



City of Mesa Fire-Medical Station 223

Re: Citizen Participation Report

The following actions were taken to provide opportunities for the affected members of the community to participate in the process and provide comments and feedback. City staff and Architect were available for responses and clarifications throughout the process.

1. A contact list was developed and provided to citizens and agencies in this area for property owners within 500 feet of the Site. The contact list included the City of Mesa Planning team as well as the Architect (Juan Rivas).
2. All persons/entities listed on the contact list received a letter describing the project, site plan, and were invited to a neighborhood meeting. The meeting was attended by the Planning staff and Architect.
3. Required notices were posted on site.
4. Hearing notice – applicant team has mailed a public notice of upcoming hearings to property owners, associations, and interested parties. These public meetings and hearings are attended by City staff as well as the Architect.
5. The Project Team received minimal feedback including an email with concerns about the location of the station, concerns over noise levels from sirens, and call volume. City of Mesa responded to the concern and noted that the Fire Department will work to minimize noise from sirens where possible. City Staff response to this concern is attached. Additionally, a concern regarding the term, “Medical” was communicated to the Architect via phone call. This concern was addressed by the Architect (phone conversation) noting that the use of the word, “Medical” was simply based on the City of Mesa Fire and MEDICAL name. There will be no medical care at this facility.

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Good Afternoon Jeff,

My name is Danitza Romo, and I am with the City of Mesa Engineering Department Public Relations Office. I am contacting you in response to your e-mail to Joshua, below, in which you inquire about the location of future Fire Station 223 and anticipated calls.

The location of the fire station was not determined until recently with the development of the site plan and conceptual design. The location of the project sign that you refer to seeing is not directly correlated with the fire station's location. The project sign was placed in an arbitrary location within the City-owned parcel as a means for notifying the community of the future fire station. At the time that the sign was installed, the final location of the fire station had not been determined.

Unfortunately, we cannot, with certainty, provide a definitive number of calls that the fire station will receive per day. The intent of the fire station is to improve response times to an area that already receives emergency services. The Fire Department is aware of concerns with the use of lights and sirens near residential neighborhoods, and care is taken by emergency responders to be sensitive to these areas when possible.

We hope that you are able to attend the hearing on August 14<sup>th</sup> as it is a good opportunity to obtain information and provide input. However, for clarification purposes, the intent of the hearing is to provide the community with the opportunity to review and provide comment on the design of the future fire station to ensure that it is in keeping with the aesthetics of the community and the City's current design standards. The purpose of this hearing is not to determine the location of the fire station or whether the project moves forward.

I hope this helps address some of your questions. Please feel free to contact us if you have additional questions or concerns.

Best,

**Danitza Romo**

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**Subject:** RE: Rezoning Case Number ZON24-00571

Good morning Jeff,

If you are planning on attending via zoom, just make sure to fill out the online comment card at the following link: [Online Meeting Comment Card | City of Mesa \(mesaaz.gov\)](#). If you plan on attending in person, city staff will have blue cards to provide which case you are at the meeting for, so that you may provide comment during the hearing. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any issues with filling out the comment card.

I have CC'd the project manager for Fire Station 223, who can better provide the reasoning behind the specific location and design of the fire station. Based on the documents provided, the fire station is proposed to be 4 bays, however, I am not certain of the amount of calls they would typically respond to in an average day.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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Hello Joshua,

My name is Jeff Savage and I have owned a home at 3311 E. McDowell Road Mesa AZ 85213 for 6 years. When I purchased the home I was made aware of the future plans for a fire station on McDowell, and there was actually a billboard saying "future site of a new City of Mesa fire station". I am planning on attending the meeting on the 14th, but as I review the letter Juan Rivas from Perlman Architects mailed out it is unclear if I am able to speak at the meeting without prior notice. The letter addresses people who call in, and people who cannot attend who wish to submit a comment. Can you clarify for me if I need to submit a comment card in order to speak live?

Also, can you explain why the location of the firehouse is being moved to the East from where the billboard stated the location would be? That original location seems to be in a location that would be less disruptive to residence as the sirens blared day and night. This new location is closer to many more homes and families, many of which are now expressing a desire to move.

I have been told that a 4 bay fire station, as this is designed, will typically field 50 calls per day. Can you confirm if that is accurate?

Thank you,

Jeff Savage  
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