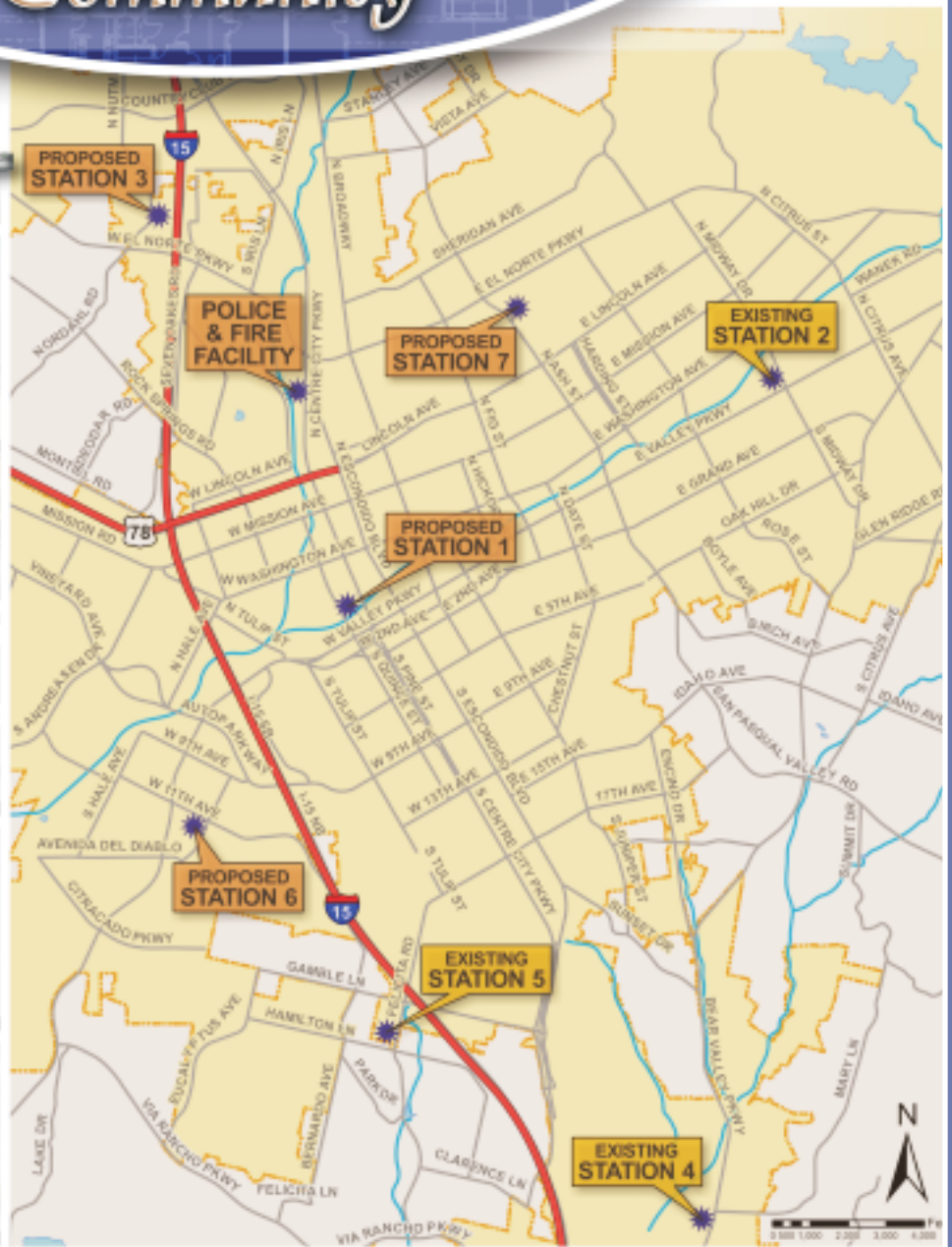


PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES  
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

# Second Annual Report to the Community



July 2007

**ESCONDIDO**  
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## Letter from the Chair

The Public Safety Facilities Oversight Committee is pleased to present this second annual report which summarizes the overall status of activities and progress for the City of Escondido's Public Safety Facilities project during May 2006 through June 2007.

Since our first report in July 2006, there have been significant expenditures and progress on all of the facilities. Detailed information about these are contained within other sections of this report. The Oversight Committee met regularly throughout the past year and is pleased to report that expenditures of bond proceeds were spent only for the uses listed in the ballot language and no bond funds were spent on City administrators' salaries.

This past winter our committee welcomed three new members to replace those whose terms of office expired in January 2007. Each individual brings special talents and perspectives that will serve our committee well over the next two years. We also would like to acknowledge the excellent support we continue to receive from City Staff. They have been very helpful in responding to our requests for information, as well as helping to make the transition of the new members go smoothly.

The Oversight Committee is grateful to have the opportunity to serve and advise the City Council and community about these important public safety projects.







