



## STAFF REPORT

**Meeting Date:** June 30, 2015  
**To:** Honorable Mayor & City Council  
**From:** Ralph Mundell, Fire Chief  
Greg Barton, Deputy Fire Chief  
**Subject:** AGREEMENT WITH CULVER CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR  
USE OF TRAINING TOWER

**Attachments:**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

This report informs the City Council that the City will enter into an agreement with the Culver City Fire Department (CCFD) for use of their training tower. In consideration of such use, the Beverly Hills Fire Department will be paying \$10,000, which the CCFD will use towards the repair of their Fire training tower.

### **DISCUSSION**

The CCFD Training Tower serves as our fire personnel's training ground for performing fire ground and various rescue exercises. The BHFD uses the CCFD Training Tower as the primary venue for training newly-hired fire personnel during their four week orientation and also for training on their 6 month and 10 month probationary test. On average, the CCFD Training Tower is being utilized by our existing personnel, at 40 hours per month, to simulate scenarios that cannot be duplicated in the City. Examples of these simulations are: ladder drills, ventilation techniques, "live" fire scenarios, fire ground hose evolutions and other emergency operation scenarios. Due to age and use of the drill tower, it is currently off limits for training until structural repairs can be made. Use of the CCFD Training Tower is a vital part of our training regimen and helps us in maintaining our ISO Class I rating.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The one-time cost to the City is \$10,000, which CCFD will use to supplement the CCFD's total estimated cost of \$100,000 to fully repair the CCFD Training Tower. Funds are already covered in the department's FY 14/15 budget.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

None. This report is for information only.

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Approved By  
Ralph Mundell, Fire Chief