

# City of Sanford



**From the Desk of  
Steven R. Buck  
City Manager**



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## Memo

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To: City Council  
Subject: City Manager's Report for October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017  
Date: October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

### F.I.E.R.O. Design Symposium:

In 2016 the City conducted a Fire Department Operational Study to examine the structure and operations of the City's Fire/EMS Department to include Staffing, equipment, and facilities. The Study focused on the most efficient means to provide for current and future fire and emergency medical services for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens. The City has already begun the implementation of both the staffing as well as the equipment related operational needs. The remaining areas to address is for future fire station improvements.

Chief Benotti and I recently attended the Fire Industry Education Resource Organization or FIERO 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Fire Station Design Symposium. The Symposium was a 25 hour course over 2 ½ days to educate on the cutting edge design considerations, safety, operational efficiencies, fire safety, response, and contamination, as well as Title 7 compliancy crew quarters.

The Symposium Presenters were professionals within the field of architects that specialize in fire station design, fire personnel that have gone through extensive renovations and construction of facilities, some cities as many as 32 stations, and industry experts working in fire and ems services nationally. Of all training sessions and symposiums I have attended, this FIERO Design Symposium was by far the most organized, relevant, information packed, and educational of any I have ever attended. I returned with pages of notes on design criteria and operational aspects that I would have never contemplated, but will in the future having gained the knowledge of those having been through this process on a repeated platform. We returned with nearly 2 gigabytes of presentation materials and design guides to aid in future fire station renovations and or construction.

Sessions that we attended included:

**Programming: Starting with a Strong Foundation** by Lynn Reda, Hughes Group Architects  
**An Overview of the Design and Construction of a Fire Station** by Jennifer Bettiol and Ray Holliday, BRW Architects

**Solving Sleep Deprivation for First Responders** by Craig Carter, BKV Group, Inc.; Dr. Michael Christian, Kenan-Flagler Business School-UNC; and, Dr. Catherine Counts, Seattle Medic One Division of Emergency Medicine University of Washington School of Medicine

**Designed in North America, Engineered to Last** by Ted Galante, Galante Architecture

**How to Afford a 75-Year Station** by Ken Newell, Stewart-Cooper-Newell Architects

**Draft Day-Building a Winning Team** by Michael T. Pry and J. Michael Taylor, DP3 Architects

**Lessons Learned: Getting Project “Buy-in”** by Joe Mottola, H2M architects + engineers and David Sterne, Setauket Fire Department

**Hot Zone Design-Recent Developments in the Yellow Zone** by Paul Erickson, LeMay Erickson Willcox Architects

**A Common-Sense Approach to Station Design Issues to Battle Fire Fighter Cancer**

**Site Seeing-Finding the Right Site for Your Next Station** by Zak Pierce, CLH Design

**When to go Vertical: Multi-Story Fire Stations** by F. Thomas Lee, Samaha Associates

**Value Engineering** by Dennis Ross, Pacheco Ross Architects-a Division of H2M Architects

**Maximizing Efficiency-Small Fire Station Design** by Ryan Ollson, Cornerstone Architecture, Inc.

**Sustainability in the Fire Station-From Start to Finish to Forever** by Craig Carter, BKV Group

**\$3 Million a Piece-Fire Stations Designed for the Future** by Chief Mike Bucy, Stevens 1 Fire-RescueArchitects

**Not Just a Garage...The Anatomy of the Modern Apparatus Bay** by Robert Manns, Manns Woodward Studios

**“Consider this... Lessons Learned”** by Captain Don Collins, Clemson University Fire Department/Professor, Clemson University (ret.)

**Going Vertical-Case Studies in Multi-Story Fire Stations & Mixed Use Facilities** by Christopher Kehde, LeMay Erickson, Willcox Architects

**FED Talks - 14 minutes each, 1 minute between speakers**

**Dark Art Series-Why \$h!t Costs So Much** by Dennis Ross, Pacheco Ross Architects

**Change Orders-The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly** by Robert Manns, Manns Woodward Studios

**Yes, You Need an Elevator** by Craig Carter, BKV, Group

**4: Selecting the Right Project Delivery System for Your New Fire House** by Ken Newell, Stewart-Cooper-Newell Architects

**F.I.E.R.O. Design Awards Announcement**

**Do We Understand the 8th Circuit Court Ruling Wedow, Kline, v. Kansas City Fire Department** by Captain Rob Main, Honolulu Fire Department (ret.)

**Responsible Fire Station Design for 1st Responder Health & Safety Factors** by Robert Manns, Manns Woodward Architects

**Beaneries, Bays, and Bunkrooms-The Seattle Fire Department Experience** by Deputy Chief Ron Mondragon, Seattle Fire Department

**Fire Station Jeopardy – Wrap Up and Lessons Learned** by Lynn Reda, Hughes Group Architects

As the City continues to examine the future of Sanford's three Stations and the ability to provide services in the future, Chief Benotti and I will draw upon this education to aid in future decisions.

**Atlantic Broadband – Purchase of MetroCast:**

As most aware at this point, Atlantic Broadband is in the process of purchasing MetroCast. The City Council has authorized the Resolution approving the Transfer of the Cable Television Franchise from MetroCast to Atlantic Broadband. I met last week with John DeStafano, VP of Business Services and Carrier Sales to discuss pending improvements as Atlantic moves forward. Based upon Atlantic's purchase of MetroCast assets previously held in Connecticut, areas that will be reviewed for improvements are;

- Rollout of TiVo's award-winning service enhancing user-friendly customer interface, integrated apps, Atlantic's programming, and access to third party content such as Netflix, YouTube, and HBO Go. Programming will also be available via the customer's mobile devices.
- Doubled Internet Speeds
- Atlantic Broadband suite of services, providing more customer choice
- Launch of enhanced business services such as Metro Ethernet, hosted VoiP and business Wi-Fi services
- Introduction of two-hour service call appointment windows

Administration is meeting again next week to continue discussions on improved services in Sanford.

**Southern Maine Health Care (SMHC) Announcement of Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Care Facility:**

SMHC has announced their plans for a partnership with Sandy River Company and operations by Genesis HealthCare of a New 90-bed, \$21 Million Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Care Center adjacent to the Goodall Campus. Details were released in a Press Release on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017. It will place the New Facility adjacent to the services offered on the Goodall Campus of primary care and specialty physicians, emergency department, day surgery, and diagnostic and therapy services.

In the Press Release, SMHC stated;

“SMHC currently provides short-term rehabilitation and long-term nursing care at The Newton Center, which was built in 1967. Residents of The Newton Center will move into the new center when it opens and will be offered first preference of a room in the new building. The new center will not include memory care or residential care, so SMHC will be supporting patients and residents of The Pavilion and Hillcrest Gardens in their transition to other facilities over the next year and a half. All patients and residents of The Pavilion and Hillcrest Gardens will continue to be cared for at those facilities until they have transitioned to a new home.”

The developer, Sandy River, has not yet filed Site Plans with the City so all that is know at this times stems from a conceptual picture as submitted. It is assumed that the Facility will utilize a number of properties currently owned by SMHC adjacent to the Goodall Campus to construct

the New Facility as adjacent property owners were provided notification and a meeting was held at Goodall on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Administration will keep the City Council apprised as the Plans are submitted and they move towards Site Plan approval.