

Legislation Text

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<u>ITEM:</u> Request to Extend Lebanon Fire Insurance Rating District and Response District

DATE OF BOCC MEETING: March 9, 2015

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION:

The Board is requested to approve an extension of the Lebanon fire insurance rating district and response district.

The City of Durham Fire Department currently provides fire protection services in the Durham County East and West fire protection districts. These two fire insurance and response districts were created on February 27, 2006, when the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department relocated to the Russell Road fire station. Since then, the Office of the State Fire Marshal has ruled that the City of Durham Fire Department cannot provide the district with certified protection, and has caused the property owners within the two districts to become an ISO Class 10 - Unrated Fire Protection District, which means no fire protection. The City of Durham Fire Department will still respond as the closest unit dispatch. This change will allow the citizens within the area to receive the insurance rating of an ISO Class 6 and a reduced insurance cost.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: Goal 3: Safe and Secure Community - Enhance capacity to respond to emergencies. Property owners, in the former Durham County East and West Fire Protection Districts of Durham County, will receive the fire services and insurance rating of Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department.

<u>RESOURCE PERSONS</u>: Jeffrey L. Batten, Fire Marshal/Emergency Management Director

<u>COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve an extension of the Lebanon fire insurance rating district and response district.

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