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**Exploring Alternate Locations for  
Fire Station 1**



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## **Motion by the City Commission**

*Presented by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt (Passed: 7-0)*

- Continue with the current schedule, but on a parallel path.
- Continue to explore other potential site options, with the item to come back to the City Commission by May for a final decision.



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## **Response Times**

**How will placing FS1 at the western edge of Flamingo Park fronting Alton Road affect the Level of Service and Response time?**

# Existing Response Time



# Flamingo & Alton Response Time





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## **State Grant**

**Can the \$11 million resiliency grant from the State of Florida be moved?**



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## **State Grant**

**Resilient Florida Program Manager Discussion:**

If the Fire Station must be moved, as long as it's still in a "Central South Beach" location, there would be no issue. If the location is no longer in this area, approval would have to come from DEP leadership to amend the agreement for the new location. The good thing is it won't be a problem or affect the funding per the grantor. We also have to make sure we are adhering to the timeline that the funding has been made available.





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## **Voter Referendum**

**Will the Miami-Dade County Charter require a voter referendum to place Fire Station 1 at this potential site?**



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## **Voter Referendum**

The Miami-Dade County Elections Department has provided the City Clerk with the estimate of approximately **\$28,747.40 (cost estimate for a one-page ballot)** and **\$56,041.70 (cost estimate in the scenario multiple questions triggers an additional page)** to conduct a November 5 2024 Special Election.

Additionally, **the City will incur approximately \$42,000 in legally mandated advertisements**, required by the Florida Statutes and the City Code to notice this special election. **An August special election would have similar costs.**



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## Voter Referendum

2024 SCHEDULED COUNTYWIDE ELECTIONS	DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATE QUALIFYING TO END	DEADLINE TO SUBMIT RESOLUTION AND/OR ORDINANCE TO THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR CHARTER AMENDMENTS OR ANY OTHER QUESTIONS
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ELECTION March 19, 2024	No later than Friday, December 1, 2023	No later than Friday, December 1, 2023
PRIMARY ELECTION August 20, 2024	No later than Friday, June 14, 2024 <i>(Same as Federal, State, and County offices)</i>	No later than Friday, May 24, 2024
GENERAL ELECTION November 5, 2024	No later than Friday, August 23, 2024	No later than Friday, July 26, 2024



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## **Other Questions**

- What will be the delays associated with changing locations with this site?
- Will there be cost-savings or additional costs incurred with the consideration of this site?



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**Starting with the Community**

**Will the neighborhood be ok with this site?**



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*Thank you for your attention!*