

NEW FIRE STATION FOR SEATAC'S ANGLE LAKE LIGHT RAIL DISTRICT



City of SeaTac, Wash., (January 8, 2015) – The City of SeaTac will seek bids this month to build a new 7,120 square foot fire station in the Angle Lake Station district. The state- of-the-art facility on South 200th Street just one block from the new Angle Lake light rail station will replace an existing, outdated station that has been in operation since 1957. The estimated cost of construction is \$3.1 million.

The City began planning for the station several years ago and will open the facility around the time the light rail station begins operations in 2016. The new station will sustain the City's current high level of protection and service and augment the operational needs of the Fire Department. The upgraded complex ensures that fire and emergency services remain in the neighborhood and are readily available to the new development planned for this part of the city.

The station design is inspired by the Greene and Greene craftsman style of the early 1900's, was designed by TCA Architects. The design team also included Barker Landscape Architects and Pyramid Engineering who helped develop the plan which includes streetscape landscaping culminating in a prominent rain garden to help mitigate run-off from paved surfaces.

"The new station is an important part of establishing the new light rail district as an active, transitoriented neighborhood," said City Manager Todd Cutts. "Its distinctive design and public features will provide a focal point for the community. We are looking forward to what this new amenity will mean to our future development plans."

"The new station will be a public building that the community will appreciate for years to come, thanks to the outstanding design team assembled to help make the City's vision a reality," said Parks and Facilities Director Kit Ledbetter. "What we need now is an outstanding contractor to turn the vision into a reality."

Bid packages will be available at the Builders Exchange by the end of the month. Questions about the project should be directed to Mr. Ledbetter at 206-973-4671.

About the City of SeaTac:

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 27,310. The City of SeaTac is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, (approximately 3 square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the Port of Seattle.

The Design Team:

TCA Architects, Located in Seattle, TCA Architecture Planning is considered one of the nation's leading Fire Service design firms. Working from Texas to Alaska TCA has been involved in the planning, design and funding of over 250 fire stations. While TCA's focus is on the Fire Service operational needs first approach, they also understand that community impacts, design specific to the site, sustainability, healthy working environments, operational cost savings, safety and security are also a few of the other important factors for a successful project. Contact Eric Shaer at 206-522-3830 for additional information about the firm.

<u>Barker Landscape Architects</u> is located in Seattle and was founded in 1989. The firm provides services throughout Washington state and specializes in the design and planning of community parks, open space, community gardens, campus and recreational facilities and natural areas. Contact John Barker at 206-783-2870 for additional information about the firm.

Pyramid Engineering is located near Federal Way and has been serving the south Puget Sound Region since 2005 providing civil engineering design for public and private development sites. Recent projects include the Mason County PUD #3 operations and maintenance facility and the Harbor Hill development in Gig Harbor. Contact Pete Gonzalez at 253-852-1164 for additional information about the firm.