



Proposition 1: Capital Improvement Bond Information

Organized Around Four Capital Projects

Information regarding the November 3, 2026
General Election measure for the West Hill community.



Purpose of this Information

Tonight we will cover:

1 King County Fire District #20 Operations

2 The four capital projects

3 Estimated homeowner costs

4 Election dates and community questions

Factual

District resources are not
oppose ballot measures.

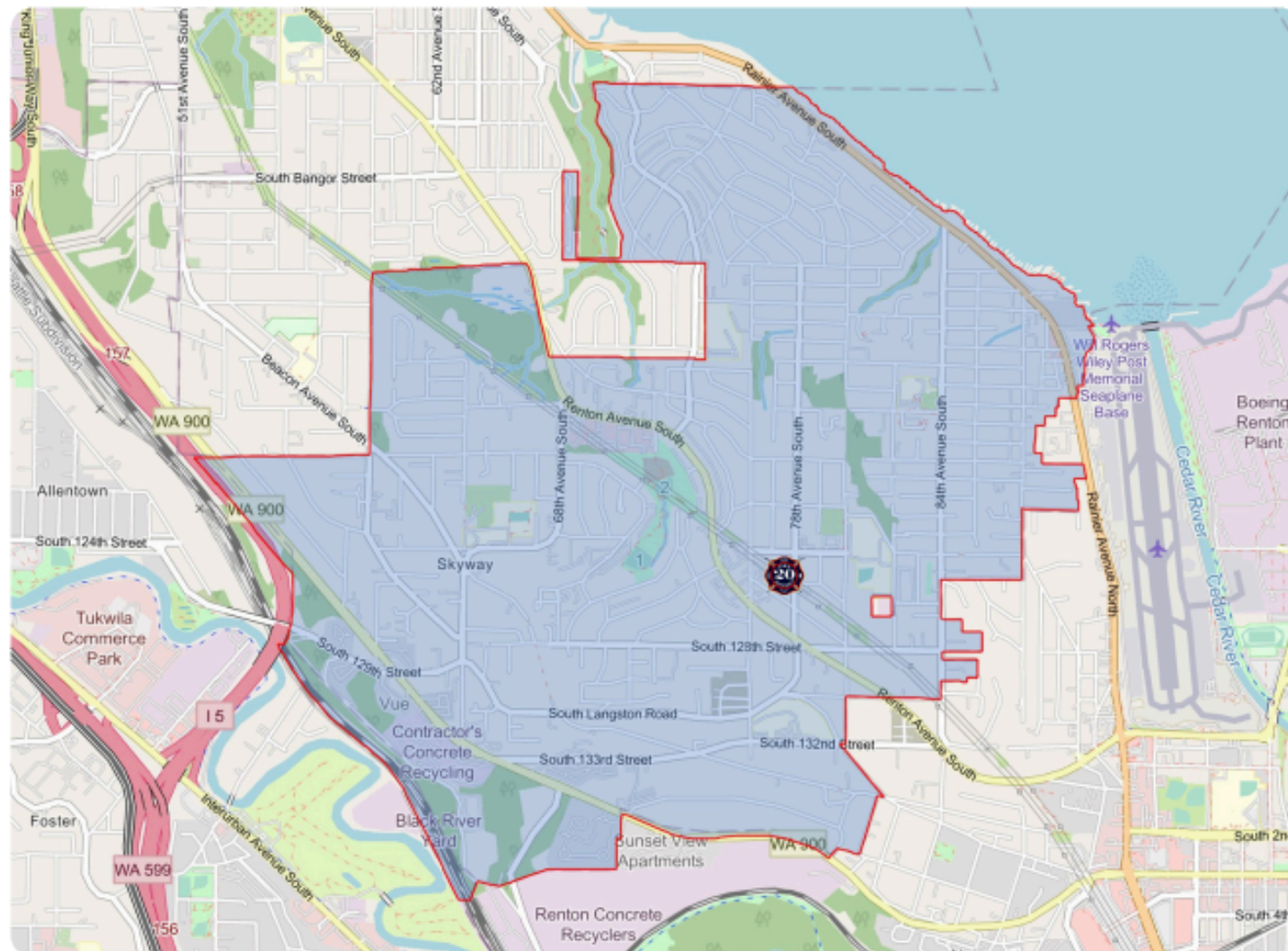


Who We Serve: West Hill

District service area, population, and annual call snapshot

Communities We Serve

King County Fire District No. 20 — Serving the West Hill since 1943



Approx. 3-square-mile service area serving more than 18,344 residents.

2025

18,344

Residents served

2,713

2025 Total calls for service

1,867

Medical emergency calls

147

Fire responses



Fire District Governance

Board of Commissioners:

POSITION 1 – Craig Buckton



POSITION 2 – Gloria Hatcher-Mays



POSITION 3 – Cynthia Lamothe



A Board of Fire Commissioners is composed of three elected registered voters residing in the District. The Board of Fire Commissioners, District staff, and community partners work collaboratively to determine the most effective and efficient ways to deliver emergency and public safety services to our community.



