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City considers merging fire department with Seminole

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Commissioners are expected to pass a resolution on Monday setting the stage for consolidating the fire department with Seminole County, but it's not the only option on the table.

The commission held a work session last week to explore cost-cutting measures in the fire department, because the city must trim \$1.3 million from the total budget.

Winter Springs and Altamonte Springs both receive fire and rescue service from the county. Besides consolidation, Casselberry could pay Winter Park to manage its fire department--allowing the city to cut some high-level positions--or simply reorganize the staff.

Commissioner Susan Doerner said the city needs to look at all the options and hear from residents before making a decision.

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