

**CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION
SUPPORT FOR INCREASED CALL VOLUME AROUND MALL AREA**

Project Name: Central Glynn Fire - EMS Station

Project Location: Spur/Altama (Based on Call Data)

Estimated cost at time of construction: Land acquisition and construction costs are estimated to be \$7,380,780. Potentially **43.6%** or **\$3,218,080** to be funded by Non-Glynn County residents (Visitors/Tourist)

Detailed description of project: Construction and population density increase in the central and Northwestern parts of Glynn County have driven the number of fire and medical incidents to record numbers. Ballard Fire Station (Station One) currently services this area of the County however, Ballard is not ideally located to meet future expanding needs. A station constructed in the targeted area will reduce response times and will improve survivability of fire and medical events.

- Current Ballard Station is too small to support additional units
- Increased compliance with national standard response times
- Locates a Station in the zone with the greatest need
- Engine and two personnel will be transferred from Station 1
- Station will be constructed with a 50-year life expectancy
- Will house at full capacity two engines, two ambulances, one aerial, two paramedic intercept vehicles and one Battalion Chief
- Will be classified as the Headquarters station
- 6400 of 17,000 calls in 2021 were in this zone
- Remains approximately 33% of call volume

Benefit to the public: Improve response time for fire and EMS emergencies.

Estimated impact on future budgets: Annual operating costs for the station as well as one new ambulance and the personnel to staff it. An Engine 11 will be transferred from Station 1 to operate from the new station.

