

**Project title:** Briefing: Regional Fire Authority Planning Update

**Council Bill #** *interoffice use*

**Agenda dates requested:**

*Dates requested for council action*

Briefing 6/2/21  
Proposed action  
Consent  
Action  
Ordinance  
Public hearing  
Yes  No

**Budget amendment:**

Yes  No

**PowerPoint presentation:**

Yes  No

**Attachments:**

**Department(s) involved:**

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**Project:** Regional Fire Authority planning

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**Location:** N/A

**Preceding action:** N/A

**Fund:** 032 Fire and 153 EMS

**Fiscal summary statement:**

If Council chooses to continue discussions with our partner agency, a detailed financial model of the proposed authority will be required. This model will be produced by a finance consultant and is expected to cost no more than \$25,000. The cost will be shared by both partner agencies based on our relative assessed valuations.

**Project summary statement:**

The City of Everett and Snohomish County Fire District 4 have formed a Fire Authority Planning Committee which has met for five exploratory meetings over the month of April 2021. The committee received presentations on similarities and differences between both organizations and a synopsis of funding models available to regional fire authorities. The Everett delegation to this committee is now prepared to present a summary of those exploratory meetings to Council and is seeking concurrence to begin a more in-depth analysis which would be required for a Regional Fire Authority Plan.

**Recommendation (exact action requested of Council):**

Briefing Only. Staff request Council deliberate and determine if additional study is desired, so the planning committee can report back to our partner agency.