Your Fire District

King County Fire District #20 operates with a combination of career and volunteer personnel. Volunteer firefighters support the District's emergency response capabilities and community presence, contributing valuable service alongside career staff. All personnel operate under the same training, safety, and operational standards to ensure consistent and effective emergency response.

20 Career Firefighters
7 Volunteers
3 Administrative Professional
1 Fire Chief





Where the Bond Funding Would Go

Four capital project areas make the proposal easier to understand

1

Build New Warehouse & Emergency Vehicle Storage Facility

7621 S 124th St. site; replaces old 11619 84th Ave. building

2

Remodel Existing Fire Station

44-year-old station: restrooms, dorms, electrical, HVAC, kitchen, offices

3

Secure Parking, Utility Building & Backup Power

Demo 12608 Renton Ave. S.; construct secure lot, 1,000 sq. ft. utility building and generator

4

Replace Aging Fire Apparatus

Replace 22-year-old engine nearing end of service life



Current Properties

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1

FIRE STATION 21



11619 84th Ave. S Seattle WA 98178

2

FIRE STATION 22



12417 76th Ave. S Seattle WA 98178

3

FUTURE
EXPANSION



12608 Renton Ave. S

4

FUTURE
EXPANSION



7621 S 124TH ST.



Project 1: New Warehouse & Emergency Vehicle Storage

Build new facility at 7621 S 124th St. to support equipment and reserve apparatus

1

Build new warehouse and emergency vehicle storage facility

- Demo existing structure at 7621 S. 124th St.
- Build a new facility to serve as the District warehouse for equipment and reserve apparatus.
- Replace the existing building located at 11619 84th Ave. S.
- Improve storage, security, and long-term operational readiness.



