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## TOWN COUNCIL CONTINUES FORWARD PROGRESS ON JFRD

*Site plans for new community fire stations approved*



At last night's meeting, the Jupiter Town Council approved the site plans for two brand new, state-of-the-art fire stations, to be located on Town-owned property at Cinquez Park and along U.S. 1, for the Jupiter Fire Rescue Department (JFRD).

The stations are located and designed to provide response times and house resources that will provide excellent levels of service for the entire Jupiter community. In addition, the site plans incorporate landscaping, park features and natural environments that are the result of the surrounding neighborhoods' inputs.

JFRD Fire Chief Darrel Donatto said, "We are pleased that the Town continues to move forward in establishing a top-notch fire service, saving Jupiter taxpayers tens of millions of dollars while improving emergency response times." He added, "Fire stations are part of the fabric of a neighborhood, and the design process for these stations is an excellent example of how our Town leaders take constructive feedback from residents to make our fire and emergency service plan the very best it can be."

The approved site plans address a number of resident concerns, particularly surrounding the Cinquez Park location. The station location was shifted to the southwest corner of the park to provide separation from the popular ficus tree (known as the "Banyan Tree") located within the park, as well as from the dog park. Both the tree and the dog park, as well as the park's walking trail and lake will be preserved by the station's location. Based upon resident feedback, the site plan changes also addressed parking concerns, landscaping enhancements, and neighborhood impacts.

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system that will allow traffic signals to be changed in advance of the emergency vehicle(s) entering intersections and multiple signals can be changed at once when needed.

The Town Council will consider a construction contract for the two stations at its August 8 meeting.

To learn more about JFRD, visit [jupiter.fl.us/FireRescue](https://jupiter.fl.us/FireRescue).

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