

Littleton Fire Protection District

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City Council
C/o Mark Relph, City Manager
City of Littleton
2255 West Berry Avenue
Littleton, Colorado 80165

Re: Selecting South Metro Fire Rescue Fire Protection District to Provide Fire and Emergency Services to the City's Citizens and their Property

Members of the Littleton City Council,

The Littleton Fire Protection District's decades long partnership with the City of Littleton in the provision of fire and emergency services has been deeply rooted in the belief that, by combining our strengths and resources, our organizations can provide our communities with more cost effective and better fire and emergency services than either organization can provide alone. While the Fire District Board of Directors have made the difficult decision to merge with South Metro Fire Rescue Fire Protection District and terminate its partnership with the City and Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District, the Fire District Board's core values have not changed. We can best serve our communities by combining our strengths and resources.

From the outset of the discussions, the Fire District Board has urged the City and Highlands Ranch to join in the merger. We are pleased that Highlands Ranch has made the decision to move forward. We continue to urge the City to join in the merger, as doing so will ensure that critical fire and emergency services will continue to be provided to our communities by one high quality fire department. Moreover, once South Metro, the Fire District and Highlands Ranch have merged, South Metro's jurisdictional service area will surround the City on three sides. By joining us, the City will ensure a unified geographic response area that will promote more efficient and effective fire and emergency services to our communities.

Sincerely,

Keith Gardner, President
On Behalf of the Board of Directors

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