

West Manatee Fire Rescue District



5-Year Plan FY 2026/27 – FY 2030/31

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Legislative Requirement For 5-Year Plan

§ Section 191.013(2), Florida Statutes, requires that each independent special fire control district adopt a 5-year plan identifying the facilities, equipment, personnel, and revenue needed by the district during that 5-year period. The plan must be updated in accordance with section 189.08, Florida Statutes, and satisfies the requirement for a public facilities report required by section 189.08(2), Florida Statutes.

§ Section 189.08, Florida Statutes – Special District Public Facilities Report

(1) It is declared to be the policy of this state to foster coordination between special districts and local general-purpose governments as those local general-purpose governments develop comprehensive plans pursuant to part II of chapter 163, Florida Statutes.

(2) Each independent special district shall submit to each local general-purpose government in which it is located a public facilities report and an annual notice of any changes. The public facilities report shall include the following information:

(a) A description of existing public facilities owned or operated by the special district, and each public facility operated by another entity, other than a local general-purpose government, through a lease or other agreement with the special district. This description must include the current capacity of each facility, the current demand placed upon it, and its location. This information is required in the initial report and must be updated at least every seven years in accordance with the schedule established by the Department of Commerce.

(b) A description of each public facility the district is constructing, improving, expanding, or proposing to construct, improve, or expand within at least the next seven years, including facilities the district is assisting another entity, other than a local general-purpose government, to construct, improve, or expand through a lease or other agreement. For each facility identified, the report shall describe the proposed method of financing.

(c) If the district proposes to replace any facility identified in paragraph (a) or (b) within the next ten years, the anticipated replacement date.

(d) The anticipated completion date for the construction, improvement, or expansion of each facility.

(e) The anticipated capacity of and demand on each public facility upon completion. For improvements or expansions of existing facilities, both the existing and anticipated capacities shall be identified.

History of the West Manatee Fire Rescue District

On May 20th, 2000, the West Manatee Fire and Rescue District (District) was created by Chapter 2000-401, Laws of Florida, which merged the Anna Maria Fire Control District and the Westside Fire Control District. Anna Maria was created in 1951, and West Side was created in 1961. As part of merging the two earlier districts, Ch. 2000-401 provided specific details regarding the boundaries, board powers, and District purpose.

In 2000, the Fire Chief from the Anna Maria Fire Control District was chosen by the new Board of Fire Commissioners to lead the District. Kenneth A. Price Jr. served as the Fire Chief of the District from inception until his retirement in 2015.

The formation of the District was largely the result of seeking efficiencies in the deployment of manpower and equipment to emergency scenes. In addition, the former districts were staffed by a majority of volunteers who were not readily available during daytime hours. The merger did not have an impact on the location or number of stations. The District currently operates three fire stations that are staffed with a minimum of three career personnel.

Within the District are the Cities of Anna Maria, Bradenton Beach, and Holmes Beach, as well as unincorporated areas of Cortez, Tidy Island, Palma Sola, West, and Northwest Bradenton. The resident population of the district is approximately 27,700. Manatee County experiences roughly 4 million visitors annually, with nearly 2 million of those visitors staying on Anna Maria Island and within the District's response area. During peak periods, particularly holiday weekends, the population within the District can swell to as many as 40,000 people at any given time. This fluctuation creates a complex and demanding operational environment, requiring scalable response capabilities and a high level of preparedness.

In January of 2026, the District purchased the Bradenton Beach Fire Lodge property at 201 2nd St N, Bradenton Beach, FL 34217. The goal of this purchase is to eventually build WMFR Station 4 to enhance response times on Anna Maria Island and make resources more readily available during natural disasters. District staff is actively exploring grants to rebuild this location.

Facilities

Administration Building

701 63rd Avenue West
Bradenton, FL 34209

- Built in 2021
- Staffed by 11 administrative employees
- 3,800 square foot office building with meeting rooms
- Concrete block construction with concrete roof
- Rated to 165 mph winds

Station 1

407 67th Street West
Bradenton, FL 34209

- Built in 2016
- Staffed by 5 firefighters
- 10,500 square foot fire station
- Concrete & steel truss roof
- Rated to 165 mph winds

Station 2

10350 Cortez Road West
Bradenton, FL 34210

- Built in 1986
- Renovated in 2014
- Staffed by 3 firefighters
- 9,247 square foot fire station
- Concrete block construction with metal roof
- Rated to 155 mph winds

Station 3

6001 Marina Drive
Holmes Beach, FL 34217

- Built in 1983
- Renovated in 2020
- Staffed by 5 firefighters
- 8,460 square foot fire station
- Concrete block construction with lightweight truss roof
- Rated to 135 mph winds

Prospective Station 4

201 2nd Street North
Bradenton Beach, FL 34217

- Built in 1950
- Currently vacant
- 5,366 square feet
- Plans for complete rebuild
- Concrete block construction with wood truss roof

See Appendix A for a legal description of all facilities

5-Year Plan for Future Facilities

1. FY 2026/27 - Nothing planned
2. FY 2027/28 - Nothing planned
3. FY 2028/29 - Nothing planned
4. FY 2029/30 - Nothing planned
5. FY 2030/31 - Nothing planned

Facilities The District Plans to Build, Improve, or Expand Over the Next 7 Years

Nothing is planned at this time.

