



PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

In light of the unprecedented situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District has identified that virtual meetings will be required to conduct the official business of the District and to keep the public informed, while protecting the health, safety, and welfare of our citizens and personnel.

In accordance with Florida Executive Order 20-69, and extended by Executive Order 20-112, **the September 15, 2020 meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held virtually**, by the means described herein. The meeting is scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting will be held as a VIRTUAL MEETING through communication media technology with the members of the Board of Fire Commission and District staff participating through video conferencing. This virtual meeting will be held on the Zoom platform used by the Executive Assistant for live remote participation. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/6577423843> and participate. Additionally, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish, or is unable, to use Zoom, may listen to and participate in the meeting by finding your local number at <https://zoom.us/u/acSLTPoULw> and entering Meeting ID: 657 742 3843.

Members of the public who wish to add comments may do so in one of three ways. First, any person may email the Executive Assistant, Kimberly Fugate, at kfugate@psfrd.org by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting, to have their comments read during the meeting. The second option is to utilize the "Raise Hand" feature in Zoom during the meeting, and wait to be called upon during the appropriate time. The third option is to utilize Zoom's "Chat" feature and send any comments to the host during the meeting. When submitting any comments, be sure to include your full name and address for the record.



Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue

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FIRE CHIEF
T. MICHAEL BURTON

VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

September 15, 2020

The Special Budget Meeting begins at 6:00 pm
The Workshop and Regular Meetings begin immediately
after the Special Budget Meeting
* VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM *

AGENDA

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

ACTION ITEMS: *Any member of the public may comment on any ACTION ITEM during this time. Please note the CHAIR will call for public comment during the time the ACTION ITEM is being considered by the Board. When called upon to speak, the speaker will state their full name and address. There will be a 3 minute time limit per speaker.¹*

**20-18 Adoption of the FY2020/2021 Tentative Budget
(Resolution 2020-03)**

Finance Director

ADJOURNMENT

¹ Please see Note as to Public Input.

WORKSHOP MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

GENERAL REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE: *Any member of the public may comment on any NON-AGENDA or other relevant topic not set on the DISCUSSION ITEM list during this time. When called upon to speak, the speaker will state their full name and address. There will be a 3 minute time limit per speaker.²*

DISCUSSION ITEMS: *Any member of the public may comment on any DISCUSSION ITEM during this time. Please note the CHAIR will call for public comment during the time the DISCUSSION ITEM is being considered by the Board. When called upon to speak, the speaker will state their full name and address. There will be a 3 minute time limit per speaker.³*

None.

ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

MONTHLY BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Minutes: August 18, 2020 Workshop and Regular Meetings
2. Treasurer's Report: July, 2020
August, 2020
3. Correspondence

GENERAL REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE: *Any member of the public may comment on any NON-AGENDA or other relevant topic not set on the ACTION ITEM list during this time. When called upon to speak, the speaker will state their full name and address. There will be a 3 minute time limit per speaker⁴.*

² Please see Note as to Public Input.

³ Please see Note as to Public Input.

⁴ Please see Note as to Public Input.

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- REPORTS:**
1. **COMMISSION**
 2. **ATTORNEY**
 3. **FIRE CHIEF**
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20-15 Fire Chief Evaluation Process **Fire Chief**

20-19 EMS ALS First Responder Agreement – Amendment #1 **Fire Chief**

ADJOURNMENT

**NEXT MEETING: Special Budget Meeting,
September 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Virtual via Zoom.**

**Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District
Board of Fire Commissioners**

Public Meeting and Public Hearing Information

Requirements for Appeal

Persons are advised that if they wish to appeal any decision made at a meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings; and for such purpose, they may need to insure that a verbatim transcript of the meeting is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is made.

It is not the responsibility of the Secretary to provide the above-referenced verbatim record. The Secretary will provide an audio recording of the meeting, upon request and payment for the materials used for the recording.

Public Input

Virtual Meeting:

Persons wishing to add comments during a virtual Meeting or Public Hearing should contact the Executive Assistant at kfugate@psfrd.org or (727) 595-1117 ext. 100 by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting to have their comments read, or utilize the “Raise Hand” or “Chat” function of the Zoom platform and wait to be called on during the appropriate time.

⁵ Please see Note as to Public Input.

In-Person Meeting:

Persons wishing to speak during any in-person Meeting or Public Hearing should try to complete a Citizen Comment Request Card at the entrance of the meeting room and submit the card to the Secretary to the Board. During each session, the Chair will call for Public Input at the appropriate times. The Board wishes to receive public input on all matters set for discussion on the agenda and on relevant topics that are not on the agenda. When recognized by the Chair and called to the podium, speakers should give their name and address for the record.

Persons may speak on an agenda item when the Board has finished their discussion on that item and prior to the vote. To speak on a non-agenda item, speakers will be called during the "General Remarks from the Audience" section of the agenda.

Please note that the Board reserves the right to adjust the time allotted to each speaker as the Chair deems proper to allow for meaningful input and a fair chance to be heard and to allow the Board fair time to undertake its duties and obligations.

