

AIRPORT HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
Resolution 2014-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE AIRPORT HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL (AHCC) REGARDING  
THE POSSIBLE RELOCATION OF FIRE STATION 3

WHEREAS, there are plans in place to move Fire Station 3 to a section of land which currently belongs to Pacific Northern Academy at 4<sup>th</sup> and Bragaw,

WHEREAS, this plot of land is adjacent to what is now the Alaska Native Charter School. This would place children and Fire Station 3 at risk when attempting to leave the station to respond to an emergency, not to mention the increase in response time,

WHEREAS, Fire Station 3 currently houses an ambulance, fire engine, and fire truck,

WHEREAS, the proposed new building would be drastically reduced in size causing Fire Station 3 to lose personnel and their fire truck which would be moved to Fire Station 6 in Muldoon,

WHEREAS, Fire Station 3 is currently the busiest fire station on record in Alaska. Fire Station 3 is trained and maintains their training in Urban Search and Rescue,

WHEREAS, Fire Station 3 backfills for Fire Station 1 Downtown. That puts Fire Station 3's ladder truck that much further away from being able to assist Fire Station 1. The reduction of personnel and equipment from Fire Station 3 puts our district at risk and increases response time,

WHEREAS, Fire Station 3 covers Fairview, Mountain View, Penland Park, Russian Jack, and Airport Heights. Many of the structures in these neighborhoods are higher density developments, old housing structures, or in many cases housing structures that have been poorly constructed. This makes quick response from our fire department essential in saving lives and homes,

WHEREAS, Fire Station 3 was built in 1962 and there is a utility upgrade issue that is needed,

WHEREAS, the upgrade of the existing structure makes the most financial and fiscal sense: the location is great and a good solid structure already exists that can house all of Fire Station 3's personnel and equipment, along with the ambulance, fire engine, and fire truck,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AHCC requests that Fire Station 3 remain in its current location and that funds be allocated for utility improvements to the existing structure.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED by the Airport Heights Community Council on January  
16, 2014 by a vote of: FOR 12, AGAINST 0, ABSTAIN 0.

  
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President