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Planning Commissioners,

I plan to present the following during tomorrow's Planning Commission meeting.

My name is Pam Linstedt and I am the Vice President Board of Directors for Albion Little River Fire Protection District (ALRFPD). Our entire building committee planned to be here today: Lee Welty, Treasurer; Fire Chief Michael Rees and Diana Wiedemann-architect. Lee Welty had a death in the family, so he is unable to attend.

The Albion Little River Fire Protection District has needed a new station for more than 25 years. The Fire District purchased several adjacent parcels in 2018 to facilitate construction of a new central fire station in Albion. Our building committee has been working for the past 3 years on this proposal and is glad that our permit is being reviewed today.

We have discussed our building plans with other emergency response agencies (Sheriff, CHP, Ambulance, CAL FIRE) as well as held several community outreach meetings to garner support for our new fire station. The new centrally located fire station will improve efficiency and effectiveness in emergency response as well as provide opportunities for collaborative training and community meetings. This new fire station is designed to meet today's fire safety requirements as well as future staffing and training needs.

As emergency response activities have increased more than 30% in the past decade, and will continue to increase due to an aging population and increasing vehicular traffic, as well as a changing climate, it is imperative that we obtain this permit and begin construction of a new fire station.

Thank you.

Pam Linstedt

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