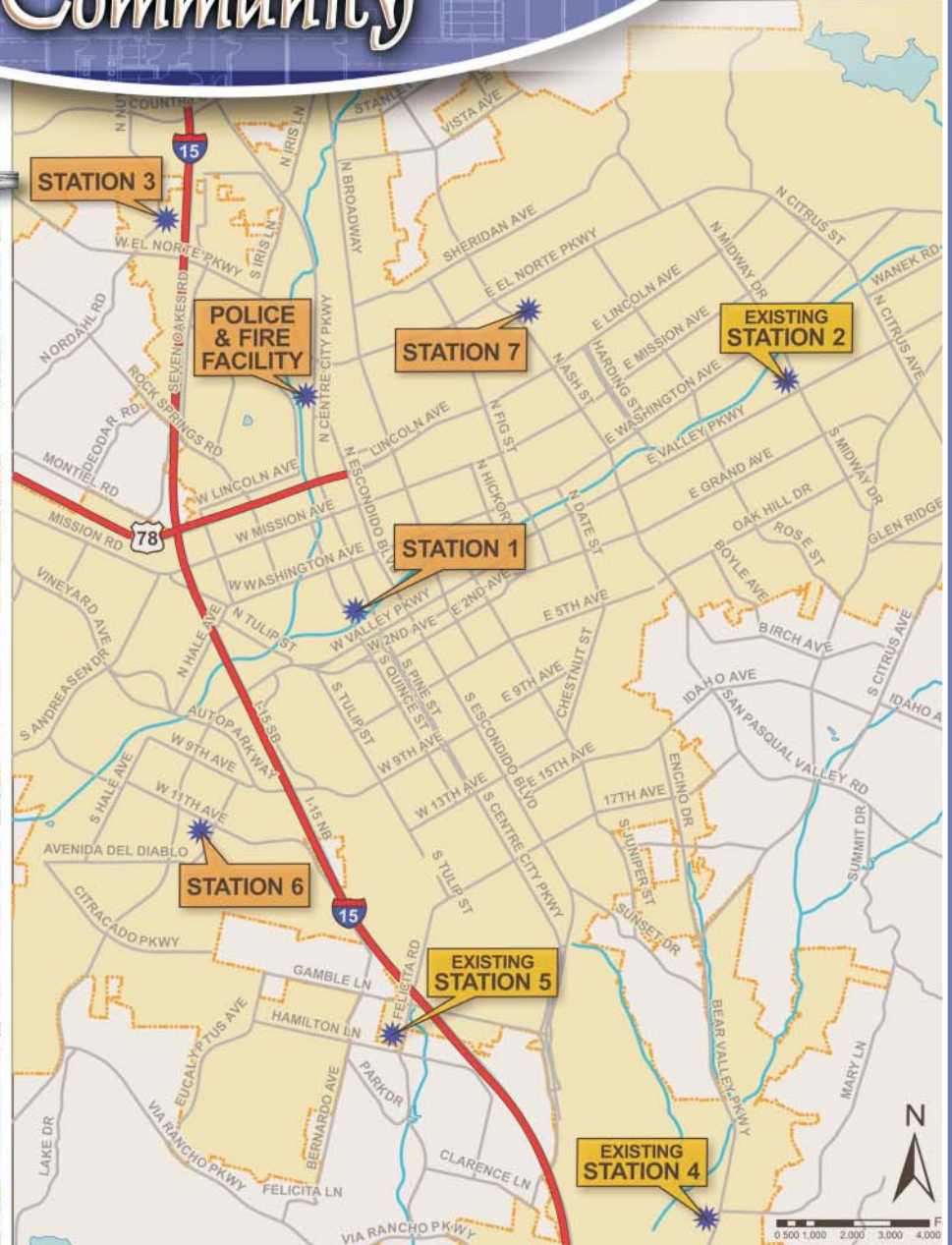


PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES  
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

# Third Annual Report to the Community



September 2008

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## Letter from the Chair

The Public Safety Facilities Oversight Committee is pleased to present this third annual report on Proposition P, the \$84.3 million bond measure passed by Escondido voters in 2004. This report summarizes the overall status of activities and progress for the City of Escondido's Public Safety Facilities project during May 2007 through August 2008.

Since our last report in 2007 construction on four of the buildings is well underway and one fire station already has been completed. A Grand Opening Ceremony was held for Fire Station 3 on August 2, 2008. As a community, we can take pride in this beautiful new facility and the others still to come. Fire Stations 6 and 7 are on target to be completed in Fall 2008. The Police and Fire Facility, as well as Fire Station 1, are on schedule for completion in 2009. Detailed information about these projects is 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.

As chair of the Oversight Committee I take great pride in the accomplishments of Proposition P, the city staff, and my fellow committee members.








~ **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 1.

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.
-  Toured the construction sites of all of the facilities
-  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 Second Annual Report of the Citizens' Oversight Committee to the City Council on August 8, 2007

## 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.

The following individuals are members of the Oversight Committee:

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

## Meeting Schedule

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

### *Upcoming meeting schedule:*

November 13, 2008	January 8, 2009
March 12, 2009	May 14, 2009

# Financial Status

Since the sale of the \$84.3 million General Obligation Bond in August 2006, the City has earned approximately \$6.27 million in interest. This interest is held in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and will be used to help defray the shortfall between the actual cost of construction and Prop P funds.

The General Obligation Bonds are secured by the legal obligation to levy an ad valorem property tax upon taxable property within the City in an amount sufficient to pay the yearly debt service payment. This debt service payment is due in both March and September each year until the bonds mature on September 1, 2036. In order to collect the required debt service payment for this past year, the property tax rate was set at \$40.13 per \$100,000 of assessed value. In August 2008 the City Council approved a revised property tax rate of \$36.66 per \$100,000 of assessed value.

