



SOUTH METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT

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AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Meeting Date: July 20, 2022, at 6:30 PM

Meeting Place: Thompson Lodge

- I. Roll Call
Board Members: Berry, Francis, Napier, Seaberg, Wippermann
- II. Adopt Agenda
- III. Communications/Recognitions
 - a. Introductions – Fire Board, City Council Members, and Staff
 - b. [Thank You – South St. Paul Library](#)
 - c. [Thank You – Luther Memorial Church](#)
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. [June 15, 2022, Meeting Minutes](#)
 - b. [June 2022 List of Claims](#)
 - c. [June 2022 Bank Reconciliation](#)
 - d. [June 2022 Month End Budget Report](#)
 - e. [June 2022 Run Summary Report](#)
- V. Committee Reports
- VI. Agenda Items
 - a. [Fire Taxing District](#)
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Adjourn

Next Regular Meeting – August 17, 2022, West St. Paul Lobby Conference Room (If Available)

We will have a badging ceremony for our new personnel following the August 17th meeting.



Thank You
SO MUCH!



We couldn't have
done it without you!

Thank You for Being Awesome

Thrivent Action Teams



SSD Firefighters-

Thank you so much for attending the Luther
Memorial Church Taco Tuesday event. Your presence
was truly appreciated!

Maureen *Lalor* Thanks, *Linda Hanson*
Pick Vick *Mary Ann* *John*
Joel Sundry *Johansen* *Michelle*
Barb Grosser *P. Patrick*
R. Meyer *Wendy Bader*

MINUTES

SOUTH METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday June 15, 2022
South St Paul Training Room

Members Present: Dennis Wippermann, Wendy Berry, Tom Seaberg, James Francis

Also Present: Mark Juelfs, Deb Wheeler, Mark Erickson, Terry Johnson, Joel Hanson, Clara Hilger, Char Stark, Sam Seal

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion was made to adopt the Agenda by Berry seconded by Wippermann
Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Retirement notice from Captain Brad Quiggle.

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda by Seaberg; seconded by Berry
Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

AGENDA ITEMS

2023 Budget

Chief Juelfs provided the 2023 Budget Overview that included the Preliminary Budget, a summary spread sheet of all funds and the 10-year capital plan.

The Board would like to see the charges for services increase to go to the EMS Taxing District and they would like a special communication leaflet to be included in the Truth and Taxation notice.

Motion was made to adopt the 2023 preliminary budget and forward it to both Cities by Seaberg; seconded by Berry.
Motion carried.

Fire District Update

Chief Juelfs met with our legal counsel to discuss the necessary steps to convert our current JPA to a Fire District. Aaron Price will facilitate the presentation that will identify some of the known items at our July Board meeting. An invitation to attend will be expended to both City Councils.

Fire Station Needs Assessment Update

Administrative staff has been meeting with CNH every other Monday. CNH will be organizing tours, for administrative staff, of fire stations that have been remodeled and stations that are newly constructed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chief Juelfs thanked Joel Hanson for all his assistance and effort while he has been the City Administrator for the City of South St Paul.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Berry; seconded by Seaberg.
Motion carried.

The next regular meeting is scheduled on July 20, at 6:30 pm at Thompson Lodge in West St Paul.

Respectfully submitted by:

Deb Wheeler

SOUTH METRO FIRE

Summary of List of Claims Board Meeting of July 20, 2022

PAYROLL CHECK REGISTER:

Payroll Period	5/30 - 6/12		
Date Paid	6/17/2022	\$	112,052.43
Direct Deposit			

Payroll Period	6/13 - 6/26		
Date Paid	7/1/2022	\$	107,600.50
Direct Deposit			

Payroll Period	6/27 - 7/11		
Date Paid	7/15/2022	\$	109,861.54
Direct Deposit			

TOTAL NET PAYROLL

\$ 329,514.47

DISBURSEMENT CHECK REGISTER:

Checks	10236 - 10289	\$	135,064.76
EFTS	2288 - 2317	\$	360,558.85

TOTAL DISBURSEMENT CHECKS

\$495,623.61

TOTAL PAYROLL, DISBURSEMENTS, ACH'S

\$825,138.08

South Metro Fire Department
BANK RECONCILIATION
June 30, 2022

Old National Bank	
Ending Balance - Checking	\$ 1,520,017.49
Outstanding Disbursement Checks	(8,300.60)
DIT	
Adjustments:	
RECONCILED BALANCE	\$ 1,511,716.89

