

# City applies for permit to build new fire station in West Portland Park

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Portland Fire & Rescue wants to build a new fire station for Engine 18 at property located at Southwest Barbur Boulevard and Luradel Street (10299 SW Barbur Blvd).

The new fire station would replace the current one located at 8720 SW 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Multnomah. The current station was built in 1960.

The proposal is for a new, two-story, 3,614 square foot fire station with residential living quarters. Fire trucks will enter and exit the site from Southwest Barbur Boulevard.

Gus Kamp and Chris Hendryx of Michael Willis Architects unveiled the exterior design of the building to the Station Advisory Committee in December. At the time, the construction cost was estimated to be approximately \$2 million.

"The design of the building and in particular the exterior appearance and how it relates to the surrounding community, received strong praise from the Station Advisory Committee," wrote Sylvia Bogert, executive director of Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., in the February 2008 issue of the Southwest Neighborhood News.

"The double story building fits

the small footprint of the constrained site. It optimizes the desired turning radius of 45-ft for the fire engine and apparatus and it provides adequate parking," wrote Bogert.

The floor plan includes business operations on the first floor and living accommodations on the second floor. The first floor includes garages for vehicles and office space. A kitchen, dining area, day room, fitness room, five bunk rooms and an outdoor deck are on the second floor.

"Firefighters from Station 18 liked the dark brown and red exterior of the building, which reminded them of traditional fire stations," wrote Bogert. "Red-tinted night-lighting was presented by the architects as a way to highlight certain significant spaces such as the fire pole, the corridor, apparatus bay and the stairwell."

Parking for other vehicles is located along the southern property line, adjacent to the dead-end section of Southwest Luradel Street. This portion of Luradel Street is designated as a local service street.

The fire bureau is working with the Portland Office of Transportation to determine a substandard street improvement status. The



An architect's rendering of the exterior of Fire Station 18. (Courtesy Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. and Michael Willis Architects)

fire bureau will be constructing substandard street improvements as part of the development.

Exiting from these parking spaces onto Luradel Street is proposed to be done in a backward motion. City code requires that all parking areas must be designed to allow vehicles to enter and exit the site in a forward motion. Therefore, an adjustment is required.

The application is Type II, adjustment review, an administrative decision with appeal to the Bureau of Development Services, Adjustment Committee.

This application was submitted on August 21, 2008 and determined to be complete on September 2,

2008. A decision is expected by the first week in October.

According to Local 43 of the Portland Firefighters Association, Engine 18 and Brush Unit 18 had 1661 emergency responses in 2007. Engine 18 serves Marshall Park, Markham, Far Southwest, West Portland Park, Multnomah, Ash Creek, Crestwood and Maplewood neighborhood associations.

For more information about this application, please contact Crystal Hitchings, Land Use Services, City of Portland Bureau of Development Services, at 503-823-7583 or Crystal.Hitchings@ci.portland.or.us. Please refer to the case file number LU 08-157149 AD.

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<p><b>Garden Home</b></p>  <p>This large home has it all! Kitchen w/ granite counters &amp; eating area. Light &amp; bright living room w/ floor to ceiling fireplace w/ woodstove. Large loft style family room w/ full bath &amp; bedroom. Daylight basement w/ family room, theater room, kitchenette, 2nd laundry &amp; bedroom. Large deck off kitchen. \$424,500</p>	<p><b>Hillsdale</b></p>  <p>First time on the market! Custom built in 1956. 4 bedrooms &amp; 2 fireplaces, family room &amp; workshop. Vaulted ceilings and hardwoods. Beautiful lot with SW views. Great location in Hillsdale. \$399,000</p>	<p><b>Hillsdale</b></p>  <p>Solid one level ranch style home located in a great, quiet area. 2BR 2BA. Hardwood floors in bedrooms, kitchen, dining room &amp; family room. Family room located off dining room &amp; kitchen. 2 fireplaces. 1st time on the market in almost 30 years. Impeccable inside &amp; outside. \$359,000</p>	<p><b>Stephenson</b></p>  <p>Pearched way up high on a .63 acre mostly flat lot. This mid century has a nice view, privacy and character. 3 bedrooms, hardwoods, sunroom &amp; double garage \$365,000.</p>	<p><b>Vermont Hills</b></p>  <p>Same owner for the last 27 years. Solid Mid Century home, blocks to Gabriel Park. Dry full concrete basement with tall ceilings. Newer vinyl windows. Neil Kelly remodeled bathroom. \$299,000</p>
<p><b>Burlingame</b></p>  <p>Solid mid century ranch style home w/ full unfinished basement. 2 BR 1 BA. Gleaming hardwood floors, classic brick fireplace &amp; lots of closets. Private fenced backyard &amp; located on a quiet street. \$299,900</p>	<p><b>Raleigh Hills</b></p>  <p>Impeccable remodeled one level ranch style home located in sought after Hemstreet Heights neighborhood. Open floor plan w/ living room, family room &amp; sunroom. 2 BD 1 full bath &amp; 2 half baths. SS appliances &amp; eating bar in kitchen. Hardwood floors throughout. Private outdoor back patio. \$299,750</p>	<p><b>Multnomah Village</b></p>  <p>2 BR Cottage in the heart of Multnomah Village. Light &amp; bright with roomy feel. Skylight in kitchen and family room with slider. Quiet &amp; private back yard with mature cherry and apple trees as well as organic garden plot. \$239,500</p>	<p><b>Parker Realty, Inc.</b></p> <p><b>503.977.1888</b> www.parkerrealtyportland.com 7830 SW 35th Ave</p> <p><b>Jeff Parker</b> Your neighborhood Realtor Since 1980</p> 	

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