

Resolution 2017-1

Approving Office Space for Rescue Squad Association and Fire Relief Association

WHEREAS the Northfield Rescue Squad Association is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation organized under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 317A, the purpose of which is to provide funding to the Northfield fire and rescue service (now known as Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Service or NAFRS) to ensure the best possible equipment and training for NAFRS, and

WHEREAS the Northfield Fire Relief Association is a non-profit corporation organized under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 317A and authorized under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 424A, the purpose of which is to manage retirement funds for volunteer and paid on call firefighters who are employees of NAFRS, and to otherwise provide services and funds of benefit to NAFRS, and

WHEREAS both of these organizations serve a valuable public purpose and directly support the mission of NAFRS, and

WHEREAS these organizations require office space, which has historically been provided at the Northfield Fire Station, to carry out their duties, and

WHEREAS the Board considers the services provided by these organizations to be within the uses permitted to be made of the Fire Station under the Fire Station Lease Agreement dated August 24, 2014, and under the Joint Powers Agreement dated April 1, 2014, provided that to the extent this use may be considered a subletting under Article 8 of the Lease Agreement, the written consent of the City of Northfield will be requested and if consent is denied, this Resolution will be null and void, and

WHEREAS if NAFRS were to charge rent to these organizations for the use of office space within the NAFRS Fire Station, that expense would decrease the funds available for their essential mission in support of NAFRS, and

WHEREAS NAFRS considers the benefits provided by these organizations to NAFRS to be of equal or greater value to any rents NAFRS might charge for the use of office space within the Fire Station.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NAFRS Board approves the provision of office space in the Northfield Fire Station to these organizations, without charge, based on the understanding and agreement that the benefits provided by these organizations to NAFRS cover the reasonable rental value of the office space provided, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that while property and liability insurance maintained by NAFRS and by the City of Northfield cover the office space being provided to these organizations, subject to the terms and conditions of such insurance, these organizations shall provide and maintain insurance satisfactory to NAFRS, to cover their separate property and operations, and shall provide documentation of such insurance to NAFRS from time to time upon request, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be null and void if the City of Northfield denies consent thereto, and that this provision of office space and the other terms of this Resolution shall be modifiable or terminable in the sole discretion of the NAFRS Board, which shall be provided on 90 days' written notice to the two organizations or to either of them, except in an emergency.

Gerry Fraher 5-22-17
 Gerry Fraher, Fire Chief Date

Glen Castore 4/20/17
 Glen Castore, Board Chair Date

Vote

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Glen Castore	✓			
David Drenth	✓			
Dana Graham				✓
Anne Haddad	✓			
Paul Liebenstein	✓			
Jessica Peterson-White	✓			
Bron Scherer	✓			
Glenn Switzer	✓			