

Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District

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Board of Directors

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Rick Mello, Fire Chief

Post Date: January 12, 2026

Board of Directors Meeting
1531 1st Street, Escalon, CA 95320
January 15, 2026, at 4 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Jason Koops, Vice Chairperson
Mickey Schilber, Secretary
Zach Hogan, Director
Laura Catrina, Director

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is provided for the public to address the Board of Directors on items not on the Agenda that fall within the Board's jurisdiction and are offered for the good of the District. Public comments regarding items on the Agenda should be made at the time of the item. Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person.

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the Board Meeting on December 11, 2025.

V. BILLS

Bills for the month of December in the amount of \$28,687.36.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Ayera Antenna Space Lease Agreement

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief
Requested Action / Purpose: Update Contract Provisions
Attachments:

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Elections of Officers 2026

Presented by: Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Requested Action / Purpose:
Attachments:

B. LAFCo Municipal Services Review (MSR) Committee

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief
Requested Action / Purpose:
Attachments:

C. 2026 Form 700

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief
Requested Action / Purpose:
Attachments:

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Board meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m. located at 1531 1st Street, Escalon, California. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is February 12, 2026.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

A. Litigation / Possible Litigation (54956.9 (d)(2) – One item

B. Employee Contracts (Section 54957)
Title: Fire Chief (Review)

XII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

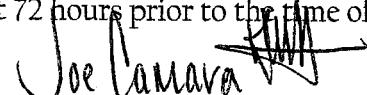
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XIV. ADJOURN

XV. CERTIFICATION

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Date: January 12, 2026



By: Joe Camara, Board Chairperson

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**ESCALON CONSOLIDATED FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
DECEMBER 2025**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District was called to order by Director Joe Camara at 12:06 p.m. on December 11, 2025.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present: Jason Koops, Mickey Schilber, Zach Hogan, and Laura Catrina

Directors Absent: Joe Camara

Staff Present: Fire Chief Rick Mello, Administrative Assistant Katy House, Firefighter Engineer Cassidy Bohannon, Volunteer Firefighter Kaden Christensen, and Reserve Firefighter Colton Weber.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. No Public Comment

IV. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting on October 16, 2025, were approved on a motion by Director Catrina, seconded by Director Hogan.

3-AYES 0-NAYES 2-ABSENT

V. BILLS

October bills totaling \$73,423.42 were approved on a motion by Director Hogan, seconded by Director Catrina.

3-AYES 0-NAYES 2-ABSENT

November bills totaling \$30,224.75 were approved on a motion by Director Catrina, seconded by Director Hogan.

3-AYES 0-NAYES 2-ABSENT

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. No Communications

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – November 2025

A. Status of Fire Department

- a. 96 calls for the month and 117 for 2025.

B. Training

a. October Drills

10-7-25	Larro Rope Rescue Training	(9 participants)
10-15-25	Child Birth Policy Update	(11 participants)
10-23-25	Annual Fit Test	(18 participants)

The 4 new reserves have finished all paperwork and are now online and training as they ride shifts.

We currently have 6 new reserve applications on file and will hopefully be doing another round of interviews in the near future.

C. Prevention

- As always, we have the fire prevention week during October. This year the assemblies were held on the 8th and 9th of October, between both schools we had a little over 1000 kids attend and the assemblies were a success. Our reserves that participated in the assemblies did a phenomenal job. We also brought Sparky the fire dog back into the presentations and the kids really enjoyed that.
- There was 1 business inspection completed for the month of November, a change of ownership for Family Treasures.
- Fire alarm panels were updated for the Escalon PD and city buildings, and I attended the final test which went off without a hitch.
- The new Weldway Construction project is underway, I attended a meeting with city planning to discuss an update to the construction project which has added a larger water supply, full sprinkler system as well as hydrants.
- The new Inspection manual for our business inspection processs is for the most part complete, still waiting for a few answers to some questions from the city. We will start fresh with business inspections January 2026.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- New wheels for Brush 1-1 were purchased and installed at Show Off Motorsports.
- Repairs were done to E 1-1 by WB Auto Tech LLC.
- Burton's Fire completed annual pump testing.
- Brush 1-1 went to Central Valley Dodge in Modesto for factory recalls.

E. Buildings and Grounds

- A new battery was installed on the generator at Station 1.
- Former Ripon Fire volunteer Bert Balltore returned the old civil defense siren to Escalon Fire after he fully reconditioned it. It is currently house at Station 1.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chiefs' Association

- Meeting 11-6-25, general business and the LAFCo Municipal Services Review (MSR) was discussed.

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- Meeting 10-15-25, general business.

H. Miscellaneous

- Fill-the-Boot for Burns was canceled and will be rescheduled for Spring 2026.
- The badge pinning and swearing-in ceremony for Dylan Criteser was held on Thursday, October 30. A nice crowd attended, with excellent representation from Escalon Fire personnel and board.

