

THE CITY OF PLATTEVILLE, WISCONSIN COUNCIL SUMMARY SHEET

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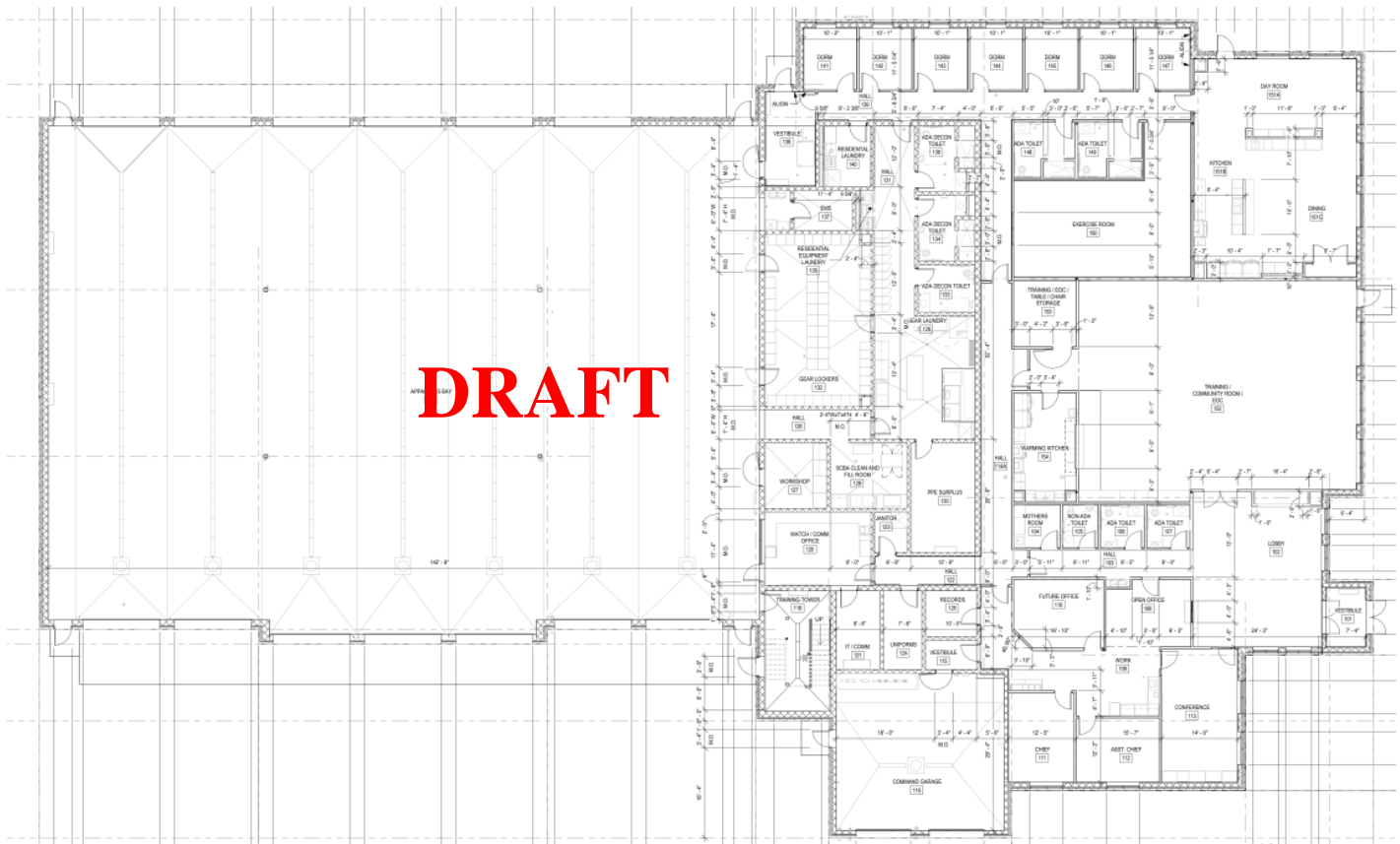
TITLE:
Fire Facility Update

DATE:
June 25th, 2024
VOTE REQUIRED:
None

PREPARED BY: Clinton Langreck, City Manager

Design and Construction Summary:

