



MOSQUITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
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August 13, 2020

Ms. Sue Hennike
 Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
 County of El Dorado
 330 Fair Lane
 Placerville, Ca. 95667

Re: Request for Reimbursement – Development Impact Fee

Dear Ms. Hennike,

The Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD) is requesting reimbursement in the amount of \$10,000 from the Development Impact Fee account for MFPD, for the purchase of a medical response/rescue vehicle. MFPD was able to purchase a surplus vehicle from the North Tahoe Fire District for \$10,000. The request is in compliance with Government Code Section 66000; County Ordinance Chapter 13.20 states the intent of impact fee uses and limitations as “reimbursing the District for the developments fair share of those capital improvements or equipment already constructed or acquired by the District”.

The needs of our community have grown as the area has developed. As you are aware, a large portion of the rural property falls within Swansboro Country Property Owners Association (SCPOA), a development of 2+ acre parcels that includes parks, lakes, and an airstrip. Although SCPOA maintains responsibility for the maintenance of the parks, lakes, airport, and roads (exception of Rock Creek Rd. and Mosquito Rd.) they do not have funding responsibility to MFPD. The surrounding areas comprised of larger parcels associated with farming and cattle ranching have started to be developed and more populated. Data provided by El Dorado County Assessor’s office demonstrates the degree of growth over the past 15 years:

	2006	2019	% increase
Improved Single Family Residence to 2.5 acres	294	358	20%
Improved Rural Residence - 2.51-20 acres	139	153	10%

MFPD provides service to a rural area that does not enjoy the same real estate values as nearby communities, such as El Dorado Hills. The District’s primary funding source, real estate taxes and a Special Tax Assessment, is not able to compensate for the increasing costs (deficit spending) for the operations of the fire district. As with most fire districts, MFPD has seen an increase in medical calls and the need for services both within the district, as well as non-residents pursuing recreational activities (off roading, swimming, horseback riding) in the surrounding areas (National Forest, Finnon Lake and Campground area). Data supports that 88%-90% of the calls for service are medical emergencies.

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The Rescue Squad Vehicle provides MFPD increased ability to respond to a greater number of calls and expand the scope of services provided by MFPD. The vehicle is currently the District's primary response vehicle for medical emergencies and specialized rescue (ropes, water rescue). The primary benefits of the vehicle are as follows:

- ✓ Provides a response vehicle for volunteers who may not yet be licensed to operate a fire engine;
- ✓ Improved maneuverability on narrow access roads/driveways in areas with limited turn around;
- ✓ Increased All Terrain/trail access. The vehicle is four-wheel drive with a heavy truck chassis, able to access roads and narrow trails not accessible by a larger vehicle. This has proven to be the case for emergency calls within the National Forest/BLM where accidents occur on trails or down embankments.
- ✓ This is the primary response vehicle for water rescues response given the maneuverability of the vehicle and ability to carry specialized equipment.
- ✓ The Squad can cross the Mosquito Bridge to respond to accidents. Standard fire vehicles and ambulances cannot cross the bridge.

We feel that the above information clearly meets the intent and criteria of the Development Impact Fee. We respectfully ask that you review and approve this important reimbursement request.

Best Regards,



Jack Rosevear, Chief
Mosquito Fire Protection District

Purchase Invoice Attached

Mosquito Fire Protection District
8801 Rock Creek Road
Placerville, CA 95667

Date	Ref. No.
06/25/2018	2010Ford F350

Vendor
299 North Tahoe Fire Protection District

PAID

Bill Due	06/25/2018
Terms	MFPD06252018
Memo	MFPD Fixed Asset F-350 Ambulance

Expenses

Account	Memo	Amount	Customer:Job	Class
606040 Equipment	MFPD Fixed Asset F-350 Ambulance	10,000.00		

Expense Total : 10,000.00

Bill Total : \$10,000.00