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Winter Park Fire Chief Sid Ballou, left, and Mike Molthrop, assistant chief, with city's new truck.

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Winter Park firefighters had been anxiously awaiting the arrival of a new \$221,500 ladder truck since it was ordered a year ago. Last week it finally rolled into town from California, where it was manufactured.

Fire Chief Sid Ballou said the truck, which has a ladder that extends to 85 feet, will enable the department to offer better fire protection to multi-story buildings, such as the Plymouth

Apartments and Winter Park Towers retirement centers and the Barnett Bank building.

The truck also will enable the fire department to maintain the favorable rating on which fire insurance premiums are based.

And since the truck was too large to fit into existing bays at the main fire station on Lyman Avenue, a \$40,000 addition is being built to house the new equipment.