When is the appropriate time to address my agenda item at a meeting?

When your non-agenda or agenda item comes up and our Chairperson call for Public Input, that means that the Board desires to take "public input". This is the time to get up and speak. While we understand that some of you might be nervous to speak in public, please note that every effort will be made to help you feel comfortable. When called to the podium, please come to the podium and try to speak so that your input can be heard by the entire Board as well as by the other persons present. Please give your name and address for the record and feel proud that you have participated in "government in the sunshine!"

Accommodations

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, or those requiring language assistance (*free of charge*) should contact the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District Administration at (727) 595-1117 ext. 100 no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the proceeding. If contact is made after that time the District may not have sufficient time to make special accommodations.

RESOLUTION 2020-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE 2020/2021 BUDGET; ADOPTING RATES OF ASSESSMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Whereas, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District held a public hearing on the 15th day of September, 2020, to adopt a tentative budget for FY 2020/2021; and,

Whereas, the Board of Fire Commissioners has adopted a tentative **2020/2021 Operating and Capital Budget** in the amount of **\$7,537,830**, funded through **Fire Suppression** sources in the amount of **\$4,845,330**, **Emergency Medical Services** sources in the amount of **\$1,776,476**, **lease financing in the amount of \$500,000** and **Fund Balance** in the amount of **\$504,830**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT;

SECTION 1. The Board of Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District hereby adopts the tentative Operating Budget for the fiscal year starting on the 1st day of October, 2020, and ending the 30th day of September, 2021, as attached hereto and made a part hereof, in the amount of **\$4,756,524** for Fire Suppression, **\$1,776,476** for Emergency Medical Services, and **\$1,004,830** for capital expenditures, for a Total Operating Budget of **\$7,537,830**.

SECTION 2. The Board of Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District adopts the present rate of special assessment as adopted by referendum vote on the 12th day of March, 2019.

SECTION 3. The Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District retains the right, from time to time, to amend, modify, repeal or discontinue all or any portion of this resolution.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be effective when adopted and shall remain in full force and effect until supplemented, amended, modified, repealed, discontinued or otherwise altered.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase of this resolution, or the particular application thereof shall be held invalid by any court, administrative agency, or other body with appropriate jurisdiction, the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases under application shall not be affected thereby.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the 15th day of September, 2020.

PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

Board of Commissioners:

ATTEST:

Joseph V. Bruni, Chair

Lawrence Schear, Secretary/Treasurer

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
ALS FIRST RESPONDER AGREEMENT
AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**PINELLAS SUNCOAST
FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT**

2020

**PINELLAS COUNTY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
12490 Ulmerton Road
Largo, Florida 33774**

ALS FIRST RESPONDER AGREEMENT AMENDMENT NO. 1

AMENDMENT made this _____ day of _____ 2020 between, the PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT, an independent special fire district (“Contractor”) and the PINELLAS COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, a special district (“Authority”).

In consideration of the mutual benefits set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

1. Contractor currently contracts with the Authority to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) First Responder Services. The Contractor and the Authority are currently parties to the Emergency Medical Services ALS First Responder Agreement, dated September 24, 2019, which contract is referred to herein as the “Agreement.”
2. Section 701(f) of the Agreement provides for an extraordinary budget increase which must be negotiated and approved prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year in the event any proposed budget submitted by the Contractor should exceed three (3%) percent of the prior Fiscal Year’s budget. The Contractor’s funding for FY19-20 totaled \$1,566,157 and a budget request of \$1,627,371 for FY20-21 has been submitted, resulting in an increase of 3.91% or \$61,214.
3. The Authority hereby agrees to and has funded and authorized the Contractor’s budget request of \$1,627,371 for FY20-21, which change is reflected on Appendix A hereto.

4. Except as is otherwise set out herein, the Contractor and the Authority agree that upon approval by the respective Boards of the Contractor and the Authority and upon signing this Amendment, all terms of the Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

5. Contractor and Authority agree that the effective date is October 1, 2020.

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto, by and through their undersigned authorized officers have caused this Agreement to be executed on this _____ day of _____, 2020.

ATTEST:
KENNETH BURKE, CLERK

PINELLAS COUNTY EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
By and through its Board of County
Commissioners

by: _____
Deputy Clerk

by: _____
Chairman

Countersigned:

PINELLAS SUNCOAST
FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

by: _____
Chairperson, Board of Commissioners

Attest:

by: _____
Secretary/Treasurer

Appendix A

ALS First Responder Profile

Contractor	Pinellas Suncoast
EMS District(s)	Pinellas Suncoast EMS District
Authority Funded Units	Squad 26 Engine 27 Truck 28 (50%)
Contractor Funded Units	None
EMS Coordination	EMS Administrative Coordinator – 1 FTE
FY20-21 Annual Compensation	\$1,627,371
Projected Capital	FY20-21 None FY21-22 Staff Vehicle - 1 FY22-23 None FY23-24 None