The planning process for the new fire facility has reached design-development completion. The basic design, layout, fixtures, and features have been established. The guaranteed maximum price (GMP) has been determined. Fire Chief Ryan Simmons, City Manager Clinton Langreck, Fire Inspector Casey Pickel, Facilities Operations Manager Shannon Butson, Public Works Director Howard Crofoot, and our design team (Wendle Five Bugles and Kraemer Brothers) will begin the next step in planning, which is the production of the construction documents. This phase will include refining plan documents for bid, submission to the USDA for approval, and continued movements on asbestos abatement and razing the buildings on the O.E. Gray Site.



GMP Budget Estimate (18 June 2024):

Owner Design and Soft Costs: = \$1,820,000 million

Construction Budget Costs: = \$12,657,000 million

Total: = \$14,477,000 million

Timeline: (Estimates as of 19 June 2024)

June 2024	Guaranteed Max. Price
August 2024	Construction Documents
September 2024	USDA Review of Bid Documents
October 2024	Documents Released for Bid
November 2024	Approval – Award Bid
November 2024	Raze O.E. Gray
March 2025	Groundbreaking
April 2025	Construction Begins
April 2026	Substantial Completion
June 2026	Grand Opening

As previously reported, our construction manager has advised that construction will be delayed until spring 2025. This decision was made to avoid an additional \$250,000 in estimated expenses for sheltering and heating. We believe that this delay is a prudent financial decision, as construction through the winter months would likely bring the completion date closer by several weeks, which does not justify the added cost.

Fund Raising:

On June 18th, 2024, the Fire Facility Capital Campaign Committee met to discuss progress and planning. We are deeply grateful for their hard work and dedication. The Committee reported that they have received just over \$1,160,000 in donations with many more verbal commitments. The Committee has made efforts to solicit brochures in the utility billing mailouts through the City of Platteville and is looking to further engage with the residents of our partner townships.

As a reminder, Inspiring Community Inc. is the official fundraising organization recognized by the city for taking donations on behalf of the project. The Capital Campaign Committee's current membership includes Paul Budden, John Fick, Lynnette Bloom, Ron Boldt, Kathy Connett, Kinda Fansler, Vicki Hirsch, Bob Hundhausen, Melissa Lovell, J.D. Milburn, Eileen Nickels, Clay Shaffer, Nicole Tyc, Janna Roesch, Dan Smith. If you are solicited and unsure of legitimacy, please contact Inspiring Community at (608)319-4045 to confirm.

Money donations can be made to Inspiring Community, noting Fire Station in the memo line. Inspiring Community, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit (ID: 82-2002935). Please send the donation form to Inspiring Community, Inc. 190 Market St., PO Box 503, Platteville, WI 53818

Grant Opportunities:

The city has applied for the Non-State Grant Program provided through the Wisconsin Department of Administration. We understand that the program has a total of \$50 million in funds, and we will be competing with other Wisconsin local governments and not-for-profits. We submitted a request for \$5.5 million. We will be informed of any awards in late summer/ early fall of 2024.

Recent Action:

- Asbestos Abatement – The proposal request for asbestos abatement on the O.E. Gray site has been posted. <https://www.platteville.org/rfps>
- Alternate bids – Construction documents will be prepared with alternate bid projects that may be incorporated pending bid results, fundraising that exceeds the \$1.5m goal, or if the city is awarded the non-state grant.

- Township Meeting – The city hosted a meeting with our township partners on March 29th 2024. The focus of the meeting was to review the proposed financial agreement with townships and provide education and resources on other opportunities for financing the project.
- W. Adams Street reconstruction has begun. The project is designed to meet the needs of the fire facility.

Approaching Action:

- Demolition – Once we have entered an abatement contract, and established a timeline, we will issue a request for proposals regarding the demolition project.
- Property Acquisition – We continue with the legal process of acquiring the properties adjacent to the O.E. Gray site. We anticipate having titles in August.
- Contracts to townships – We will send financial agreements to our township partners in June.

Additional information can be found on the City Website at: <https://www.platteville.org/fire/page/proposed-new-platteville-fire-station-project> .Thank you for your continued support.

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