CITY TREASURER'S BALANCE:	
Previous Month's Reconciled Balance	\$ 1,371,959.10
Daily Receipts Posted	744,771.06
Disbursement Checks Issued	(382,639.74)
Payroll Checks and Direct Deposits	(228,253.53)
Rev Prior Month Adj:	0.00
6/27/22 - MN State - MMB Deposit to post	5,880.00
RECONCILED BALANCE	\$ 1,511,716.89

CASH ACCOUNT	\$ 1,505,836.89
Adjustments	5,880.00
RECONCILED BALANCE	\$ 1,511,716.89

Cash by Fund:

		Beginning Balance	Net Activity	Ending Balance
General Fund	101-10101	653,215.01	114,373.79	767,588.80
Grant Fund	201-10100	899.44	-	899.44
Fire Assistance Fund		-	-	-
Debt Service Fund	301-10101	45,637.84	-	45,637.84
Capital Fund	401-10101	672,206.81	19,504.00	691,710.81
Total		1,371,959.10	133,877.79	1,505,836.89

Payment Register

From Payment Date: 6/6/2022 - To Payment Date: 7/12/2022

Number	Date	Status	Void Reason	Reconciled/ Voided Date	Source	Payee Name	Transaction Amount	Reconciled Amount	Difference
1-ANCHOR BAN - ANCHOR BANK									
<u>Check</u>									
10236	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	ASPEN MILLS	\$319.96	\$319.96	\$0.00
10237	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T MOBILITY	\$989.75	\$989.75	\$0.00
10238	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	BURNSVILLE/CITY OF	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00
10239	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Cole Papers Inc	\$253.00	\$253.00	\$0.00
10240	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	EMERGENCY APPARATUS MAINTENANC	\$1,032.94	\$1,032.94	\$0.00
10241	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Emergency Technical Decon	\$852.00	\$852.00	\$0.00
10242	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Field Training Solutions	\$295.00	\$295.00	\$0.00
10243	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	GALLS, LLC	\$1,347.50	\$1,347.50	\$0.00
10244	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	HENRY SCHEIN	\$38.10	\$38.10	\$0.00
10245	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	IMAGE TREND	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$0.00
10246	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 1059	\$248.16		
10247	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 724	\$1,406.24	\$1,406.24	\$0.00
10248	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	JOHNSON/TERRANCE	\$683.99	\$683.99	\$0.00
10249	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS. TRUST	\$76,120.00	\$76,120.00	\$0.00
10250	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	LEVANDER, GILLEN & MILLER, P.A	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
10251	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION	\$1,753.00	\$1,753.00	\$0.00
10252	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Locality Media Inc	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
10253	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	LOWE'S COMMERCIAL SERVICES	\$120.14	\$120.14	\$0.00
10254	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MacQueen Emergency Group	\$1,610.27	\$1,610.27	\$0.00
10255	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NAPA	\$30.58	\$30.58	\$0.00
10256	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NARDINI	\$902.50	\$902.50	\$0.00
10257	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NINTH BRAIN	\$96.00	\$96.00	\$0.00
10258	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	PS Trax	\$5,850.84	\$5,850.84	\$0.00
10259	06/09/2022	Voided	Vendor Correction	06/23/2022	Accounts Payable	QUIGGLE/BRADLEY	\$64.00		
10260	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	S ST PAUL/CITY OF	\$5,693.64	\$5,693.64	\$0.00
10261	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Stryker Sales Corporation	\$81.78	\$81.78	\$0.00
10262	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Target Solutions Learning, LLC	\$4,005.00	\$4,005.00	\$0.00
10263	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	US Bank Equipment Finance	\$117.00	\$117.00	\$0.00
10264	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Zinniel/ Joe	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$0.00
10265	06/13/2022	Voided	Vendor Correction	06/15/2022	Accounts Payable	JOHNSON/TERRANCE	\$683.99		
10266	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	ASPEN MILLS	\$169.95	\$169.95	\$0.00
10267	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Berry/ Wendy	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
10268	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	CARDMEMBER SERVICES	\$3,281.24	\$3,281.24	\$0.00
10269	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	CONWAY SHIELDS	\$78.98	\$78.98	\$0.00
10270	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	EMERGENCY APPARATUS MAINTENANC	\$1,870.59	\$1,870.59	\$0.00
10271	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Francis, James	\$100.00		
10272	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Further	\$141.30	\$141.30	\$0.00
10273	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	GALLS, LLC	\$64.40	\$64.40	\$0.00
10274	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 1059	\$248.16		
10275	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 724	\$1,406.24		
10276	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Kutney, Shawn	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$0.00
10277	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS. TRUST	\$651.70	\$651.70	\$0.00
10278	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Linde Gas and Equipment	\$306.28		
10279	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NAPA	\$27.96	\$27.96	\$0.00
10280	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	OXYGEN SERVICE COMPANY	\$43.93	\$43.93	\$0.00

