

2.0 STATION 2

This facility was built in 1967 at the same time as Station 3 and both stations have many similarities. Located within Heekin Park on Memorial Drive, the structure has 3 drive through bays. The front drive is located on the corner of the entrance into the park and it was noticed that many motorists cut through the front apron to avoid waiting at the automatic traffic signal. Access is possible from the rear of the station that permits apparatus to utilize the drive through bays. The ceiling height is 13'3" and is slightly higher than Station 1. The underside of the roof demonstrates that there has been a previous paint application problem. Personnel's turnout gear is stored in the bay area that is accessible to the general public.

The living quarters on the first floor is small for the number of personnel that are currently housed within the facility. The kitchen has limited food preparation area and is directly connected to the dining area and the day room that is 16'x18'.

The bunkroom that measures 19'x 28' has sufficient bunks for the personnel on duty but could not readily accommodate any expansion. On-duty personnel's personal lockers are located in the restroom that has sufficient lockers for the number of on duty personnel. Lockers are school gym style and are small for the amount of personal belongings that are routinely kept by firefighters. Personnel are currently using the bay area for a second break area with a television and chairs.

2.1 APPARATUS AND PERSONNEL HOUSED AT STATION

The station current houses seven on duty personnel and there is one Rescue and one 100' tiller aerial stationed at the facility and one tanker.

2.2 MAJOR DEFICIENCIES NOTED

- The station is small and at the time that the station was built was considered adequate in size for personnel. Unfortunately, with the changes that have taken place in the fire service, the facility is now cramped. The front drive design leads to vehicular traffic that is cutting through causing possible problems for apparatus to exit and for additional wear onto the front drive of the facility.
- There is a lack of space for personnel to be able to workout and conduct physical fitness training that is critical to today's firefighting operations. Personnel need space for cardiovascular exercising as well as weight training. The space should be large enough to accommodate the number of personnel that is on duty.
- Personnel should have sufficient space that will allow them to view other programs or study materials that have been given to them from training exercises. A quiet area that will permit them to relax from the stresses of the job is also a valid use of space. Currently personnel are required to sit in the bay area to conduct this type of activity.
- The bunkroom and restrooms are small and are not conducive to today's fire department operations. Lockers need to be larger to permit personnel to store personal items.