27
3. Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27

Strategic Plan Reference

Strategic Plan Goal #8, Ensure Financial Accountability & Transparency

Budget Summary

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL OUTLAY	LAND & BUILDING	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Property taxes	27,293,000	-0-	-0-	27,293,000
Other revenue	<u>2,531,000</u>	<u>290,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>2,971,000</u>
Total Revenue	29,824,000	290,000	150,000	30,264,000
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries and benefits	23,922,000	-0-	-0-	23,922,000
Services and supplies	3,556,000	-0-	500,000	4,056,000
Other charges	43,000	-0-	-0-	43,000
Capital assets	538,000	238,000	-0-	776,000
Transfers/LT debt payments	<u>1,416,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,416,000</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>29,475,000</u>	<u>238,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>30,213,000</u>
Incr/(use) of carryover funds¹	<u>-0-</u>	<u>52,000</u>	<u>(350,000)</u>	<u>(298,000)</u>
Net financial impact²	349,000	-0-	-0-	349,000
FUND BALANCE				
Fund balance at start of FY 27	12,213,000	3,394,000	5,050,000	20,657,000
Fund balance at end of FY 27	12,562,000	3,446,000	4,700,000	20,708,000

¹ Carryover funds are included as a budgetary resource (like revenue) to eliminate a projected excess of expenditures over revenues. These funds are an accumulation of unanticipated revenue, unspent funds, or Board-assigned reserves.

² Represents the difference between projected revenues and expenditures. Surplus funds can be reallocated during the final budget development or carried over for future budgetary needs. The use of all funds is subject to Board approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF THE
PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27**

WHEREAS, Section 13890 of the Health and Safety Code requires that the District Board adopt a preliminary budget conforming to the Accounting Procedures for Special Districts and Budgeting Procedures for Special Districts, as described, on or before June 30 of each year; and

WHEREAS, Section 13893 of the Health and Safety Code requires that the District Board publish a notice on or before June 30 of each year stating: (1) that it has adopted a preliminary budget which is available for inspection at a time and place within the District specified in the notice; and (2) the date, time and place when the Board will meet to adopt the final budget and that any person may appear and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items; and

WHEREAS, Section 13893 of the Health & Safety Code further provides that said notice shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the District, the first publication to be at least two weeks before the date of the meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors met at a meeting on June 22, 2026, to consider the District's preliminary budget for fiscal year 2026-27 as described by and recommended for approval by the Fire Chief;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Board of Directors adopts the 2026-27 preliminary budget for the Montecito Fire Protection District in the form recommended by the Fire Chief at the Board's meeting on June 22, 2026.

In summary, the preliminary budget provides as follows:

<u>Fund 3650 – General Fund</u>	
Salaries & Employee Benefits	\$ 23,922,000
Services & Supplies	3,556,000
Other charges	43,000
Capital Assets	538,000
Other Financing Uses	<u>1,416,000</u>
	\$ 29,475,000
<u>Fund 3652 – Capital Outlay Reserves</u>	
Capital Assets	\$ 238,000
<u>Fund 3653 – Land & Building</u>	
Services & Supplies	\$ 500,000

Copies of the approved budget are on file with District records.

2. The adopted preliminary budget shall be available for inspection Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, California and on the District's website.

3. The Board of Directors will meet on September 28, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. at the Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, California, to consider and adopt the final budget as required by law and any person may appear at that time and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items.

4. The Secretary is directed to publish the notice attached to this resolution as Exhibit A in the *Montecito Journal* in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 13893 on or before June 30, 2026.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 22nd day of June, 2026, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

President of the Board of Directors
MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

EXHIBIT A

PUBLIC NOTICE

Montecito Fire Protection District
In the Matter of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27
Health and Safety Code Section 13893

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the preliminary budget of the Montecito Fire Protection District for fiscal year 2026-27 was adopted by the Board of Directors of said District on June 22, 2026, and is available for inspection Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, California and on the District's website.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that on September 28, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., the Board of Directors will meet at the Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, California, for the purpose of adopting the District's final budget at which time and place any person may appear and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items.

This Notice shall be published in accordance with California Health & Safety Code Section 13893.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District, State of California, this 22nd day of June 2026.

Michael Lee, Secretary

**Montecito Fire Protection District
Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27**

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

	<u>Preliminary Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget FY 2026</u>	<u>Difference</u>
REVENUES			
Property Taxes			
3010 Property Tax - Secured (+4.3%)	\$ 25,548,000	\$ 24,495,000	\$ 1,053,000
3011 Property Tax - Unitary	251,000	251,000	-
3015 Property Tax - Escapes Secured	31,000	31,000	-
3020 Property Tax - Unsecured (+4.3%)	844,000	809,000	35,000
3023 Property Tax - PY Corrections/Escapes	31,000	31,000	-
3050 Property Tax - Prior Unsecured	18,000	18,000	-
3054 Supplemental Property Tax - Current	570,000	570,000	-
Total Taxes Revenue	27,293,000	26,205,000	1,088,000
Use of Money and Property			
3380 Interest Income	372,000	372,000	-
3409 Rental Property Income	69,000	69,000	-
Total Use of Money and Property	441,000	441,000	-
Intergovernmental Revenue - State			
3750 State-Emergency Assistance (Fire Asgmts)	1,000,000	100,000	900,000
4220 Homeowners Property Tax Relief	77,000	77,000	-
Total Intergovernmental Revenue - State	1,077,000	177,000	900,000
Intergovernmental Revenue - Federal			
4476 Federal Emergency Assistance (Fire Asgmts)	1,000,000	1,900,000	(900,000)
Total Intergovernmental Revenue - Federal	1,000,000	1,900,000	(900,000)
Charges for Services			
5105 Reimbursement for District Services	-	180,000	(180,000)
Total Charges for Services	-	180,000	(180,000)
Miscellaneous Revenue			
5768 Safety Member Reimbursement	-	105,000	(105,000)
5895 Other - Donations	-	50,000	(50,000)
5909 Other - Miscellaneous Revenue	13,000	13,000	-
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	13,000	168,000	(155,000)
TOTAL REVENUES	29,824,000	29,071,000	753,000

**Montecito Fire Protection District
Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27**

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

EXPENDITURES

Salaries & Employee Benefits

		Preliminary Budget		Adopted Budget FY 2026	Difference
6100	Regular Salaries		\$ 10,828,000	\$ 10,630,000	\$ 198,000
6300	Overtime		1,700,000	1,700,000	-
6301	Overtime - Fire Reimbursable		1,500,000	1,500,000	-
6400	Retirement Contributions		3,928,000	3,465,000	463,000
6450	Supp Retirement Contribution (UAL)		-	3,000,000	(3,000,000)
6475	Retiree Medical OPEB		1,500,000	500,000	1,000,000
6550	FICA/Medicare		200,000	208,000	(8,000)
6600	Insurance Contributions		3,077,000	2,776,000	301,000
	Health Insurance	2,840,000		2,550,000	
	Dental, Vision, Life Insurance	237,000		226,000	
6700	Unemployment Insurance		6,000	6,000	-
6900	Workers Compensation Insurance		1,183,000	805,000	378,000
	Total Salaries & Employee Benefits		23,922,000	24,590,000	(668,000)

Services & Supplies

7030	Clothing and PPE		165,000	146,000	19,000
	Operational	62,000		62,000	
	BDU tactical pants (ongoing)	20,000		24,000	
	Turnouts replacement (Year 2 of 3)	60,000		60,000	
	Ballistic vests (21)	23,000		-	
7050	Communications		115,000	144,000	(29,000)
	Operational	115,000		115,000	
	CradlePoint modems/install	-		29,000	
7060	Food		4,500	4,500	-
7070	Household Supplies		50,000	50,000	-
7090	Insurance: Liability/Auto/Prop.		171,000	155,000	16,000
7120	Equipment Maintenance (Operations)		58,000	58,000	-
7121	Operating Supplies (Storm Preparedness)		20,000	20,000	-
7200	Structure and Grounds Maintenance		170,000	112,500	57,500
	Operational	70,000		61,000	
	Landscape modifications for Zone 0	100,000		-	
	Basement HVAC system replacement	-		17,500	
	Loft shelves/turnout lockers build	-		18,500	
	Flooring for training room/fitness gym	-		15,500	
7205	Fire Defense Zone (Hazard Mitigation)		915,000	499,000	416,000
	Operational	410,000		374,000	
	Home Hardening Assistance Program	100,000		100,000	
	Fire roads management	50,000		25,000	
	Neighborhood Chipping and Grazing Programs	205,000		-	
	Emergency access and hydrant improvements	150,000		-	
7322	Consulting and Management Fees		4,500	4,500	-
7325	Other Professional Services (RFCC)		200,000	200,000	-
7324	Audit and Accounting Fees		45,000	45,000	-