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10281	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Rihm Kenworth	\$120.90	\$120.90	\$0.00
10282	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Rosenbauer Minnesota, LLC	\$529.25	\$529.25	\$0.00
10283	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Seaberg, Thomas	\$100.00		
10284	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	SPOK, INC	\$68.72	\$68.72	\$0.00
10285	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Willems, Dan	\$572.78		
10286	06/23/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	WIPPERMANN/DENNIS	\$100.00		
10287	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 1059	\$248.16		
10288	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	INT'L ASSN FIREFIGHTERS 724	\$1,406.24		
10289	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	\$1,587.60		
Type Check Totals:							\$135,064.76	\$127,993.15	\$0.00
1-ANCHOR BAN - ANCHOR BANK Totals									

Checks	Status	Count	Transaction Amount	Reconciled Amount
	Open	52	\$134,316.77	\$127,993.15
	Reconciled	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Voided	2	\$747.99	\$0.00
	Stopped	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total	54	\$135,064.76	\$127,993.15

All	Status	Count	Transaction Amount	Reconciled Amount
	Open	52	\$134,316.77	\$127,993.15
	Reconciled	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Grand Totals:

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1-ANCHOR BAN - ANCHOR BANK									
EFT									
2288	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	I C M A RETIREMENT CORP	\$1,235.00	\$1,235.00	\$0.00
2289	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	IRS - PR TAXES	\$24,111.78	\$24,111.78	\$0.00
2290	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN CHILD SUPPORT	\$330.87	\$330.87	\$0.00
2291	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	\$8,548.01	\$8,548.01	\$0.00
2292	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN II LIFE -- HSA	\$1,844.65	\$1,844.65	\$0.00
2293	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$0.00
2294	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS - HCSP	\$2,779.92	\$2,779.92	\$0.00
2295	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIRE ASSN	\$53,160.51	\$53,160.51	\$0.00
2296	06/14/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	Further	\$1,383.30	\$1,383.30	\$0.00
2297	06/14/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	HEALTHPARTNERS	\$43,469.18	\$43,469.18	\$0.00
2298	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	I C M A RETIREMENT CORP	\$1,235.00	\$1,235.00	\$0.00
2299	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	IRS - PR TAXES	\$23,052.31	\$23,052.31	\$0.00
2300	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN CHILD SUPPORT	\$330.87	\$330.87	\$0.00
2301	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	\$8,235.72	\$8,235.72	\$0.00
2302	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN II LIFE -- HSA	\$1,744.65	\$1,744.65	\$0.00
2303	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$0.00
2304	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS - HCSP	\$2,496.66	\$2,496.66	\$0.00
2305	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NATIONWIDE	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
2306	06/21/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIRE ASSN	\$51,435.86	\$51,435.86	\$0.00
2307	06/09/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NATIONWIDE	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
2308	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	HEALTHPARTNERS	\$43,469.18		
2309	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	I C M A RETIREMENT CORP	\$1,235.00		
2310	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	IRS - PR TAXES	\$21,765.52		
2311	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN CHILD SUPPORT	\$330.87		
2312	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	\$7,758.78		
2313	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MN II LIFE -- HSA	\$1,744.65		
2314	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS	\$225.00		
2315	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	MSRS - HCSP	\$2,435.33		
2316	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	NATIONWIDE	\$2,200.00		

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2317	07/06/2022	Open			Accounts Payable	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIRE ASSN	\$49,150.23		
Type EFT Totals:					30 Transactions		\$360,558.85	\$230,244.29	\$0.00