VIII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – December 2025

A. Status of Fire Department

- a. 92 calls for the month and 1008 for 2025.

B. Training

a. November Drills

11-4-25	Forcible Entry	(11 participants)
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11-12-25	EMS Shock & Bleeding	(8 participants)
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11-20-25	Investigations for First Responders	(6 participants)
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The 4 newest reserves are online and riding shifts. Training with them is on shift as they work.

Interviews have been scheduled for beginning for December for another round of reserves, we had 11 applications in total and will be interviewing 9 of those. Our reserve staff are doing a phenomenal job recently, filling the schedules needed during this time!!!

Investigations:

2 fire investigations were conducted in November, one was by our personnel here in our district the other was an assist to the FIU team out of district.

No open or active investigations.

Misc.

Christmas lights went up a little earlier this year and the house looks awesome! Spent some time setting up and preparing for the first Hot Cocoa with a Firefighter. We have been working with the owner of the new Soul Coffee shop on Main St. This event will be held in December. Free hot cocoa for the kiddos. We will be sitting down to color with the kids of the community, as well as the Christmas story reading by Santa Claus. We will also have Sparky the fire dog present, the grinch and an elf. Hopefully it's a hit and we can continue to do this in the future years! It has been set for Saturday December 13th from 1800 to 2000 hrs. Will update on the success of the event next month.

C. Prevention

- 4 business inspections were completed in the month of November.
- November was the month for our annual smoke detector program, we currently have 19 residents that received the service provided.
- Boxes for the Escalon Fire Christmas Toy Drive went out on November 19th, we currently have boxes located at 27 different business throughout town.

B Shift:

New siren speaker in El-1, Fixed in house

Chronic foam leak in El-1, Fixed in house

New alerting system project started at station 1-1 on Decl. This project is going to include all new hardware, software and equipment.

B shift participated in the snowman build off competition for Christmas on Main, along with we drove Marg and her guest in the parade.

We participated in the CTE competition at Escalon High fire science. There was roughly about 8-10 school from around the area with over 80 students.

I attended the Tablet command class

We got two out of the 4 required school inspections completed and El Portal is scheduled for 12/17, the final preschool that needs to be inspected has not lined up with my days. Between holidays and weekends. Smoke detectors we had 8 assigned to us, we have completed 6 as well as installed and rewired 4 detectors for one resident.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- Foam leak on E 1-1 repaired in-house.
- Siren speaker on E 1-1 removed and replaced in-house.

E. Buildings and Grounds

- The installation of the new house alerting system is nearly complete. Most of the cost is being absorbed by surplus funds from our ARPA upgrades.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chiefs' Association

- Meeting 12-3-25, general business and the LAFCo Municipal Services Review (MSR) was discussed.

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- Meeting 11-19-25, general business.

H. Miscellaneous

- Eighteen residents are taking part in the smoke detector battery replacement program.
- Escalon Fire personnel took part in Christmas on Main, Saturday, December 6. Personnel entered the snow man contest, participated in a “snowball” fight with the kids, and drove Marg in the parade.
- The annual toy drive is well underway. Collection of the donation boxes will take place on December 19, and the toy drive through distribution will take place on Saturday, December 20. Sorting of the gifts begins at 8:00 a.m. with the distribution beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- The first “hot cocoa with a firefighter” event will take place Saturday, December 13, at Soul Coffee on Main Street.
- Escalon United Methodist Church Women donated \$100.00 to the District. Proceeds were from their potato lunch.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. No Old Business

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ayera Antenna Space Lease Agreement

- a. Tabled until the next Board meeting in January.

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Profit & Loss Detail
December 2025

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou...	Paid Amo...	Balance
Ordinary Income/Expense						
Income						
		Memorial Deposit				
Deposit	12/19/2025	Escalon United Methodi...	MEMORIAL DEPOSIT	100.00	100.00	100.00
		Total Memorial Deposit		100.00	100.00	100.00
Other General Rev						
		Communication				
Deposit	12/19/2025	Ayera Technologies	JAN - DEC 2025 TOWER SPACE RENT	600.00	600.00	600.00
		Total Communication		600.00	600.00	600.00
		Miscellaneous Income				
Sales ...	12/02/2025	Costa, Jonathan	Uniform - Sweatshirt	20.00	20.00	20.00
Sales ...	12/07/2025	Weber, Colton	Uniform - Camo T-Shirt	16.00	16.00	36.00
Sales ...	12/09/2025	Criteser, Dylan	Uniform - HAT	20.00	20.00	56.00
		Total Miscellaneous Income		56.00	56.00	56.00
		Total Other General Rev		656.00	656.00	656.00
Property Tax						
		Mitigation - Fire Facility Fees				
Deposit	12/19/2025	County of San Joaquin	NOV 2025 BAL	1,258.00	1,258.00	1,258.00
		Total Mitigation - Fire Facility Fees		1,258.00	1,258.00	1,258.00
		Property Tax - Other				
Deposit	12/19/2025	County of San Joaquin	AUG 2025 BAL	7,570.35	7,570.35	7,570.35
		Total Property Tax - Other		7,570.35	7,570.35	7,570.35
		Total Property Tax		8,828.35	8,828.35	8,828.35
		Total Income		9,584.35	9,584.35	9,584.35
Expense						
		GENERAL & ADMIN				
		Communications				
Bill	12/04/2025	Joint Radio Users Group...	DISPATCH FEE W/OEMS, DISPATCH FEE W/EMS, MEMBER FE...	2,125.94	2,125.94	2,125.94
		Total Income		2,125.94	2,125.94	2,125.94

