



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR REED

FROM: Councilmember Johnny Khamis

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 22, 2013

APPROVED:

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Recommendation

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program Title: Additional Analysis/Study of Fire Department Consolidation

Amount of City Funding Required: \$0

Fund Type: N/A

Proposal Description, including anticipated outcomes (describe how change would affect services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc.):

This proposal will direct the Fire Department to return during the 2014-2015 Budget Process with a thorough analysis of what it would take to create a consolidated regional Fire Department. This includes discussing the viability of a consolidated plan directly with other agencies, as well as specific options for consolidation including cost estimates. This is in response to the trends that we have seen nationally, where other jurisdictions have begun to shift to a regional model for fire department staffing in order to improve efficiency and save money. In many areas of the City, there are residents that are closer to other agencies, and can be better served by a regional model. The current model is a drain on resources that could be utilized elsewhere.

Department or Organization: Fire Department

Department or Organization Contact

N/A

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

The City Service Area to which the change best relates:

Public Safety