1-ANCHOR BAN - ANCHOR BANK Totals

EFTs	Status	Count	Transaction Amount	Reconciled Amount
	Open	30	\$360,558.85	\$230,244.29
	Reconciled	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Voided	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total	30	\$360,558.85	\$230,244.29

All	Status	Count	Transaction Amount	Reconciled Amount
	Open	30	\$360,558.85	\$230,244.29
	Reconciled	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Voided	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Stopped	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total	30	\$360,558.85	\$230,244.29

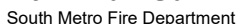
Grand Totals:

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Account Classification	Adopted Budget	Current Month Transactions	YTD Transactions	YTD Balance	% used/ Rec'd	Prior Year YTD Balance
Fund 101 - General Fund						
REVENUE						
Taxes	825,000.00	.00	53,118.99	771,881.01	6%	487,194.67
Intergovernmental Revenues	198,589.00	1,289.68	7,110.68	191,478.32	4%	175,193.31
Charges for Services	5,858,358.00	65,681.98	2,891,195.45	2,967,162.55	49%	2,198,186.12
Other Revenue	50,000.00	75.00	2,745.19	47,254.81	5%	48,314.49
Other Financing Sources	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	(18,484.22)
REVENUE TOTALS	\$6,931,947.00	\$67,046.66	\$2,954,170.31	\$3,977,776.69	43%	\$2,890,404.37
EXPENSE						
Personal Services	6,152,350.00	526,507.75	2,918,670.43	3,233,679.57	47%	2,934,178.31
Supplies	204,354.00	7,875.32	70,423.99	133,930.01	34%	105,235.68
Contractual Services	410,884.00	30,210.32	197,621.82	213,262.18	48%	207,399.96
Other Charges	164,359.00	26,255.77	77,808.18	86,550.82	47%	76,229.02
Capital Outlay	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
Debt Service	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
Other Financing Uses	.00	.00	302,274.00	(302,274.00)	+++	(366,171.00)
EXPENSE TOTALS	\$6,931,947.00	590,849.16	3,566,798.42	\$3,365,148.58	51%	\$2,956,871.97
Fund 101 - General Fund Totals						
REVENUE TOTALS	6,931,947.00	67,046.66	2,954,170.31	3,977,776.69	43%	2,890,404.37
EXPENSE TOTALS	6,931,947.00	590,849.16	3,566,798.42	3,365,148.58	51%	2,956,871.97
Fund 101 - General Fund Totals	\$0.00	(\$523,802.50)	(\$612,628.11)	\$612,628.11		(\$66,467.60)
Fund 201 - Grant Fund						
REVENUE						
Intergovernmental Revenues	.00	.00	.00	.00	0%	.00
REVENUE TOTALS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	+++	\$0.00
EXPENSE						
Contractual Services	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
EXPENSE TOTALS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	+++	\$0.00
Fund 301 - Debt Service						
REVENUE						
Intergovernmental Revenues	183,050.00	.00	.00	183,050.00	0%	137,737.00
REVENUE TOTALS	\$183,050.00	.00	.00	\$183,050.00	+++	\$137,737.00
EXPENSE						
Contractual Services	183,050.00	.00	.00	183,050.00	+++	156,795.00
EXPENSE TOTALS	\$183,050.00	.00	.00	\$183,050.00	+++	\$156,795.00
Fund 301 - Debt Totals						
REVENUE TOTALS	183,050.00	.00	45,762.50	137,287.50	+++	137,737.00
EXPENSE TOTALS	183,050.00	.00	.00	183,050.00	+++	156,795.00
Fund 301 - Debt Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,762.50	(\$45,762.50)		(\$19,058.00)
Fund 401 - Capital Projects						
REVENUE						
Intergovernmental Revenues	650,000.00	.00	325,000.00	325,000.00	50%	.00
Charges for Services	156,032.00	.00	403,016.00	(246,984.00)	258%	48,761.00
Other Revenue	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
Other Financing Sources	.00	.00	302,274.00	(302,274.00)	+++	.00
REVENUE TOTALS	\$806,032.00	\$0.00	\$1,030,290.00	(\$224,258.00)		\$48,761.00
EXPENSE						
Motor Vehicles	1,317,000.00	.00	1,354,970.00	(37,970.00)	103%	244,229.36
Office Equipment	99,065.00	.00	15,348.20	83,716.80	15%	16,244.00
Other Equipment	37,725.00	.00	1,104.20	36,620.80	3%	9,000.00
EXPENSE TOTALS	\$1,453,790.00	\$0.00	\$1,371,422.40	\$82,367.60	94%	\$269,473.36
Fund 401 - Capital Projects						
REVENUE TOTALS	806,032.00	.00	1,030,290.00	(224,258.00)	128%	(317,410.00)
EXPENSE TOTALS	1,453,790.00	.00	1,371,422.40	82,367.60	94%	274,072.36
Fund 401 - Capital Projects	(\$647,758.00)	\$0.00	(\$341,132.40)	(\$306,625.60)		(\$591,482.36)
Grand Totals						
REVENUE TOTALS	7,921,029.00	67,046.66	4,030,222.81	3,890,806.19	51%	2,710,731.37
EXPENSE TOTALS	8,623,757.00	590,849.16	4,938,220.82	3,685,536.18	57%	3,387,739.33
Grand Totals	(\$702,728.00)	(\$523,802.50)	(\$907,998.01)	\$205,270.01		(\$677,007.96)