**Montecito Fire Protection District
Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27**

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

		<u>Preliminary Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget FY 2026</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Services & Supplies (continued)				
7348	Instruments & Equipment	31,000	43,000	(12,000)
	Hose equipment (ongoing)	6,000	6,000	
	Rope rescue equipment (ongoing)	5,000	5,000	
	USAR equipment maintenance (ongoing)	10,000	10,000	
	HazMat team equipment (ongoing)	10,000	10,000	
	Wildland mobile water pumps	-	12,000	
7363	Equipment Maintenance (Vehicles)	169,000	140,000	29,000
	Operational	154,000		
	Vehicle decals and installation (20)	15,000		
7400	Medical & First Aid Supplies	62,000	47,000	15,000
	Operational	47,000	47,000	
	Annual Stryker equipment maintenance	15,000	-	
7430	Memberships	16,000	16,000	-
7450	Office Expense	28,000	28,000	-
	Operational	20,000	20,000	
	Battalion Chief office furniture (carry over)	8,000	8,000	
7456	IT Hardware < \$5,000	24,000	38,000	(14,000)
	Operational	10,000	10,000	
	Computer Aided Dispatch iPads (9)	14,000	-	
	Desktop computer replacements	-	28,000	
7460	Professional and Special Services	480,000	457,000	23,000
7507	Payroll Fees	23,000	15,000	8,000
7510	Contractual Services	121,000	150,000	(29,000)
7530	Publications & Legal Notices	6,000	6,000	-
7540	Rents & Leases - Equipment	5,500	5,500	-
7546	Administrative Tax Expense (SB County)	225,000	195,000	30,000
7580	Rents & Leases - Structure (Gibraltar)	12,500	12,500	-
7630	Small Tools & Instruments	12,000	25,500	(13,500)
	Operational	12,000	11,000	
	Fitness equipment	-	14,500	
7650	Special District Expense	56,000	45,000	11,000
	Operational (permits, fees, LAFCO, other)	50,000	45,000	
	Board election fees	6,000	-	
7671	Special Projects	23,000	20,000	3,000
	Department mailings	12,000	12,000	
	Public Education materials	8,000	8,000	
	Evacuation "Go" bags (50)	3,000	-	
7730	Transportation and Travel	65,000	65,000	-
7731	Gasoline/Oil/Fuel	100,000	80,000	20,000
7732	Training	99,000	99,000	-
7760	Utilities	80,000	75,000	5,000
	Total Services & Supplies	3,556,000	3,001,000	555,000
Other Charges				
7830	Interest Expense (POB)	43,000	64,000	(21,000)
	Total Other Charges	43,000	64,000	(21,000)

**Montecito Fire Protection District
Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27**

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

		<u>Preliminary Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget FY 2026</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Capital Assets				
8200	Structures & Improvements	180,000	232,000	(52,000)
	Capital projects (subject to public bid)	180,000	-	
	Carport/gate (92)	-	232,000	
8300	Equipment	358,000	972,000	(614,000)
	Cardiac monitors (2)	130,000	65,000	
	Maintenance Shop vehicle lifts	70,000	-	
	HazMat gas monitors (6) and calibration station	50,000	-	
	Powered stair chairs for EMS response (2)	35,000	-	
	Infrared recovery units (91 and 92)	26,000	-	
	Induction oven range (91)	20,000	-	
	Drone equipment for operations (2)	20,000	-	
	Storage shed for rental unit	7,000	-	
	Generators (91 and 92)	-	265,000	
	Station Alerting System	-	212,000	
	LMR Communications Project	-	430,000	
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	Total Capital Assets	538,000	1,204,000	(666,000)
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>28,059,000</u>	<u>28,859,000</u>	<u>(800,000)</u>
Other Financing Uses				
Financing Uses				
7901	Transfer To Capital Reserves Fund (3652)	200,000	400,000	200,000
7910	Long Term Debt Principal Repayment (POB)	1,216,000	1,195,000	(21,000)
	TOTAL FINANCING USES	1,416,000	1,595,000	179,000
Decreases to Residual Fund Balance				
9601	Residual Funds Balance	-	1,383,000	(1,383,000)
	Decrease to Residual Fund Balance	-	1,383,000	(1,383,000)
	Net Financial Impact	<u>\$ 349,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 349,000</u>
Fund 3650 Fund Balance Detail (estimate at June 30, 2027)				
	*Reserves: Economic Uncertainties (estimate)	\$ 5,855,000	\$ 5,580,000	\$ 275,000
	*Reserves: Catastrophic (estimate)	3,790,000	3,605,000	185,000
	Fund Balance - Unrestricted Residual	<u>2,917,000</u>	<u>3,028,000</u>	<u>(111,000)</u>
	Projected Fund Balance at Year End	<u>\$ 12,562,000</u>	<u>\$ 12,213,000</u>	<u>\$ 349,000</u>

*Reserve levels are established by the Board-adopted Financial Policies and Capitol PFG recommendations.

Montecito Fire Protection District
Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27

FUND 3652 - CAPITAL OUTLAY RESERVES	Preliminary Budget	Adopted Budget FY 2026	Difference
REVENUES			
Use of Money and Property			
3380 Interest Income	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ -
Total Use of Money and Property	90,000	90,000	-
Other Financing Sources			
5910 Transfer from General Fund (3650)	200,000	400,000	(200,000)
Total Other Financing Sources	200,000	400,000	(200,000)
TOTAL REVENUES	290,000	490,000	(200,000)
EXPENDITURES			
Capital Assets			
8300 Equipment			
Battalion 94 Command Vehicle (carryover)	\$ 88,000	\$ 181,000	\$ (93,000)
Rescue Ambulance 91	150,000	-	150,000
Squad 91 (carryover)	-	375,000	(375,000)
Division 91 Vehicle (carryover)	-	50,000	(50,000)
Battalion 93 upfit	-	18,000	(18,000)
Total Capital Assets	238,000	624,000	(386,000)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	238,000	624,000	(386,000)
Changes to Assigned Fund Balance			
9901 Purpose of Fund	(52,000)	134,000	(186,000)
Changes to Assigned Fund Balance	(52,000)	134,000	(186,000)
TOTAL CHANGES TO FUND BALANCES	(52,000)	134,000	(186,000)
Net Financial Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fund 3652 Fund Balance Detail			
Fund Balance - Assigned	\$ 3,394,000		
Fund Balance - Assigned for FY	52,000		
Projected Fund Balance at Year End	\$ 3,446,000	\$ 3,394,000	\$ 52,000

Montecito Fire Protection District Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27

FUND 3653 - LAND & BUILDING FUND*	Preliminary Budget	Adopted Budget FY 2026	Difference
REVENUES			
Use of Money and Property			
3380 Interest Income	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ -
Total Use of Money and Property	150,000	150,000	-
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>150,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>-</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Services and Supplies			
7460 Professional Services	500,000	500,000	-
Total Services and Supplies	500,000	500,000	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Changes to Assigned Fund Balance			
9901 Purpose of Fund	350,000	350,000	-
Changes to Assigned Fund Balance	350,000	350,000	-
TOTAL CHANGES TO FUND BALANCES	<u>350,000</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Financial Impact	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund 3653 Fund Balance Detail			
Fund Balance - Assigned	\$ 5,050,000		
Fund Balance - Assigned for FY	<u>(350,000)</u>		
Projected Fund Balance at Year End	\$ 4,700,000	\$ 5,050,000	\$ (350,000)

*Board restricted funds for construction of buildings, or refurbishment and modernization of existing stations.

