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Mayor Shane McFarland's State of the City for 1st Quarter FY2017 online

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – Mayor Shane McFarland's quarterly report on activities and actions of the City of Murfreesboro is available to watch on YouTube. The 16-minute State of the City for 1st Quarter FY2017 can be watched at https://youtu.be/evQ-h8CT_vg. The latest quarterly report features a conversation with Murfreesboro Fire and Rescue Department Chief Mark Foulks. MFRD recently announced the scheduled opening of Fire Station 10 located at 2563 Veterans Parkway. The station will become fully operational on Sunday July 31.

The State of the City highlights some of the following topics:

- Chief Foulks discusses his firefighting career which began in Knoxville. Foulks spent almost 17 years with the Knoxville Fire Department including serving as Assistant Chief over Special Operations. Foulks also served as chief of Greeneville's Fire Department for almost nine years. Last year, he accepted the position of Murfreesboro's chief following the retirement of Cumbey Gaines.
- There are currently 9 fire stations in Murfreesboro with the newest Station 10 opening July 31 on Veterans Parkway. Foulks also addresses plans to move Station 4, currently near Mitchell Nielsen Elementary, to Medical Center Parkway.
- Foulks outlines the department's progress toward providing Advanced Life Support (ALS) which will allow paramedics and advanced EMT's the ability to administer medications on-site, inserting air ways for victims, and cardiac monitoring with better capabilities to detect heart attacks. By the end of this fiscal year, Foulks anticipates that five engine companies will be able to provide this advanced service.

You can learn about these and other issues important to the City of Murfreesboro by watching the State of the City on YouTube at https://youtu.be/evQ-h8CT_vg. You can also watch the State of the City on CityTV (located on Comcast Xfinity Channel 3 and AT&T Uverse channel 99) Monday's and Saturday's at 9 p.m. and Wednesday at 9:30 p.m.

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1. *Mayor Shane McFarland and MFRD Chief Mark Foulks.jpeg.*
2. *Veterans Parkway Station 10.jpeg.*