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FIRE STATION #15 GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

WACO, TEXAS (December 1, 2023) — The City of Waco will be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 7 at 10905 Panther Way to celebrate the construction of a new fire station. Fire Station #15 will be an approximately 8,000 square-foot structure with a three-bay setup, individual sleeping quarters that can accommodate up to eight fire personnel per shift, bathrooms, and large washing machines.

The \$5.46 million project is expected to be complete in spring 2025. The location of the fire station was chosen with input from the Insurance Services Office, a third-party entity that ranks fire departments based on their performance.

Fire Station #15 will serve the West Waco neighborhood, which has seen rapid residential growth in recent years. When the station opens, it will be fully staffed with one captain, two lieutenants, three engineers, and six firefighters. A minimum of three personnel will be on duty daily.

Waco Fire Department

The City of Waco maintains an ISO Class 1 Public Protection Classification rating, which is the highest possible score a city can earn based on our water distribution, fire department equipment, firefighting personnel, and dispatch facilities. Less than one percent of the more than 47,000 cities in the country have earned this rating. The Waco Fire Department is a true customer service organization that responds to over 21,000 calls for service per year. Calls include fires, water rescues, medical emergencies, hazardous material situations, and non-emergency situations.

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