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GRAND OPENING OF NEW ALBANY FIRE STATION 11

Albany, Oregon – A grand opening event will occur on October 6th, 2017 at 4PM to celebrate the official opening of the new Albany Fire Station 11 at 611 SE Lyon Street, Albany, Oregon.

This new two-story, 24,375 SF station is designed to remain functional during a natural disaster, and provide an efficient and healthy work environment for the growing, diverse staff stationed in it. "It has been a pleasure to work with the City of Albany and the Fire Department on this critical facility," said Mackenzie's Director of Architecture and project manager Jeff Humphreys. "The previous Station 11 was not sufficiently meeting the needs of the department or community, and this modern, expanded facility will effectively serve the firefighters and the public for many years to come." The station will be home to not only Albany firefighters, but also fire department administration, who were previously located at the City Hall. The station features a large community room for safety seminars and emergency public gatherings; a large outdoor plaza; a publicly-accessible storage of free life jackets in the parking lot; and six apparatus bays, including one bay for the water rescue team. Sustainable features include reclaimed wood from the old Ralston Building, an array of rooftop solar panels, strategic window placement to utilize natural daylighting, and four on-site storm water retention areas to collect rainwater.

Mackenzie partnered with the City of Albany in 2014 to conduct a needs assessment of the City's emergency facilities, reviewing the existing Fire Station 11 and the police station. After reviewing the assessment, the City determined that building a new fire station and police station was the most feasible option to address the needs of the community and first responders. Mackenzie provided architecture and interior design; structural, civil and traffic engineering; and landscape architecture design services for Albany Fire Station 11. The general contractor was Gerding Builders LLC, the mechanical/electrical engineering firm was Interface Engineering, and Smith CFI provided the station's furnishings.

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