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Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou...	Paid Amo...	Balance
Bill	12/04/2025	GoTo Communications, ...	MONTHLY SERVICE	461.24	461.24	2,587.18
Bill	12/17/2025	AT&T MOBILITY	MONTHLY SERVICE	281.06	281.06	2,868.24
		Total Communications		2,868.24	2,868.24	
Fire Prevention						
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	SMOKE DETECTOR BATTERIES	66.48	66.48	66.48
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	FASTENERS; DUR BATT LITHM; BATTERY AA; DURR LTHM	32.96	32.96	99.44
		Total Fire Prevention		99.44	99.44	
Firefighter Safety Gear						
Bill	12/04/2025	L.N. Curtis and Sons	SIZE 11.5 STRUCTURE BOOTS;	1,244.06	1,244.06	1,244.06
Bill	12/04/2025	Scott's PPE Recon, Inc.	SPARKY VELCRO PATCH	58.46	58.46	1,302.52
Bill	12/04/2025	Cascade Fire Equipment	BRUSH NOMAX YLW COAT	431.19	431.19	1,733.71
Deposit	12/08/2025	Criteser, Dylan	REIMBURSEMENT STRUCTURE BOOTS	-622.00	-622.00	1,111.71
Deposit	12/10/2025	Percy, Stephen	REIMBURSEMENT STRUCTURE BOOTS	-622.00	-622.00	489.71
		Total Firefighter Safety Gear		489.71	489.71	
Fuel						
Bill	12/04/2025	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	652.94	652.94	652.94
Credit...	12/10/2025	H & M Market	FUEL	41.00	41.00	693.94
Bill	12/17/2025	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	660.53	660.53	1,354.47
Credit...	12/18/2025	Criteser, Dylan	Service Charge	1.75	1.75	1,356.22
Credit...	12/22/2025	H & M Market	FUEL	33.00	33.00	1,389.22
		Total Fuel		1,389.22	1,389.22	
Household						
Check	12/02/2025	Amazon	3X 2PCS OFFICE CHAIR HEADREST COVER	65.22	65.22	65.22
Check	12/03/2025	DBon's Pizza	RESERVE CHRISTMAS DINNER	50.00	50.00	115.22
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	POSTER STRIPS COMMAND	15.21	15.21	130.43
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	STATION 1-1 LIGHTS	136.95	136.95	267.38
Bill	12/04/2025	Brady Industries	CS - TOWEL ROLL; CS BATH TISSUE	136.58	136.58	403.96
Check	12/04/2025	Burr, Ryan	VOLUNTEER CHRISTMAS LUNCH REIMBURSEMENT	198.28	198.28	602.24
Check	12/04/2025	Starbucks	LUNCH MEETING	50.00	50.00	652.24
Check	12/04/2025	Ei Rancho Inn	2X SANTA SNOW; 3X SNOW ROLL	138.64	138.64	790.88
Check	12/05/2025	Walmart	CHRISTMAS TREE TOPPER SPARKY PARTS; 12X PAJAMA PA...	20.40	20.40	811.28
Check	12/05/2025	Amazon		256.48	256.48	1,067.76

