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To the Department of Planning and Building:

Regarding the aforementioned Case Number(s); having previously submitted a letter of support as a community member within the Albion-Little River Fire Protection District, I am now writing in my capacity as the Administrative Assistant for the District in response to public comments regarding appropriate noticing.

Outlined below are the steps taken to notify the public of meetings regarding a proposed new fire station and apparatus bay for the Albion-Little River Fire Protection District. It is important to note that, in addition to the methods detailed below, all announcements regarding public meetings were disseminated through the MCN listserv multiple times and shared on Facebook with the following pages/groups: Albion Little River Volunteer Fire Department, Mendocino, and You Know You're in Albion When, in addition to being posted on the Albion-Little River Fire Protection District Station 810 Bulletin Board (located in Albion village), both the Albion and Little River Post Office bulletin boards and Albion Grocery Store bulletin board.

Exhibit One:

A public announcement meeting mailer was generated, detailing the dates, times, and locations of Public Meetings on October 4, 5, and 6 at various locations throughout the Albion-Little River Fire Protection District. Additionally, the final meeting on October 6 extended an invitation for the public to attend via a Zoom link, which was prominently displayed on the mailer.

Exhibit Two:

Includes a screenshot of a USPS receipt for Every Door Direct Mail, confirming the delivery of the mailers to every post office box and delivery address within zip codes: 95410, 95456, and 95460.

Exhibit Three:

Screenshots of the Public Meeting Announcement posted on the website www.nextdoor.com on 9-23-2022, along with a corresponding announcement on Facebook on 9-30-2022.

Exhibit Four:

A screenshot of the administrative tool for the ALRFPD.com website, demonstrating the placement of announcements for the Public Meeting on 9-30-2022. Additionally, a video of the public meeting was uploaded to the website on 10-23-2022, which garnered 84 views according to the administrative tool.

Exhibit Five:

Includes a copy of the brochure discussing the proposed new firehouse, distributed at each meeting and made available on the Albion Post Office bulletin board and during all ALRFPD

events.

Exhibit Six:

Two subsequent reminder announcements for the Public Meetings were posted on www.nextdoor.com on 10-3-2022 and 10-06-2022.

Exhibit Seven:

Three announcements (two on ALRFPD Facebook and one on nextdoor.com) for the ALRFPD Open House held on October 15, where information and plans for the proposed firehouse were on display, with department representatives available to engage with the public.

Exhibit Eight:

A screenshot of the ALRFPD website featuring a video of the Public Meetings regarding the proposed firehouse, posted on 10-23-2022.

Exhibit Nine:

A screenshot of the website taken on 4-14-2024, highlighting the current availability of a link to the public meetings video.

Please review the provided exhibits, which demonstrate our diligent efforts to ensure widespread public awareness and participation in the decision-making process regarding the proposed fire station and apparatus bay. Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

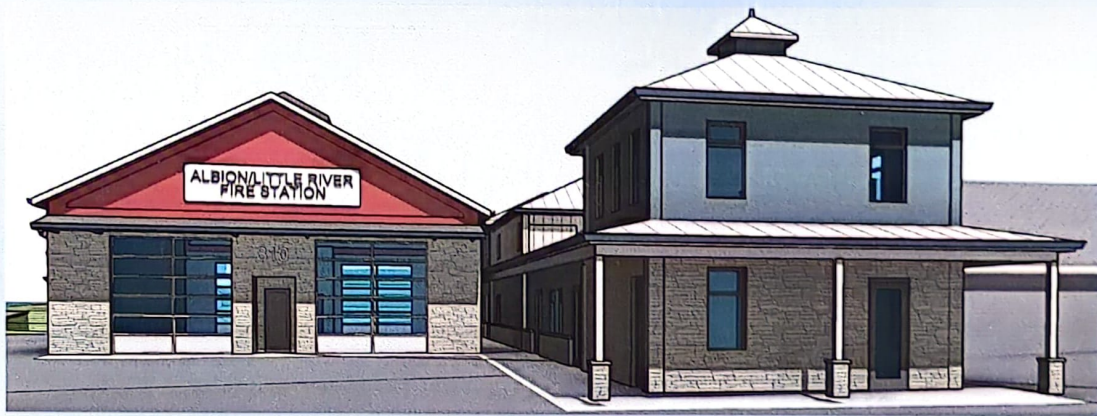
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Albion-Little River Fire Protection District

PROPOSED NEW FIRE STATION & APPARATUS BAY



SOUTH SIDE



OFFICE & APPARATUS BAY



NORTH WEST SIDE



Albion-Little River Fire Protection District Public Meeting

We have a lot to talk about!