Facilities The District Plans to Replace Over the Next 10 Years

Nothing is planned at this time.

Equipment

Current Fleet

Fire Engines

#51799 – 2000 Pierce Dash, E112
#51043 – 2014 Pierce Impel, E122
#51044 – 2016 Pierce Enforcer Aerial, L129
#51047 – 2020 Pierce Enforcer, E132
#51930 – 2025 E-ONE Cyclone II Rescue
Pumper, E111
#51931 – 2025 E-ONE Cyclone II Rescue
Pumper, E131

Special Vehicle/Vessels

#51803 – 2016 Evolution Boat Trailer
#51800 – 2016 27' Courageous Center Console
#51921 – Zodiac Inflatable Boat, RB116
#51922 – Zodiac Inflatable Boat, RB126
#51923 – Zodiac Inflatable Boat, RB136
#51933 – 2026 Kubota UTV
#51933 – 2026 Kubota UTV

Staff Vehicles

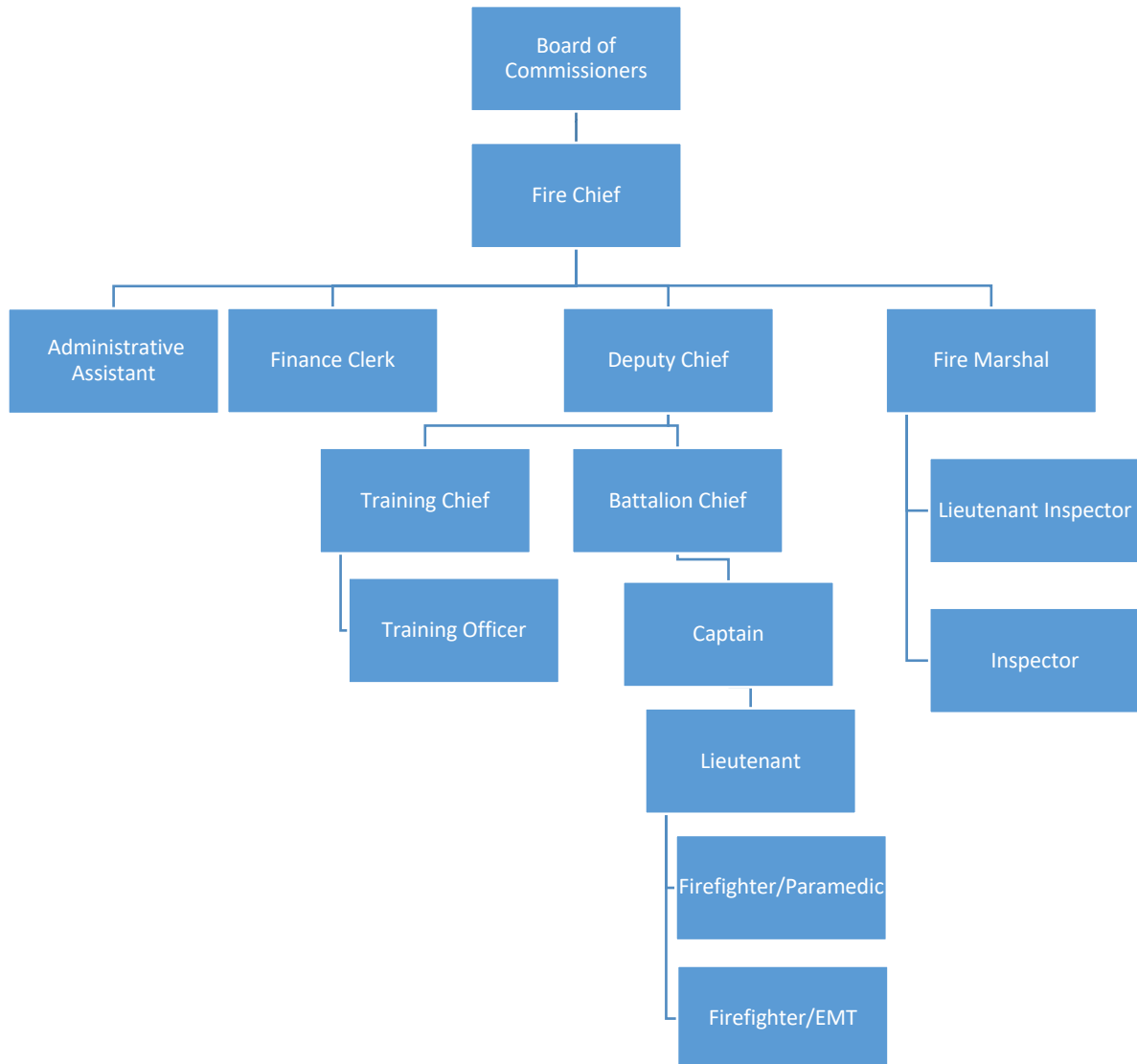
#51806 – 2018 Ford F150 Crew Cab
#51807 – 2018 Ford F150 Crew Cab
#51808 – 2018 Ford F150 Crew Cab
#51809 – 2018 Chevy Tahoe
#51900 – 2019 Chevy Tahoe
#51902 – 2020 Chevy Tahoe
#51904 – 2023 GMC Sierra
#51905 – 2023 Chevy Tahoe
#51906 – 2023 GMC Sierra
#51909 – 2023 Ford F150
#51914 – 2025 Chevy Tahoe
#51929 – 2024 Chevy Silverado
#51932 – 2026 Ford F550

