

Fire Station Renewal

AMHERSTBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

- <u>3 former fire services</u>
- Anderdon
- Malden
- Amherstburg

- Amherstburg FD Was Established in 1841
- Malden FD was Established in 1947
- Anderdon FD was Established 1948
- Amalgamation Jan 1,1998

- Fire services protection area of 185.61 sq. km.
- 23,524 population
- 5 career staff 60 Volunteer ff., 5 unpaid auxiliary FFs, 3 Chief Officers, 1 Admin
- Moderate growth projected
- Average 400 calls for service/year.



Our Fire Master Plan – update Process

- 1. Establish Planning Context
- 2. Establish Work Teams
- 3. Analyze Risk

- 4. Evaluate Risk
- 5. Prepare Action Plan
- 6. Develop Implementation Strategies
- 7. Implement Fire Master Plan
- 8. Monitor and Evaluate
- 9. Benchmark
- 10. Revise





Included;

- Public Consultation 3 Sessions & On-Line Survey
- Work Teams 40 Staff made contributions
- Presented to Council July 13, 2020
 33 Reccomendations 24 completed -3 in process
- ✓ Deployment challenges
- ✓ Fire Station Conditions
- ✓ OH&S focused
- Options Report August 9, 2021 (2 options presented)
 Council directed 2 station consolidation option
 Council received design & funding plan Aug. 2022

Deployment

When we receive a Call for Help

911 to WFRS Dispatch

WFRS call Processing

Turnout time (from receiving the station alert/page to vehicles out the door) Average – 8 Sec

- NFPA 1221 establishes "90 percent of emergency alarm processing shall be completed within 64 seconds, and 95 percent of alarm processing shall be completed within 106 seconds."
- Currently is 158 sec.
- Volunteers 6 min.
- FT on duty max. 90 sec.

How many FF can we expect??

Each station has 20 volunteers

Station # 2

1 FT ff on duty 24/7

 On Average ...excluding during the day, and long weekends...

An Average of 12 fire fighters respond to an all station call

The National Fire Protection Association standard 1720 Table 4.3.2. indicates:

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<u>Urban area</u>	>1000 population /mi2	<u>15 FF/9 min.</u>	<u>90%</u>
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<u>Rural area</u>	<500 people/mi2	<u>6FF/14 min.</u>	<u>80%</u>
Special Risks	АНЈ	AHJ	90%
	Current Stations –	Municipal Addresses	Covered
Time	9 Minutes/15 FF	10 Minutes/10 FF	14 Minutes/6FF
Target	2881	3501	3111
Actual	0	2797	3111
Actual w/o FT F	F 0	2059	2678

What's Been Happening?

Changing the Culture

- Working Committees & Master Planning
- New Open Burning initiative
- New ERP and EOC improvements
- Nuclear Response issues
- Managing Public Expectations
- Recruitment (Staff turn over)
- Carcinogen Management
- Aging Infrastructure
- Gaps in Asset renewal

Our Priorities

Legislative mandates

- Resources (Right-Sizing)
- Priority Programming
- Preparing for the future

Carcinogen Management

- Hierarchy of Safety Controls:
- Elimination: physically remove the hazard
- Substitution: replace the hazard
- Engineering Controls: Isolate from the hazard
- Administrative Controls: Change the way we work
- PPE: Protect the worker with protective equipment

Carcinogen Management Con't

2017 – Contracted gear cleaning and repairs

- Implemented Decon procedure
- Produced Training materials PPE cleaning

2018 – Established reserve for presumptive Claims 2017-2022 14 claims

- 12 approved 1 denied-1 pending
- purchased decon wipes for on-scene

2019 - JOH&S Hazard Assessment

Carcinogen Management Con't

2020- Fire Master plan included in both Exec
Summary and the Fire station section
- \$80 K upgrade to Create Decon Facility and Shower at Stn # 2

2021 - Deployment Options report identified - Healthy in ... Healthy Out program delivered

2022 – New ADFC assigned to conduct MOL. Cancer Risk Assessment -Aug.15/22 Design report listed all deficiencies of all stations.

CODIFICATION ADMINISTRATIVE Loi de 1997 sur la OFFICE CONSOLIDATION prévention et la protection contre Fire Protection and l'incendie Prevention Act, 1997 Lois de l'Ontario de 1997 Chapitre 4 tel qu'il est modifié Par ; Fart. 3 de l'ennexe A du chap. 21 de 1997; Fart. 12 de l'ennexe E du chap. 15 de 1998 Fart. 12 de l'ennexe E du chap. Statutes of Ontario, 1997 et le règlement suivant (tel qu'il est modifié) : as amended by: 1997, Chapter 21, Sched. A, s. 3; 1997, Unapret X1, Sched, A, S, S) 1998, Chapter 15, Sched, E, S, 12 Appointment of Arbitrators and Conciliation Officere IC Bare Antion and the following Regulation (as amended): oppointment of Arbitrators (Officers (O. Reg. 407/97)

TUDIIC ECIUCEITION

Enforcement

Effective Emergency Response

Training is a Focus

In Service Training
Officer Training
Specialty Training
R & D









Labour Relations

New Agreement with Paid On Call Volunteers

- On-Line Learning
- Comparable rates
- Fitness & Wellness
- Uniform spending accounts

Amherstburg Professional Fire fighters Association

- Resolved 10 year pay inequity
- Statutory Holiday Pay
- Organizational Structure
- Uniform Spending account
- 42 hr work week
- Program resources
- Wellness



OUR "YARDSTICK"

What is best for the residents we serve?



FACT In Ontario 65% of all **Fire Victims Response time 5** minutes and under

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MFP – Eliminated 1 and 4 station
Options
2- Station consolidation &
3 station model achieve 100% of
response targets

What is the difference??? In a 3 station model - 20 more Vol fire fighters REQ - Increase in Operating approx. \$250,000/year - earlier increase to more Full **Time FF due to development** - two new stations req. or significant renovation required at all 3 locations

In a 2 station Consolidation - No additional Vol fire fighters - Reduction in Operating costs approx. \$50,000 - Delayed increase to Full Time - New Facilities will have a 60 year lifecycle and, - no renovation required at any location

Council directed the 2 station consolidation option... - Council received a design & funding plan Aug. 2022 Discussions with Council included;

- How do we get the estimated cost down?

- Are there any extras that can be eliminated from the design?

-What would the costs be to renovate the existing stations to deal with the shortcomings and defer the expenditure of new facilities for the future?

The project was referred to the "soon to be" newly elected Council for further consideration

Masri O Architects was additionally requested to provide a review of the facilities assessment conducted, and provide considerations and costs for council to review

Masri O – Cost Comparison Report

3 Options were evaluated

Scenario A – Renovate 3 existing stations

Scenario B - Consolidate & Build 2 new Stations one now and one later

Scenario C – Consolidate & Build 1 New and Renovate 1 Old

Conclusions:

 $\frac{Scenario \ C}{Most \ Expensive \ and \ may \ not \ be \ possible}$

Scenario A – Renovate 3 existing stations 2nd Most Expensive and may not be possible

Scenario B - Consolidate & Build 2 new Stations one now and one later Least Expensive most Cost effective



LESS OF THIS!





Questions

