



Improving Fire Services for Our Residents and Our Community

October 23, 2024



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Alignment with Strategic Plan



Fiscal Sustainability



Public Safety

Previous Council Direction

- July 22, 2022:
Direction to move forward with efforts to **improve the outcome of fire, emergency medical, and dispatch services** by adopting a set of principles for regional collaboration

We are aiming to achieve a regional process that:

Prioritizes the user experience

Deploys resources appropriately

Improves the use of technology and resources

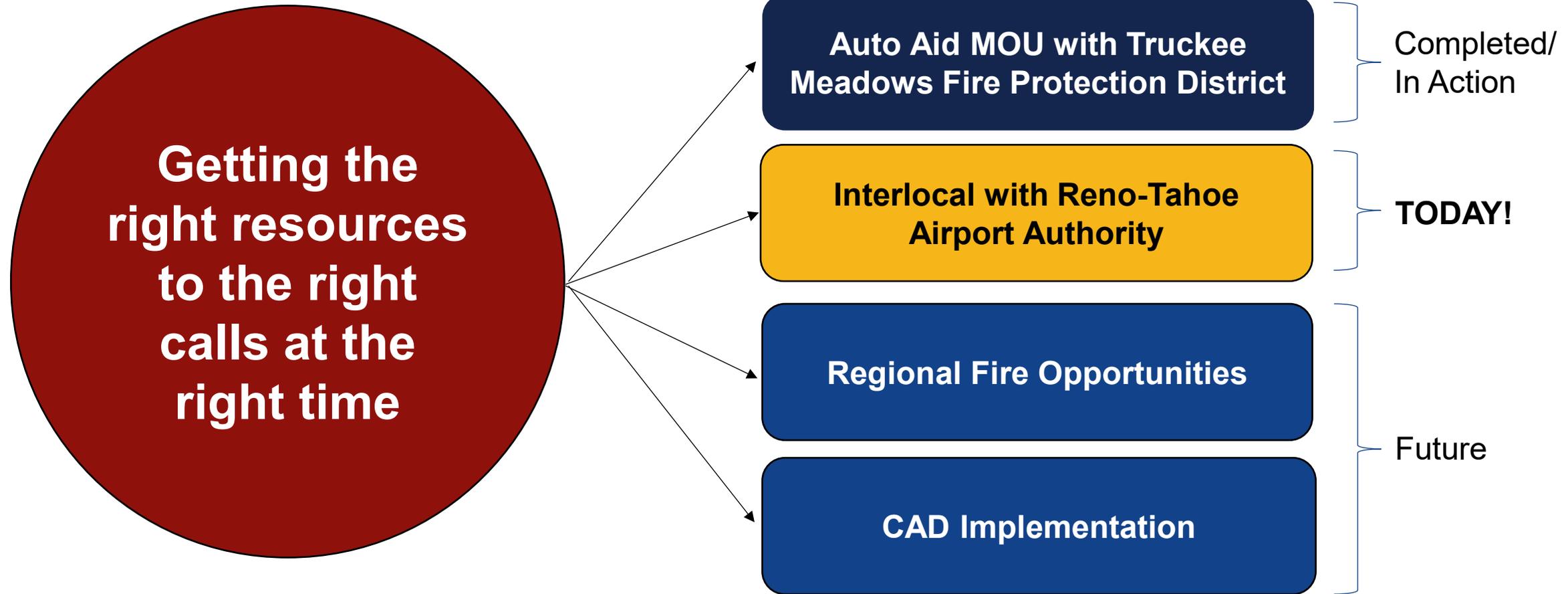
Reduces duplicative processes

Simplifies governance

Previous Council Direction

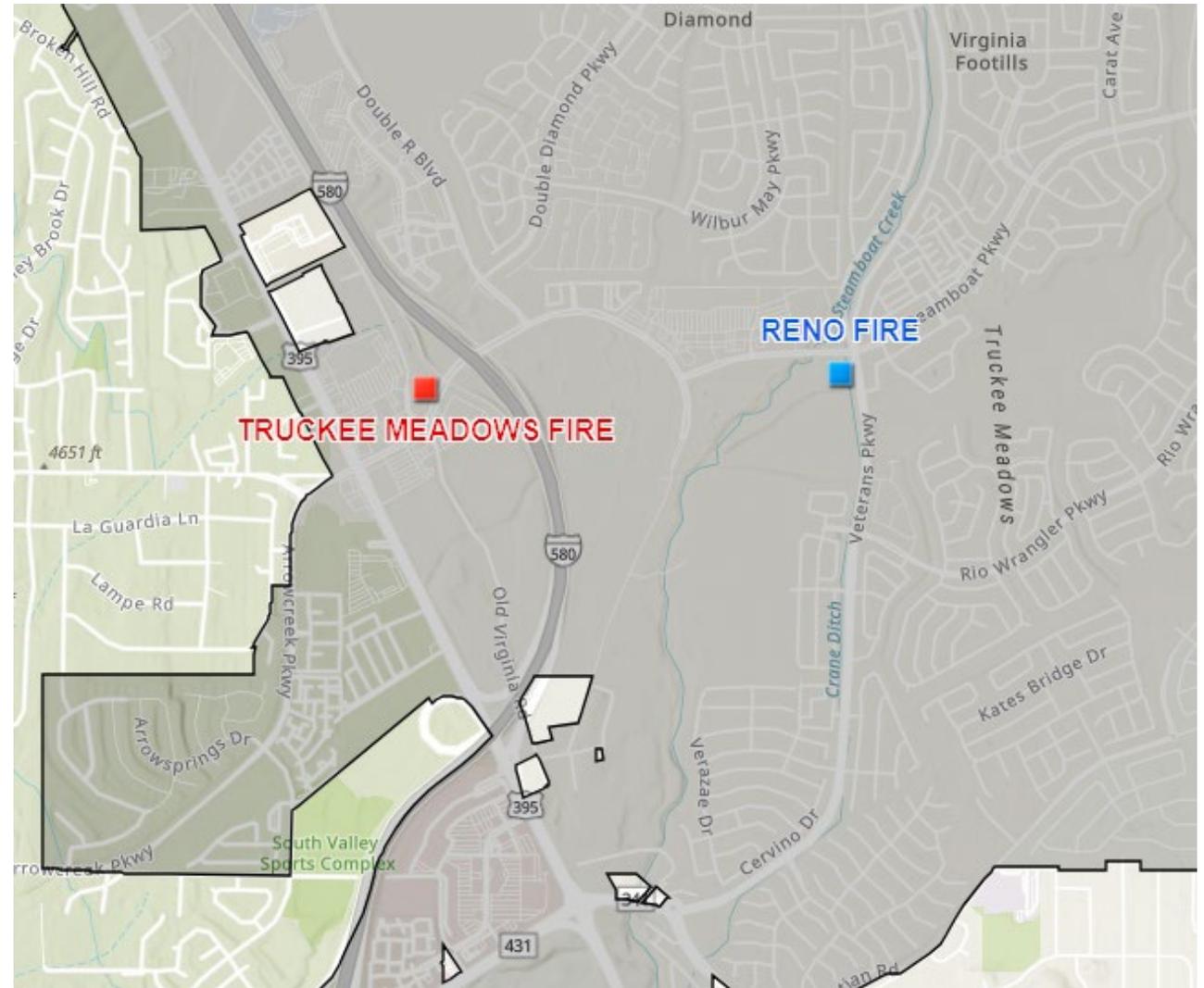
- August 14, 2024: Direction to work with regional partners to **identify a funding mechanism for the regionalization or consolidation of fire protection services** in advance of the 2027 legislative session