Thanks to all the volunteers and participating community members responsible for making our recent barbeque a success! The turnout was amazing, the food wonderful and entertainment and activities fun and informative, especially displays by our local fire safe council and multiple demonstration booths.

A heartfelt thank you for your support!

We hope you'll keep the momentum going by attending one of three presentations to learn about our new proposed fire station and apparatus bay to be constructed behind the Albion Grocery Store at our present location of Station 810.

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October 6 meeting available on Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85254809885>

PROGRAM INCLUDES:

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Diana Wiedemann, *Architect*

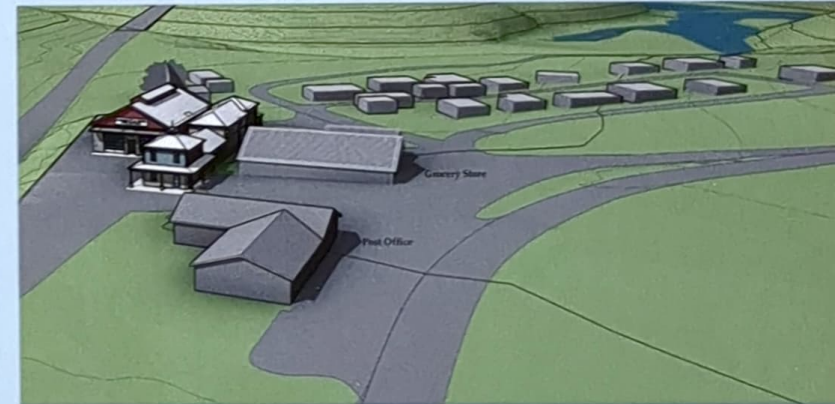
Board Members, *Albion-Little River Fire Protection District*

Light refreshments will be provided following each presentation.

For more information or questions email: office@albionfire.com



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Albion Little River Fire Protection District

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Exhibit 2

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8127086	9/6/2022			
Nickname	Delivery Information	ZIP Code(s) [™]	Drop-Off Date	Payment Method
Public Meeting 1 Edit 	3300 Mailpieces 3 Post Office [™] Drop-Offs	95456, 95410, 95460	9/9/2022	Paid Online

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1	311	LITTLE RIVER 7748 N HIGHWAY 1 LITTLE RIVER, CA 95456	\$58.16	
4	2394	MENDOCINO 10500 FORD ST MENDOCINO, CA 95460	\$447.68	
Total			\$617.11	

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Albion Little River • 23 Sep 22 • 🏠

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The Albion-Little River Fire Protection District invites you to attend one of three presentations to learn about our new proposed fire station and apparatus b... See more

Public Meeting

We've got a lot to talk about!



Three opportunities to participate

October 4, 5, and 6

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Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting

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Exhibit 3

Facebook interface showing the profile of Albion Little River Fire Protection District. The page includes a navigation menu on the left, a header with the district name and date (September 30, 2022), and a main post area. The post features a large image with the text "Public Meeting We've got a lot to talk about!" and "Three opportunities to participate October 4, 5, and 6". Below the image, there is a date "THU, OCT 6, 2022", the text "We've Got a Lot to Talk About!", and a "Boost a post" button. The post also shows interaction options like "Like", "Comment", and "Share". A comment by Wendy Meyer is visible at the bottom.

Manage Page

- Albion Little River Fire Protection District
- Professional dashboard
- Insights
- Ad Center
- Boost post
- Create ads
- Settings
- More tools (6)


Albion Little River Fire Protection District
September 30, 2022

Promote Website

Always open

Not yet rated (2 Reviews)

Photos See all photos



Public Meeting
We've got a lot to talk about!

Three opportunities to participate
October 4, 5, and 6

THU, OCT 6, 2022
We've Got a Lot to Talk About!
Shared to Mendocino

See insights Boost a post

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Comment as Wendy Meyer

You're commenting as Wendy Meyer.

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Exhibit 4





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2022-10-24 Board of Directors Meeting		5	Meeting	Board Of Directors Meetings		11/22/2022 Steve Acker
2022-09-19 Board of Directors Meeting		6	Meeting	Board Of Directors Meetings		10/25/2022 Steve Acker
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Exhibit 5



Albion-Little River Fire Protection District



Our Vision

To provide the community, our firefighters and our first responders with a fully functional firehouse that is up to date with fully equipped modern fire trucks, adequate fire-fighting equipment and effective training programs.

History

The Albion-Little River community 810 fire station, located near the Albion post office, was built over 60 years ago. The station is not large enough to house more than one rescue truck let alone a full-sized fire engine. It was built when the community and entire coast was much less populated. Although this building has served as a central fire station, it does not meet today's standards. Today's fire regulations and safety standards for both firefighters and residents deserve to be brought to current safety standards.