Agenda

Item #3



STAFF REPORT

To: Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Brian Fallon, Fire Chief *BF*
Prepared by: Araceli Nahas, Finance and Administrative Manager *AN*
Date: June 22, 2026
Topic: Proposed Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2025-26

Summary

The proposed budget amendment adjusts the General Fund for fiscal year 2025-26 to account for unanticipated revenues received and expenditures that exceeded original budget appropriations. The proposed amendment increases revenue appropriations by \$415,000 and expenditure appropriations by \$260,000. The net financial impact of the amendment is an increase in unassigned fund balance of \$155,000. There are no proposed changes to Funds 3652 and 3653.

Discussion

Since the last budget amendment in January, the District received revenues that were not anticipated. In addition, certain expenditure categories experienced higher-than-budgeted activity due to operational needs and timing of annual services.

The proposed budget amendment includes the following changes to the General Fund:

	ADOPTED BUDGET	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
Property taxes	26,205,000	-0-	26,205,000
Other revenue	<u>2,866,000</u>	<u>415,000</u>	<u>3,281,000</u>
Total Revenue	29,071,000	415,000	29,486,000
Salaries and benefits	24,590,000	126,000	24,716,000
Services and supplies	3,001,000	134,000	3,135,000
Other charges	64,000	-0-	64,000
Capital assets	1,204,000	-0-	1,204,000
Transfers/LT debt payments	<u>1,595,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,595,000</u>
Total Expenses	<u>30,454,000</u>	<u>260,000</u>	<u>30,714,000</u>
Use/(add) of carryover funds¹	<u>1,383,000</u>	<u>(155,000)</u>	<u>1,228,000</u>
Net financial impact	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total fund balance at Year-End	12,212,962	155,000	12,367,962

¹ Carryover funds are included as a budgetary resource (like revenue) to eliminate a projected excess of expenditures over expected revenues. Carryover funds are an accumulation of unanticipated revenue, unspent funds, or Board-assigned reserves. The use of all funds is subject to Board approval.

A detailed explanation of the proposed changes is provided as an attachment, along with the draft resolution and the proposed amended budget financials.

Conclusion

Staff recommends the Board approve Resolution 2026-06 as presented to recognize unanticipated revenues and increase appropriations where necessary to ensure the District's budget accurately reflects current-year financial activity.

Attachments

1. Proposed Budget Amendment Detail
2. Resolution 2026-06, Amending the Final Budget for FY 2025-26
3. Proposed Amended Budget Financials

Strategic Plan Reference

Strategic Plan Goal #8: Ensure Financial Accountability & Transparency

Budget Amendment Detail
June 22, 2026

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND**REVENUES**

	Line Item	Description	Budget Action	\$ Change
1	3750	State-Emergency Assistance	Increase budgeted revenues by \$70,000 for unanticipated state fire assignments from May.	70,000
2	4476	Federal-Emergency Assistance	Increase budgeted revenues by \$98,000 for unanticipated federal fire assignments from May.	98,000
3	5894	Other-Payment for Damages	Establish budgeted revenue of \$247,000 to recognize funds received from the final Thomas Fire/Debris Flow SCE settlement.	247,000
Total Revenue Increase				\$ 415,000

EXPENDITURES

	Line Item	Description	Budget Action	\$ Change
4	6301	Overtime - Reimbursable	Increase appropriations by \$126,000 to account for overtime expenses for mutual aid assignments incurred in May. (Expense fully offset by revenue line items 3750 and 4476.)	126,000
5	7460	Professional Services	Increase appropriations by \$105,000 for higher-than-anticipated costs related to professional services. The increase to Professional Services is primarily due to the timing of annual employee medical examinations. The District incurred two years of medical exam costs within the same fiscal year - one exam cycle occurred in July 2025 and the next cycle in June 2026. This timing-related expenditure is not expected to occur in future years and does not represent an ongoing increase in professional service costs.	105,000
6	7546	Administrative Expense	Increase appropriations by \$29,000 to reflect actual expenditures for the property tax collection fee charged by the County of Santa Barbara. The budgeted amount was \$195,000 and total fee was \$224,000.	29,000
Total Expenditures Increase				\$ 260,000

Net Financial Impact Change \$ **155,000**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-06

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**

WHEREAS, a final budget for the District for Fiscal Year 2025-26 was adopted by the Board on September 22, 2025 and amended on January 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the District has received unanticipated revenues reimbursements for mutual aid fire assignments and other revenue in the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the following accounts need to be adjusted by the following amount to accommodate overtime and other expenses:

<u>Fund 3650 – General Fund</u>	
Overtime – Reimbursable (6301)	\$ 126,000
Professional Services (7460)	105,000
Administrative Expense (7546)	<u>29,000</u>
	\$ 260,000

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District hereby resolves as follows:

That the following revised budget be adopted for the Fiscal Year 2025-26:

<u>Fund 3650 – General</u>	
Salaries & Employee Benefits	\$ 24,716,000
Services & Supplies	3,135,000
Other Charges	64,000
Capital Assets	1,204,000
Other Financing Uses	<u>1,595,000</u>
	\$ 30,714,000

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the governing board of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 22nd day of June, 2026 by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NAYS:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

President of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

Montecito Fire Protection District
Proposed Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

		Adopted Budget	Adjustment	Amended Budget	
REVENUES					
Property Taxes					
3010	Property Tax - Secured	\$ 24,495,000	\$ -	\$ 24,495,000	
3011	Property Tax - Unitary	251,000	-	251,000	
3015	Property Tax - Escapes Secured	31,000	-	31,000	
3020	Property Tax - Unsecured	809,000	-	809,000	
3023	Property Tax - PY Corrections/Escapes	31,000	-	31,000	
3050	Property Tax - Prior Unsecured	18,000	-	18,000	
3054	Supplemental Property Tax - Current	570,000	-	570,000	
	Total Taxes Revenue	26,205,000	-	26,205,000	
Use of Money and Property					
3380	Interest Income	372,000	-	372,000	
3409	Rental Property Income	69,000	-	69,000	
	Total Use of Money and Property	441,000	-	441,000	
Intergovernmental Revenue - State					
3750	State-Emergency Assistance (Fire Asgmts)	100,000	70,000	170,000	1
4220	Homeowners Property Tax Relief	77,000	-	77,000	
	Total Intergovernmental Revenue - State	177,000	70,000	247,000	
Intergovernmental Revenue - Federal					
4476	Federal Emergency Assistance (Fire Asgmts)	1,900,000	98,000	1,998,000	2
	Total Intergovernmental Revenue - Federal	1,900,000	98,000	1,998,000	
Charges for Services					
5105	Reimbursement for District Services	180,000	-	180,000	
	Total Charges for Services	180,000	-	180,000	
Miscellaneous Revenue					
5768	Safety Member Reimbursement	105,000	-	105,000	
5894	Other - Payment for Damages	-	247,000	247,000	3
5895	Other - Donations	50,000	-	50,000	
5909	Other - Miscellaneous Revenue	13,000	-	13,000	
	Total Miscellaneous Revenue	168,000	247,000	415,000	
	TOTAL REVENUES	29,071,000	415,000	29,486,000	

Montecito Fire Protection District
Proposed Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

