

Request for Board Action

REFERRED TO BOARD: September 19, 2016

AGENDA ITEM NO: 8

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

SUBJECT: Consideration of a Joint Resolution Recognizing and Supporting a Petition of Annexation of Village of Antioch Territory into the First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

Antioch Fire Department Vision Statement
Village, District, and Township
Amended January 2016

The vision of the Village of Antioch, the Antioch First Fire Protection District, and Antioch Township is that the Antioch Fire Department will serve the entire community, village and unincorporated areas with quality, professional, and efficient fire and EMS services at a reasonable cost to the residents. In order for this to occur fire and EMS services will be under one jurisdiction with an independent elected body governing its operations.

The Goals that must be met to achieve the Vision include the following components:

- Antioch Fire Department and First Fire Protection District become one entity
- Continue operating through the Joint Fire Committee and Intergovernmental agreement until unification is accomplished
- Maintain an adequate fleet and equipment
- Establishment of measurable performance standards
- Adoption of unified fire safety and inspection code for community buildings and structures
- An ongoing community education program
- A 5-person Board is elected to direct the unified system
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Goals accomplished from the original vision include the following:

- Establishment of Shared Vision by 3 government agencies
- One Fire Chief
- Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) updated
- Public awareness program completed prior to the referendum
- Successful referendum for EMS services
- All three stations open 24 hours every day
- EMS services provided through the Antioch Fire Department

It is the desire of the Joint Fire Committee to have the governing bodies of the Village, District and Township adopt a common resolution that supports the discussed vision.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This Resolution has no Financial Impact to the Budget

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

1. Resolution

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to approve a Joint Resolution Recognizing and Supporting a Petition of Annexation of Village of Antioch Territory into the First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township.

COMBINED RESOLUTION

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
RESOLUTION 2016 – ____**

**FIRST FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION 2016- ____**

**ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION 2016- ____**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING A PETITION OF
ANNEXATION OF VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH TERRITORY INTO THE FIRST FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP**

This resolution entered into jointly by the Village of Antioch (hereinafter the “Village”), First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township (hereinafter the “District”) and Antioch Township (hereinafter the “Township”), (jointly hereinafter the “Governing Bodies”)

WHEREAS, For many years the District provided Fire Protection to the unincorporated portions of Antioch Township and the Village providing Fire Protection of the Village of Antioch; and

WHEREAS, The Village and the District have a long-standing Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) to share certain responsibilities for operating the Fire Department to serve areas within the Village of Antioch and in the unincorporated area of Antioch Township; and

WHEREAS, Ambulance service in both the Village and unincorporated area had been provided by Antioch Rescue a not for profit organization. The facilitating of ambulance service through Antioch Rescue stopped in the Village in 2013 and in 2014 for the unincorporated area; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 the voters of both the Village of Antioch and the unincorporated area of Antioch Township supported an new ambulance tax to support ambulance service; and

WHEREAS, the community was told if they supported the ambulance tax the Governing Bodies would support a consolidated Fire and Rescue body with an elected five member board. This structure would be more efficient and provide a broader range of representation throughout the Village and unincorporated areas of Antioch Township; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve combines elected five member elected board, the voters of the Village of Antioch will be asked to support the annexation of the territory into the First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township (70 ILCS 705/3 (a)), followed by the adoption of an ordinance by Antioch Township changing the appointed board to an elected board (70 ILCS 705/4 a) and the adoption of an ordinance by the First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township changing its board from a three member board to a five member board (70 ILCS 705/4.01); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Bodies jointly support the proposed annexation and conversion to an elected five member board;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Antioch, First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township and Antioch Township, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE: The Village of Antioch, First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township and Antioch Township, support the proposed annexation of the village territory into the District.

SECTION TWO: The Village of Antioch, First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township and Antioch Township thereafter support the conversion of the District board to a five person elected board.

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the **Village of Antioch**, Lake County, Illinois on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
DOMINIAK	___	___	___
JOHNSON	___	___	___
JOZWIAK	___	___	___
MACEK	___	___	___
PIERCE	___	___	___
POULOS	___	___	___

By: _____
LAWRENCE M. HANSEN, Mayor

Attest:
By: _____
Village Clerk

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the **First Fire Protection District of Antioch Township**, Lake County, Illinois on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
PEDERSEN	___	___	___
VANPATTEN	___	___	___
TABAR	___	___	___

Signed: _____
DEAN PEDERSEN, President

Attest:
By: _____
CAROLYN VANPATTEN, Secretary

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the **Antioch Township**, Lake County, Illinois on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
SMOUSE	___	___	___
DAVIS	___	___	___
TURNER	___	___	___
SHAUGHNESSY	___	___	___
GRANT	___	___	___

By: _____
STEPHEN D. SMOUSE

Attest:
By: _____
ANITA MERKEL DYER, Clerk