

Land for Fire Station 14... And Other Notes

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As this [press release noted](#), City Council last week approved the acquisition of land on Harden Road for a new Fire Station 14. The 1.63 acre site is located at 3510 Harden Road, which is nearly directly south of the station's current location on Lake Boone Trail.

The purchase price is \$590,000 and the acquisition is contingent upon a satisfactory survey and Phase I environmental report. (The latter meaning that there aren't any potential or existing contamination liabilities.)

Here's where the thing's located, via [Imaps](#):

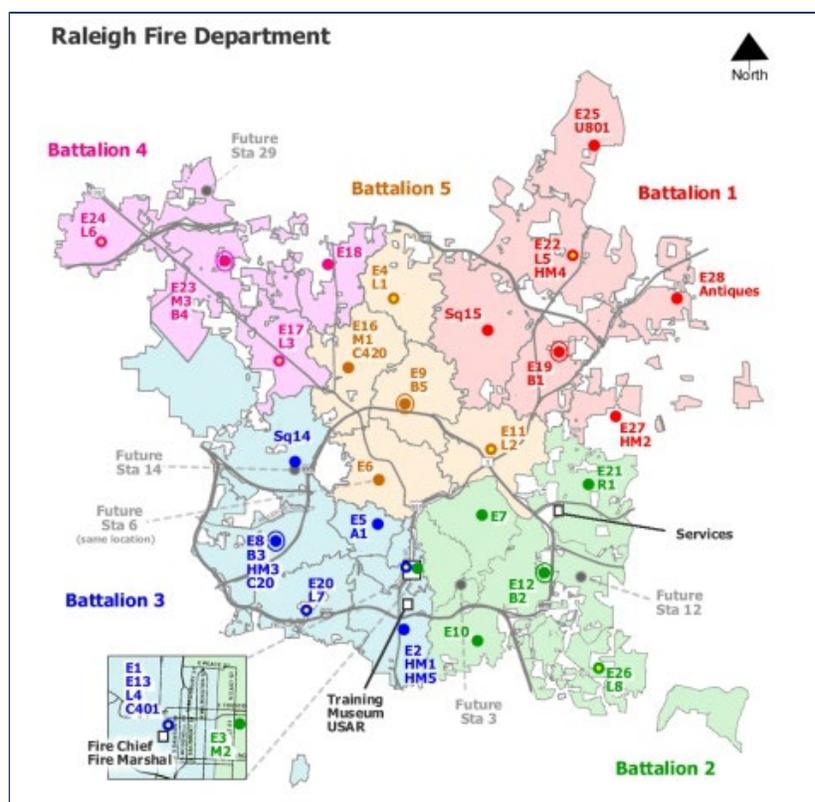


Where does this announcement place the city's current fire station plans? Here's a chart comparing the current problems. Primary source is the special facilities edition of the [Raleigh Fire Department Newsletter](#) that was published last month. See also the FY15 adopted Capital Improvement Program document on [this page](#).

Station	Project	Address	New Size	Current Size	New Lot	Current Lot	Cost	Status	Notes	Current Station
29	New	12117 Leesville Road	10,198	--	2.86	n/a	\$2.7M	Under construction, completion in December	Will house engine. Designed to also house ladder.	--
11	Expansion	2925 Glenridge Road	~5,400	4,923	--	1.08	\$450K	Construction starts in fall.	Bay expansion for larger apparatus, plus station renovations.	Built 1971
12	Relocation	SE corner Poole Road and Bus Way	~17,000	4,189	3.40	0.63	\$5.3M	Land cleared, construction starts in fall.	Designed to house engine, ladder, BC, DC.	Built 1974

14	Relocation	3510 Harden Road	+15,000	3,616	1.56	0.71	\$7.2M	Land acquisition authorized.	Designed to house engine, ladder, BC, DC.	Built 1974
6	Rebuild	2601 Fairview Road (rebuilt at current location)	TBD	5,408	--	0.58	\$6.4M	Planning and design underway.	Planned to house engine and ladder.	Built 1949
3	Relocation	Near Rock Quarry Road and Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway	~11,000	3,564	TBD	0.16	TBD	Land acquisition underway.		Built 1951

Here's an updated version of my [fire station map](#), with the assorted new station locations added. Click to enlarge:



What is saved by moving 12? I figured a larger station. But it looks like a lot more of the county might be involved.

Billy Lee ([Email](#)) ([Web Site](#)) - 09/22/14 - 21:36

Billy, I believe #12 sits on a weird piece of land where part of it is state owned (or it's locked in) or something like that. If memory serves, they looked at expanding it but it wasn't feasible with the way the plot of land lies. An additional ladder company is needed out that way because Ladder 8 sits out there alone. Plus, I believe the long range plan is to have a DC on the east side (new 12) and a DC on the west side (new 14).

Old #12 is still a useful location and would be great to house a single company. Take Rescue One for example; due to its easy 440 access and being on a major east/west thoroughfare (Poole to MLK) plus convenient to the high-rise area, old #12 would be a great fit. Or, move the Office of EMS out of KTC and convert it to offices for them. Regardless, it' can still be used for something.

Silver - 09/22/14 - 23:57

Looks like some of the residents have just caught wind this, and don't necessarily like it.

<http://raleighpublicrecord.org/news/city..>

Paul - 11/05/14 - 15:15

This reminds me of the folks who move into the fly path at RDU, then complain about the noise of the airport! I mean, really? C'mon people...it is moving less than a block from where the fire station has been for the last 30 years!

CC - 11/06/14 - 00:05

Or even better...move in next door to a firehouse (downtown) and then complain about sirens!

Silver - 11/06/14 - 09:52

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