

**Feasibility Analysis for Multi-
Agency Fire Services provided
through a Joint Powers
Authority and Related
Ambulance Study**

Why the Feasibility Analysis?

- Brea/Fullerton Fire Command Staff merger successfully in place for many years and saving approximately \$1.5 million a year split between two cities
- Next step was to explore full Brea/Fullerton fire department merger potential to:
 - maintain or increase savings
 - increase efficiencies and ensure ongoing success of shared command
 - evaluate deployment of fire department resources to better meet the needs of the ever increasing Emergency Medical Service (EMS) call load
 - allow for potential expansion to other agencies

What are the goals for a shared fire service?

- Maintain local control
- Consistent or improved levels of service
- Efficiencies of service delivery and costs
- Enhanced ability to recruit and retain
- Incorporation of prudent practices to reduce or eliminate unfunded liabilities related to employee benefits

Important Considerations

- The fiscal estimates in the feasibility analysis are based upon the best information at present
- Purpose of the study session is to review feasibility analysis and seek Council input on continuing the effort
- Merger details including compensation packages, contract services, cost sharing agreements, etc. to be determined and negotiated only upon direction from both Councils to move forward with the process
- Final action to fully merge fire services is dependent upon Brea and Fullerton City Councils reviewing and approving final costs, contracts, services, and cost sharing agreements

Ambulance Study

- Purpose:
 - explore potential revenue for city provided ambulance transportation
 - examine possible models for City provide ambulance services
 - discuss pros and cons of contracting vs. bringing services in house