

New fire station opens in Niagara Falls



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Niagara Falls' newest fire station has officially opened.

The city's seventh station, in the west end of the city on Lundy's Lane just west of Kalar Road, will extend the fire department's service with prompt response times to an area that continues to see growth.

The project cost \$7.2 million, which includes a fully equipped pumper truck, funded completely through development charges, which are fees collected from developers to help pay for the cost of infrastructure required to service new development.

The station was designed by Whiteline Architects and built by Bromac Construction. Construction began in November 2019. The facility is now officially operational.

The more than 1,115-square-metre building features modern design elements, the latest technology and is fully accessible to accommodate a diverse and inclusive department.

The station will be staffed by four firefighters and three fire prevention officers per shift.

The city's primary emergency operations centre is also at the new station. It provides centralized direction and co-ordination of emergency response and recovery operations when responding to a serious emergency.

“Thank you to Mayor (Jim) Diodati and our members of council for their support to construct and properly staff Niagara Falls’ newest fire station,” said fire Chief Jim Boutilier. “The planning has been ongoing for many years and has now come to fruition.”