As the Albion-Little River communities have grown, so have the responsibilities and demands associated with protecting our lives, property and environment.

The fundamental building design goal is to create a cost effective, healthy, energy efficient building that will encompass hybrid solar and heat pump systems, along with air ventilation systems that will protect our firefighters with today's and future air quality standards. Planning for both energy efficiency and cost savings will benefit the community into the future.



New Fire Station

The proposed fire station will have two separate buildings—an apparatus bay for housing fire trucks and equipment and serving as a training center. The second detached building shall be an administrative building that provides administrative offices, a large multi purpose room that will serve both the firefighters and the community for training, education and meetings, bathrooms, kitchen and dining area that can serve both fire-fighting personnel along with fundraising events. The upstairs provides training facilities and future sleeping quarters for our fire personnel.

The planning efforts continue to take into account the fact that climate change, increasing and changing community population (fewer volunteers and greater expectations) requires consistent staffing and reliable modern equipment.



Donate Today

A new, central fire station will benefit everyone in our community - our firefighters will have a clean, efficient space from which to quickly respond, benefiting homeowners in quicker response rates and equitable insurance premiums. While we are pursuing funding options, we need your help to make our efforts go even further. Nothing is more important to the safety of our community than the health of our fire department and emergency services. You can help us reach our goal by donating today:

Online at: **albionfire.com/donate-today**

Mail a check to:

Albion-Little River Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 634
Albion, CA 95410

Centrally Located Station

- Consolidated and coordinated emergency response
- Secure administrative records that are efficiently accessed
- Improved maintenance and upkeep of equipment

Apparatus Bay

- Will house all first-out apparatus – Type 1 Structure Engine, Rescue Truck, Type 3 Wildland Engine, 2,500 gallon Water Tender
- Opens the possibility of having an ALS or BLS ambulance in the future
- Will contain a decontamination room for firefighter gear and equipment

Multipurpose Room

- Training room and grounds to meet ever increasing government training requirements
- Community meeting room
- Command center for emergency incidents
- Emergency shelter with backup power

Administrative Offices

- Fire Chief office
- District Office administrative staff
- Board of Directors

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Wendy Meyer

Albion Little River • 6 Oct 22 •



Tonight's your LAST CHANCE to attend our public meeting series to learn about the new proposed fire station and apparatus bay to be constructed behind the / See more



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Albion, CA



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FIRE Department T-Shirts for Sale



There will be information about the Proposed New Station 810 and the plans will be on display.



Albion-Little River Fire Auxiliary
Will be Serving Lunch from 12 to 3:
Tri-Tip Sandwiches with Chips & Drink \$15
Hot Dogs with Chips & Drink \$10



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022 AT 11 AM – 4 PM

Open House!

33900 West St., Albion, CA

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Event by **Albion Little River Fire Protection District**

33900 West St., Albion, CA

Duration: 5 hr

Public · Anyone on or off Facebook

We're having an OPEN HOUSE this Saturday from 11AM to 4PM at our Albion Station 810 behind the Albion Grocery Store and we'd love for you to join us! There will information on our new proposed fire station, our Fire Safe Council will be there, information on how YOU can volunteer, and what to know about Measure P.

Our Auxiliary will be serving Tri Tip Sandwiches with chips and drink for \$15 or hot dogs with chips and drink for \$10 from Noon to 3PM. They will also have T-Shirts for Sale.

Don't miss it. We'll be looking for you! [See less](#)



33900 West St., Albion, CA



ALBION-LITTLE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, October 15th, 2022
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Station 810, Albion Village Firehouse



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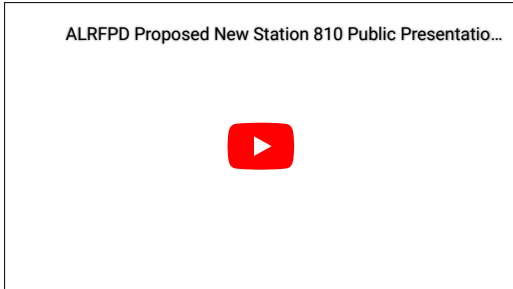
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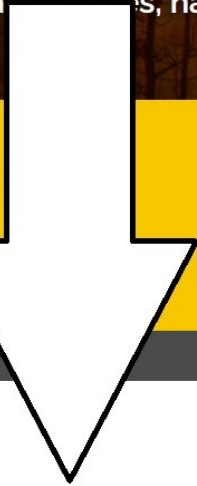
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Our Mission

Our district mission is to provide personnel and resources necessary for protection of life and property in the Albion... against threats from structural & wildland fires, medical emergencies, hazardous materials releases, and dis

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A Video of our recent

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