

TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: April 2, 2024

DATE: March 18, 2024

TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve a notice of termination of a lease agreement, dated

January 21, 2020, between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Verdi History Preservation Society, Inc., for property known as Verdi Station 400, located at 165 Bridge Street and if approved, authorize legal counsel to draft and send notice of the termination effective June 30, 2024, and take action to vacate the structure and property by said termination date. (Commission District

5) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

This item is a recommendation to approve a notice of termination of a lease agreement, dated January 21, 2020, between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Verdi History Preservation Society, Inc., for property known as Verdi Station 400, located at 165 Bridge Street and if approved and authorize legal counsel to draft and send notice of the termination effective June 30, 2024, and take action to vacate the structure and property by said termination date.

PREVIOUS ACTION

January 21, 2020. The Board of Fire Commissioners approved a lease agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Verdi History Preservation Society, Inc., a Nevada non-profit corporation, for the District's continued use of the Verdi Fire Station apparatus facility, located at 165 Bridge Street for a term of sixty (60) months and a rent of \$100 per month beginning in Fiscal Year 2021, plus applicable utility use commencing January 21, 2020.

BACKGROUND

The Verdi Volunteer Fire apparatus building was established on this site many years ago, when Washoe County owned the building and has provided a location for the equipment and operation of fire prevention and fire services for this community and its residents. Washoe County sold the building to the Verdi Historical Society, Inc., (the Society), in January 2020 and then worked with the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (the District) and the Society to arrange for a

low-cost lease of the volunteer fire apparatus building to the District for continued fire operations in Verdi.

The lease between the District and the Society is for five years with two five-year renewal options. Rent for the building was agreed upon at \$100 per month beginning on July 1, 2020, and the District would pay the cost of utilities.

The Wildland and Fuels Division uses the building to house two full-time squads. Verdi History Preservation Society has since approached the District about termination of the lease in the near future. The District has identified other locations for the Wildland and Fuels squads and equipment and would like to follow the terms of the lease and issue a Notice of Termination to be effective June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of the lease is \$1,200 plus utilities which are already being paid for by the District. Relocating the equipment and employees may result in a higher expenditure which is not currently known.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board of Fire Commissioners approve a notice of termination of a lease agreement, dated January 21, 2020, between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Verdi History Preservation Society, Inc., for property known as Verdi Station 400, located at 165 Bridge Street and authorize legal counsel to draft and send a notice of the termination effective June 30, 2024, and take action to vacate the structure and property by said termination date.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the staff's recommendation, a possible motion could be:

"I move to approve a notice of termination of a lease agreement, dated January 21, 2020, between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Verdi History Preservation Society, Inc., for property known as Verdi Station 400, located at 165 Bridge Street and authorize legal counsel to draft and to send a notice of the termination effective June 30, 2024, and take action to vacate the structure and property by said termination date."