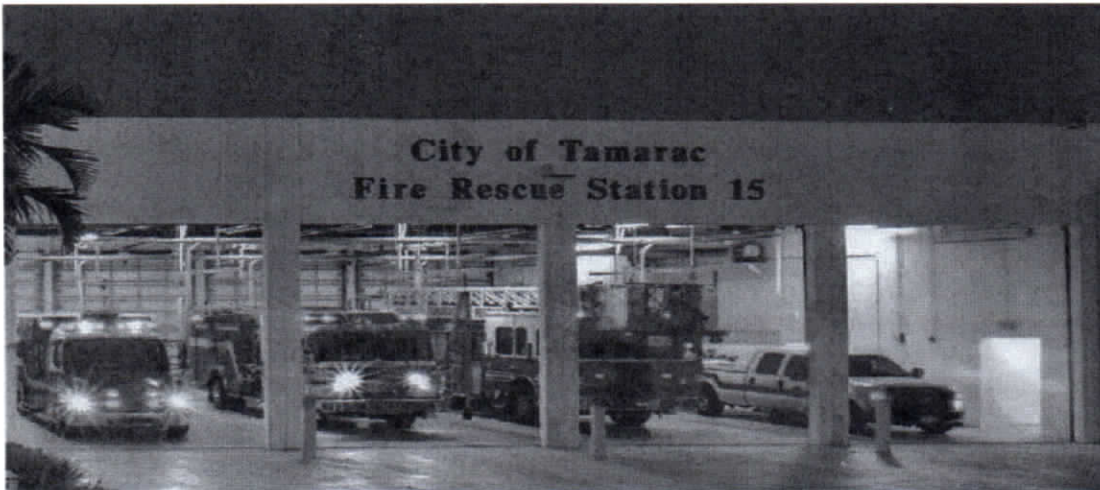


**CITY OF TAMARAC
FLORIDA
FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

COST OF SERVICE STUDY
SERVICE FEE DETAIL**



Description of Department

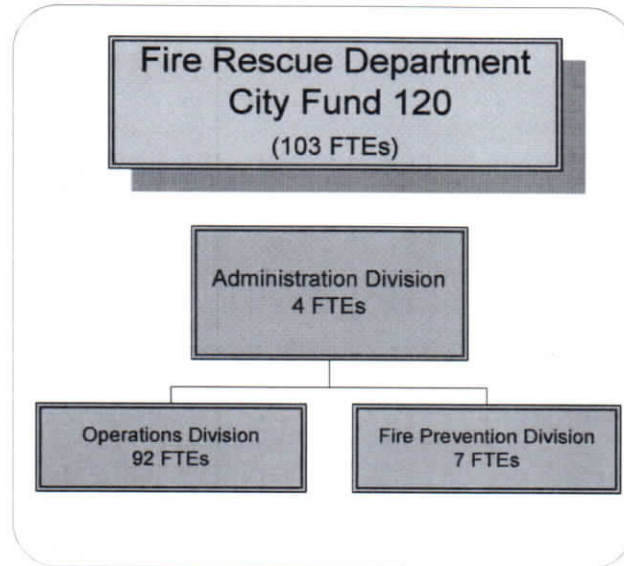
The City of Tamarac Fire Rescue Department is staffed with dedicated professionals who protect the life, health, property and natural resources of the citizens and visitors of Tamarac by providing the highest quality emergency medical services, fire suppression, emergency preparedness, inspection services, and public education.

The Fire Rescue Department is made up of three unique divisions and currently has a roster of 103 active full time employees (FTEs):

1. Fire Administration
2. Operations, and
3. Fire Prevention

The following chart shows the current organizational structure of the Tamarac Fire Rescue Department and the number of FTEs currently assigned to each Division.

City of Tamarac
Fire Rescue Department



All Fire Rescue departmental costs identified in this report are the fiscal year 2016 expenditures budgeted to perform the services. All City-wide General Fund Overhead costs allocated to the Fire Rescue Department by the City have been included to identify the full cost of providing services.

For purposes of this study the Administration Division costs have been allocated to the Operations Division and the Fire Preventions Division based on FTEs.

Many of the service areas within the Fire Rescue Department have not been updated or reviewed since 2008. The only fees revised in 2008 were EMS transport fees. EMS transport fees are appropriate and no change is needed.