~ Carl Skaja, Chair

# Oversight Committee Activities

In November 2004, Escondido voters approved Proposition P, an \$84.3 million General Obligation Bond for the construction of a much-needed new joint Police and Fire Facility, as well as the construction of three new neighborhood fire stations and the construction of a replacement Fire Station I.

The purpose of the Public Safety Facilities Oversight Committee is to assure voters that bond proceeds are spent only for the uses listed in the Prop P ballot language and that no funds are used for administrators' salaries.

To carry out its responsibilities, the Oversight Committee has met regularly since its inaugural meeting on February 24, 2005. The committee currently meets on a bi-monthly basis. During the past year Oversight Committee members have:

-  Conducted all business in compliance with the Brown Act
-  Reviewed project plans
-  Reviewed financial statements
-  Reviewed the financial audit performed by Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.
-  Ensured that expenditures of bond proceeds are consistent with stated purposes of Proposition P and that no bond revenues were used for any administrator's salaries
-  Presented the First Annual Report of the Citizens' Oversight Committee to the City Council on June 14, 2006

## Oversight Committee Members

The committee consists of seven members, appointed by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council, to serve a term of two years without compensation. The activities of the Oversight Committee are advisory only and do not replace or impede the activities or responsibilities of elected City Council members in any manner, including the responsibility of the City Council to make all final decisions regarding the expenditure of bond funds.

In January 2007, the terms of office for several committee members expired. Three members of the Oversight

Committee were reappointed by the Mayor, along with three new members. The following individuals are now serving as members of the Oversight Committee:

Darol Caster  
 Jim Fraker  
 Randy Goodman  
 Gene Heyer  
 Larry Lynch  
 Richard Marino  
 Carl Skaja (Chairman)

Special appreciation is expressed to Van Bethea and James Crone for their dedicated service to the community these past two years as members of the Oversight Committee.

## Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held bimonthly on the second Thursday of the month in the ParkView Room at City Hall. The meetings begin at 4:30 pm and are open to the public. The ParkView Room is located on the second floor of City Hall located at 201 N. Broadway, Escondido.

### Upcoming meeting schedule:

September 13, 2007

November 8, 2007

January 10, 2008

March 13, 2008

May 8, 2008

## Bond Sale

On August 1, 2006 the City of Escondido's \$84.3 million General Obligation Bond was offered for sale. There was high interest in the sale with ten institutions submitting bids. The successful bidder was Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. In addition to the \$84,350,000 paid by Citigroup, they also paid a premium of \$914,861.55. This premium was used to pay for the Underwriter, cost of issuance, and insurance, leaving a net surplus of \$127,032.55 which was used to reduce the debt service payment.

The following is a summary of bond expenditures as of March 31, 2007:

Facility	Budget	Expenditures	Committed	Remaining Funds
Police & Fire	\$50,600,000	\$4,694,566	\$5,920,132	\$39,985,302
Fire Station 1	14,500,000	1,041,750	180,629	13,277,621
Fire Station 3	6,000,000	805,972	82,669	5,111,359
Fire Station 6	5,000,000	257,633	710,999	4,031,368
Fire Station 7	6,500,000	342,327	83,776	6,073,897
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$84,350,000</b>	<b>\$7,142,248</b>	<b>\$6,978,205</b>	<b>\$70,229,547</b>

Detailed information about Prop P expenditures may be found on the City's website at: [http://www.escondido.org/safety/reports/Oversight\\_Analysis\\_Report.pdf](http://www.escondido.org/safety/reports/Oversight_Analysis_Report.pdf) This information is updated following each Oversight Committee bimonthly meeting.

## Project Highlights This Past Year

### POLICE & FIRE FACILITY (1163 N. Centre City Parkway)

- ✦ Held Groundbreaking Ceremony on September 11, 2006
- ✦ Developed a five-phased construction plan:
  - Phase I – Rough grading, relocation of 24" sewer line, street improvements, traffic signal
  - Phase II – Underground site utilities (water, sewer, and storm drain)
  - Phase III – Parking structure
  - Phase IV – Actual construction of the building
  - Phase V – Landscaping, Hardscape, Commissioning
- ✦ Completed Phase I (Relocated 24" sewer line on site and completed rough grading, street improvements, and installation of a traffic signal at Centre City Parkway and Decatur Way)
- ✦ Began construction of Phase II, Underground Wet Utilities
- ✦ Advertised for bids for Phase III, Parking Garage

### FIRE STATIONS

#### Fire Station 1 (310 N. Quince)

- ✦ Relocated Fire Station 1 operations temporarily to 905 W. Washington Avenue during reconstruction
- ✦ Began demolition of structures
- ✦ Anticipate completion by Spring 2009

#### Fire Station 3 (1808 Nutmeg Street)

- ✦ Completed eminent domain proceedings to acquire property for Fire Station 3
- ✦ Awarded bid for construction of Fire Station 3 to Murray Builders.
- ✦ Anticipate completion by summer 2008

