<u>Item Title:</u> Conveyance of Real Property from Eastern Wake Fire-Rescue Dept,

Inc. ("EWFR") to Wake County

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners:

1. Accepts the conveyance by Special Warranty Deed of the real property acquired by EWFR at Book 2688, Page 528 of the Wake County Registry, being the Hester Street Fire Station, and the Right of Way for Hester Street Station acquired by EWFR at Book 3351, Page 493 of the Wake County Registry, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

- 2. Accepts the conveyance by Special Warranty Deed of the real property acquired by EWFR at Book 6533, page 755 of the Wake County Registry, being the Clifton Road Fire Station, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.
- 3. Authorizes the Manager to execute any documents incident to the acquisition of the aforementioned properties.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners must approve all real estate

transactions.

Background: This conveyance was negotiated as part of the merger of fire

operations between EWFR and the Town of Knightdale Fire Department. The parties agreed that any real property currently in EWFR's possession and acquired through Fire Tax District funds shall be returned to Wake County. Wake County shall transfer the use of the conveyed properties to the Town of Knightdale Fire Department for fire protection purposes through the execution of a Utilization Agreement to run co-terminous with the Fire Protection Agreement(s). This conveyance ensures that Wake County retains assets acquired with taxpayer funds, while preserving the use needed for fire protection. Wake County already funds the maintenance of these stations through the Fire Commission budget allowance for EWFR, such that Wake County shall incur no additional cost, and in fact, realize efficiencies in the maintenance of

these assets.

Board Goal: This action supports routine County operations.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the County associated with accepting

these conveyances.

Additional Information:

The County Attorney recommends procuring title insurance for the properties as part of due diligence.

Attachments: None.