The existing Fire Prevention fees were established in 1997 have not been revised since 2004 and are proposed to be changed. Additionally, we have added new fees for services added since 2004.

New fees are proposed to recover the cost of service areas that were not in the original fee schedule.

An extensive review of the current services resulted in many of the services being renamed to more accurately reflect the actual work involved in performing the services and to better represent the type and size of the structures being used.

The following service areas within the Fire Rescue Department were reviewed: Fire Prevention, Fire Operations, EMS, Emergency Management and Public Education. Below are revised fees which will become effective as of October 1st, 2017. **Please remember that fees below are base fees and may be cumulative based on the types and quantities of life safety systems within your building.**

Service	Revised Fee
Plan Review and Safety Inspections New/Renovation Construction (1st compliance inspection is included)	
Less than 2,500 sq ft	\$ 110.00
2,500 – 5,000 sq ft	\$ 165.00
5,001 – 49,999 sq ft	\$ 220.00
Each additional 50,000 sq ft	\$ 220.00
Plan Review & Safety Inspection for Sprinkler Systems (1st compliance inspection is included)	
Less than 50 New or Relocated Heads	\$ 110.00
50 – 250 New or Relocated Heads	\$ 220.00
More than 250 New or Relocated Heads	\$ 330.00
Plan Review & Safety Inspection for Fire Alarms (1st compliance inspection is included)	
Less than 25 New or Relocated Devices	\$ 110.00
25 – 50 New or Relocated Devices	\$ 220.00
More than 50 New or Relocated Devices	\$ 330.00
Plan Review & Safety Inspection for Standpipe System	\$ 110.00
Revised Plan Review Following Prior Approval	\$ 110.00
Plan Review – Sealcoating / Restriping	\$ 110.00
Emergency / Disaster Plan Review	\$ 110.00
Tent / Canopy Plan Review	\$ 110.00
Failed Permit Inspection Fee	\$ 110.00

Service		Revised Fee	
Commercial Inspections			
Less than 500 sq ft		\$ 92.00	
500 - 2,499 sq ft		\$ 145.00	
2,500 – 5,000 sq ft		\$ 200.00	
5,001 – 49,999 sq ft		\$ 255.00	
Each additional 50,000 sq ft		\$ 255.00	
Fire Pump Inspection			
		\$ 55.00	
Standpipe Inspection			
		\$ 90.00	
Fire Sprinkler Inspection			
		\$ 145.00	
Fire Alarm Inspection			
		\$ 145.00	
Fire Alarm/Fire Sprinkler Inspection Combo			
		\$ 225.00	
Multiple Family Residential Fire Inspections – <u>To be phased in over the next 6 years. See below.</u>			
Number of Units	50% increase in FY18	75% increase in FY20	100% increase in FY22
3 -15 Units	\$ 72.50	\$ 108.75	\$ 145.00
16 – 25 Units	\$ 100.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 200.00
26 – 35 Units	\$ 127.50	\$ 191.25	\$ 255.00
36 – 45 Units	\$ 157.50	\$ 236.25	\$ 315.00
Over 45 Units	\$ 185.00	\$ 277.50	\$ 370.00
Commercial / Multi-Family Photo Voltaic Inspection			
		\$ 145.00	
Non-Portable Storage Container Inspection			
First Unit		\$ 90.00	
Each Additional Unit		\$ 55.00	
ALF Evacuation Drill Inspection			
		\$ 145.00	
Miscellaneous Inspections			
		\$ 145.00	
Fire Hydrant Flush			

Service		Revised Fee
First Unit/Hydrant		\$ 90.00
Each Additional Unit/Hydrant		\$ 55.00
Witness Hydrant Fire Flow Test		
		\$ 200.00
Special Agent System Inspection (bi-annual)		\$ 145.00
Commercial Cooking Fire Suppression Inspections (bi-annual)		\$ 145.00
Food Truck Inspections Commercial Cooking Fire Suppression Inspections (annual)		\$ 90.00
Safety Re-Inspection Fee		
		See Below

Safety Re-Inspections

The initial inspection fees include the cost of the initial inspection and one follow up inspection if there was a failed initial inspection. Because of the public safety nature of the Safety Inspections there is a strong need to ensure that violations are fixed quickly. As such a second failed inspection for the same violation will require a third inspection and the fee for the third inspection will be the **cost of the initial inspection**. The fee will **double** for each additional failed inspection for the same violation.

