
Press Release **New fire station planned for next summer**

Owner / Client:
**City of Sioux Falls
Sioux Falls Fire Rescue**

Facility User:
Fire Station #10

Project Location:
**W. 12th Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57104**

Projected Completion Date:
July 2006

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SIoux FALLS, SD, AUGUST 1, 2005 - A new 8,000 square foot fire station will open in Sioux Falls next summer.

Out of the nine fire stations in Sioux Falls, Fire Station #10 will be the fourth to have a 3-bay station, allowing space for three emergency vehicles. The new station will include individual sleeping quarters for fire fighters, a rappelling platform, a physical training room, classrooms and offices. Sioux Falls Fire Rescue plans to have four fire fighters on duty and three vehicles, including a rescue engine, a tanker and a rescue vehicle. The station will specialize in water rescue and will border a pond to provide practice opportunities.

The new station, to be located on West 12th Street at Whitewood Circle, will improve response times in western Sioux Falls and Wayne Township.

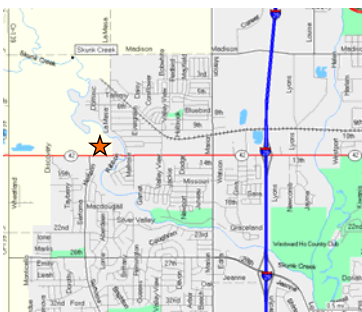
Donn W. Hill, fire chief for Sioux Falls Fire Rescue, says the response time in western Sioux Falls sometimes exceeds seven minutes. With the addition of Fire Station #10, the long term goal is to respond to 90% of emergencies within five minutes.

"This station will bring response times in the area in compliance with our five-minute goal," says Hill. "Rapid responses significantly reduce fire loss, and are crucial for patients with medical emergencies."

Construction on Fire Station #10 will begin by early September.

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