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July 31, 2024

Chief Tiffany Green
Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department
9201 Basil Court, 4th Floor East
Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chief Green,

I would like to extend our sincere gratitude for meeting with us on July 23rd. We appreciate the time and effort you devoted to explaining the data collected to date and sharing your conclusions regarding the impact of the summer staffing plan. While we appreciate the very limited data we have received so far, it falls short of our request dating back to June 10th, when we asked for the consultants' report and the raw data that justified the staffing plan. As of today, July 31st, we have yet to receive the data.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 18, 2024, which included call data for incidents from June 30, 2024, through July 13, 2024. While we appreciate the data provided, questions remain, and we would like to see more comprehensive data. With the limited data that your office has shared, we are alarmed that your office is reporting a 7:36-minute response time on ALS calls.

We remain concerned about the increased response times. Additionally, we have yet to receive the raw data and the consultants' report. We are dissatisfied with your office's response that these documents cannot be shared because an MPIA request was submitted and the county attorneys must review the records before they can be released. Communication is key to building trust and support for the summer staffing plan. Putting up such barriers is counterproductive to our diligent efforts to collaboratively find solutions to these staffing challenges. We ask you to reconsider this position and release the data and reports.

Our requests to you and the county are simple and fair. In addition to our previous request for AEDs for our community, which were either rejected or not responded to, we are now asking for AED and CPR training for the community.

Our Requests remain as initially presented:

1. Establishing a Taskforce:

- Form a comprehensive taskforce that includes representatives from municipalities, career personnel, volunteer personnel, and County Fire Leadership.
- The goal is to collaboratively develop and implement a sustainable staffing plan that addresses the needs and concerns of all stakeholders.



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2. **Data Transparency:**

- Share comprehensive data and analysis to understand the true impact of staffing changes.
- Develop informed strategies that address both operational needs and personnel welfare.

3. **Volunteer Support:**

- Enhance support and incentives for volunteer firefighters, recognizing their invaluable contribution.
- Acknowledge their limitations in filling extensive coverage gaps.

4. **Ongoing Engagement:**

- Establish regular meetings with all relevant stakeholders to review progress, share updates, and adjust strategies as needed.
- Ensure the plan evolves to meet the community's needs effectively.

We kindly request a response from you on our requests for establishing a task force to regularly review data and find a compromise, data transparency, volunteer support, and ongoing engagement with our leadership team and community.

Thank you once again for your time and consideration. We look forward to working collaboratively to ensure the safety and well-being of our community and our Fire and EMS personnel.

Sincerely,

Emmett Jordan
Mayor
City of Greenbelt