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City of South Fulton Invests in Fire Safety with Purchase of Fire Engines and Equipment

Fire officials to unveil new engines during traditional push-in ceremony Jan. 27

(City of South Fulton, GA – January 24, 2020) – The City of South Fulton is making significant investments in fire safety with the purchase of two new fire engines, a ladder truck and related equipment for the city’s fire department.

The new engines were delivered in early January and the city expects to put the ladder truck into service in February, according to Fire Chief Freddie Broome.

“The new engines expand our reach and help us provide better coverage, while ensuring we can respond to calls as quickly as possible,” Broome said. “In addition, the ladder truck ensures we can protect the city’s taller buildings.”

Broome said the new trucks are equipped with advanced features to ensure firefighters respond to emergency incidents safely. Some of these features include enhanced compartment space with mounted tools, seatbelt sensors, and LED lighting to increase visibility for firefighters when responding to service calls at night.

Fire officials will unveil the new engines during a “push-in” ceremony Jan. 27.

“It’s a tradition adopted by fire departments across the country,” Broome said. “The engines will sit just outside the station. Following the ceremony, fire fighters, other city employees and residents will push them inside, officially putting them into service.”

In addition to purchasing the three trucks, city council members recently approved more than \$225,000 in essential tools and equipment; including hydrant wrenches, sledgehammers, and pike poles. The department expects to make additional equipment purchases in coming weeks.

“As we continue to grow, public safety remains our number-one priority, said City Manager Odie Donald II. “By investing in these new engines and this new equipment, we are acting on our commitment to build world-class police and fire departments that ensure the security of all residents.”

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Media Advisory

Who: City of South Fulton Fire Rescue Department

What: Fire Engine Push-in Ceremony

When: Monday, January 27, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Where: Fire Station # 15 - 6720 Cedar Grove Road Fairburn, GA 30213