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Check	12/08/2025	Costco	RED CUPS' COOKWARE SET; DUTCHOVN;MICROPOP; OREOJ...	601.04	601.04	1,668.80
Check	12/09/2025	Amazon	STERILE SALINE SOLUTION 4 PK	31.49	31.49	1,700.29
Check	12/10/2025	1-800-FLOWERS	CAMARA GET WELL FLOWERS	121.77	121.77	1,822.06
Check	12/11/2025	Dollar General	1PK CHRISTMAS CARDS	3.26	3.26	1,825.32
Check	12/11/2025	Amazon	CHRISTMAS TREE TOPPER	26.91	26.91	1,852.23
Check	12/16/2025	Oak Valley Community ...	7X CHRISTMAS DEBIT CARDS FOR STAFF	350.00	350.00	2,202.23
Bill	12/17/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	NEW LOCK FOR TRASH DUMPPSTER	30.44	30.44	2,232.67
Bill	12/17/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	2X VELCRO STRIPS SPARKY	10.85	10.85	2,243.52
Bill	12/17/2025	Fast Response On-Site T...	14X FIT TESTING	1,716.00	1,716.00	3,959.52
Bill	12/17/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	HANGING STRIPS SPARKY	14.13	14.13	3,973.65
Check	12/18/2025	Amazon	8X COFFEE CREAMER	60.00	60.00	4,033.65
Check	12/19/2025	Alhambra	MONTHLY SERVICE	13.93	13.93	4,047.58
Check	12/20/2025	Burr, Ryan	REIMBURSEMENT - PROPANE	47.75	47.75	4,095.33
Bill	12/20/2025	Baker Print Co	25X BEANIE UNIFORMS	500.00	500.00	4,595.33
Check	12/20/2025	DBon's Pizza	TOY DRIVE LUNCH	157.29	157.29	4,752.62
Check	12/31/2025	Carrot Top Industries	4X FLAGS; 2X ESCALON COUGAR FLAGS	487.45	487.45	5,240.07
Total Household				5,240.07	5,240.07	5,240.07
Office Expenses						
Check	12/02/2025	Conexwest	MONTHLY STORAGE CONTAINER LEASE	85.92	85.92	85.92
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	2X SCISSORS; PUTTY KNIFE; GLAZE&SPOT; STAIN MARKER	49.97	49.97	135.89
Check	12/05/2025	STAPLES	6PK BANKERS BOX; 2PRNG REPORT COVER	87.58	87.58	223.47
Check	12/09/2025	United States Post Office	STAMPS	78.00	78.00	301.47
Bill	12/17/2025	Warden's	APPT BOOK; PK AA BATTERIES	79.18	79.18	380.65
Bill	12/17/2025	Warden's	RM COPY PAPER	55.94	55.94	436.59
Bill	12/17/2025	Power Business Technol...	BLK 123; CLR 440	28.18	28.18	464.77
Bill	12/17/2025	Tostiba Financial Services	MONTHLY COPIER LEASE	201.19	201.19	665.96
Check	12/19/2025	STAPLES	IREAM CARDSTOCK; RED FILE FOLDERS	63.74	63.74	729.70
Check	12/30/2025	Conexwest	MONTHLY STORAGE CONTAINER LEASE	85.92	85.92	815.62
Total Office Expenses				815.62	815.62	815.62
Professional Services						
Bill	12/04/2025	HdL Coren & Cone	SPECIAL TAX 2025-2026	2,661.44	2,661.44	2,661.44
Bill	12/17/2025	Auriga Technology, LLC	HELPDESK SERVICE RENEWEL	118.75	118.75	2,780.19
Bill	12/17/2025	Auriga Technology, LLC	DECEMBER MONTHLY BILLING	681.20	681.20	3,461.39

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Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou...	Paid Amo...	Balance
Total Professional Services						
Utilities						3,461.39
Bill	12/04/2025	Verizon Wireless	MONTHLY SERVICE	114.37	114.37	114.37
Bill	12/04/2025	Gilton Solid Waste	MONTHLY SERVICE	129.94	129.94	244.31
Check	12/16/2025	Insect IQ, Inc	STATION 1	117.38	117.38	361.69
Check	12/16/2025	Insect IQ, Inc	STATION 2	117.38	117.38	479.07
Bill	12/17/2025	DIRECTV	MONTHLY SERVICE	199.99	199.99	679.06
Bill	12/17/2025	PG&E 2	STATION 2	98.33	98.33	777.39
Total Utilities				777.39	777.39	
Total GENERAL & ADMIN				15,141.08	15,141.08	
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS						
Maintenance						
E 1-1	12/17/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	E 1-1 HONDA LIGHT	16.94	16.94	16.94
Total E 1-1				16.94	16.94	16.94
Maintenance - Other						
Bill	12/04/2025	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	2 GAL ANTIFREEZE	32.60	32.60	32.60
Bill	12/04/2025	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	HEAT SHRINK; PRIMARY WIRE; PRIMARY WIRE; TBOLT CLA...	81.30	81.30	113.90
Bill	12/04/2025	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	3X SPRAYPAINT	26.07	26.07	139.97
Total Maintenance - Other				139.97	139.97	
Total Maintenance				156.91	156.91	
Small Tools & Equipment						
Check	12/04/2025	Cassidy Bohannon	TV FOR NEW ALARMING SYSTEM UPSTAIRS	234.61	234.61	234.61
Total Small Tools & Equipment				234.61	234.61	
Total MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS				391.52	391.52	
Salaries & Benefits						
Health Insurance						
Bill	12/04/2025	Premier Access	DECEMBER 2025	1,185.14	1,185.14	1,185.14

