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Meniffee Celebrates the Groundbreaking of the City's Newest Fire Station

Meniffee City Council and City staff joined together with community leaders to commemorate the start of construction of Fire Station No. 5 located in the Quail Valley community.

MENIFEE, CA – To further strengthen public safety in Meniffee, the City of Meniffee officially broke ground on Quail Valley Fire Station No. 5, a new state-of-the-art facility that will provide a significant increase in the amount of personnel and equipment that can be utilized at the station.

The new fire station will replace the existing Quail Valley Fire Station No. 5, located at the intersection of Goetz Road and Palm Drive/Ave Roble. The current station was built in the 1950s and is limited in capacity, housing only a few firefighters and two small-size fire trucks. The new, modern Fire Station No. 5 will be a 9,000-square-foot facility that can house up to 6 fire personnel and has a three-bay garage that can house large equipment, with room for future expansion. The new fire station has been designed to meet the needs of the community for at least the next fifty years.

“I am incredibly proud of our city leadership and staff for helping move this project forward, and I'm equally thankful for the support of our homebuilding partners like Brookfield Residential whose contribution of the land made this fire station possible,” said District 2 Councilmember Matt Liesemeyer. “Quail Valley Fire Station No. 5 makes our city safer and fulfills a critical need in the Quail Valley and Audie Murphy Ranch communities by replacing one of the oldest fire stations in Riverside County with a brand new, contemporary facility.”

Several local leaders attended the ceremony to commemorate the groundbreaking of the new fire station including Assemblymember Kelly Seyarto, Riverside County Supervisor Chuck Washington, and CalFire/Riverside County Fire Chief Bill Weiser.

“I want to thank the Meniffee City Council for their commitment to public safety,” said Chief Weiser. “Facilities like these become a home for our firefighters and it is crucial that they have the resources they need to do their jobs effectively and safely.”

Over half of the funding for the \$8.6 million fire station was paid for by Meniffee's Quality of Life Measure. Passed by Meniffee voters in November 2016, the Quality of Life Measure (also known as Measure DD) approved a one-cent sales tax to provide local funding that cannot be taken by the State. The funding provided by the measure has allowed the City to maintain and enhance numerous city services including police and fire services, road safety, and traffic mitigation.

Fire Station No. 5 is expected to be completed and operational by January 2024.

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ABOUT MENIFEE: *Situated in the heart of southern Riverside County along Interstate 215, Menifee is a vibrant, new city of more than 100,000 residents who enjoy a pleasant year-round climate, abundant recreational offerings, reasonably priced housing, and convenient proximity to some of Southern California's premier attractions and employment centers. Within its 50 square miles, Menifee's business, retail, and entertainment outlets are starting to shape the community's character and this growing economic base is also contributing favorably to the city's strong financial position. Menifee's growing family-oriented population values the city's ongoing commitment to public safety, community events, and smart growth for the future. All of these elements are working together to support the city's strategic vision to make Menifee one of the state's most promising new cities.*