The following is a summary of bond expenditures as of June 30, 2008:

Facility	Budget	Revenue	Expenditures	Committed	Remaining Funds
Police & Fire	\$50,600,000		\$16,779,275	\$28,904,760	\$4,915,964
Fire Station 1	14,506,785	(6,785)	5,026,109	8,719,716	760,960
Fire Station 3	6,007,788	(7,788)	5,104,652	504,744	398,393
Fire Station 6	5,901,075	(3,575)	4,247,367	1,571,352	82,356
Fire Station 7	6,504,400	(4,400)	3,940,090	1,002,266	1,562,044
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$84,372,548</b>	<b>(22,548)</b>	<b>\$35,097,493</b>	<b>\$40,702,838</b>	<b>\$8,572,217</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)

- ✎ Erected Structural Steel; masonry is well underway.
- ✎ Completed Phase III (Parking Structure)
- ✎ Completed Phase II (Water, sewer and storm drains)
- ✎ Authorized staff to purchase Herman Miler furniture for the facility through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance working through Office Pavilion of San Diego
- ✎ Awarded multiple prime contracts for Roofing, Electrical, Fire Sprinklers, Voice and Data Services, Millwork, Rollup Doors, Glass and Glazing, Finishes, Drywall, Doors, Flooring, Security Equipment, Lab casework, HVAC and Plumbing, Masonry, Structural Concrete, Elevators, and Steel. A complete listing of contract amounts and contractors can be found on the City's website at <http://www.ci.escondido.ca.us/safety/facility.html>

### FIRE STATIONS

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

- ✎ Began framing and masonry
- ✎ Held Groundbreaking Ceremony on March 6, 2008
- ✎ Awarded construction contract to Jaynes Corporation in the amount of \$12,125,000.00

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

- ✎ Completed construction held Grand Opening on August 2, 2008
- ✎ Received a "Notable" Award for design from *Fire Chief Magazine*.
- ✎ Held Groundbreaking Ceremony on June 28, 2007

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

- ✎ Completed approximately 90% of the station
- ✎ Awarded contract to Erickson Hall in the amount of \$4,051,000.00 for the construction of Fire Station 6
- ✎ Held Groundbreaking Ceremony on November 6, 2007

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

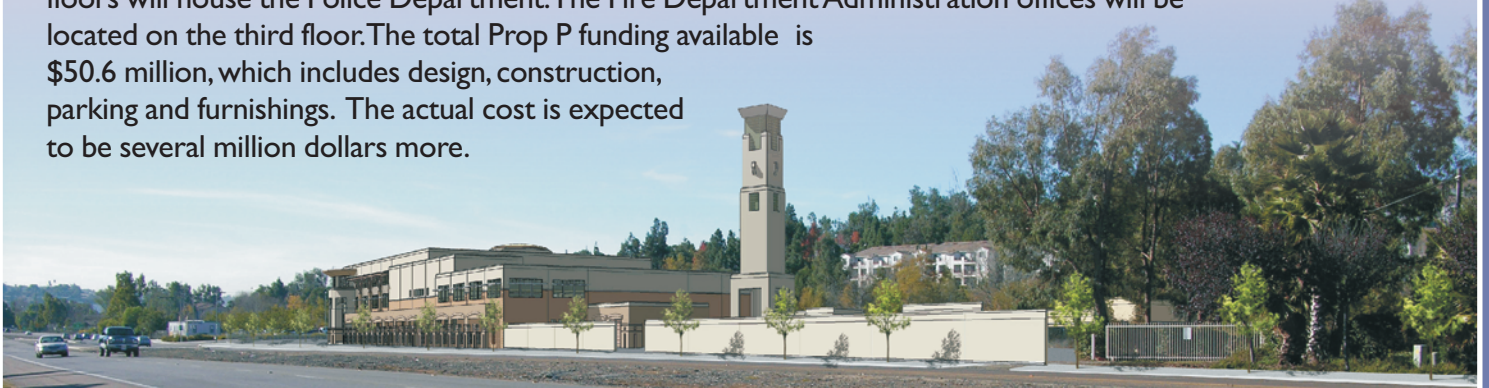
- ✎ Completed approximately 90% of the station
- ✎ Awarded contract to Erickson Hall in the amount of \$4,237,000.00 for the construction of Fire Station 7
- ✎ Held Groundbreaking Ceremony on September 18, 2007



# 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 funding available is \$50.6 million, which includes design, construction, parking and furnishings. The actual cost is expected to be several million dollars more.



## Station 1

This project is located at 310 North Quince. It included 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 1 paramedic fire engine, 1 truck company, 2 ambulances and 1 battalion chief vehicle. This amounts to 19 persons. The total Prop P budget is \$14.5 million, which includes design, construction, parking and furnishings.

## Station 3

This facility is a medium-sized fire station located at 1808 Nutmeg Street on a 1.3 acre parcel. The structure is 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 is designed to accommodate 1 paramedic fire engine and 1 ambulance and 1 wildland brush engine. The total Prop P budget was approximately \$6.0 million, which included land acquisition, design, construction, parking and furnishings. The project was completed on time and approximately \$350,000 under budget.

## Station 6

This facility is a small-sized fire station located at 1735 Del Dios Road on a 1.5 acre parcel. It is 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 accommodates 1 paramedic fire engine and 1 wildland brush engine. The total Prop P budget is approximately \$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.