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AGENDA: 2/5/02

January 23, 2002

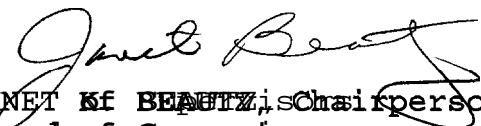
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County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street  
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RE: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

Attached is the Annual Report of the Fire Department Advisory Commission for calendar year 2001. I recommend that the Board accept and file this report and direct the Chairperson to thank the members of the Commission for their efforts on the County's behalf.

Sincerely,

  
JANET K. BEAUTZ, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

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cc: Fire Department Advisory Commission

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

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### SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

#### ROLES OF THE COMMISSION:

The County Fire Department Advisory Commission is empowered to ensure that the interests of the County Fire Department, career and volunteer fire companies and citizens residing within the County Fire Department jurisdiction are protected and promoted by monitoring, studying and advising the county fire chief and Board of Supervisors on the following:

The preparation and implementation of the County Fire Department master plan;

How the county's fire protection, rescue and emergency medical services programs can be improved and made more *cost* effective;

The budget priorities of the County Fire Department, along with specific recommendations;

The changing role or mission of each of the volunteer fire companies and the resulting changes in their requirements; and

Such other matters relating to the county's fire protection, rescue and emergency medical services program as the committee desires to bring to the attention of the fire chief and board of supervisors.

#### MEETING DATES, TIME AND LOCATION:

The FDAC schedules four regular meetings each year (January: April: July: and October). The regular meetings are held from 4:00 p.m. The meeting place is the CDF Ranger Unit Headquarters on Highway 9 in Felton. The Commission's mailing address is the General Services Department – Emergency Services Division at 701 Ocean Street, Room 330, Santa Cruz.

#### COMMISSION STRUCTURE:

As of December 2001, the Commission comprises the following members:

1 <sup>st</sup> District	Jerry Bowles
2 <sup>nd</sup> District	Robert Stokes
3 <sup>rd</sup> District	Donita Springmeyer
4 <sup>th</sup> District	Patricia Fink
5 <sup>th</sup> District	Neil Brooks
HSA – Environmental Health	Ray Toshitsune
HSA – Emergency Med Svcs	Vol Ranger
Planning	John DeCourcy
Public Works	Susann Rogberg
Office of Emerg Svcs	Mike Dever
CDF/County Fire	Chief Steve Wert
Fire Volunteer Assoc	Luisa Orlando
Fire Labor Org	Art Smith

#### COMMISSION STAFF:

The CDF County Fire Chief serves as staff to the Commission. The emergency services coordinator serves as administrative secretary.

#### ATTENDANCE:

(see attached roster)

#### ANNUAL GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS – 2001:

The commission has reviewed a draft of the County Fire Department five-year master plan document and anticipates completion of the document in the first quarter of 2002.

The commission reviewed the Annual County Fire budget and approved continuation of the equipment replacement programs including replacement of self-contained breathing apparatus in 2001 in the amount of \$140,000 and provision of emergency power at all County Fire Stations.

The commission appointed a representative to participate in the selection of awards for the distribution of the funding available to County Fire Volunteer Companies through the Matching Funds Grant Program.

A presentation by Fire Prevention Battalion Chief Rodney Maddocks on the Volunteers in Prevention Program was held to inform the commission on volunteer outreach and recruitment.

FUTURE GOALS:

The Commission expects to continue the work begun on the various issues identified as priorities under its charter including the following:

Completion and implementation of the master plan including a scheduled work plan structured for the commission's review of the efforts to achieve the defined goals and objectives;

obtaining top management support for fire protection and prevention activities;

review and discussion of efforts by the Fire Chiefs Association to use fire resources within the county more effectively;

review and discussion of efforts to improve the operational relationships within the County Fire Department;

review impacts to County Fire related to long term Emergency Medical System strategic planning.

RECOMMENDATION:

Support activities and policies necessary for the efficient operation of the County Fire Department and its staff.

**2001 FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION  
ATTENDANCE MATRIX**

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	January	April	July	October
1st District			X	X
2nd District			X	X
3rd District	X	X	X	X
4th District	X	X	X	X
5th District	X	X	X	<b>X</b>
HSA - Env Health	X	X	X	X
<b>HSA-</b> Emerg Med	X	X	X	X
Planning	X	X	X	X
Public Works	X		X	
Office of Emerg Svc	X		X	X
CDF/County Fire			X	X
Fire Vol Assoc				
Fire Labor Org	X		X	X