

TO: Clerk of Buncombe County Commissioners

FROM: Kevin Tipton, Fire Marshall

DATE: March 26, 2024

RE: Report regarding the proposed change in boundaries of the Woodin and Reems Creek Fire Protection & Ambulance and Resue Service Districts.

STAFF REPORT REGARDING THE PROPOSED SERVICE DISTRICT BOUNDARY CHANGE.

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-304.3(b), here is the Staff Report regarding the proposed boundary change between the Reems Creek Fire Protection & Ambulance and Resue Service District (herein “RCFPARSD”) and the Woodfin Fire Protection & Ambulance and Resue Service District (herein “WFPARSD”).

Section 1. Maps depicting the current and proposed boundaries of the districts.

Attached as Exhibit A is a copy of a GIS map depicting the current shared boundary between RCFPARSD and WFPARSD. Exhibit A is herein incorporated into this Staff Report.

Attached as Exhibit B is a copy of a GIS map depicting the proposed boundary change between RCFPARSD and WFPARSD. Exhibit B is herein incorporated into this Staff Report.

Section 2. Boundary relocation statement.

The Fire Marshall recommends the proposed boundary change because of the NC Insurance Rating and the parcels of property located in the RCFPARSD and serviced by the Reems Creek Volunteer Fire Department as shown in Exhibit A would have shorter response times if served by the Woodfin Volunteer Fire Department as shown in Exhibit B.

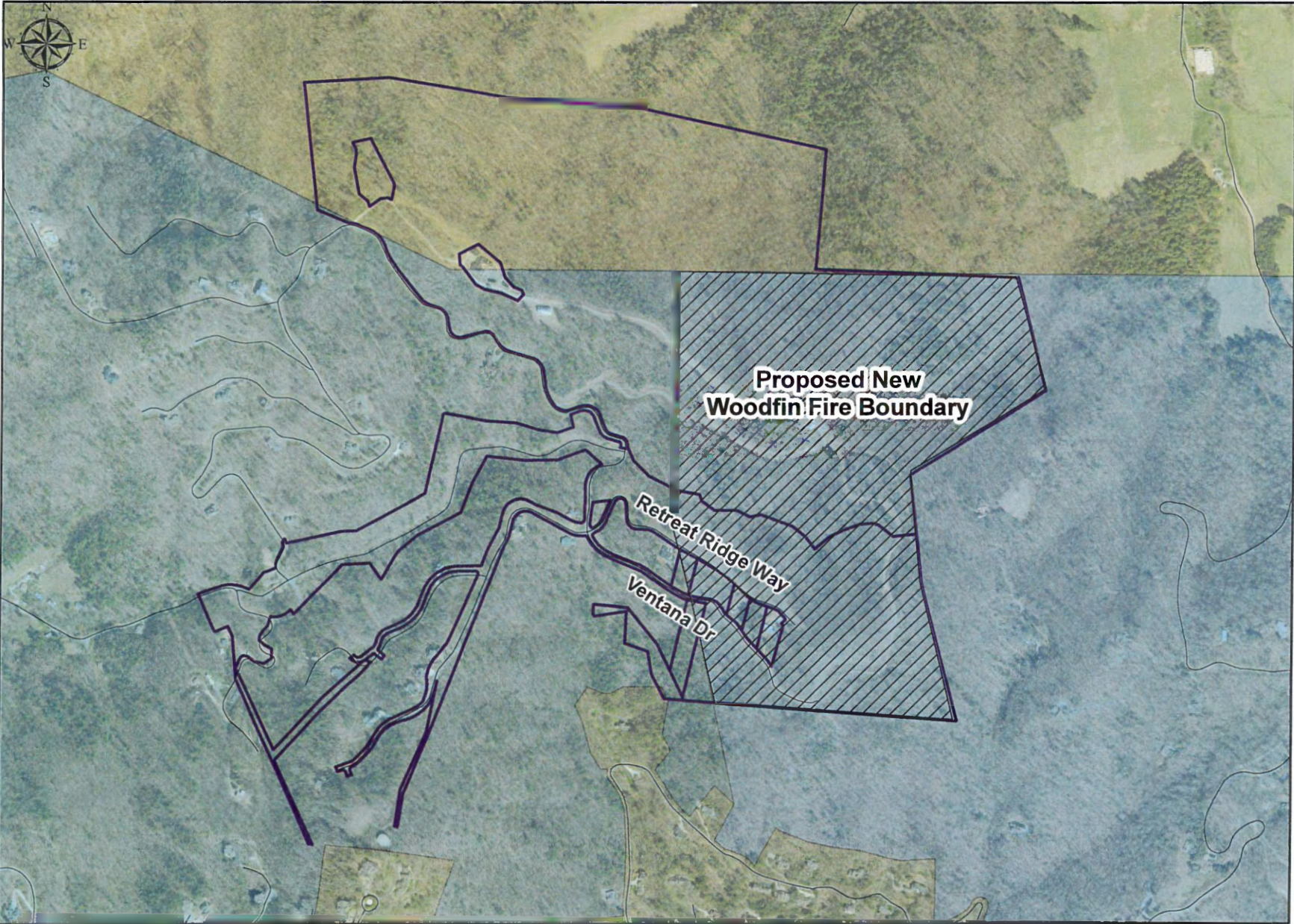
Section 3. Service Plan for the area affected by the relocation of the boundaries.