7621 S 124th St.



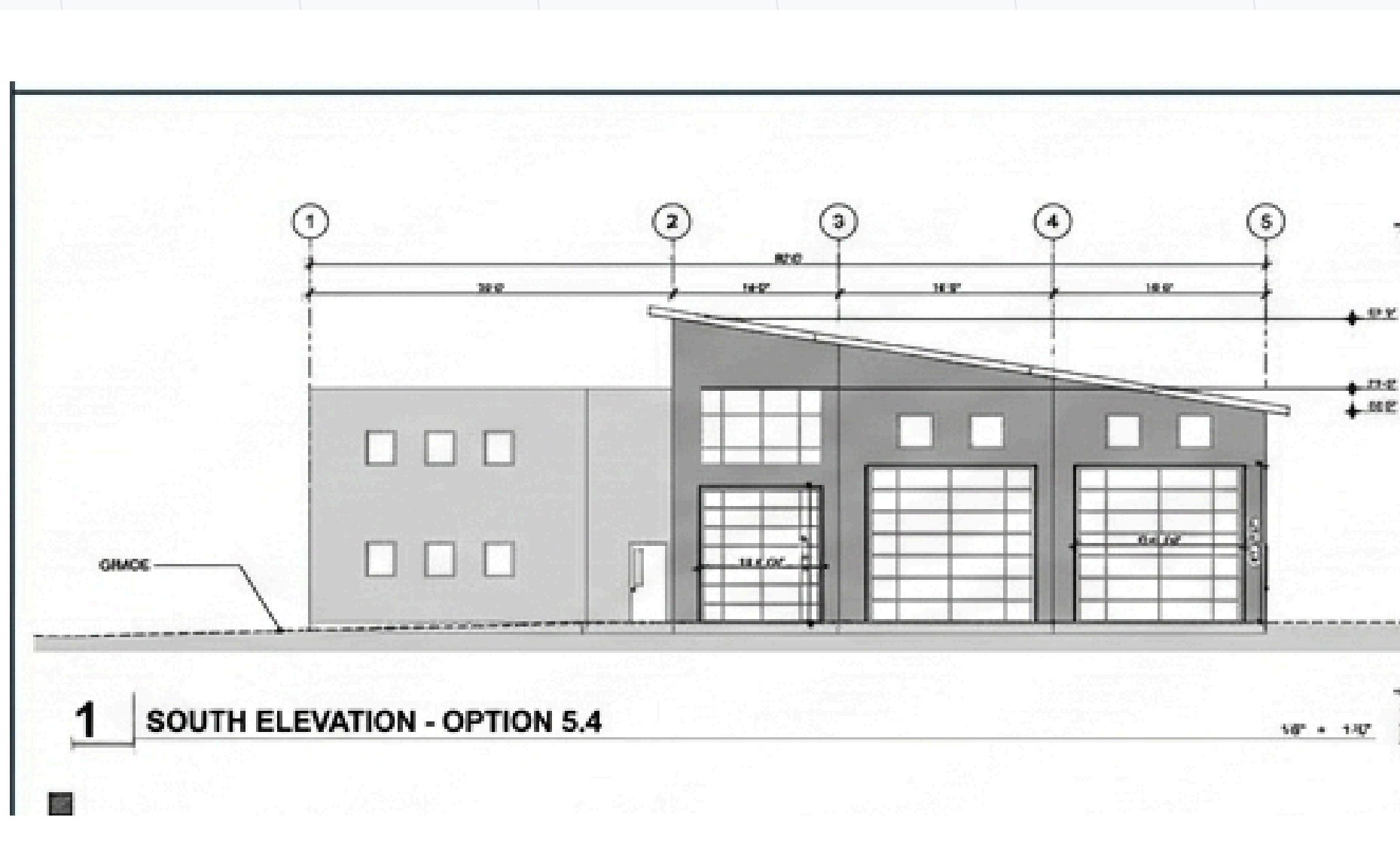
11619 84th Ave. S

This project creates a functional place to store reserve emergency vehicles, equipment, and supplies instead of relying on aging and limited buildings.



Project 1: Architect Concept Drawings

New warehouse and emergency vehicle storage facility



What the concept includes

- Apparatus bays for reserve vehicles
- Dedicated loading / support areas
- Secure storage for operational supplies



Project 2: Remodel the Existing Fire Station

Modernize the interior of the 44-year-old fire station

2

Bring the current fire station up to current functional standards

- Remodel the interior of the existing 44-year-old fire station.
- Update daily-use spaces for 24-hour crews.
- Improve restrooms, dorm rooms, kitchen, office areas, electrical, and HVAC.
- Support firefighter safety, wellness, and station function.

Why this matters:

Fire stations are emergency response hubs, living quarters, workspaces, and equipment support areas.





Project 2: What “Current Standards” Means

Interior systems and spaces that support 24-hour emergency response

Restrooms

Updated restrooms and dorm areas to better support a modern, mixed-gender fire service workforce.

Dorm rooms

Modernize sleeping areas for 24-hour crews

Electrical

Improve infrastructure for current station demands

HVAC

Support indoor air quality and reliable building systems

Kitchen

Update a daily-use crew space

Office areas

Improve administrative and operational work areas

This project is about modernizing the existing station so the building better supports emergency response, firefighter safety, and daily readiness.



Project 3: Secure Parking, Utility Building & Backup Power

Redevelop the 12608 Renton Ave. S. site for operational support

3

Demo existing building and create secure support space

- Demo existing building located at 12608 Renton Ave. S.
- Construct a secure parking lot.
- Construct an approximately 1,000 sq. ft. utility building.
- Add backup generator capability for the fire station.

Support Site Improvements:

This project improves site security, parking, utility space, and continuity of operations during outages.





Project 4: Replace Aging Fire Apparatus

Long-term apparatus reliability for emergency response

4

Replace aging fire engine approaching end of service life

- Current engine is 22 years old.
- The engine is nearing the end of its service life.
- Fire apparatus replacement requires long-term planning due to cost, build time, and operational requirements.
- A reliable engine supports fire suppression, rescue, and emergency response readiness.



Apparatus are major capital assets — not routine operating expenses.



What is a Bond?

The proposal being prepared for the November 2026 ballot

A bond is voter-approved funding for major capital projects. It allows the District to complete needed facility and equipment improvements now and repay the cost over time through property taxes. Bond funds are restricted to capital purposes and would not be used for day-to-day operations or routine staffing.

Amount

Up to \$16,000,000

Capital Improvement Bond

Term

Up to 20 Years

Proposed repayment term

Rate

~\$0.28 per \$1,000

Estimated rate based on assessed value

Date

November 3, 2026

General Election



Estimated Homeowner Cost

Current planning estimate: about \$0.28 per \$1,000 of assessed value

\$500,000
Assessed Value

~\$140 / year

~\$11.67 / month

\$700,000
Assessed Value

~\$196 / year

~\$16.33 / month

\$800,000
Assessed Value

~\$224 / year

~\$18.67 / month

Assessed value ÷ 1,000 × estimated bond rate = estimated annual cost

Planning estimates only. Actual costs may vary based on assessed values, final bond structure, interest rates, and market conditions.



How Bond Funds Can Be Used

Capital improvements only — not daily operations

Allowed uses

- Building construction and remodeling
- Permanent infrastructure improvements
- Emergency power and site improvements
- Fire apparatus and related capital equipment
- Architectural, engineering, project management, permitting, and other capital project costs

Not allowed uses

- Daily operating expenses
- Regular staffing costs or salaries
- Routine administrative costs



Questions and Where to Learn More

The District provides factual information only. Voters will decide.

Questions

Where to learn more

District website and document center:
www.king20fire.org/document-center



Bond Information Page:
<https://www.king20fire.org/capital-projects-bond>



KC Tax Transparency Tool:
<https://localscape.spatalest.com/#kingcountyassessor/My-Property>



Thank you for attending and taking time to learn about the proposed Capital Improvement Bond.