



# **2016 Fire Department Budget**

**Council Presentation  
September 23, 2015**

# 2016 Budget Priorities



- ✦ **Maintain excellent core service delivery**
- ✦ **Enhance Firefighter safety**
- ✦ **Improve station/apparatus infrastructure**
- ✦ **Racial equity of services, programs, & policy**
- ✦ **Continue to diversify department workforce**

# 2016 Budget Overview



- ✧ **Maintains daily staffing at 114**
- ✧ **Maintains company staffing levels**
- ✧ **Adds 4 additional Fire Medic Cadets**
- ✧ **Completes CLB investment at Station 19**
- ✧ **Begins CLB replacement of Station 20**



# Fire Medic Cadet



- ❖ 4 authored in 2015 (beginning in July)
- ❖ \$185,000 Salary & Fringes Per Year for 4 x FMCs
- ❖ Increase \$185K Annually for 3 Years
- ❖ 2018: 4 Resident Diverse Firefighter Medics/Year

2015



2016



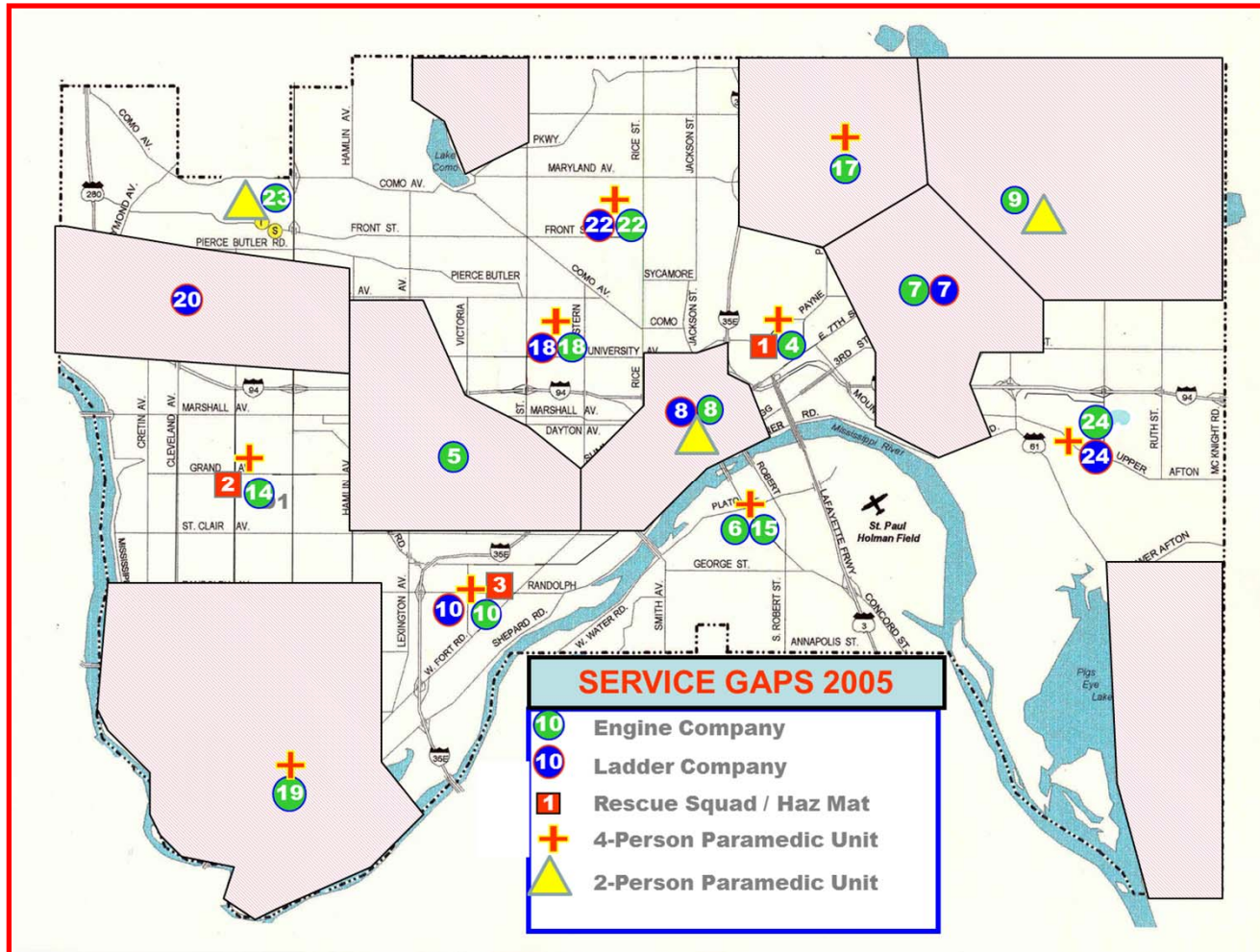
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2018



# Service Gaps & Inequities



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## CAPITAL AND ONGOING COST & FTE'S TO CLOSE KNOWN SERVICE GAPS

| STATION       | FACILITY COST     | APPARATUS COST | NEW FTE'S | RECURRING CREW COST | RECURRING APPARATUS COST |
|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------------------|
|               |                   |                |           |                     |                          |
| 5             | 0                 | 220,000        | 8         | 622,000             | 45,000                   |
| 20            | 7,000,000         | 220,000        | 24        | 1,392,000           | 45,000                   |
| 7             | 7,000,000         | 220,000        | 8         | 622,000             | 45,000                   |
| 17            | 6,000,000         | 0              | 0         | 622,000             | 0                        |
|               |                   |                |           |                     |                          |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>20,000,000</b> | <b>660,000</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>3,258,000</b>    | <b>135,000</b>           |

# Recent Innovations



**Fire has a proven track record of “Taking Ground” and Implementing Major Innovation Projects:**

- ❖ **EMS Academy – BLS Unit – Fire Medic Cadet**
- ❖ **Closing the “Highland Gap”**
- ❖ **Eliminated Brown Outs**
- ❖ **Cut Paramedic Training Costs 75%**
- ❖ **Community Paramedic Program**



# Challenges Ahead



- ❖ **Response times exceed national standards**
- ❖ **Rising run volumes**
- ❖ **Infrastructure limitations impact services**
- ❖ **Skeleton crew at HQ**
- ❖ **Fleet maintenance & apparatus needs**
- ❖ **Continue positive Labor-Management relations**
- ❖ **Workforce development and diversity**

# Fiscal Challenges Ahead



- ❖ **Health & Wellness of our Personnel**
- ❖ **Staff, Vehicles, & Stations to Close Service Gaps**
- ❖ **Apparatus Replacement & Reserve Apparatus**
- ❖ **Hiring/Training Additional Paramedics**
- ❖ **Critical Safety and Support Positions Funded**
- ❖ **800 Mhz Radio Replacement**

## 2 Deferred Items Need Action



### ✦ Health and Wellness Program

- Special Operations Deputy Chief
- Annual Medical Evaluations & Diagnostics
- Fitness Programs
- OSHA & NFPA Compliance

### ✦ Service Dress Uniforms for Local 21 Members

- \$220,000 initial cost; \$10,000 annual sustainment



**Questions?**