

Item Title: Resolution to Modify the Garner Suburban, Furina, Alert, Ten-Ten, Hipex, Holly Springs Rural and Swift Creek Fire Insurance District Boundaries

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution modifying the boundaries of the Garner Suburban, Furina, Alert, Ten-Ten, Hipex, Holly Springs Rural and Swift Creek Fire Insurance Districts.

Item Summary:

Purpose: North Carolina General Statute 153A – 233 authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to designate fire districts and approve the district boundaries thereof for insurance grading purposes.

Background: In unincorporated Wake County, the Board of Commissioners approve fire insurance district boundaries and contract with fire departments to provide fire protection and related emergency services in those districts. Funding is provided by revenues from a county-wide fire protection service tax district.

The goal of these changes is to ultimately align all county fire insurance districts with the respective fire department's closest station response thereby reducing existing duplicate responses and expenses.

Wake County Fire Services presented the proposed changes to the Wake County Fire Commission at its November 21, 2019 meeting. The Fire Commission voted to recommend staff's proposed realignment, with the following note; Insurance District Boundaries shall be realigned as new stations are constructed and placed in service.

The North Carolina Office of the State Fire Marshal has reviewed and approved the proposed boundary changes.

Board Goal: None

Fiscal Impact: Realignment of insurance districts changes many data elements utilized in the cost share formulas. In this case, the additional cost to the Fire Tax District is estimated to be approximately \$20,000 per year.

Additional Information:

None.

Attachments:

1. Resolution – Modify the Garner Suburban, Alert, Furina, Ten-Ten, Swift Creek, Hipex and Holly Springs Rural Insurance Boundaries
2. Map showing both current and proposed insurance district boundary lines
3. Map showing proposed insurance district boundary lines
4. Email of Approval from NC Department of Insurance
5. Draft Minutes of the November 21, 2019 Fire Commission Meeting