SERVICE CALL																		
500 Service Call, other			1			1										2		2
510 Person in distress, other	1					1		1								3		1
519 Person in distress																0		
520 Water problem, other																0		
522 Water or steam leak		1		3					1							5		1
531 Smoke or odor removal					1		1									2		7
551 Assist police or other governmental agency		5		7		10		3		10		12				47		37
553 Public service		25		4		1		9		1		2				42		42
554 Assist invalid		52		30		30		35		39		51				237		261
561 Unauthorized burning					2		3		7		2					14		17
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BLS Transports	149	125	158	140	188	145	905	905
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DATE: July 20, 2022

TO: SMFD President and Board

FROM: Mark Juelfs, Fire Chief

RE: **Fire District Formation Presentation**

Background:

One of the primary goals of the South Metro Fire Board since its inception in 1998, was to move from the current joint power's agreement model of government to a fire district model of government. Prior to 2021 the only way to create a fire district was to get special legislation approved by the State Legislature. In 2021, the EMS taxing district legislation was amended to include the creation of fire taxing districts, which removed the need for individual approval from the State Legislature. This information was presented to the Fire Board at a meeting in early 2022. The Fire Board directed staff to work with our legal team and present the differences between a joint powers model of government and the fire district model of government. Staff along with our legal team presented the findings of our research on this topic to the Fire Board at the May 2022 meeting. After discussing the information presented, the Fire Board decided to move forward with forming a fire taxing district to govern the South Metro Fire Department. As a next step, the Fire Board directed staff to invite members of both the South St. Paul and West St. Paul City Councils to the July Fire Board meeting to review and discuss information on forming a fire taxing district.

Staff and our legal team will present to the Fire Board and members of both City Councils information on forming a fire taxing district to encompass the Cities of South St. Paul and West St. Paul at the July Fire Board meeting.

Budget Impact:

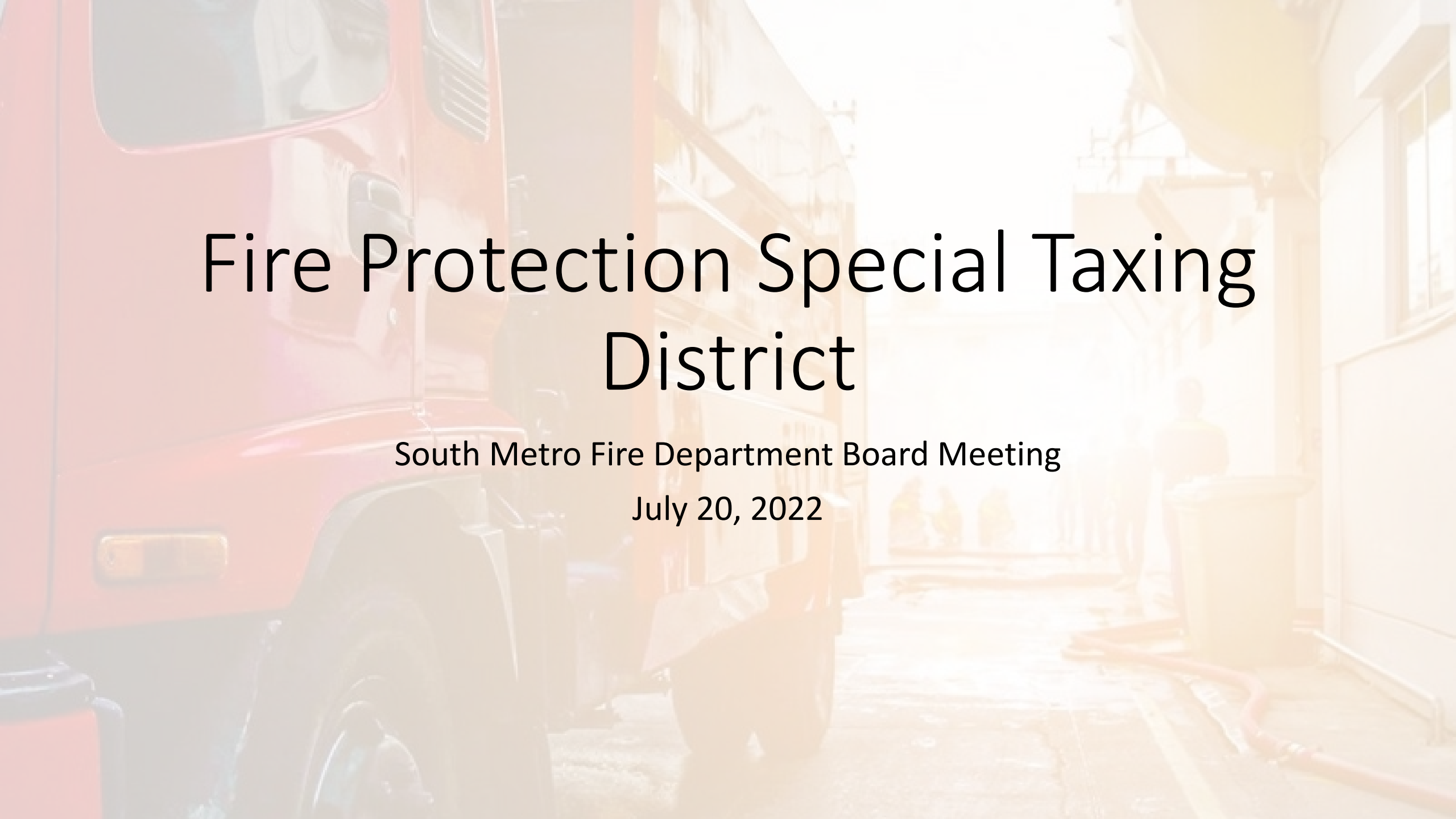
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Recommended Action:

Fire Board and City Council members to decide if they would like to proceed with forming a fire taxing district to govern the South Metro Fire Department.

Attachments

Power Point Presentation

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Fire Protection Special Taxing District