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Bill	12/17/2025	CaliforniaChoice Benefit...	JANUARY 2026	11,969.62	11,969.62	13,154.76
		Total Health Insurance		13,154.76		13,154.76
		Total Salaries & Benefits		13,154.76		13,154.76
		Total Expense		28,687.36		28,687.36
		Net Ordinary Income		-19,103.01	-19,103.01	
		Net Income		-19,103.01	-19,103.01	

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

July through December 2025

	Jul - Dec 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Expense				
Auditor Direct Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Capital Expense				
Contingencies	0.00	70,000.00	-70,000.00	0.0%
New Equipment	667.13	9,000.00	-8,332.87	7.4%
Capital Expense - Other	43,709.27	90,427.00	-46,717.73	48.3%
Total Capital Expense	44,376.40	169,427.00	-125,050.60	26.2%
Employee Expenses	0.00	1,048,700.00	-1,048,700.00	0.0%
GENERAL & ADMIN				
Communications	15,675.20	43,000.00	-27,324.80	36.5%
Fire Prevention	4,257.65	3,500.00	757.65	121.6%
Firefighter Safety Gear	4,127.99	18,000.00	-13,872.01	22.9%
Fuel	10,015.47	18,000.00	-7,984.53	55.6%
Household	20,909.46	29,000.00	-8,090.54	72.1%
Insurance Casualty	33,520.82	30,000.00	3,520.82	111.7%
Memberships	1,633.55	2,200.00	-566.45	74.3%
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Office Expenses	5,765.01	10,000.00	-4,234.99	57.7%
Professional Services	35,384.91	30,000.00	5,384.91	117.9%
Publications and Legal Notices	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Special Accounting Reports	738.41	2,000.00	-1,261.59	36.9%
Special Departmental Expenses	5,120.00	6,000.00	-880.00	85.3%
Tax Administration Charges	0.00	22,500.00	-22,500.00	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Training & Transportation	185.44	14,000.00	-13,814.56	1.3%
Utilities	8,754.73	18,000.00	-9,245.27	48.6%
Total GENERAL & ADMIN	146,088.64	249,700.00	-103,611.36	58.5%
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS				
Maintenance				
WT 1-2	465.85			
Maintenance - Other	11,848.79	33,000.00	-21,151.21	35.9%
Total Maintenance	12,314.64	33,000.00	-20,685.36	37.3%
Maintenance Structure & Grounds	2,512.97	8,000.00	-5,487.03	31.4%
Small Tools & Equipment	1,281.75	7,000.00	-5,718.25	18.3%
Structure Improvements	28.25	7,000.00	-6,971.75	0.4%
Total MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	16,137.61	55,000.00	-38,862.39	29.3%
Salaries & Benefits				
Cafeteria Plan Medical	0.00	7,200.00	-7,200.00	0.0%
Health Insurance	81,601.80	160,000.00	-78,398.20	51.0%
Medi-Care	0.00	10,700.00	-10,700.00	0.0%
Overtime	0.00	67,000.00	-67,000.00	0.0%
Retirement	39,221.41	78,150.00	-38,928.59	50.2%
Salaries	-4,567.22	669,000.00	-673,567.22	-0.7%
Social Security (FICA)	0.00	45,650.00	-45,650.00	0.0%
Unemployment Comp EDD	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
Workers Compensation Insurance	44,758.05	81,000.00	-36,241.95	55.3%
Total Salaries & Benefits	161,014.04	1,129,700.00	-968,685.96	14.3%
Total Expense	367,616.69	2,652,527.00	-2,284,910.31	13.9%
Net Ordinary Income	-367,616.69	-2,652,527.00	2,284,910.31	13.9%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Expense				
Grants1				
2023 ARPA	0.00	365,241.07	-365,241.07	0.0%
Special District COVID-19 Relie	0.00	450,487.18	-450,487.18	0.0%
Total Grants1	0.00	815,728.25	-815,728.25	0.0%
Total Other Expense	0.00	815,728.25	-815,728.25	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	-815,728.25	815,728.25	0.0%
Net Income	-367,616.69	-3,468,255.25	3,100,638.56	10.6%

Chief's Report

January 2026

Emergency Responses

December 2025

- Medical Aid 105
- Public Service Assist 8
- Vehicle Accidents 12
- Vegetation Fires 1
- Structure Fires 3
- Vehicle Fires 0
- Other Incidents 12
 - Total For Month: 141 Total Dec 24: 105
 - Total for 2025: 1,149 Total for 2024: 1,201

Training

The drill schedule is traditionally very light for the month of December, this year there were only 2 drill nights used. The first one was used for the Chiefs dinner, the on- duty crew prepared a meal in house for the reserve staff. The second drill for the month was yearly compliance training, TB testing and PFT (lung capacity) test. Both tests were performed by an outside vendor. The 3rd drill was canceled to allow crews to spend time with their family members for the holiday season.