		Adopted		Amended	
		Budget	Adjustment	Budget	
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries & Employee Benefits					
6100	Regular Salaries	\$ 10,630,000	\$ -	\$ 10,630,000	
6300	Overtime	1,700,000	-	1,700,000	
6301	Overtime - Fire Reimbursable	1,500,000	126,000	1,626,000	4
6400	Retirement Contributions	3,465,000	-	3,465,000	
6450	Supp Retirement Contribution (UAL)	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	
6475	Retiree Medical OPEB	500,000	-	500,000	
6550	FICA/Medicare	208,000	-	208,000	
6600	Insurance Contributions	2,776,000	-	2,776,000	
6700	Unemployment Insurance	6,000	-	6,000	
6900	Workers Compensation Insurance	805,000	-	805,000	
Total Salaries & Employee Benefits		24,590,000	126,000	24,716,000	
Services & Supplies					
7030	Clothing and PPE	146,000	-	146,000	
7050	Communications	144,000	-	144,000	
7060	Food	4,500	-	4,500	
7070	Household Supplies	50,000	-	50,000	
7090	Insurance: Liability/Auto/Prop.	155,000	-	155,000	
7120	Equipment Maintenance (Operations)	58,000	-	58,000	
7121	Operating Supplies	20,000	-	20,000	
7200	Structure and Grounds Maintenance	112,500	-	112,500	
7205	Fire Defense Zone (Hazard Mitigation)	499,000	-	499,000	
7322	Consulting and Management Fees	4,500	-	4,500	
7325	Other Professional Services (RFCC)	200,000	-	200,000	
7324	Audit and Accounting Fees	45,000	-	45,000	
7348	Instruments & Equipment	43,000	-	43,000	
7363	Equipment Maintenance (Vehicles)	140,000	-	140,000	
7400	Medical & First Aid Supplies	47,000	-	47,000	
7430	Memberships	16,000	-	16,000	
7450	Office Expense	28,000	-	28,000	
7456	IT Hardware < \$5,000	38,000	-	38,000	
7460	Professional and Special Services	457,000	105,000	562,000	5
7507	Payroll Fees	15,000	-	15,000	
7510	Contractual Services	150,000	-	150,000	
7530	Publications & Legal Notices	6,000	-	6,000	
7540	Rents & Leases - Equipment	5,500	-	5,500	
7546	Administrative Tax Expense	195,000	29,000	224,000	6
7580	Rents & Leases - Structure (Gibraltar)	12,500	-	12,500	
7630	Small Tools & Instruments	25,500	-	25,500	

Services & Supplies (continued)

**Montecito Fire Protection District
Proposed Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26**

FUND 3650 - GENERAL FUND

		<u>Adopted</u>		<u>Amended</u>
		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Budget</u>
7650	Special District Expense	45,000	-	45,000
7671	Special Projects	20,000	-	20,000
7730	Transportation and Travel	65,000	-	65,000
7731	Gasoline/Oil/Fuel	80,000	-	80,000
7732	Training	99,000	-	99,000
7760	Utilities	75,000	-	75,000
	Total Services & Supplies	3,001,000	134,000	3,135,000
Other Charges				
7830	Interest Expense (POB)	64,000	-	64,000
	Total Other Charges	64,000	-	64,000
Capital Assets				
8200	Structures & Improvements	232,000	-	232,000
8300	Equipment	972,000	-	972,000
	Total Capital Assets	1,204,000	-	1,204,000
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	28,859,000	260,000	29,119,000
Other Financing Uses				
Financing Uses				
7901	Transfer To Capital Reserves Fund (3652)	400,000	-	400,000
7910	Long Term Debt Principal Repayment (POB)	1,195,000	-	1,195,000
	TOTAL FINANCING USES	1,595,000	-	1,595,000
Decreases to Residual Fund Balance				
9601	Residual Funds Balance	1,383,000	(155,000)	1,228,000
	Decrease to Residual Fund Balance	1,383,000	(155,000)	1,228,000
	Net Financial Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Fund 3650 Fund Balance Detail (estimate at June 30, 2026)

*Reserves: Economic Uncertainties	\$ 5,580,000	\$ -	\$ 5,580,000
*Reserves: Catastrophic	3,605,000	-	3,605,000
Fund Balance - Unrestricted Residual	3,027,962	155,000	3,182,962
Projected Fund Balance at Year End	\$ 12,212,962	\$ 155,000	\$ 12,367,962

*Reserve levels are established by the Board-adopted Financial Policies and Capitol PFG recommendations.

Agenda

Item #4



STAFF REPORT

To: Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Brian Fallon, Fire Chief
Date: June 22, 2026
Topic: Resolution 2026-07, amending the Station Location Committee, repealing Resolution 2019-08, Establishing the Fire Station Planning Committee

Summary

On October 28, 2019, the Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors adopted Resolution 2019-08, establishing a Station Location Committee. The committee was formed to assist in identifying a suitable site for a joint fire station to serve the Montecito and Carpinteria-Summerland fire districts. It consisted of two members from the Montecito Fire Protection District Board and two members from the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District Board. The committee was intended to remain in place for the duration of the joint effort, unless a member left the board or the effort ceased, in which case a replacement would be appointed. Resolution 2019-08 formally defined the committee's purpose, composition, and duration. This item amends the resolution to keep the Station Location Committee intact under the exclusive authority and oversight of the Montecito Fire Protection District.

Discussion

On May 26, 2026, the Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors unanimously voted to withdraw from the joint fire station project with the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District. The project had been a collaborative effort to identify a suitable location for a joint fire station that would enhance emergency response coverage on the eastern side of the district.

Recent improvements in regionalized dispatch operations have helped address some of the coverage needs within the district and throughout the County. These coverage concerns were among the factors that originally prompted the participating fire districts to explore the joint station project. Although the joint station project will not move forward, both districts remain committed to pursuing future opportunities for collaboration that provide mutual benefits to their communities.

During the initial phases of the project, the two districts established a Joint Fire Station Committee consisting of representatives from each agency. The committee was created through Resolution 2019-08, adopted by the Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors.

At the May 26, 2026, Regular Board meeting, the Board directed staff to amend Resolution 2019-08 to reflect the district's withdrawal from the joint project while retaining the Station Location Committee under the exclusive authority of the Montecito Fire Protection District. Maintaining the committee will allow the district to continue evaluating potential opportunities for future fire station locations and related service needs. The attached resolution incorporates these changes and preserves the committee as a resource available to the Board.

Conclusion

Staff recommends that the Board approve Resolution 2026-07, amending the Station Location Committee resolution to reflect the district's withdrawal from the joint fire station project and preserving the committee for potential future use.

Attachments

1. Resolution 2019-08
2. Resolution 2026-07

Strategic Plan Reference

Strategic Plan Goal #1, Deliver Exceptional Emergency Services to our Community

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO 2019-08

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING THE FIRE STATION LOCATION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District (“District”) is formed and operated pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, which is codified in Health & Safety Code section 13800 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors desires to establish the Fire Station Location Committee (“Committee”) and to specify the purpose of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors finds that the formation of the Committee is consistent with the Act and a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Committee Established. The Board hereby establishes the Fire Station Location Planning Committee (“Committee”).
2. Committee Composition. The Committee shall be comprised of two members of the District’s Board of Directors and two members of the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District’s Board of Directors.
3. Appointment of Committee Members. The District’s Board of Directors shall appoint two members of the Board of Directors to serve on the Committee. This appointment shall occur at the District’s October 28, 2019 meeting. The other two members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District.
4. Term of Committee Members. The term of each Committee Member appointed by the District’s Board of Directors shall be for the life of the committee or the end of the committee members elected term.
5. Purpose of Committee. The purpose of the Committee shall be as follows:
 - A. To explore mutually beneficial fire station locations in the jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District and Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District.
 - B. To collect standardized response data and analyze that data in terms of both District’s standards of response coverage for the purpose of optimal fire station location.
 - C. To provide reports to the District’s Board of Directors regarding the status of the standardized response data and proposed mutually beneficial fire station locations.
 - D. To develop recommendations for the District’s Board of Directors regarding the strategic use of resources to improve the District’s emergency response capability and performance.
6. Committee Staff. The District’s Fire Chief and employees designated by the Fire Chief shall serve as staff to the Committee.
7. Committee Consultants. The Committee may request consultants and other experts to provide input to the Committee on particular topics. The District’s payment of any expenses associated with such consultants or experts must be preapproved by the District’s Board of Directors.
8. Brown Act. The Committee shall be a standing committee of the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District and as such shall comply with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, which is codified in Government Code section 54950 et seq. The Committee shall meet at a location within the jurisdiction of either the Montecito Fire Protection District or the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 28th day of October, 2019, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: J. Ishkanian, P. van Duinwyk, S. Easton, M. Lee
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: J. A. Powell


President of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

ATTEST:


Secretary of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO 2026-07

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING THE FIRE STATION LOCATION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District (“District”) is formed and operated pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, which is codified in Health & Safety Code section 13800 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors desires to establish the Fire Station Location Committee (“Committee”) and to specify the purpose of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors finds that the formation of the Committee is consistent with the Act and a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Committee Established. The Board hereby establishes the Fire Station Location Planning Committee (“Committee”).
2. Committee Composition. The Committee shall be comprised of two members of the District’s Board of Directors.
3. Appointment of Committee Members. The District’s Board of Directors shall appoint two members of the Board of Directors to serve on the Committee. ~~This appointment shall occur at the District’s October 28, 2019 meeting.~~
4. Term of Committee Members. The term of each Committee Member appointed by the District’s Board of Directors shall be for the life of the committee or the end of the committee members elected term.
5. Purpose of Committee. The purpose of the Committee shall be as follows:
 - A. To explore beneficial fire station locations in the jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. ~~and Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District.~~
 - B. To collect standardized response data and analyze that data in terms of both District’s standards of response coverage for the purpose of optimal fire station location.
 - C. To provide reports to the District’s Board of Directors regarding the status of the standardized response data and proposed ~~mutually~~ beneficial fire station locations.
 - D. To develop recommendations for the District’s Board of Directors regarding the strategic use of resources to improve the District’s emergency response capability and performance.

