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**Subject:** Please Include Item on July 20 FDAC Agenda to Discuss Recent County Fire Volunteer Dismissals and Resignations

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Dear County Fire Dept. Advisory Commission,  
Please include an item on your July 20 agenda to discuss the recent County Fire Volunteer dismissals and resignations. I read a letter in the County Board of Supervisor Correspondence that is very troubling. (see letter #af: [http://santacruzcountyca.ig2.com/Citizens/Detail\\_Meeting.aspx?ID=1932](http://santacruzcountyca.ig2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=1932))

Also, please include an agendaized discussion on July 20 to address the following issues:

1) There is no notice on the County Fire Dept. website to provide information about the June 28 CSA 48 public hearing or the 2022 County Fire and Fire Season Report presented concurrently to the Board of Supervisors. <http://www.santacruzcountyfire.com/>

Item #7 was the 2022 Fire Season Report:

[http://santacruzcountyca.ig2.com/Citizens/Detail\\_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=None&MeetingID=1932&MediaPosition=0.000&ID=12752&CssClass=](http://santacruzcountyca.ig2.com/Citizens/Detail_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=None&MeetingID=1932&MediaPosition=0.000&ID=12752&CssClass=)

Item #8 was the Public Hearing regarding CSA 4 and CSA 48 fee

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Was the FDAC aware of either of these proceedings?

2) Chief Armstrong indicated in his Report that the FDAC is in the process of updating the County Fire Master Plan and is soliciting public comment. There is no information on the County Fire Dept. website regarding this.

When will there be public town hall meetings about this?

3) According to Supervisor Friend's statements during Chief Armstrong's Report yesterday, the consolidation issues regarding the LAFCO Sphere and Service Review will be discussed at the August 3 LAFCO meeting. The FDAC should publicly discuss the matter and provide recommendations.

4) Negotiation for new CALFIRE contract with Santa Cruz County. According to the Report yesterday before the Board of Supervisors, negotiations for a new contract are beginning. The current three-year contract is in the second year.

Please place these items on the July 20 FDAC agenda and again allow the public to speak at each agenda item.

For the benefit of your Commission, here is a link to the video recording of the June 28, 2022 County Board of Supervisor meeting that included Chief Armstrong's 2022 Fire Season Report (Item #7) and the CSA 4 & CSA 48 Public Hearing (Item #8): <http://santacruzcountyca.ig2.com/Citizens/SplitView.aspx?Mode=Video&MeetingID=1932&Format=Agenda>

Please respond. Thank you.

Sincerely,

