# CITIZENS' BUDGET ADVISORY COUNCIL FY 2023-24 ANNUAL WORK PLAN REPORT

FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICES

June 11, 2024

#### FIRE BRANCHES DISCUSSED







**OPERATIONS** 



SAFETY & TRAINING



**LOGISTICS** 



FIRE & LIFE SAFETY

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

# FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

Align fire apparatus replacement with best practices

Replace Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

Replace general equipment on a standardized schedule

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

### FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITIES

Replace fire apparatus maintenance facility

Increase response coverage in the Meadowlark corridor

Perform facility needs assessment to identify stations in greatest need of renovation

Build a more centrally located fire skills enhancement facility

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

### FIRE DEPARTMENT STAFFING

Additional fire inspections personnel to meet State requirements

Increase overtime funding and/or operations branch personnel

Increase fire response personnel to lower response times

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