Attached as Exhibit C is the WVFD’s response plan based on the proposed boundary change. Exhibit C is herein incorporated into this Staff Report. WVFD will not need to purchase any new equipment or hire new staff.

Section 4. The financial effect of removing the properties from the RCFPARSD tax base in terms of providing service to the remainder of the district.

Pursuant to the letter attached as Exhibit D, there will be no negative effect to the RCFPARSD or the RCVFD. Exhibit D is herein incorporated into this Staff Report.

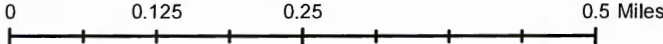
Woodfin Fire Boundary Update Proposed District Change: Exhibit B



PIN's to be incorporated to Woodfin Fire:

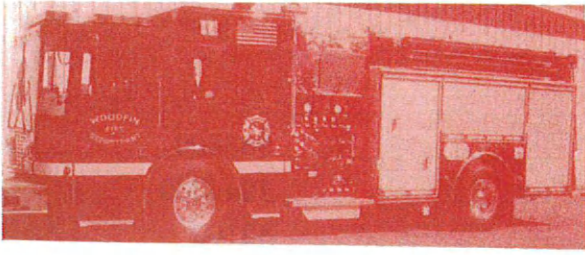
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- Fire Service Districts**
- City of Asheville
 - Reems Creek
 - North Buncombe
 - Woodfin
 - Parcels Effected
 - Roads



BUNCOMBE COUNTY
LAND RECORDS GIS

Date: 2/26/2024



WOODFIN
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
 P. O. Box 8341, Asheville, NC 28814
 828-255-7561

Date : 3/19/2024

Letter From Woodfin Chief: Exhibit C

Ref: Five Tax Parcels.

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To whom it may concern the below is requested information For the Woodfin Fire Department.

The Woodfin Fire Department response plan for the Versant area of Woodfin Fire District.

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| <u>Structure Fires</u> | <u>Fire Alarms</u> | <u>Brush or Woods Fire</u> |
| <u>3 Engines</u> | <u>2 Engines</u> | <u>Brush Unit</u> |
| <u>1 Ladder</u> | <u>1 Ladder</u> | <u>Engine</u> |
| <u>2 Tankers</u> | | <u>Tanker</u> |
| <u>RIT Company</u> | | <u>NCForest Ranger</u> |
| <u>All trucks will be staffed to out ability Woodfin Currently has 5 FF 1 Chief daily</u> | | |
| <u>Medical</u> | | |
| <u>1 Quick Response Vehicle and a Buncombe County EMS Unit.</u> | | |

The Woodfin Fire Department will need no special equipment to absorb said parcels listed for transference to the department district. And below is budgeted amount.

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|------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| <u>Parcel</u> | <u>TAX FWO</u> | |
| <u>974152064400000</u> | <u>\$1145.63</u> | <u>1081800</u> |

| <u>Parcel</u> | <u>Tax FWO</u> | |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| 974143721400000 | \$1047.14 | 988800 |
| 974143818100000 | \$1105.92 | 1044300 |
| 974143908200000 | \$88.00 | 83100 |
| 974152098700000 | \$1429.54 | 134990 |

Thank You,

Jeff Angel

Fire Chief

Woodfin Fire Department





Reems Creek Fire Department

730 Reems Creek Road

Weaverville NC 28787

828-645-4711

March 14, 2024

To whom it may concern: Letter from Reems Creek Chief: Exhibit D

Reems Creek Fire Department is in agreement that the below listed parcels of land should transfer to Woodfin Fire Department, they are the closer Department.

This will not affect our debt service, or reduce any type of response in our fire district.

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| 974152064400000 | FRC | 1081800 |
| Tax FRC | \$1630.27 | |
| Tax FWO | \$1145.63 | |

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| 974143721400000 | FRC | 988800 |
| Tax FRC | \$1490.12 | |
| Tax FWO | \$1047.14 | |

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| 974143818100000 | FRC | 1044300 |
| Tax FRC | \$1573.76 | |
| Tax FWO | \$1105.92 | |

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| 974143908200000 | FRC | 83100 |
| Tax FRC | \$125.23 | |
| Tax FWO | \$88.00 | |

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|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| 974152098400000 | FRC | 1349900 |
| Tax FRC | \$2034.30 | |
| Tax FWO | \$1429.54 | |

Sincerely,

Jeff G. Justice, Fire Chief