Focus on Community Safety



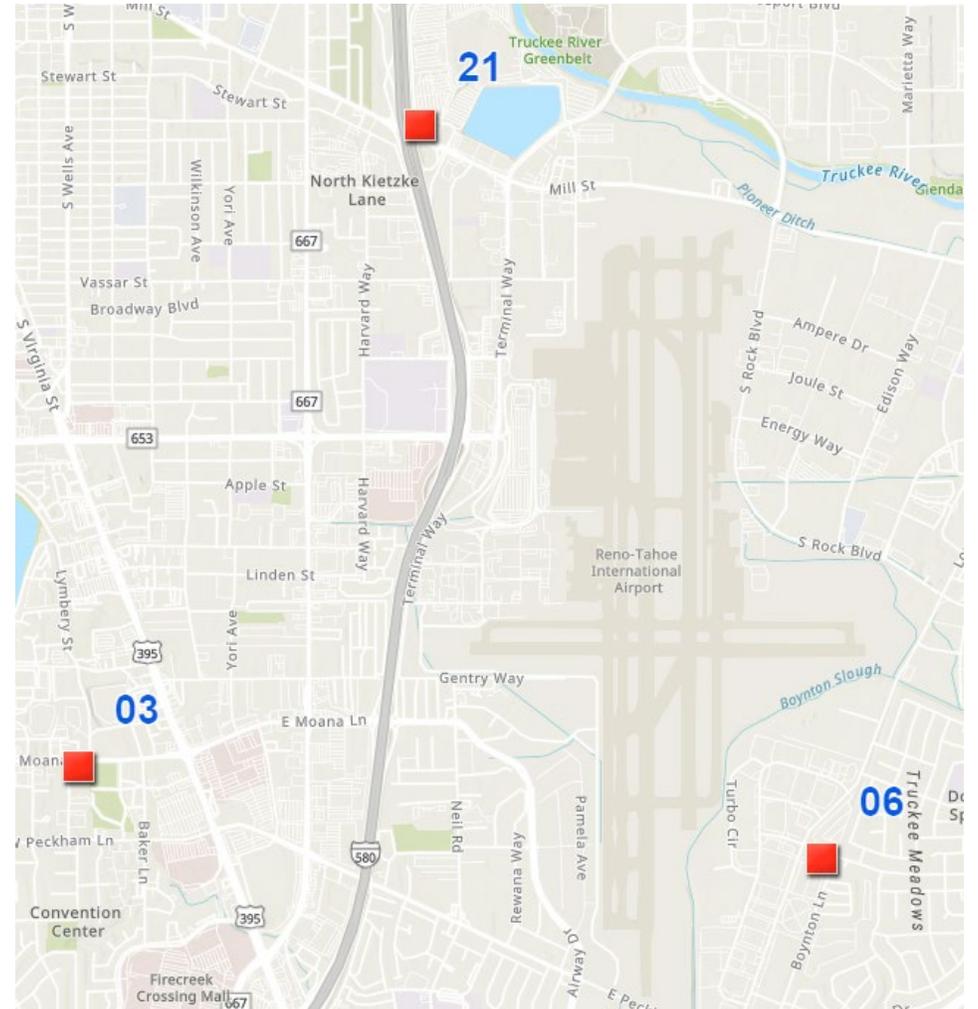
Auto Aid MOU with TMFPD

- **What it does**
 - Expands the pool of resources available to respond to emergencies throughout the region
- **Why it matters**
 - Improves response times and resource allocation



Interlocal with RTAA

- **What we are experiencing**
 - Growth in and around airport properties
 - Airport desire to provide all-hazard fire service at airport properties
 - Reliance on mutual aid for two independent systems



Interlocal with RTAA

• What it does

- Transitions fire protection and prevention responsibilities to the City
- Transitions airport fire employees to the City
- Will establish handover date and transition plan within 6 months
- 5-year term with automatic renewal

• Why it matters

- Ensures seamless response to incidents at the airport and airport properties, regardless of the nature of the emergency
- Provides greater depth of resources available for the City and RTAA
- Provides highest level of public safety

Interlocal with RTAA

Who is responsible for what

RTAA

- Provides City access to airport fire station facilities and equipment
- Performs structural and routine maintenance of airport fire facilities and equipment
- Replaces and maintains ownership of all fire fighting vehicles
- Updates communication equipment to connect with Reno Dispatch

City

- Provides all-risk fire protection services to RTAA properties/businesses, including the Reno-Stead Airport
- Provides training to meet FAA regulation and certification
- Continues to provide inspection/prevention services for RTAA properties/business for compliance with building codes
- Provides 9-1-1 dispatch services

Interlocal with RTAA

Financial Implications

Annual Plan

- City submits to RTAA with proposed staffing and estimated annual payment

Monthly Payments

- RTAA pays the actual, direct costs for personnel and supplies and the prorated portion of 12 percent administrative costs

Tracking

- City to create distinct process to track expenses and revenue
- Annual true-up to occur

Future/Ongoing Efforts

Regional Fire Opportunities

Current status

- Multi-year effort will require up-front research, planning, and stakeholder engagement
- Scheduling concurrent meeting

Why it matters

- Regional collaboration and decision-making
- More efficient delivery of services
- Fires do not care about jurisdictional boundaries

CAD Implementation

Current status

- Data conversion complete October 2024
- Working on application configurations
- Go live in September 2025

Why it matters

- Current system exceeds lifespan and needs
- New CAD will result in shared coordination and response among regional partners
- First time in history the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, Washoe County, and REMSA will be on one CAD system

Recommended Motion

I move to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Fire Services Between the City of Reno on behalf of the Reno Fire Department and the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority.