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Subject: 4th Fire Station Proposal

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Dear Rocco,

Thank you for our conversation about the proposed Fire/EMS Station #4. Of all the areas in the City of Green, the need is still the greatest where we live for improved Fire and EMS response time in the southwest corner.

We have lived 24 years in a housing development west of Camp Y-Noah and south of Nimisila Reservoir. We built our home, raised three sons, and have observed many instances where we wished our emergency services could be improved.

A couple personal examples:

(1) Approximately 10 years ago my wife had a health issue, called 911 for assistance, and the response time took an hour.

(2) Last year I had a heart attack. If this had happened at home serious damage to my heart could have occurred, or I could have died, as a result of a longer response time.

Another consideration: If you look at a pipeline map, you will see NEXUS is not the only pipeline running through Green, only a quarter a mile away from many of us. Where we live, there is a very high concentration of smaller, older pipelines also running throughout our neighborhoods, with one in our backyard.

As one educated in administration and management, I fully understand the very serious short and longer-term complexities going into such a decision to build a 4th station. We fully realize there are many serious cost considerations and financial ramifications that could result if legislation is rushed quickly to buy land, build two stations, buy new expensive equipment, and hire additional staff without proper planning.

As taxpayers we do not want to further encumber leadership's ability to meet future needs just because we desire a 4th station now. We are willing to be a little more patient.

Therefore, our family fully supports and encourages City Council to take more time to prudently do the detailed due diligence necessary for developing the very best, well-thought-out, most cost-effective long-term plan that works best for all taxpayers. We know it will take time to determine how this need is funded or financed.

As taxpayers we want our officials to have whatever time it takes to best determine what is the best long-term course of action and not just act quickly because it is an election year.

If it means taking a little more time to find a better overall conclusion-- one we all can better live with, so to speak-- we fully support City Council, the Mayor, and staff leadership on this matter. (Just so long as we don't have to wait too much longer!)

The fact this issue is finally being given serious consideration is much appreciated! Thank you for your service to our community and for discussing the need for a 4th fire station in Green.

Sincerely,

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