5-Year Plan for Future Equipment

1. FY 2026/27 - Replacement of 4 staff vehicles for an estimated \$305,000
2. FY 2027/28 - No Planned Major Equipment Purchases
3. FY 2028/29 - No Planned Major Equipment Purchases
4. FY 2029/30 - Replacement of staff vehicle for an estimated \$80,000
5. FY 2030/31 – Replacement of L129 for an estimated \$2,100,000

Personnel

Current Staffing



5 -Year Plan for Future Staffing

1. FY 2026/27 - Nothing planned
2. FY 2027/28 - Nothing planned
3. FY 2028/29 - Nothing planned
4. FY 2029/30 - Nothing planned
5. FY 2030/31 - Nothing planned

Revenue

Last Fiscal Year's Revenue – FY 2025/26

General Fund - \$12,843,081.06

Impact Fees - \$44,717.50

5-Year Prediction for Future Revenue

1. FY 2026/27 - General Fund - \$13,853,795.05
- Impact Fees - \$30,000
2. FY 2027/28 - General Fund - \$14,546,484.80 (5% increase)
- Impact Fees - \$30,000
3. FY 2028/29 - General Fund - \$15,273,809.04 (5% increase)
- Impact Fees - \$30,000
4. FY 2029/30 - General Fund - \$16,037,499.49 (5% increase)
- Impact Fees - \$30,000
5. FY 2030/31 - General Fund - \$16,839,374.47 (5% increase)
- Impact Fees - \$30,000

Appendix A

Facilities

Legal Description of all Properties

Administrative Building

COM AT THE SW COR OF SE1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SEC 29-34-17; TH N 00 DEG 13 MIN 17 SEC W ALG THE W LN OF SD SE1/4 OF SW1/4 133 FT FOR A POB; TH CONT N 00 DEG 13 MIN 17 SEC W ALG SD W LN 548.76 FT TO THE SW COR OF "PEBBLE SPRINGS CLUSTER 2" A CONDO, CB 6 PG 88; TH S 89 DEG 52 MIN 48 SEC E ALG THE S LN OF SD CONDO, ALSO BEING THE WLY EXTENSION OF THE N LN OF "ELMCO HEIGHTS" SUB SEC ONE, PB 11 P 44, 150 FT TO THE NW COR OF SD "ELMCO HEIGHTS" SUB; TH S 00 DEG 13 MIN 17 SEC E ALG THE W LN OF SD "ELMCO HEIGHTS" SUB 548.28 FT TO THE NE COR OF LOT 19 BLK "A" "ELMCO HEIGHTS" SUB SEC TWO, PB 12 P 96; TH S 89 DEG 55 MIN 52 SEC W ALG THE N LN OF SD LOT 19 & WLY EXTENSION THEREOF 150 FT TO THE POB, (1006/3926), SUBJ TO EASMT OVER W 33 FT THEREOF DESC IN DB 388 PG 185 PORTION OF SD EASMT VAC BY RES #R-92-175-V IN OR 1397 PG 1473. PI#37746.0000/5