#### Fire Station 6 (1735 Del Dios Road)

- ✦ Demolished structures at site of Fire Station 6
- ✦ Began grading of Fire Station 6 site
- ✦ Anticipate completion by summer 2008

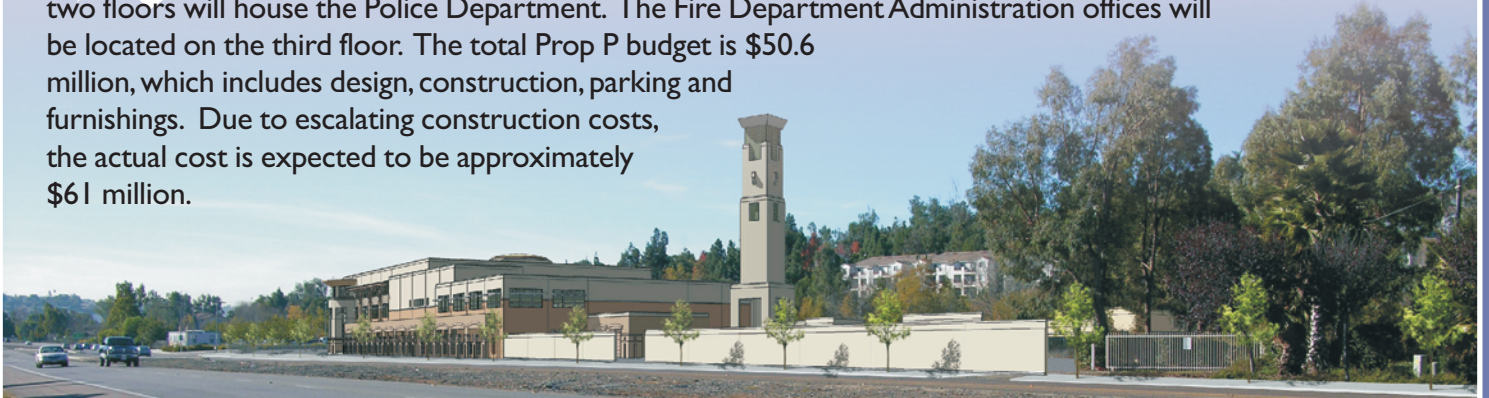
#### Fire Station 7 (1220 N. Ash Street)

- ✦ Advertised bids for construction of Fire Station 7
- ✦ Anticipate completion by summer 2008

# Prop P Projects

## Police and Fire Facility

The new Police and Fire Facility will be located at 1163 North Centre City Parkway. The facility will consist of an approximately 115,371 square-foot, three-story building with ample public and employee parking. The first two floors will house the Police Department. The Fire Department Administration offices will be located on the third floor. The total Prop P budget is \$50.6 million, which includes design, construction, parking and furnishings. Due to escalating construction costs, the actual cost is expected to be approximately \$61 million.



## Station 1

This project is located at 310 North Quince. It will include the demolition and removal of the existing Fire Station 1, reserve apparatus building, and training tower, as well as the reconstruction of a new 28,340 square foot facility, hose tower and classroom. The first floor will be approximately 21,640 square feet. The second floor will have 6,700 square feet of living quarter areas. It will accommodate 2 paramedic fire engines, 1 truck company, 2 ambulances and 1 battalion chief vehicle. This amounts to 15 persons per shift. The total Prop P budget is \$14.5 million, which includes design, construction, parking and furnishings.

## Station 3

This facility will be located at 1808 Nutmeg Street on a 1.3 acre parcel. The structure will be approximately 8,950 square feet with about 4,448 square feet of apparatus floor and associated areas, 2,392 square feet of living quarter areas, 455 square feet of office area and 160 square feet of public area. It will accommodate 1 paramedic fire engine 1 wildland brush engine. The total Prop P budget is \$6.0 million, which includes land acquisition, design, construction, parking and furnishings.

## Station 6

This facility will be located at 1735 Del Dios Road on a 1.5 acre parcel. It will be approximately 7,360 square feet with approximately 3,667 square feet of apparatus floor and associated areas, 1,860 square feet of living quarter areas, 350 square feet of office space, and 183 square feet of public area. It will accommodate 1 paramedic fire engine and 1 wildland brush engine. The total Prop P budget is \$5.0 million, which includes land acquisition, design, construction, parking and furnishings.

## Station 7

This facility will be located at 1220 North Ash Street on a 1.0 acre parcel. This one story structure will be approximately 8,950 square feet with about 4,448 square feet of apparatus floor and associated areas, 2,392 square feet of living quarter areas, 455 square feet of office area, and 160 square feet of public area. It will accommodate 1 paramedic fire engine and 1 wildland brush engine. The total Prop P budget is \$6.5 million, which includes land acquisition, design, construction, parking and furnishings.