6. Committee Staff. The District's Fire Chief and employees designated by the Fire Chief shall serve as staff to the Committee.
7. Committee Consultants. The Committee may request consultants and other experts to provide input to the Committee on particular topics. The District's payment of any expenses associated with such consultants or experts must be preapproved by the District's Board of Directors.
8. Brown Act. The Committee shall be a standing committee of the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District and as such shall comply with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, which is codified in Government Code section 54950 et seq. The Committee shall meet a location within the jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District.

8.9. This resolution rescinds Resolution 2019-08 Establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 22nd day of June, 2026, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

President of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO 2026-07

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING THE FIRE STATION LOCATION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District (“District”) is formed and operated pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, which is codified in Health & Safety Code section 13800 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors desires to establish the Fire Station Location Committee (“Committee”) and to specify the purpose of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Directors finds that the formation of the Committee is consistent with the Act and a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Committee Established. The Board hereby establishes the Fire Station Location Planning Committee (“Committee”).
2. Committee Composition. The Committee shall be comprised of two members of the District’s Board of Directors.
3. Appointment of Committee Members. The District’s Board of Directors shall appoint two members of the Board of Directors to serve on the Committee.
4. Term of Committee Members. The term of each Committee Member appointed by the District’s Board of Directors shall be for the life of the committee or the end of the committee members elected term.
5. Purpose of Committee. The purpose of the Committee shall be as follows:
 - A. To explore beneficial fire station locations in the jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District.
 - B. To collect standardized response data and analyze that data in terms of both District’s standards of response coverage for the purpose of optimal fire station location.
 - C. To provide reports to the District’s Board of Directors regarding the status of the standardized response data and proposed beneficial fire station locations.
 - D. To develop recommendations for the District’s Board of Directors regarding the strategic use of resources to improve the District’s emergency response capability and performance.

6. Committee Staff. The District's Fire Chief and employees designated by the Fire Chief shall serve as staff to the Committee.
7. Committee Consultants. The Committee may request consultants and other experts to provide input to the Committee on particular topics. The District's payment of any expenses associated with such consultants or experts must be preapproved by the District's Board of Directors.
8. Brown Act. The Committee shall be a standing committee of the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District and as such shall comply with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, which is codified in Government Code section 54950 et seq. The Committee shall meet a location within the jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District.
9. This resolution rescinds Resolution 2019-08 Establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 22nd day of June, 2026, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

President of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
Montecito Fire Protection District

Agenda

Item #5



STAFF REPORT

To: Montecito Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Brian Fallon, Fire Chief
Date: June 22, 2026
Topic: License Agreement Between the Montecito Fire Protection District and the Montecito Water District for the Temporary Use of Property Located at 2297 East Valley Road to Support Emergency Response Operations

Summary

The Montecito Fire Protection District seeks approval of a License Agreement with the Montecito Water District for the temporary use of property located at 2297 East Valley Road as an emergency up-staffing location. The site will be utilized during periods of elevated fire danger, Red Flag Warnings, and other significant weather events to strategically position personnel and resources within the community. Approval of the agreement formalizes the District's right to use the property and supports the District's ability to enhance emergency response capabilities during high-risk conditions.

Discussion

The Montecito Fire Protection District continually evaluates opportunities to enhance emergency preparedness and response capabilities during periods of increased wildfire risk and significant weather events. The proposed License Agreement with the Montecito Water District provides access to a strategically located property at 2297 East Valley Road that can be used as a temporary up-staffing location when operational conditions warrant the deployment of additional personnel and resources.

The site is not intended to function as a permanent fire station or regularly staffed facility. Rather, it will be activated only during periods of elevated fire danger, Red Flag Warnings, and other significant incidents requiring enhanced response readiness. Establishing this temporary deployment location will improve the District's ability to position resources within the community, support rapid response, and enhance operational flexibility during high-risk conditions.

Approval of the License Agreement formalizes the District's right to use the property and provides an additional tool to support the District's mission of protecting life, property, and the environment.

Conclusion

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the Fire Chief to enter into the License Agreement between the Montecito Fire Protection District and the Montecito Water District, authorizing the temporary use of the property located at 2297 East Valley Road as an up-staffing location during periods of elevated fire danger, Red Flag Warnings, and other significant weather events.

Attachments

1. License Agreement 2026
2. East Valley Road Project Summary

Strategic Plan Reference

Strategic Plan Goal #1, Deliver Exceptional Emergency Services to our Community

**LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY UPSTAFFING LOCATION FOR HIGH
FIRE RISK CONDITIONS**

This License Agreement for Temporary Upstaffing Location for High Fire Risk Conditions (“Agreement”) is made this ___ day of ___, 2026 (“Effective Date”), by and between Montecito Water District (“Landowner”) and Montecito Fire Protection District (“District”), individually referred to as a “Party” or collectively as “Parties”, with reference to the following facts:

RECITALS

A. Landowner is the owner of certain real property situated in Santa Barbara County, California commonly known and located at 2297 East Valley Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108 (“Property”).

B. District desires to obtain the right to use a portion of the Property for the temporary location of District’s apparatus, including but not limited to a travel trailer capable of housing up to four personnel (“Trailer”) and emergency response vehicles, to assist District in providing emergency response within the jurisdiction of the District during Red Flag conditions, severe storms, and other emergency situations requiring increased staffing.

C. Landowner is willing to grant District such rights, under the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1. License. Landowner hereby grants to District, and its designated agents, and representatives, a non-exclusive license (“License”) for use of the Property as set forth below.

A. **Purpose:** Temporarily staging and maintaining District’s Trailer on the Property for upstaffing operations to assist in fire suppression and emergency response activities when (i) the National Weather Service issues a Red Flag Warning; (ii) District declares that Red Flag Conditions exist, or (iii) District in its sole discretion determines that elevated fire danger exists within District’s jurisdiction. Options (i) – (iii) individually and/or collectively represent a “High Risk Condition” for the purpose of this Agreement.

B. **Authorized Use:** Use of District’s Trailer under this Agreement includes (i) placement of the District’s Trailer at a designated location for use during a High Risk Conditions; (ii) accessing and using the District Trailer for temporary sleeping facilities for no more than four (4) District personnel during High Risk Conditions; (iii) temporarily staging a District emergency response vehicle on the Property at a designated location during High Risk Conditions; and (iv) such other District activities, as authorized by the Landowner, to assist District in the provision of emergency response within District’s jurisdiction during High Risk Conditions.

C. **Use Restrictions:** District agrees to the following restrictions during the exercise of the License granted under this Agreement: (i) to park no personal vehicles at the Property and to make all personnel exchanges off-Property; (ii) to notify Landowner in advance of any upstaffing operation; (iii) to staff the Trailer and stage emergency response vehicles only during continuing High-Risk Conditions;(iv) to park the emergency response vehicle only in

locations agreed to by the Parties and to maintain vehicular access to the Landowner's facilities on the Property at all times; (v) to secure the lockable gates on the Property when no personnel of the District or Landowner are on the ; and (vi) to fund any Property improvements determined by the Landowner in its sole discretion to be needed to facilitate the District's temporary use of the Property pursuant to this License Agreement including but not limited to utility hookup improvements, tree trimming, ground clearing, and access road surface treatment.

