

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION  
MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election of the Monsey Fire District will take place on December 10, 2019, between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. at the firehouse located on Grove Street, Monsey, New York for the following purposes:

To elect one (1) Fire District Commissioner for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2024;

To elect one (1) Fire District Commissioner for the three (3) year balance of an unexpired term commencing January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2022; and

To vote upon the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION**

**FOR SUBMISSION TO ELECTORS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT**

**REFERENDUM ON THE AMENDMENT OF THE SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM FOR  
ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER MEMBERS OF THE  
MONSEY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT ADOPTED A RESOLUTION ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 11-A OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, A PUBLIC REFERENDUM OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT. THE REFERENDUM SEEKS APPROVAL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE DEFINED BENEFIT SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM, WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1990. THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTERS THE PROGRAM FOR ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER MEMBERS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. IF APPROVED, THE AMENDMENT WOULD BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020 AND,

- INCREASE THE MONTHLY SERVICE AWARD PAYMENTS BEGINNING AT THE ENTITLEMENT AGE FROM \$20 TO \$25 FOR EACH SERVICE CREDIT EARNED AFTER 2019, AND
- WOULD ALLOW THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT TO AMEND, REVISE OR OTHERWISE CHANGE THE POINT SYSTEM, PROSPECTIVELY ONLY, UNDER WHICH A YEAR OF SERVICE CREDIT IS EARNED.

THE AVERAGE ANNUAL COST OF THE CURRENT PROGRAM FOR 2019 IS APPROXIMATELY \$125,000 (\$1,488 PER PARTICIPATING VOLUNTEER) WHICH INCLUDES THE COST OF ADMINISTRATION OF ABOUT \$3,760 PER YEAR. THE ANNUAL COST OF THE AMENDED PROGRAM FOR CURRENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE YEARS 2020 TO 2024 IS APPROXIMATELY \$158,000 (\$1,890 PER PARTICIPATING VOLUNTEER). THE ANNUAL COST OF THE AMENDED PROGRAM FOR CURRENT VOLUNTEERS AFTER 2024 IS

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ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT \$133,000 (\$1,583 PER PARTICIPATING VOLUNTEER). THERE WILL BE NO INCREASE IN ADMINISTRATION FEES AS A RESULT OF THIS AMENDMENT. THE FAILURE OF THE AMENDMENT TO BE APPROVED BY THE VOTERS OF THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT WILL IN NO WAY AFFECT THE PROVISIONS OF THE SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM PRESENTLY IN EFFECT.

THEREFORE, SHALL THE STATED RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM BE APPROVED?

All residents of the Monsey Fire District, who are duly registered to vote with the Rockland County Board of Elections on or before November 18, 2019 shall be entitled to vote at this election.

Any person desiring to have his or her name appear on the ballot for one of the above offices must have filed a written request, specifying the office by term expiration date for which the name should appear, with the Secretary of the Fire District not later than November 20, 2019.

ESTHER WEISS, SECRETARY  
MONSEY FIRE DISTRICT

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