Prevention

C-Shift Monthly Report for December
Prevention & Reserve Program:
Reserves

- End of the year and nothing to report other than the reserves are all still doing an exceptional job at helping fill days on the calendar.

Prevention:

- The new inspection manual is complete and is now based on address instead of business. This was done to make it easier for shifts to complete inspections in a quicker time frame by cutting back on drive time. The inspections will be completely done via tablet now, no more paper forms, this will cut back on the amount of paper used as well as give us a better way to track inspections.
- End of the year state inspections for the schools, day cares and care facilities were all completed and there was only 1 other inspection completed for a change of ownership.

Investigations:

- 1 - fire investigation was conducted in December; The County FIU team was called for a residential structure fire in French Camp and 1 of our investigators assisted with that investigation.
- No open or active investigations at this time.

Misc.

- The Christmas Toy Drive went off with a bang as usual! This year we had a lot of assistance from the high school both sports and fire programs which was a huge help to us sorting toys. We had a total of 118 children from 45 families who received toys.
- The first hot cocoa with a firefighter was a success! We had a rather large turnout, and it brought business to the new Soul Coffee as well as gave our people a chance to interact with the community on more of a personal level. We also had Santa Claus, the Grinch and Sparky the fire dog in attendance. Hopefully we can keep this going in the future.

Apparatus and Equipment

- E 1-1 went to Burton's Fire for repairs.

Buildings and Grounds

- The installation of the new house alerting system is nearly complete. Most of the cost is being absorbed by surplus funds from our ARPA upgrades.
- Modesto Overhead Door completed repairs on Station 1 doors.

San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

- Meeting 1-7-26, general business and the LAFCo Municipal Services Review (MSR) were discussed.

San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

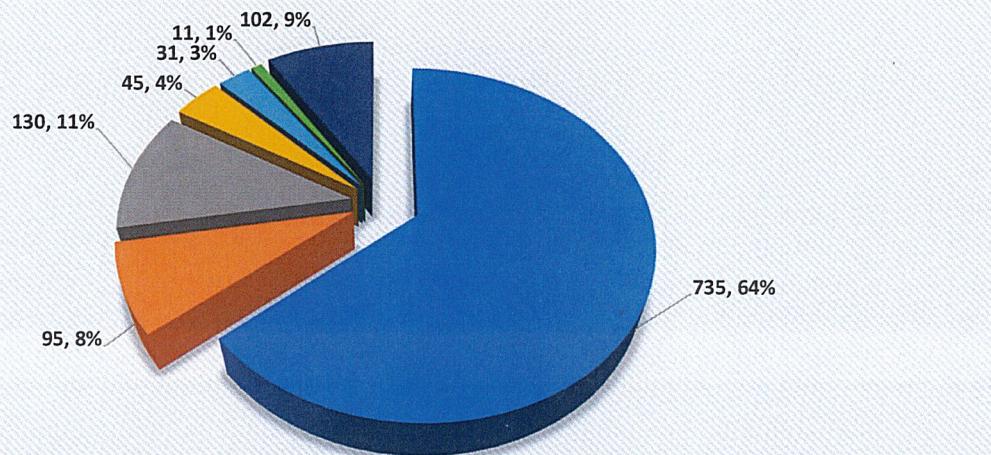
- Meeting 12-17-25, general business and annual dispatcher appreciation lunch.

Miscellaneous

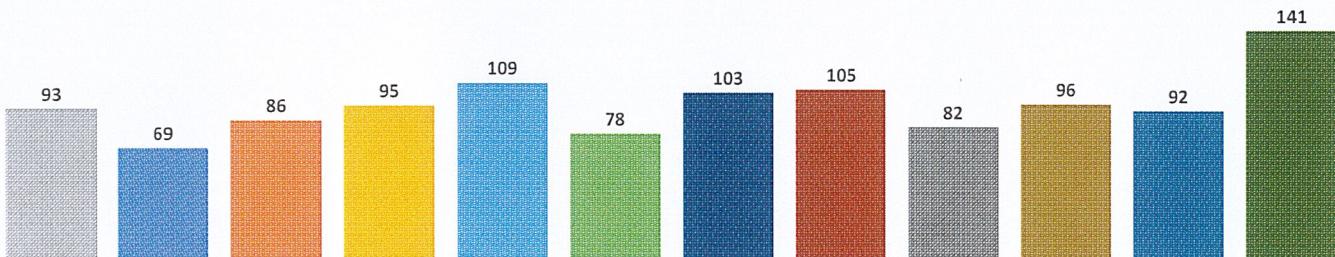
- The annual toy drive, drive-through toy distribution took place on Saturday, December 20. We served forty-five families, with 118 kids. The event was well attended by Escalon Fire Personnel. Supervisor Rickman, his wife Karen, and Board Aid Maria Valenzuela attended, as well as members of the American Legion, Escalon P.D., Escalon High School student athletes (with the J.V. and Varsity boys' soccer team), Escalon Chamber, Starbucks and the Escalon Times all assisted.
- The annual Christmas Tree pickup was held on Saturday, January 10. Ninety-two trees were picked up.
- Bold Communities has submitted plans for the development on California Street. It appears that the way the legislation is written, the project may not be subject to our fire facility fees.