2. Location. The area of the License shall be located within the area of the Property south of the pump house and as depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated in full herein by this reference. Said area shall be known as the "License Area." Landowner retains the right to make any use of the Property that does not unreasonably interfere with District's free use and enjoyment of the License Area for the purposes of the License granted herein.

3. Term of License. This Agreement shall continue in force for a period of one (1) year from the Effective Date. Upon expiration thereof, this Agreement shall continue in force in successive one (1) year periods, automatically renewing thereafter, until either party notifies the other party in writing of its desire to terminate this Agreement in which case it shall terminate ninety (90) days from the date of the notice. Notice to Landowner shall be provided to Montecito Water District, 583 San Ysidro Road, Montecito, CA 93108 and notice to District shall be provided to MFPD, c/o Brian Fallon, 595 San Ysidro Road, Montecito, CA 93108.

4. Payment. District shall pay Landowner an annual payment of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) for the storage of the Trailer on, and temporary use of the Property including water and electrical utility service for the Trailer's operation. The Payment shall become due and payable upon execution of this License Agreement. Thereafter, the Payment shall be payable annually on or before the anniversary of the Effective Date of this License Agreement.

Landowner shall have no obligation to provide the utility services contemplated hereunder if District fails to establish and maintain connections of the utility connections to the Trailer. District shall bear, at its sole cost and expense, all costs associated with establishing any utility hookups to the Trailer, including connection and installation costs, to the extent utilities are available at the Property. Landowner shall have no obligation to extend or upgrade existing utility infrastructure to accommodate District's use.

5. Indemnity.

A. District shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Landowner and Landowner's agents, assigns, Board members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants against any and all loss, liability, damage, or expense, including any direct, indirect, or consequential loss, liability, damage, or expense, including attorneys' fees and costs for injury or death to persons, including employees of either party to this Agreement, and damage to property, including property of either party to this Agreement, arising out of or in connection with the License granted under this Agreement as well as any intentional, willful, wanton, reckless, or negligent conduct regarding use of the License Area. However, Landowner shall not be indemnified hereunder for any loss, liability, damage, or expense resulting from the sole active negligence or willful misconduct, of Landowner or its . agents, assigns, Board

members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants

B. District's duty to defend hereunder is a separate and distinct obligation from District's duty to indemnify. District shall be obligated to defend Landowner, and its agents, assigns, Board members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants in all legal, equitable, administrative, or special proceedings immediately upon tender to District of the claim in any form or at any stage of an action or proceeding, whether or not liability has been established. Landowner shall have the right to approve counsel providing such defense. An allegation or determination that persons other than District are responsible for the claim does not relieve District from its separate and distinct obligation to defend under this section. The obligation to defend extends through final judgment, including exhaustion of any appeals. The defense obligation includes the obligation to provide independent defense counsel (approved by Landowner) if District asserts that liability is caused in whole or in part by the negligence or willful misconduct of the Landowner or its agents, assigns, Board members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants. If it is finally adjudicated that liability was caused by the comparative active negligence or willful misconduct of the Landowner or its agents, assigns, Board members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants, District may submit a claim to Landowner for reimbursement of reasonable attorneys' fees and defense costs in proportion to the established comparative liability of the Landowner.

C. District expressly acknowledges and agrees that the foregoing defense, indemnity, and hold harmless obligations of District are intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of California and will survive termination of this Agreement such that such obligations shall extend to all claims, lawsuits, liabilities, losses, injuries, damages, penalties, fines, judgments, costs, and expenses (including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and costs of alternative dispute resolution) which may occur or arise after exercise of the License granted herein or termination of this Agreement for any reason, attributable directly or indirectly to District or District's designated agents or representatives.

D. Submission of insurance certificates or submission of other proof of compliance with the insurance requirements of this Agreement does not relieve District from its obligations under this indemnity section. The obligations of this indemnity section shall apply, whether or not such insurance policies shall have been determined to be applicable to any of such damages or claims for damages. The obligations of this indemnity section shall not be limited to the proceeds of any insurance.

E. The indemnification, defense and hold harmless requirements set forth in this Agreement shall apply to the acts and/or omissions of any agent, assistor, contractor, employee, entity, individual, mutual aid participant, subcontractor or vendor authorized by District to exercise the License granted herein and/or exercising the License granted herein on behalf of District and/or performing any work or services to on behalf of District to assist in facilitating the License granted herein.

6. Insurance. District and District's agents will maintain in force and effect the insurance policies and coverages set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto. District may satisfy the insurance requirements with evidence of self insurance or other insurance coverage agreeable to Landowner.

7. Miscellaneous.

A. The titles or headings to the sections of this Agreement are for convenience only, and are not a part of this Agreement, and shall have no effect upon the construction or interpretation of any part thereof.

B. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between Landowner and District relating to the License granted herein. Any prior agreement, promise, negotiation, or representation not expressly set forth in this Agreement is superseded and of no force and effect. Any amendment to this Agreement shall be of no force and effect unless it is in writing and signed by both Landowner and District.

C. If any term, covenant, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect, and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby.

D. In construing this Agreement, no consideration shall be given to the fact or presumption that any party had a greater or lesser hand in the drafting of this Agreement.

E. Neither party is the legal representatives or agent of the other party for any purpose whatsoever and neither party shall have the power or authority to assume or create, in writing or otherwise, any obligation or responsibility of any kind, express or implied, to transact business, to make any warranty or otherwise to act in any manner in the name of or on behalf of the other party. This Agreement shall not be construed as constituting or creating a partnership among the parties or as creating any other form of legal association among the parties which would impose liability upon one party for the act or the failure to act of the other party.

F. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

G. This Agreement shall not be assigned. Any purported assignment of this Agreement or of any interest in this Agreement shall be void and of no effect.

H. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of the parties.

I. This Agreement shall be governed by, and the rights, duties and obligations of the Parties shall be determined in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Parties further agree that any action or proceeding brought to enforce the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be maintained in the County of Santa Barbara, State of California.

J. The Recitals and Exhibits attached hereto are incorporated herein by

this reference.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

LANDOWNER:

Montecito Water District

DISTRICT:

Montecito Fire Protection District

By:
Its:

Brian Fallon, Fire Chief

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EXHIBIT A
LICENSE AREA

EXHIBIT B INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Site Use Agreement, the following insurance requirements must be complied with by DISTRICT and DISTRICT's Agents. Any reference in this Exhibit B to "DISTRICT" shall refer to both DISTRICT and DISTRICT's Agents. Any reference in this Exhibit B to "Landowner" shall refer to Montecito Water District.

DISTRICT shall, at its sole cost and expense, obtain and maintain at all times during performance of Operations under the Agreement, including any warranty period(s), the liability insurance as outlined in this section. Throughout the period that such insurance is required, DISTRICT shall (i) file with the Landowner a certificate or certificates of insurance, with all required additional policy endorsements, signed by the insurer's representative evidencing that such insurance coverage is in effect, and (ii) provide the Landowner with such other documents and/or instruments requested by the Landowner evidencing DISTRICT's compliance with this section. DISTRICT shall obtain insurance of the types and in the amounts described below.

DISTRICT may satisfy the following insurance requirements through a combination of commercial insurance, formal risk pooling and/or a self-funded loss reserve that meets the limits set forth herein. DISTRICT shall furnish Landowner with a certificate or other written evidence of the DISTRICT's coverage meeting the following insurance requirements under a risk pooling, risk retention or self-insurance program or any combination thereof.

1. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance

- a. At all times during the entire period of performance of Operations under the Agreement, DISTRICT and all DISTRICT Agents shall maintain Workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance covering all persons employed directly by them or through DISTRICT in carrying out the Operations, all in accordance with the "Workers' Compensation and Insurance Act" set forth in the California Labor Code and any amendments thereto. Workers' compensation insurance shall not be required for contracts to furnish materials and equipment only. The commercial umbrella and/or employer's liability limits shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each accident for bodily injury by accident or one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each employee for bodily injury by disease.
- b. DISTRICT waives all rights against the Landowner, the public and private owners of all properties where the Operations will be performed, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, and/or volunteers for recovery of damages to the extent these damages are covered by the Workers' compensation and employer's liability or commercial umbrella liability insurance

obtained by DISTRICT pursuant to the Agreement.

