



Ambulance, Fire/EMO, Town Hall Space Analysis Study Recommendation Community Facilities Committee

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Briefing



Recommendation

(BOS must determine which of the following criteria is most important)

Criteria:

- Staging the Projects
 - Staging of bonding, land acquisition, departmental impact
 - Addresses urgency of needed facility improvements such as space to accommodate the larger ambulance needed in two to three years
- Operational Impacts
 - Considers impact of location for facility improvements on provision of services
- Cost
 - Considers land acquisition and construction costs for all necessary improvements for Ambulance and Fire/EMO
 - There will be no cost estimates for Town Hall renovation until there is additional review of the concepts
 - No cost is allocated for possible temporary facilities during Fire Station renovation



Facility Improvement Options

(Options are presented in no order of preference.)
(Timing of actions within each option will need future determination.)

- **Option 1:**
 - Ambulance Service
 - New Facility on land at the Department of Public Works site on South Street
 - Fire/EMO
 - Upgrade and expand the existing Fire Station with acquisition of three adjacent lots
 - Town Hall
 - Renovate Ambulance area for offices; reconfigure main floor
- **Option 2:**
 - Ambulance Service
 - New Facility on Garden Street adjacent to Police Station with acquisition of one adjacent lot
 - Fire/EMO
 - Upgrade and expand the existing Fire Station with acquisition of three adjacent lots
 - Town Hall
 - Renovate Ambulance area for offices; reconfigure main floor
- **Option 3:**
 - Ambulance Service and Fire/EMO
 - Build a shared facility incorporating the existing Fire Station with acquisition of four adjacent lots
 - Town Hall
 - Renovate Ambulance area for offices; reconfigure main floor



CFC Options Comparison and Results

This Table illustrates the comparisons for the three major criteria:

Options	Cost - Ambulance	Cost – Fire/EMO	Staging	Operational Impact
Option 1 (Amb at DPW, F/EMO on School St)	\$2.2M <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">TOTAL \$6.6 M</div>	\$4.4M	Easiest to Stage. Amb first, no land to acquire. Then acquire land for & upgrade FS	Location change for Ambulance Svc results in modest response time change
Option 2 (Amb on Garden St, F/EMO on School St)	\$2.7M <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">TOTAL \$7.1M</div>	\$4.4M	Reasonable to Stage. Acquire land, build Amb then acquire land for & upgrade FS	Location downtown – no response time change.
Option 3 (Shared Facility on School/Nashua St)	Shared Facility <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">\$6.2M</div>		Not fiscally practical to build in stages – defeats cost advantage if not built in single stage	No location change – no impact

- **Comparison Results:**
- *Option 1*
 - can best be staged since there is no land acquisition for Ambulance
- *Option 2*
 - can be staged and has low operational impact
- *Option 3*
 - the lowest total cost to improve facilities for both departments