	2025	TOTAL
MED AID	735	
PSA (LIFT ASSIST; LOCK OUT)	95	
MVA	130	
VEG	45	
STX	31	
VEH	11	
OTHER	102	
		TOTAL
		1149

2025 Call Type Totals



2025 Calls Per Month



JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER

ANTENNA SPACE LEASE AGREEMENT

This Antenna Space Lease Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into this **1st day of January, 2026**, between **Ayera Technologies, Inc.** (Lessee) and **Escalon Consolidated Fire District** (Lessor), owners of the property designated in Leased Space. This Agreement will supersede any previous agreement in effect as of the Commencement Date.

1. Term

The term of this Agreement shall be for five (5) years commencing on January 1, 2026 ("Commencement Date") and terminating on December 31, 2030 (the "Term") unless otherwise terminated as provided in Paragraph 7. Lessee shall have the right to extend the Term for up to four (4) successive five (5) year periods (the "Renewal Terms") on the same terms and conditions as set forth herein. This Agreement shall automatically be extended for each successive Renewal Term unless Lessee or Lessor notifies the other party their intent to not renew at least 180 days prior to commencement of the succeeding Renewal Term.

2. Rent and Services provided to Lessor

- a) Lessee shall pay to Lessor as rent Five-Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00) per month ("Rent"). Rent shall be payable to Lessor at 1749 Coley Ave, Escalon, CA, 95320. Rent shall increase upon commencement of each renewal term by 10%.
- b) Lessee will, during the term of this Agreement and any option period, include a 1-Gbps symmetrical network connection for Lessor's internal use to each of Lessor's following locations ("Fire Stations"):
 - a. 1749 Coley Ave, Escalon, CA, 95320 ("Station 1")
 - b. 21311 W Hwy 120, Escalon, CA, 95320 ("Station 2")

These connections may be used for both Layer 2 connectivity between Fire Stations ("L2 Service") as well as internet service ("Internet Service"). A routable public IP subnet up to a /28 (13 assignable IPs) shall be included upon request.

- c) Lessee shall provide, install, and maintain at no charge to Lessor, up to twenty-four fixed 2k or 4k cameras, two (2) 4k Point-to-Zoom cameras, and one (1) Network Video Recorder ("NVR") among any or all Fire Stations.
- d) Lessee shall provide, install, and maintain at no charge to Lessor, up to twelve WiFi Access Points among any or all Fire Stations to provide internet and/or secure private network WiFi connectivity.
- e) Lessee shall, upon Lessor's request, provide, install, and maintain at no charge to Lessor, up to two (2) emulated T1 service connections ("T1 Service") for any Lessor's legacy TDM-type equipment located at Station 1. Endpoint of each T1 Service circuit may vary, but must be at a location

serviced by Lessee.

- f) Lessee shall provide Lessor certified tower climbing services ("Tower Service") for installation and maintenance of Lessor's antennas and other equipment at the Fire Station's freestanding towers at a minimum 75% discount off Lessee's standard tower climber labor rates. Tower Service scheduling may vary based on Lessee's staff availability.

3. Leased Space

This is a multi-site lease, with the following locations included as designated Leased Space ("Leased Space Locations"), each including indoor rack or wall space ("Shelter Space") for Lessee's power and switching equipment, and up to 8 Amps of 120V power at each location paid for by Lessor via a nearby electrical outlet or panel. Any power used over the included amount will be paid monthly by Lessee at actual cost of power. Leased Space also includes sufficient space for fiber, Ethernet, and/or Low Voltage power cabling from antennas to Shelter Space at each Leased Space Location.

- a) 1749 Coley Ave, Escalon, CA, 95320 ("Station 1"). Approximately 25 vertical feet of space on upper portion and 15 vertical feet on the middle/lower portions of Lessor's existing rooftop guyed 80' Rohn 25G tower for Lessee's various antennas and supporting equipment. Maximum Effective Projected Area (EPA) of antennas shall not exceed eighteen (18) sqft. Approximate latitude / longitude of Station 1 mast is 37.795205, -120.992571.

At Lessee's sole option and expense, Lessee may replace the existing 80' Rohn 25G mast with an upgraded 80' Rohn 45G or 45GSR mast for additional stability and/or antenna capacity. If this option is exercised, Lessee's Maximum Effective Projected Area (EPA) of Lessee's antennas shall not exceed twenty-four (24) sqft for a new 45G mast or thirty-six (36) sqft for a new 45GSR mast. Lessee shall be responsible for all costs involving the safe dismantling and disposal of the existing Rohn 25G mast.