2. Liability Insurance Required of the DISTRICT

- a. DISTRICT shall at all times maintain commercial general liability (CGL) and, if necessary, commercial umbrella insurance with a limit of not less than Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) each occurrence with not less than a Ten Million Dollar annual aggregate (\$10,000,000). CGL insurance shall be written on ISO occurrence form CG 00 01 12 07 (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability – including for bodily injury and property damage - arising from premises liability, operations liability, pollution liability, and liability assumed under an insured contract, including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract. There shall be no exclusions for liability assumed by contract, liability for pollution, or liability for use of aircraft.
- b. The Additional Insured parties are defined as Montecito Water District and its agents, assigns, Board members, directors, employees, managers, members, officers representatives, staff, successors and tenants. The Additional Insured parties shall be included as insureds under the commercial umbrella, if any, and under the CGL, using ISO additional insured endorsements CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 or their equivalent. Additional insured coverage as required in this subparagraph shall apply as primary insurance with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance programs afforded to the Additional Insured parties. There shall be no endorsement or modification of the CGL to make it excess over other available insurance; alternatively, if the CGL states that it is excess or pro rata, the policy shall be endorsed to be primary with respect to the Additional Insured parties. Any insurance, self-insurance, or other coverage, if any, maintained by the Additional Insured parties shall be non-contributory.
- c. There shall be no endorsement or modification of the CGL limiting the scope of coverage for liability assumed under a contract, or liability arising from explosion, collapse, or underground property damage.

3. Automobile Liability

- a. DISTRICT shall maintain business auto liability and, if necessary, commercial umbrella liability insurance with a limit of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) each accident.
- b. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos).
- c. Business auto coverage shall be written on ISO form CA 00 01 or a substitute form providing equivalent liability coverage. If necessary, the policy shall be endorsed to provide contractual liability coverage equivalent to that provided in the 1990 and later editions of CA 00 01.

- d. DISTRICT waives all rights against the Landowner, the public and private owners of all properties where the Operations will be performed, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, and/or volunteers for recovery of damages to the extent these damages are covered by the business auto liability or commercial umbrella liability insurance obtained by DISTRICT pursuant to Section 3.a or under any applicable auto physical damage coverage.
4. Additional Requirements. With respect to all insurance required to be maintained by DISTRICT, DISTRICT shall comply, or ensure compliance, with all of the following:
- a. Promptly upon the Landowner's request, DISTRICT shall provide the Landowner with a certificate or certificate(s) of insurance (ACORD Form 25 or its equivalent) and such other evidence satisfactory to the Landowner establishing that such coverage applies separately and exclusively to Operations performed pursuant to the Agreement.
 - b. Failure of the Landowner to demand such certificate or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of the Landowner to identify a deficiency from evidence that is provided shall not be construed as a waiver of DISTRICT's obligation to maintain such insurance.
 - c. Any failure to comply with reporting or other provisions of any insurance policy, including, without limitation, breaches of warranties, shall not affect the coverage provided to the Additional Insured parties.
 - d. DISTRICT's insurance shall apply separately to each of the Additional Insured parties against whom a claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.
 - e. DISTRICT shall notify the Landowner at least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to any changes made to any of the insurance policies required hereunder, including, without limitation, any change in the insurance carrier or the scope of coverage.
 - f. All of the insurance shall be provided on policy forms satisfactory to the Landowner.
 - g. DISTRICT shall provide certified copies of all insurance policies and/or certificates or other written evidence of coverage required above within ten (10) Calendar Days of written request by the Landowner.
 - h. In the event that DISTRICT employs other individuals and/or entities as part of the services covered by the Agreement, it shall be the DISTRICT's responsibility to require and confirm that each individual and/or entity meets the minimum insurance requirements specified herein or such other insurance requirements approved by the Landowner in writing. When requested by the Landowner, DISTRICT shall furnish copies of certificates of insurance evidencing coverage for each such individual and/or entity .
 - i. By requiring insurance herein, the Landowner does not represent that coverage and

limits will necessarily be adequate, and such coverage and limits shall not be deemed as a limitation on DISTRICT's liability under the indemnities granted to the Landowner under the Agreement.

- j. DISTRICT shall notify the Landowner immediately if any aggregate insurance limit is exceeded at any point during the term of the Agreement, including during the warranty period. In such a case, DISTRICT shall promptly purchase additional insurance coverage to meet the requirements of the Agreement.

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Executive Summary

- The Montecito Fire Protection District is seeking to improve emergency response coverage on the east side of Montecito through temporary housing for fire personnel during high-risk events.
- Eastern Montecito, including Romero Canyon Road, Bella Vista Drive, and areas south of Highway 101, frequently exceeds the district's adopted seven-minute response standard. Current compliance is 83%, below the district goal of 90%.
- Past events including the 2018 debris flow, Thomas Fire (2017), and Tea Fire (2008) highlighted the area's wildfire vulnerability and the challenges caused by limited access routes and infrastructure disruptions.
- The district proposes placing a travel trailer capable of housing up to four personnel during Red Flag conditions, severe storms, and other emergency situations requiring increased staffing.
- Positioning crews on the east side would:
 - Improve response times and firefighter safety
 - Strengthen wildfire response capabilities
 - Provide quicker access to high-risk areas and critical roadways
- The proposal is operationally focused:
 - No personal vehicles will be stored on-site
 - Personnel exchanges conducted at Station 91
 - The district would cover utility any site improvements that would be required
- The district implemented up-staffing operations 17 times in both 2024 and 2025, demonstrating an ongoing need for enhanced east-side response capability

Brian Fallon
Fire Chief



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Montecito Fire Protection District – “Eastside” Coverage Proposal

Overview

The Montecito Fire Protection District seeks to improve emergency response coverage on the east side of the district. The Montecito community spans approximately 21 square miles and is currently served by Stations 91, and 92. Station 91 (San Ysidro) primarily serves the east side of the community under normal conditions. This station is staffed daily with a three person engine company, a two-person medic squad, and a battalion chief. In addition, personnel cross-staff a Type III brush engine and a Type VI vehicle (a truck chassis equipped with a small fire pump and water tank).

The District has identified a service gap in eastern Montecito and is exploring fiscally responsible solutions to enhance emergency response while maintaining its all-risk service model.

Response Time Challenges

Calls for service on the east side of the district, particularly Romero Canyon Road, Bella Vista Drive, and south of Highway 101, frequently exceed the districts adopted seven-minute response standard. The district’s goal is to meet this benchmark 90% of the time under NFPA 1710 standards; however, the most recent operations report shows an 83% compliance rate. Analysis indicates that deficiencies are primarily associated with responses to the east side of the community and areas south of Highway 101.

Past incidents, including the 2018 debris flow and loss of Romero Bridge, demonstrated how infrastructure failures can significantly limit emergency access. In a similar event, response coverage for the east side would likely depend on resources from Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District, resulting in extended response times.

Strategic Advantage

The Montecito community has experienced significant wildfire events, including the Thomas Fire (2017), which spread from Ventura County into Santa Barbara County, and the Tea Fire (2008), which destroyed 210 homes in Montecito. These incidents highlight the region’s vulnerability, particularly given the area’s erratic wind conditions, which can quickly drive fires from the mountains into residential areas.



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A potential solution to improve response times and safety is establishing temporary housing for fire personnel on the east side of the community.

Positioning personnel on the east side would enhance rapid response to wildland areas with high fire risk. Immediate access to State Route 192 and northern areas such as Ladera would provide a strategic advantage. Combined with response efforts from Station 91 moving north, this positioning would allow crews to contain rapidly advancing fires more efficiently than current deployment allows.

Operational Approach

The district routinely increases staffing during elevated-risk events such as Red Flag warning, severe storm, and major disruptions. These “up-staffing,” periods can last from several hours to multiple days and are intended to improve deployment speed, firefighter safety, and operational effectiveness in difficult terrain.