Station 1

COM AT SW COR OF NW1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SEC 29 THENCE S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E, 33.0 FT & N 0 DEG 37 MIN E 204.70 FT TO A PT ON E R/W LN OF 67TH ST W FOR POB, THENCE CONT N 0 DEG 37 MIN E ALG SD E R/W LN FOR 150 FT, THENCE S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E FOR 150 FT; THENCE S 0 DEG 37 MIN W FOR 150 FT; THENCE N 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC W, 150 FT TO THE POB AS DESC ORB 99 P 412; TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DESC PARCEL: COM AT THE SW COR OF THE SW1/4 OF NW1/4 OF THE SW1/4; RUN S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E FOR 33 FT; TH N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E 354.7 FT TO AN IRON PIPE ON THE E R/W LN OF 67TH ST W. THE POB; TH N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E ALG SD R/W LN FOR 142.5 FT TO A RR SPIKE; TH S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E 150 FT TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; TH S 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC W FOR 142.5 FT TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; TH N 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC W FOR 150 FT TO THE POB, CONT 0.491 AC; SUBJ TO INGRESS/EGRESS EASMT REC IN OR 2649/7592 OVER THE WESTERNMOST 50 FT OF THE N 8 FT OF THE ABOVE DESC LAND; TOGETHER WITH INGRESS/EGRESS EASMT REC IN OR 2649/7592 DESC AS FOLLOWS: THE WESTERNMOST 50 FT OF THE S 8 FT OF THE FOLLOWING DESC PROP: COM AT THE SW COR OF THE SW1/4 OF THE NW1/4 OF THE SW1/4 OF SEC 29; TH S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E, 33 FT; TH N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E, ALG THE E R/W LN OF 67TH ST W, 354.7 FT FOR A POB; TH CONT N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E, ALG SD E R/W LN 285.05 FT TO THE S R/W LN OF 3RD AVE W; TH ELY ALG SD S R/W LN 150 FT; TH S 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC W, 284.35 FT; TH N 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC W, 150 FT TO THE POB, LESS THE FOL DESC PARCEL: COM AT THE SW COR OF THE SW1/4 OF THE NW1/4 OF THE SW1/4 OF SEC 29; TH S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E, FOR 33 FT; TH RUN N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E, FOR 354.7 FT TO AN IRON PIPE ON THE E R/W LN OF 67TH ST W; THE POB; TH RUN N 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC E, ALG SD R/W LN FOR 142.5 FT TO A RR SPIKE; TH RUN S 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC E, FOR 150 FT TO A CONC MON; TH RUN S 00 DEG 37 MIN 00 SEC W, FOR 142.5 FT TO CONC MON; TH RUN N 89 DEG 21 MIN 05 SEC W, FOR 150 FT TO THE POB. PI#37669.0005/8

Station 2

BEG AT A POINT AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE E LN OF SEC 2, WITH THE NLY R/W LN OF CORTEZ RD, (SR 684); TH N 00 DEG 33 MIN 51 SEC E ALG THE E LN OF SD SEC 2 A DIST OF 403.57 FT; TH N 89 DEG 26 MIN 09 SEC W A DIST OF 120.00 FT; TH S 12 DEG 15 MIN 32 SEC W A DIST OF 355.50 FT TO THE N R/W LN OF CORTEZ RD; TH SLY ALG SD R/W LN & A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1860.08 FT & A C/A OF 06 DEG 09 MIN 38 SEC A DIST OF 200.00 FT TO THE POB AS DESC IN OR 1114 P 2635 PRMCF PI#75771.0005/5

Station 3

LAND TO CITY OF HOLMES BEACH AS DESC IN ORB 429 P 605 BEING RECREATION AREA TRACT & AIRPORT LAND ALSO VACATED ST DESC IN ORB 713 P 194 SUBJ TO F P L EASMT DESC IN ORB 740 P 756 PRMCF HOLMES BEACH 17TH UNIT LESS THAT PART OF RD R/W IN O.R. 1624 PG 6996 DESC AS FOLLOWS: A 30 FT WIDE PUBLIC R/W LOCATED INS SEC 20 TWN 34S RNG 16E LYING 15 FT ON EACH SIDE OF THE FOLLOWING DESC C/L: COM AT THE INT OF THE WLY R/W/L OF FLOTILLA DR A 50 FT WIDE R/W AND THE SWLY PROLONGATION OF THE SLY R/W/L OF 58TH ST, SD 58TH ST SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF HOLMES BEACH 14TH UNIT AS REC IN PB 8 PG 41 OF THE PRMCF; TH N 3 DEG 36 MIN 52 SEC E ALG SD WLY R/W/L OF FLOTILLA DR A DIST OF 290.62 FT TO THE POB OF AFORESAID C/L; TH N 86 DEG 23 MIN 08 SEC W A DIST OF 228.27 FT; TH S 70 DEG 16 MIN 58 SEC W A DIST OF 55.81 FT TO THE ELY R/W/L OF MARINA DR A 70 FT WIDE R/W/L AND THE POINT OF TERMINUS OF SD C/L PI#72440.0000/1

Station 4

LOTS 3,4 BLK G, CORRECTED PLAT OF AZURE SHORES SUB PI#77284.0000/8