



Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES UPDATED REPORT
AS REQUIRED BY
CHAPTER 189.08**

Adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners on February 20, 2018.

Background: The Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District provides this information to assist in the development of comprehensive plans and to foster coordination between the District and the County of Pinellas, Town of Belleair Shore, City of Belleair Beach, City of Indian Rocks Beach, and Town of Indian Shores.

The District operates three fire stations:

Station 26 – 19305 Gulf Blvd., Indian Shores, FL 33785

Legal Description: INDIAN PASS BEACH RE-REV BLK 1, PT LOTS 11,12,13,14 & VAC ST LYING E OF GULF BLVD & LAND TO NARROWS & SUBM LAND

Station #26 provides fire protection, fire prevention, and advanced life support emergency medical service to the Fire District as well as emergency medical services to the Town of Redington Beach, the Town of North Redington Beach, and the Town of Redington Shores. The District is an active participant in the surrounding fire service delivery systems through the automatic aid system with one squad and a paid, full-time Lieutenant and Firefighter/Paramedic.

Station #26 is not owned by the District and is leased to the District by the Town of Indian Shores.

Station 27 - 304 First Street, Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785

Legal Description: Indian Rocks Beach Block 9, Lots 17, 18, and 19 (12/30/14/42858/009/0170).

Station #27 provides fire protection, fire prevention, and advanced life support emergency medical service to the Fire District, and the surrounding fire service delivery systems through the automatic aid system. Services are managed by administrative staff, support personnel, and response units manned with a paid full-time District Chief in a vehicle, a fire apparatus with a paid, full-time crew of one Lieutenant and two to three Firefighter/EMTs or Firefighter/Paramedics. Other units include a reserve squad, a marine unit, and a reserve District Chief vehicle.

Station #27 is owned by the District.

Station 28 - 13501 - 94 Avenue North, Seminole, FL 33776

Legal Description: Country Gentlemen Acres S ½ of Lots 1 and 2.(20/30/15/18612/000/0011).

Station #28 provides fire protection, fire prevention, and advanced life support emergency medical

service to the Fire District and the surrounding fire service delivery systems through the automatic aid system with a quint aerial truck, a reserve engine, and a paid full-time crew of one Lieutenant and two to three Firefighter/EMTs or Firefighter/Paramedics. Station also houses a maintenance and fleet shop with a full-time emergency vehicle technician, and maintenance person.

Station #28 is owned by the District.

As required by Chapter 189.08 F.S., the *Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District* provides the following:

- (1) **Requirement:** Identify each public facility the special district is building, improving, or expanding:

Response: There are no current District facilities being built, improved, or expanded.

- (2) **Requirement:** Identify each public facility the special district is proposing to build, improve, or expand within the next seven years.

Response: There are very preliminary plans to replace Fire Station #28 in the next 3-5 years. The construction may include an apparatus maintenance area, administrative offices for some of the District's administrative staff, and the District's Emergency Operations Center. The location of the newly proposed Station #28 has not been determined.

There are desires by the District, but no current plans, to rebuild Station #27 at an undetermined site within the next 5-7 years.

- (3) **Requirement:** Identify any public facilities the special district is helping another entity (except a county or municipality) build, improve, or expand through a lease agreement.

Response: This situation does not exist for the District.

- (4) **Requirement:** Identify how the special district proposes to finance each public facility:

Response: The District proposes to use Penny for Pinellas funds, and potentially Federal Assistance to Firefighters Grants as well as State of Florida Emergency Management Grants to replace Fire Station #28. These Penny for Pinellas funds are not currently available until 2020.

At this time there are no identified or likely funding streams for Fire Station #27.

- (5) **Requirement:** Identify the anticipated completion time of any projects above:

Response: Based upon the 2020 funding stream, the completion time for Fire Station #28 would be mid-year 2021. Based upon an uncertain funding methodology for Fire Station #27, there is not an anticipated completion time.

- (6) **Requirement:** Identify the anticipated capacity of and demands on each public facility when completed, if a public facility will be improved or expanded, include existing and anticipated capacity.

Response: The existing Fire Station #28 is over forty years old, has a limited apparatus maintenance area, and must be evacuated in the event of a hurricane. It currently serves the District's fire protection and emergency medical service needs as well as apparatus maintenance. The proposed Fire Station #28 would be built to withstand hurricane force winds of a category 4 or greater, provide an improved maintenance area, provide suitable spaces with public access for some of the District's administrative staff, and additional space for future unforeseen needs. A new location would also improve overall response times to emergencies.

The existing Fire Station #27 is on a barrier island, over 50 years old, and has had numerous additions and alterations over its life. The building is a two-story structure with administrative offices upstairs and no elevator for public access. The staff and public parking is insufficient and the design of the structure provides some limitations as to the size and type of apparatus that can be placed there. The station must be evacuated for any hurricane threat. The proposed Fire Station #27 would be built to withstand hurricane force winds of a category 4 or greater, provide suitable spaces for some of the District's administrative staff, a training room, public accessibility, and additional space for future unforeseen needs. A new location could also improve overall response times to emergencies.

- (7) **Requirement:** If applicable, within the next ten years, the date the special district currently proposes to replace any of the public facilities identified above or in the Initial Public Facilities Report.

Response: Any anticipated time frames have been previously noted above.

Report complete.


Joseph V. Bruni, Chair
PSFRD Board of Commissioners

2/20/18
Date Approved

ATTEST:


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