South Metro Fire Department Board Meeting

July 20, 2022

Amendment of Minnesota Statute § 144F.01

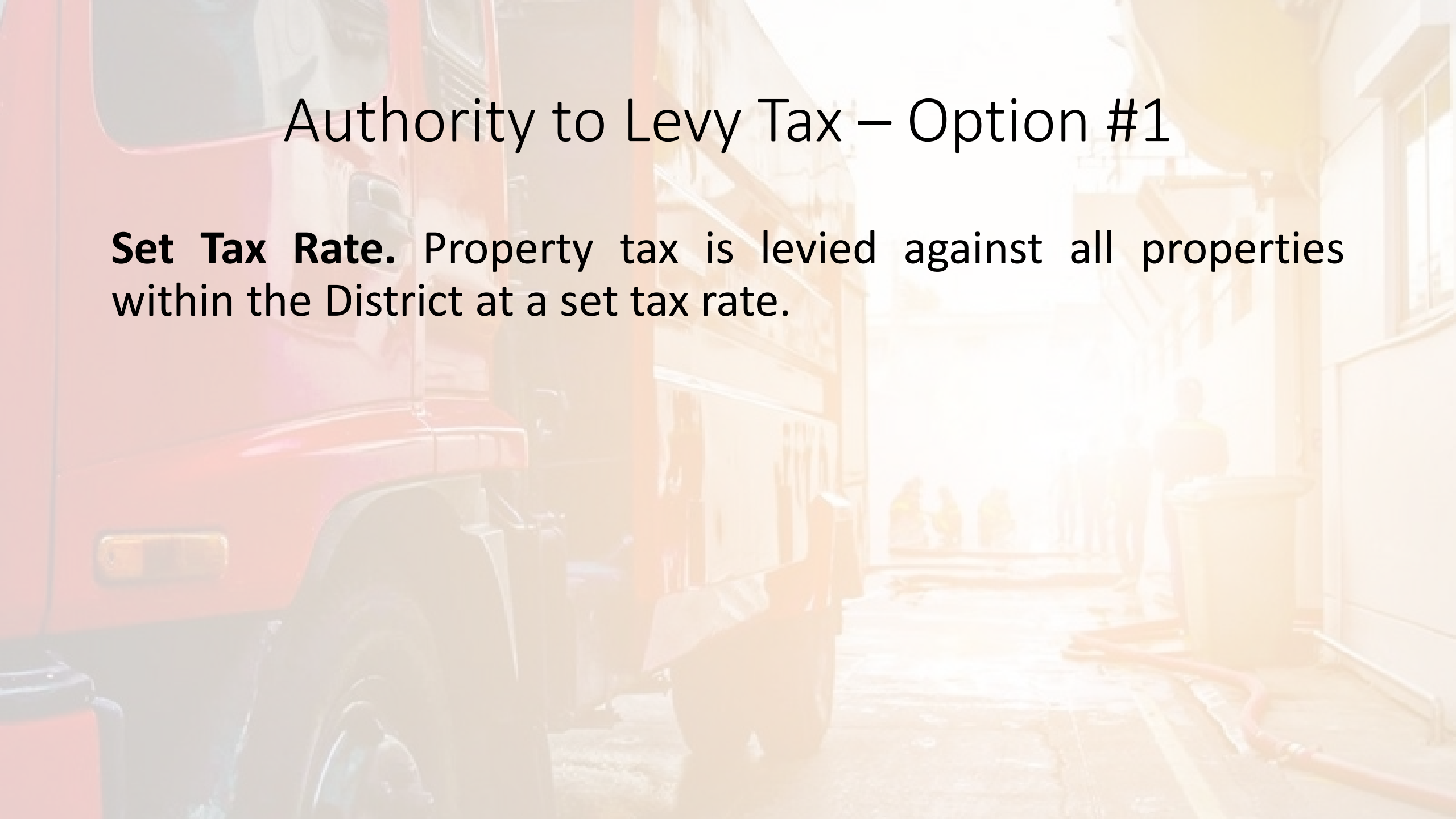
- On July 1, 2021, Minnesota Statutes, section 144F.01 was amended to include authorization for local municipalities to create fire protection special taxing districts (“District”).
- This is in addition to the existing authority under the statute to create special taxing districts for emergency medical services.

Creation of Fire Protection Districts

- Under the amended statute, any two or more local government units may create a District through a resolution adopted by each City Council.
- The District's governing body must be comprised of elected officials from each participating city's governing body in the proportion set in the District's enabling resolution.

Authority to Levy Tax

- Once created, a District has the authority to levy a tax on real and personal property in the District, the proceeds of which are used to provide fire protection services to the residents of the property located within the District.
- The property tax levy to finance District operations may be spread and collected in one of two ways:

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Authority to Levy Tax – Option #1

Set Tax Rate. Property tax is levied against all properties within the District at a set tax rate.

Authority to Levy Tax – Option #2

- **Formula.** Alternatively, the District can opt to allocate the levy to each participating jurisdiction based on a formula considering factors such as:
 - Population;
 - Number of service calls;
 - Cost of providing service;
 - Market value of improvements; or
 - Other measures approved by the governing body of each participating jurisdiction.
- Under this alternative, the amount of the levy allocated to each participating city must be added to that city's levy and spread at the same time and in the same manner as provided by law for all other property taxes.
- The proceeds of the levy would be remitted to the District after receipt of property taxes by each participating city.

Establishing a Fire Protection Special Taxing District

- **Step #1: Resolution.** To establish a District, each City Council must pass a resolution authorizing the creation of the District. The resolution must establish the following:
 1. The boundaries of the District.
 2. How any liabilities and assets of the District will be distributed if the District is dissolved.
 3. The method for apportioning the levy of the District among participating jurisdictions.
 4. The Board of Directors to serve as the governing body of the District. The District's Board would be comprised of elected officials from each City Council.
 5. Any other terms the participating municipalities determine to be appropriate.

