

KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DATE: April 17, 2024

TO: Board of Directors

RE: March 28, 2024 EPC Meeting Summary

SUBMITTED BY: Tim Barry, Interim General Manager

The Emergency Preparedness Committee hybrid meeting convened on March 28, 2024 at Room 3 of the Kensington Community Center at the later hour of 4 p.m. to adjust to Chair Levine's schedule change, which was acceptable to members of the committee. The Board will be asked to approve this new start time at the board's May 15th meeting.

The Committee received the application of Adrianne Johnson and voted to recommend her appointment to the committee to the Board of Directors. This is listed for action by the board.

The Committee discussed the draft Work Plan (Exhibit A), board feedback from their March 20th board meeting, and recommended approval of the revised and prioritized plan to the board. This is listed for action by the board.

Extensive discussions took place on the topics of working with EBRPD, LRAD costs and implementation, the Evacuation Response Responsibilities mailer, and measuring the effects of the work of the Committee.

Footnote:

Following this meeting Johnny Valenzuela gave me a referral and I contacted Captain Patrick McIntyre of EBRPD Fire Department who, amongst other things, oversees fuel management and reduction for the park district. We had a good long discussion about topics that, in a parallel effort, a subcommittee of the EPC developed and was reviewing for the board to discuss with the park district. I found him to be a fount of knowledge and experience in fuel reduction, fire prevention, and seeking grants to achieve these goals. I have hopes of making some real deliverable progress on our goals in partnership with him and others at the park district. I'll plan on a site tour with him to review the current conditions in the park as they relate to the Kensington border, work the park district has been doing for prevention, and risks for which we are preparing. I'm hoping to have Captain McIntyre attend a future EPC meeting and discuss a partnership framework between our districts to achieve visible and meaningful results annually for the board and the district. While not the end all, it's a start to developing a partnership that should generate better results.