



To: City Council

Through: Gary Suiter, City Manager

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Re: Central Fire Station Site Feasibility Project

City Council has an executive session scheduled for July 7, 2020 to discuss the downtown fire station site selection. During a recent meeting of the sub-committee for the project, a summary of the fire department's strategic plan and timeline of the downtown fire station project was requested.

Department Strategic Plan:

The Department's Strategic Plan was initially drafted in 2013 and provided information based on current and projected call data, industry standards, community needs, and analysis of the department. The plan was first presented and adopted by council on April 15, 2014. The plan has been updated and reviewed by the department and acknowledged by the council annually since first adopted. *Note: the strategic plan has not yet been updated and reviewed for 2020 or since the onset of the Coronavirus Pandemic.*

The Strategic Plan emphasizes staffing, apparatus, and facility needs as the department moves into the future. These needs focus on providing exceptional service to the community, while ensuring the safety, health, and wellness of department personnel.

The following highlights the major aspects of the strategic plan and shows the correlation to the fire station programming (all dates are estimates from the 2019 plan):

Strategic Plan	Fire Station Planning and Programming *Based off of 2019 Strategic Plan*
<p>Fire Stations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Downtown Fire Station • Mountain Fire Station • West Side Station • Permanent Training Facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design started in 2018, to be completed in 2023 -Remodel in Strategic Plan for 2024 (this has subsequently been adapted to latest proposal) - Design to start in 2022, construction in 2026 -Construction around 2026
<p>Personnel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 personnel/shift by 2025 • Downtown – 1 ambulance and 1 fire engine, 6 personnel • Mountain – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 ambulance and 1 fire engine, 6 personnel ○ Administrative Staff – 5 personnel ○ Cadet Recruit Academy 	<p>Downtown Fire Station:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-8 bedrooms • Staff space (kitchen, day room, bathrooms, dining, support) • 2-3 Staff offices (Officer, staff office space) <p>Mountain Fire Station:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-8 bedrooms • Staff space • Staff offices • Administrative Offices (Chief, Deputy Chief, Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Marshal, Admin.) • Training classroom and Hands on training space
<p>Apparatus:</p> <p>Current Downtown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Type I Engine (32') • 1 Aerial Truck (41') • 2 Ambulances (25') • 2 Water Tenders (29') • Air Trailer (17') • Wildland Skid Unit (10') • Brush Truck (21') <p>Current Mountain Station:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Tower Truck (43') • 1 Type I Engine (32') • 2 Ambulances (25') • 1 Brush Truck (24') 	<p>Proposed Stations:</p> <p>Downtown (four bays @ 70'):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type I Engine and Brush Truck (Bay 1) • Tower Truck and skid unit (Bay 2) • Ambulance and Ambulance (Bay 3) • Tender and (Future Staff vehicle) (Bay 4) <p>Mountain Station (five bays @ 70'):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type I Engine and Tender (Bay 1) • Aerial Truck (Bay 2) • Brush Truck and Air Trailer (Bay 3) • Ambulance and Ambulance (Bay 4) • (Future Type 1 WUI Engine and Staff vehicle) Bay 5

<p>Apparatus replacement/new purchase:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace 2009 Ambulance – 2020 • Replace 2011 Ambulance – 2022 • Add new Type I Wildland Urban Interface Fire Engine – 2023 • Replace/Refurbish 2002 Aerial – 2024 • Replace 2014 Ambulance – 2024 • Replace 2009 Brush Truck – 2024 • New Engine and Ambulance to fleet to be placed in West Station - 2027 	
<p>Support Space: (Current) Downtown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bunker gear storage (Lockers in apparatus bays) • Restroom toilet and sink only • Equipment storage in apparatus bays 	<p>Support Space (Proposed): Downtown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bunker gear storage (hot and warm) • Medical Supply room • Gear Extractors • Equipment repair and storage • Fitness area • Restrooms with showers • Small conference space
<p>Mountain Station (Current):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness area (Limited and in apparatus bays) • Bunker gear storage (Lockers in apparatus bays) • Medical Supply room (supplies for both Stations) • Equipment repair and storage (In apparatus bays) • Administrative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lobby/entrance/admin desk ○ Chief office ○ Deputy Chief office ○ Fire Marshal office ○ Deputy Fire Marshal and Inspectors office (4 personnel) plus contractor conference room 	<p>Mountain Station (Proposed):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training classroom • Hands-on training adjuncts • Fitness area • Bunker gear storage (hot and warm) • Medical Supply room • Equipment repair and storage • SCBA Fill station • Administrative needs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lobby/entrance ○ Public restrooms ○ Meeting room ○ Inspectors Office ○ Conference room

Central Fire Station Site Feasibility Project:

The Central Fire Station Site Feasibility project was initiated in August of 2018 when a committee was formed that included both staff and citizen members. The committee first presented to council on January 15, 2019 with the scope of a larger “flagship” type fire station in the downtown area. The committee presented four more times in 2019 and twice in 2020, eventually presenting an option to reduce the scope of the downtown fire station in line with a rebuild of the Mountain Fire Station as the main “flagship” station. Subsequent presentations have included analysis of many sites in the downtown area that fell within criteria outlined by the committee and presented to council.

The latest presentation on June 9th, 2020 outlined two sites that council had asked for more detail on and included Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) costs for the Fire Station. Council asked to meet in an Executive Session to discuss the two sites in more detail along with a presentation of funding options.

Provided along with this document are the most recent programming sheets, developed for the site selection process, for the Central Fire Station and the expanded Mountain Fire Station.