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# CITY OF CLOVIS


## Fire Administration

### MEMORANDUM



Date: October 14, 2010

To: Dwight Kroll, Director of Planning and Development Services

From: Rick Bennett, Fire Chief 

Subject: Northwest Area Plan

Clovis Fire Department has reviewed concepts for the development of the Northwest Area Plan. We have the following comments and recommendations:

- 1) Fire Department response times to emergency incidents dictate outcomes of the events. Therefore, our adopted Master Services Plan calls for a fire station to serve every 4.5 square miles of City area. We have evaluated the proposed Northwest Area Plans using computer modeling and we suggest a fire station be placed in the vicinity of Clovis and Behymer streets. Additionally, it may be appropriate for this facility to be a multi-discipline public facility, also serving as a police substation. We recommend the minimum size of the lot and building to be similar to the current Fire Station 4 on Armstrong.
- 2) Continuing with the concept of response time, maintaining a grid pattern to the streets to the degree that is feasible is helpful for emergency response.
- 3) The last alternative suggested by PDS staff, showing a walkable commercial district on International across from the schools and commercial occupancies along Willow and at Clovis and Sheppard, provide the best balance of commercial to residential.
- 4) We request a Community Facilities District be established for the area to support the general fund services to be provided.

Please contact us if clarification on any of these points is needed. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.