

Nadia Khan

From: Christopher J. Markiewicz
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 10:20 AM
To: Nadia Khan
Subject: Fw: Riverside - Fire Equipment/Apparatus

Nadia,

Would you please distribute this to the Land Use Committee members?

Colleagues on the Committee,

This is in response to my questions about the need for incremental fire apparatus and resources as a result of the Riverside Development. Please consider Chief Lucchetti's response in your own analysis.

Regards,

Chris

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Subject: RE: Riverside - Fire Equipment/Apparatus

Councilor Markiewicz

I was able to speak with the Riverside Group a while back. We talked about issues and concerns for the fire department on a project of that magnitude. When it comes to capabilities for high rise fires the NFD does have the manpower and resources to fight that type of fire. Over the length of the project when housing is filled and population grows we may have to consider the need for resources expecting an increase in call volume. I mentioned to the group a while back of the possibility of adding a new fire station in the complex to house a fire engine and an EMS unit because of the increase in call volume and population in the area. I have been thinking about all of the bigger developments going on city wide. As of today my biggest concern is with response times getting to the area. I understand that a new access road was being look at to enter off route 128. I have not heard if that has been approved by the state. I also prioritized the need for a Radio Frequency(RF) Emergency Vehicle Preemption System to assist with traffic issue when responding. As the Authority Having Jurisdiction(AHJ) on a project that size I have spoken about and will require using NFPA Construction Site Fire Safety Regulation 241 to keep the construction site free of fire hazards. I hope I have answered some of your concerns. Please let me know if I can assist you in any way.

Thank you

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Chief,

We are reviewing the fiscal impacts of the Riverside Development in the Land Use Committee. As you are probably aware, estimates have been provided by the petitioner regarding the extent to which this proposed development would add activity and costs to the Fire Dept. above what is required today.

I don't see any mention of analysis or discussion regarding the need for additional equipment, for example, there is an 11 story office building included in the proposal, are we equipped to respond to an emergency in a building of that size today with our existing equipment or will we need to add to our capabilities?

I hope this was discussed with someone in your dept or you. In any case can you give me your analysis on this question? I appreciate your response.

Regards,
Chris Markiewicz