



## Memorandum

**Date:** 11/6/2023  
**Meeting of:** City Council

**File No.** AM No. 23-161  
**Type:** Consent Item

**TO:** Members of the City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Angela Birney  
**DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):**

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Fire	Jim Whitney	EMS Division Battalion Chief
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**TITLE:**

Approval of an ILA for Collocation of Redmond Medic Unit 23 in Kirkland Fire Station 27

**OVERVIEW STATEMENT:**

Requesting approval of ILA between City of Kirkland and City of Redmond for construction cost and collocation of M23 within Station 27.

Redmond Fire Medic Unit 23 has primarily been located at Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland since 1975. Redmond Fire Department's lease with Evergreen Hospital has no guarantee of occupancy beyond 2026, and Evergreen Hospital's long-range plan includes expanding hospital services into the area currently occupied by Medic 23.

Redmond has the opportunity to collocate Medic 23 in the new Kirkland Fire Station 27. Construction of this station is scheduled to be completed early 2024 and will be located one block north of the current Medic 23 apparatus bay at Evergreen Hospital. An increase in square footage of the new Kirkland Fire Station 27 to include office space, supply storage, sleeping quarters, and an apparatus bay to accommodate Medic 23 operations has been incorporated into the design. The increase in square footage to house Medic 23 added \$500,000 to the construction costs.

☐ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

☐ **Receive Information**      ☐ **Provide Direction**      ☒ **Approve**

**REQUEST RATIONALE:**

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
In 2019, King County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) evaluated the location of Redmond Medic 23 and data indicated that remaining in the current location within a block of Evergreen Hospital was optimal, with respect to response times or impact on other county medic units.

- **Required:**  
Interlocal agreements require Council approval.
- **Council Request:**  
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**  
N/A

#### **OUTCOMES:**

Committing to have Redmond Fire Medic 23 reside within the new Kirkland Fire Station 27 ensure that this King County Medic One resource will remain in the optimal location that has been shown to meet the service needs of the community as well as the regional EMS system.

#### **COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**  
Over approximately the last two years
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**  
Regional meetings in person and online
- **Feedback Summary:**  
This proposal has been reviewed by City of Kirkland leadership as well as King County Emergency Medical Services leadership and regional partners. This plan to collocate Redmond Fire Medic 23 within the new Kirkland Fire Station 27 will provide for long term stability, timely regional response, and optimal outcomes of critical ill and injured patients.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

##### **Total Cost:**

All expenses related to this ILA will come from two accounts held by King County and will not impact the City of Redmond General Fund.

The first amount of \$320,000 will come from the Redmond Fire ALS Programmatic Reserves held by King County. These Redmond Fire ALS Programmatic Reserve funds are established through fiscal responsibility in previous budget years where allocated money for Redmond Fire Medic One from King County were not needed and placed into reserve for future expenses. These unused funds are dedicated to Redmond Fire Medic One and roll over year to year to be used for large expenses like the collocation ILA between City of Redmond and City of Kirkland.

In additional \$180,000 has been requested from King County Emergency Medical Services Facility Reserves Fund and was granted by the Emergency Medical Service Advisory Committee (EMSAC). This is a fund held by King County for use by the ALS providers for facility construction to ensure appropriate placed medic units for strategic regional response.

Combined these funds are a result of the King County six year Medic One EMS Levy ([About the 2020-2025 Medic One/EMS levy - King County, Washington <https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dph/health-safety/health-centers-programs-services/emergency-medical-services/about-us/facts-levy>](https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dph/health-safety/health-centers-programs-services/emergency-medical-services/about-us/facts-levy)) dedicated to provide exceptional EMS services throughout King County. Once the ILA is fully executed a copy will be provided to KCEMS and funds will be transfer to the City of Redmond to pay invoices related to collocation construction from the City of Kirkland and Medic 23 will move into Fire

Station 27 early first quarter of 2024.

**Approved in current biennial budget:** ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

**Budget Offer Number:**

TBD - Pass through dollars from KCEMS Program Reserves

**Budget Priority:**

Safe and Resilient

**Other budget impacts or additional costs:** ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

**If yes, explain:**

N/A

**Funding source(s):**

Redmond Fire ALS Programmatic Reserves and King County Emergency Medical Services Levy Funds in Reserve

**Budget/Funding Constraints:**

N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
10/17/2023	Committee of the Whole - Public Safety and Human Services	Provide Direction

**Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

**Time Constraints:**

N/A

**ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:**

Redmond Fire will lose an opportunity for long term stability to house Medic 23 in an appropriate location to support community needs.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Interlocal agreement between City of Kirkland and City of Redmond related to construction of a new fire station 27

