

## FIRE/EMS OPTIONS

### Marathon

\$525,000 per year for the next 5 years	<b>5 Year Total =</b>	<b>\$2,625,000</b>
General Fund   \$500,000 per year		\$2,500,000
Infrastructure   \$25,000 per year		\$ 125,000

Pension Contribution Continues. Contribution in 2006 = \$57,616   2007 = \$48,634  
2008 = \$13,616

Opt-out is limited to a disaster or non-performance, not to negotiate dollars.

**Pros** Station 14 (airport) houses 4 personnel with ability to respond.  
3 Administrative staff also available to respond 24/7 – Fire Marshal, Emergency Manager, and Fire Chief.  
Station 14 houses tanker trucks, fire rescue (ambulances) and a ladder truck.  
Station 15 (Grassy Key) has 3 personnel that can also respond.  
25 volunteer firefighters.

**Cons** Difficult negotiations this year and in prior years leading to frustration and mistrust of Marathon officials.  
Personnel and Equipment are for all of Marathon and KCB.  
Increase of \$90,000 in one year.

### County

Years 1-3: \$498,000   \$543,000   \$583,000	<b>3 Year Total =</b>	<b>\$1,624,000</b>
Initial Infrastructure for Housing Year 1		\$ 35,000
Years 4 & 5: Inflation multiplier for non-personnel plus labor contract-related increases. Inflation of 3% was verbally agreed on cost of about \$100,000, labor is unknown.		
Year 4 minimum		\$ 586,000
Year 5 minimum		\$ 589,000
	<b>5 Year Total Minimum</b>	<b>\$2,834,000</b>

**Pros** Station houses 2 personnel dedicated to respond in KCB only.  
Station houses tanker truck and a fire rescue (ambulance) for use in KCB only.  
Station house could be located in KCB, Crawl Key, or Airport

**Cons** Reliance on mutual aid from Marathon for any event needing more than 2 responders and a tanker truck and/or ambulance – if a large person needed to be picked up, fires in tall buildings, more than one event at a time, a large fire, event needing more than one ambulance, etc.  
Future years (after the initial 5) will require additional investment in vehicles and equipment of at least \$250,000.

## KCB Department

Operating and Personnel Costs per year for Chief and six staff (3 per shift) \$650,000

Equipment – one pumper/tanker truck \$670,000  
one fire rescue (ambulance) \$200,000

Renovations to Public Works Building for Fire Station \$ 90,000

Pros KCB has decision-making authority over operations.  
Fire station is located on KCB.  
Equipment and Renovation Costs can be financed by loans.

Cons Cost is higher than other options.  
Added noise etc. on the island from the fire station.  
Added administrative cost and responsibility for the new department.  
Reliance on mutual aid for major events or multiple events.

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