



ALFALPA FIRE DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY GOVERNING PUBLIC MEETING ADJOURNMENT AND FACILITY SECURITY

WHEREAS, the Alfalfa Fire District ("District") is a rural fire protection district organized under ORS Chapter 478 and is responsible for providing fire protection, emergency medical services, and related emergency response functions; and

WHEREAS, the District operates facilities that are actively staffed and utilized for emergency response, including apparatus bays, communication systems, operational areas, and access routes necessary for rapid deployment; and

WHEREAS, the District's facilities and grounds must remain secure and immediately accessible to ensure the safety of personnel, volunteers, and the public, and to prevent interference with emergency operations; and

WHEREAS, meetings of the Board of Directors are conducted in accordance with Oregon Public Meetings Law (ORS 192.610 - 192.705), which requires that meetings be open to the public during their duration but does not require continued public access following adjournment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that unrestricted public presence in District facilities or operational areas after adjournment may create safety hazards, interfere with emergency response readiness, and compromise District operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors further finds that reasonable, content-neutral restrictions on access to District facilities and operational areas after adjournment are necessary and appropriate to protect public safety and ensure uninterrupted emergency services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Alfalfa Fire District adopts the following:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS

1. District facilities are critical infrastructure for emergency response and must remain secure and operational at all times.
2. The District is actively staffed and responds to emergency calls, requiring unobstructed access to apparatus, equipment, and facilities.
3. Both interior facilities and certain exterior areas, including parking areas, driveways, and apparatus access routes, may be necessary for emergency operations and may pose safety risks if occupied or obstructed.
4. The public's right of access under Oregon Public Meetings Law applies during the meeting itself and does not extend beyond adjournment.
5. The District may impose reasonable, content-neutral restrictions on access to its facilities and operational areas to ensure safety, security, and effective emergency response.

SECTION 2. POLICY

Public access to District facilities is limited to the duration of public meetings. Upon adjournment, individuals must promptly exit interior facilities and any restricted operational areas.

Exterior areas, including parking areas and apparatus access routes, may be restricted as necessary to ensure safe emergency operations.

No post-meeting activities shall occur inside District facilities without prior authorization.

SECTION 3. ENFORCEMENT

Individuals remaining in restricted areas after being directed to leave may be subject to trespass enforcement under ORS 164.245.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

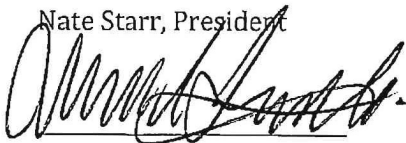
This Resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 8 day of APRIL, 2026.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Nate Starr, President



Mark Laucks, Vice President



Caroline Chase, Director

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Dustin Piggot, Director