



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Fire Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Valerie Frausto

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

San Antonio Fire Department Resource and Future Needs Assessment Through 2040

**SUMMARY:**

On February 6, 2025 Council member Jalen McKee-Rodriguez (District 2) submitted a Council Consideration Request (CCR) for the Fire Department to conduct a comprehensive resource and future needs assessment through the year 2040. The CCR was supported by councilmembers Sukh Kaur (District 1), Melissa Cabello Havrda (District 6), Marina Alderete Gavito (District 7), and Marc Whyte (District 10).

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

San Antonio continues to experience population growth and housing expansion that will increase the demand for fire suppression, emergency services, and disaster response. To ensure the SAFD remains fully equipped to meet this demand, the City must conduct a comprehensive assessment of current resources, operational capacity, and long-term needs.

By conducting this comprehensive, forward-looking assessment, the City can develop a strategic plan to ensure SAFD remains fully equipped, well-staffed, and prepared to meet the city's growing emergency response needs through 2040 and beyond.

**ISSUE:**

The CCR requests City staff to conduct and present a comprehensive analysis of SAFD's resources, facility conditions, staffing capacity, fleet, equipment, and anticipated future needs based on projected population and housing growth through 2040. This analysis should include recommendations for investments, funding strategies, facility expansions, fleet modernization, disaster preparedness, and service improvements to ensure SAFD remains fully capable of delivering timely, effective, and life-saving emergency response services for all San Antonio residents.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Not applicable.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends this CCR be discussed at the next budget goal setting session.