- b) 21311 W Hwy 120, Escalon, CA, 95320 ("Station 2"). Sufficient rooftop space for installation and/or upgrade of a Rohn 25G or 45G guyed mast not to exceed 50' in height for Lessee's various antennas and supporting equipment. Maximum Effective Projected Area (EPA) of antennas shall not exceed eighteen (18) sqft for a 25G mast or twenty-four (24) sqft for a 45G mast. Approximate latitude / longitude of Station 2's mast is 37.798935, -121.046935.

4. Installation, Maintenance and Operation of Equipment

- a) Lessee shall be responsible for the cost of all installation expenses. Lessee understands that cable runs may require roof, wall or parapet penetrations and that Lessee shall properly seal such penetrations.
- b) Lessee's employees or designated contractors that climb the various towers or masts at the Leased Space Locations must have Competent or Authorized Climber certification issued from a reputable Tower Safety &

Rescue Training Program such as Comtrain. All appropriate safety measures must be taken when climbing masts.

- c) Lessee will, during the term of this Agreement and any option period, have the right to ingress and egress with sufficient notice to Lessor. Such right shall be limited to authorized engineers of Lessee or persons under Lessee's direct supervision. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

5. Taxes

If personal property taxes are assessed, Lessee shall pay any portion of such taxes directly attributable to the Lessee Facilities. Except as provided immediately below, Lessor shall pay all real property taxes attributable to the land. Lessee shall reimburse Lessor for any increases in real property taxes which are assessed as a direct result of Lessee's improvements to the Land. As a condition of Lessee's obligation to pay such tax increases, Lessor shall provide to Lessee the documentation from the taxing authority, reasonably acceptable to lessee, indicating the increase is due to Lessee's improvements.

6. Termination

This Agreement shall be in effect for the dates and time periods stated herein. Upon expiration or earlier termination of the Lease, Lessee will remove all equipment installed on the Leased Premises within 60 days without damage to Lessor's property. Any equipment or property remaining following the 60 day removal period shall be deemed abandon by the Lessee and Lessor shall have the right to dispose of such property as it deems appropriate. Lessee shall repair any damage caused by its installation, maintenance or removal of its equipment and other personal property to the original building condition. During the term of the Agreement, Lessor will not grant a license to any other party which would interfere with Lessee's use of the premises as contemplated herein.

This Agreement may be terminated without further liability as follows:

- a) By either party upon a default of any covenant or term hereof by the other party, which default is not cured within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice of default, provided that the grace period for any monetary default is ten (10) days from receipt of notice.
- b) By Lessor if Lessee damages Lessor's property in any such way and does not repair within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice.

7. Indemnification

Lessee does hereby indemnify and hold Lessor harmless from any claim which may arise against Lessor by reason of any occurrence attributable to the installation, operation or maintenance of Lessee's equipment. Except if caused by the gross negligence or misconduct of Lessor or its employees, agents or representatives, Lessor shall not have any obligations or liability with respect to the Lessee's equipment or any obligation to comply with any current or future enacted laws or regulations relating thereto. Lessee's installation, maintenance and use of its equipment shall be at its own risk and expense.

8. Insurance

Lessee, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, shall procure and maintain on the Premises and on the Lessee Facilities, bodily injury and property damage insurance with a combined single limit of at least One Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence. Such insurance shall insure, on an occurrence basis, against all liability of Lessee, its employees and agents arising out of or in connection with Lessee's use of Premises, all as provided for herein. Lessor shall be named as an additional insured on Lessee's policy. Lessee shall provide to Lessor a certificate of insurance evidencing the coverage required by this paragraph within ten (10) days of written request by Lessor.

9. Assignment and Subletting

Lessee may not assign or otherwise transfer all or any part of its interest in this Agreement or in the Premises without the prior written consent of Lessor; provided, however, that Lessee may assign its interest to its parent company, any subsidiary or affiliate or to any successor-in-interest or entity acquiring fifty-one percent (51%) or more of its stock or assets. Lessor may assign and/or transfer its title in interest in this Agreement upon written notice to Lessee, subject to the assignee and/or the transferee assuming all of Lessor's obligations herein.

10. Miscellaneous

- a) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all offers, negotiations and other agreements concerning the subject matter contained herein. Any amendments to this Agreement must be in writing and executed by both parties.
- b) If any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable with respect to any party, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such provision to persons other than those as to whom it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected and each provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- c) This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the successors, transferees of title, and permitted assignees of the respective parties.
- d) This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above noted. Any notice or demand required to be given herein shall be made to the address of the respective parties set forth below:

Lessee:

Ayera Technologies, Inc.
P.O. Box 576846
Modesto, CA 95357

Lessor:

Escalon Consolidated Fire District
1749 Coley Ave
Escalon, CA 95320

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Name: **Mathew Ford**

Name: _____

Title: **CEO**

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____