During these times the district seeks to up-staff one of the following:

- A Type VI vehicle with two personnel.
- A Type III brush Engine with four personnel

Proposed Property Use

The proposed use of the property would be limited to the conditions described above. Any expanded use would only occur with prior coordination and approval from the property owner. The district is committed to minimizing any impact while maximizing safety benefits for the community. No personal vehicles will be parked at the property. All personnel exchanges will be made at station 91.

Over the last two years the Fire District has “up staffed,” 17 times in 2024, and 17 times in 2025. The predominant months have been November through February.



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Request

The Montecito Fire Protection District truly appreciates the consideration of this proposal and the opportunity to enhance community safety. The district respectfully requests consideration of the following option. Allow the placement of a travel trailer capable of housing up to four personnel at 2297 E.Valley Road. The Fire District would utilize utility hookups, (if available) at its own expense and would be responsible for any required improvements and permitting.

Conclusion

The Montecito Fire Protection District truly appreciates the opportunity to communicate this need. We believe that this opportunity would change the landscape of our response model, ultimately providing a better service to the Community, through safety and forward thinking as we continue to assess the wildfire dangers in the area.

Attachment A: Property Overview

Attachment B: Proposed placement location

Attachment C: Vehicles used on the property

Attachment D: Sample Housing options



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Attachment A: Property Overview

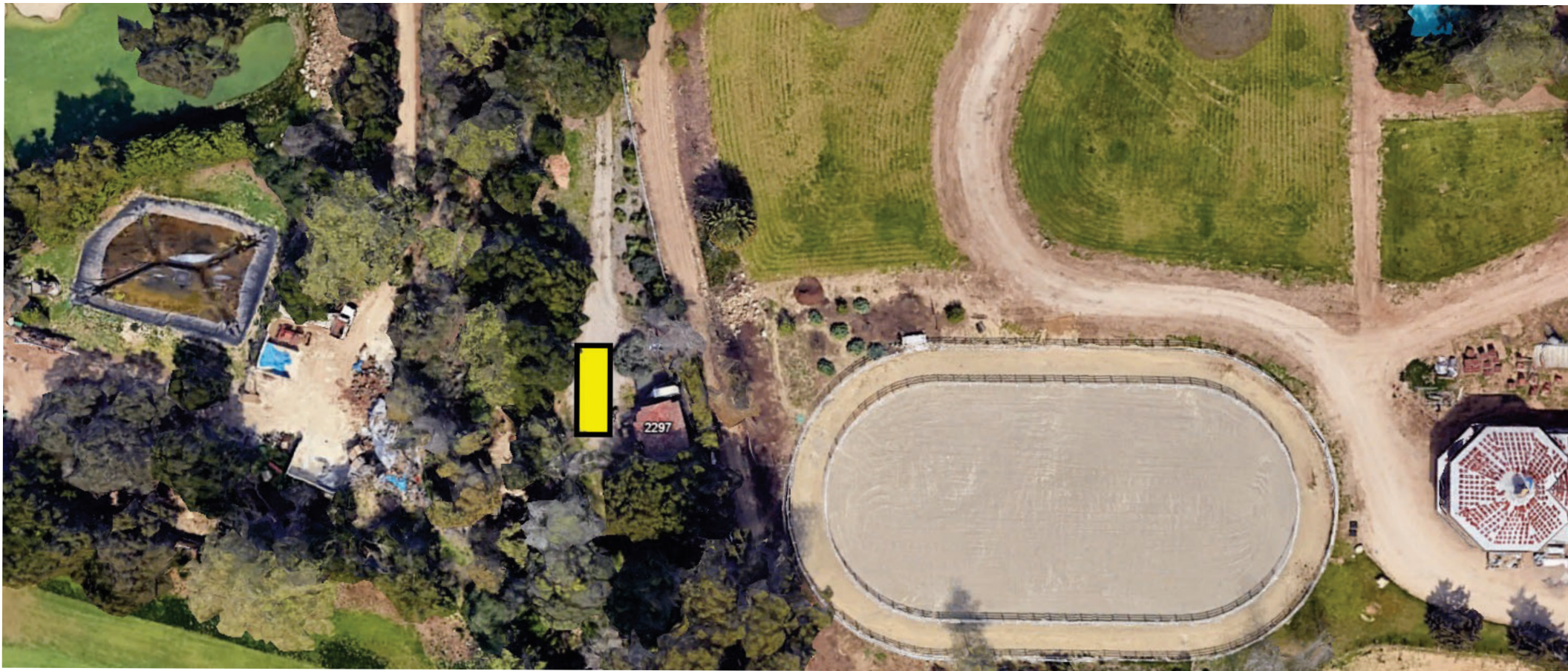




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Attachment B: Proposed placement location





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Attachment C: Vehicles used on the property

(There will not be an instance in which both vehicles are on sight. It will either be the brush engine or type VI pick-up)



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Montecito Fire Protection District Brush Engine, (Type III). This unit staffs up to four firefighters at a time. Used for clearance in the wild land setting. Contains a pump and tank with 500 gallons of water.





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Montecito Fire Protection District Type VI. This unit is a truck chassis with a service body. This unit contains a pump and tank. This unit is very versatile, and mobile in the wild land setting. This unit typically is staffed with two-three firefighters.





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Attachment D: Sample Housing Options

Dimensions:

Length: 35'-43' (depending on available
space from property owner)

Width with "pop-outs" extended: 12'

Dry Weight: 12,680 lbs.

GVWR: 13,400 lbs.

Exterior Height: 13'6"









Agenda

Item #6

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held at Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108 on May 26, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Director van Duijnyk called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Director van Duijnyk, Director Lee, Director Pennino, Director Copus. Fire Chief Fallon and District Counsel Mark Manion were also present.

- 1. Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. (30 minutes total time allotted for this discussion.)**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

- 2. Receive budget development presentation and review the recommended Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)**

Fire Chief Fallon and Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas provided a presentation regarding budget development and recommended the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27. Fire Chief Fallon reviewed the Budget Priorities with the Board. The District Budget for FY 2026-27 will be adopted at the June 22, 2026 Regular meeting.

- 3. Report from the Finance Committee. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)**

- a. Consider the recommendation to approve the April 2026 financial statements.**

Director Lee and Director Pennino provided a report regarding the April 2026 financial statements. Director Pennino made a motion to approve the financial statements for April 2026, seconded by Director Lee, and unanimously passed.

- b. Review PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statements for March and April 2026.**

Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas provided a report regarding the PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statement for March and April 2026.

- 4. Consider the request to terminate the Joint Station Acquisition and Development Agreement. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)**

Fire Chief Fallon presented a staff report regarding the request to terminate the Joint Station Acquisition and Development Agreement with Carpinteria-Summerland Protection District. The Board discussed maintaining the committee and reviewing the Resolution for

the Fire Station Location Standing Committee. Motion to terminate the Joint Station Acquisition and Development Agreement made by Director Lee, seconded by Director Copus, and unanimously passed.

5. Approval of Minutes of the April 27, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2026 Regular meeting made by Director Copus, seconded by Director Pennino, and unanimously passed.

6. Fire Chief's report.

Fire Chief Fallon reported that the Montecito Fire Department crews sent to the Sandy Fire have returned. The two firefighter-paramedics who were deployed to the Santa Rosa Fire are expected to return in a couple of days.

Budget preparations for the fiscal year 2026-27 are currently underway.

Three firefighters from the Montecito Fire Department, Daniel Arnold, Nick Eubank, and Andrew Rupp, were recognized in a pin ceremony for their 10 years of service with Montecito Fire Department.

There will be a Community Wildfire Panel in collaboration with neighboring agencies on June 15th, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at Santa Barbara City College.

7. Board of Director's report.

Director Pennino attended the Special District Leadership Academy in San Diego, reporting that the program was both enjoyable and valuable. The seminar included topics on artificial intelligence, social media, and legislative updates.

Director van Duinwyk thanked firefighters for their response during an emergency involving his daughter.

8. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the June 22, 2026 Regular Board meeting.

Director Lee requested that staff review the sprinkler plan check fee schedules of neighboring agencies and discuss the possibility of implementing a fee.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

President van Duinwyk

Secretary Lee