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Formal dedication of the new Winter Park fire station has been set for 10 a.m. Thursday, city officials announced this week.

The station, which is Winter Park's second, opened the latter part of May. Formal dedication ceremonies were delayed pending completion of landscaping.

EXPECTED TO attend the affair are Mayor Dan Hunter, City Manager Jim Harris, Fire. Chief R. S. Bair, city commissioners and a host of other. city notables.

The facility houses two fire trucks, fire-fighting equipment, a small office area, dormitory, officers' quarters and ready room.

When the station opened, Chief Bair placed Capt. Clyde Hiner in command. He was joined by Lt. Ike Ross and Lt. James Ressler as shift officers. Both Ross and Ressler recently were promoted to lieutenant.

THE STATION will be manned by nine men, three on each eight-hour shift.

The new sub station gives firemen the capability of providing faster and more efficient service when Winter Park emergencies arise as well as to some areas outside the city.

The latter situation exists at the new station since homes directly across the street on Benmore Drive are not in the city. Technically, they are not eligible for service from the station.

HOWEVER, THE city has a mutual aid agreement with the Goldenrod Fire District, which covers that particular area of Orange County.

This means the city will respond to a fire after Goldenrod asks for help and has responded first.

Chief Bair said an agreement might be reached which would allow the city to answer nearby calls first. Such an agreement is in effect in the Hills section of Winter Park, where a county station is in the neighborhood while the city station is three miles away.