Establishing a Fire Protection Special Taxing District

- **Step #2: Joint Powers Agreement.**

- In addition to the resolution, creation of the District requires a joint powers agreement (“JPA”) and bylaws for the District’s Board. This can be accomplished in one of the following ways:

Joint Powers Agreement

- Option #1:
 - Amend the existing Emergency Medical Services Special Taxing District JPA to include the requirements for the Fire Protection District.
 - South Metro Fire Department (“SMFD”) Board would be designated to serve as the Board of Directors for both Districts and adopt the existing SMFD bylaws to serve as the combined District’s bylaws.

Joint Powers Agreement

- Option #2:

- The two participating cities may enter into a new and separate JPA for the Fire Protection District in the same way the current Emergency Medical Services District was established.
- The separate Fire Protection District JPA would address the specific statutory requirements for Fire Protection Districts and other administrative provisions.

Differences: Fire Protection Special Taxing District v. Current SMFD Structure

- **Funding Method**

- The District's Board may levy a tax on the real and personal property in the District.
- The County Auditor will collect and distribute the proceeds of the tax at the same time and in the same manner as all other property taxes.
- This method would differ from the budget and approval process currently in place.
- The special taxing district funding method would allow the SMFD to use the proceeds of the levied taxes to provide fire protection services and become more of an independent entity.

Differences: Fire Protection Special Taxing District v. Current SMFD Structure

- **Reporting Requirements**

- The District would be responsible for following certain statutory reporting requirements, including submission of the resolution establishing the District and the levy and expenditure reports to the Minnesota Department of Revenue and House and Senate Tax Committees.

District Implementation

- There is a timing element to the implementation of the District. Certain actions need to be taken by both the SMFD Board and Fire Protection District Board in order to fund the District.
- Important dates:
 - **July 1st**
 - Notice to County Auditor that District may be certifying a levy.
 - **September 30th**
 - District must certify to the County Auditor the proposed property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year.
 - **December 20th**
 - District must certify the final levy to the County Auditor on or before five (5) working days after December 20th in each year.

District Implementation: Notice to County Auditor – July 1st

- July 1st serves as the deadline for two actions:
 - **Creation of the District.** The District must be organized on or before July 1st in the current calendar year in order to certify a levy to the County Auditor for taxes payable in the following calendar year. Minn. Stat. § 275.067.
 - **Notice to County Auditor.** The District is authorized to certify a levy to the County Auditor for taxes payable in the following calendar year only if the County Auditor receives written notice from the District on or before July 1st of the year the District may be certifying a levy. Minn. Stat. § 275.067.

District Implementation: Notice to County Auditor – July 1st

- Notice to County Auditor. The notice must contain the following:
 - A complete list or other description of the tax parcels including in the District;
 - A map showing the boundaries of the taxing district; and
 - Resolutions adopted by both Councils and the JPA.
- Special taxing districts organized after July 1st may not certify a levy of property taxes to the County Auditor until the following calendar year.

District Implementation: Adopt a Proposed Levy – September 20th

- Adopt Proposed Levy. On or before September 30th, the District Board must certify to the County Auditor the proposed property tax levy for taxes payable the following year. This can be done as soon as the proposed levy is adopted.
- Prior to September 30th, the District Board would hold a meeting to adopt a proposed levy and announce the time and place of the public hearing at which the final levy will be adopted.
 - *Setting the Public Hearing Date.* There are some requirements regarding the public hearing:
 - The public hearing must be held between November 24th and December 25th;
 - The public hearing must be held at a regularly scheduled meeting;
 - The public hearing must be held after 6:00 p.m.;
 - The time and place set for the public hearing must be included in the minutes.

District Implementation: Final Levy Adoption

– December 20th

- Adopt Final Levy. Levy certification deadline: “On or before five working days after December 20th”
 - The deadline to certify the levy to the County Auditor is on or before five working days after December 20th in each year. Certification can be done as soon as the final levy is adopted.
- At the public hearing held between November 24th and December 25th, the District Board would adopt the final levy and enter into a contract with SMFD to use the levied amount for approved fire protection services.
- It is important to note that the District Board has the sole authority to adopt the District tax levy. Neither the SMFD Board, nor the City Councils, can change, modify or revoke the levy. Therefore, once the final levy is adopted and certified to the County, it is set for the upcoming year.