

# Safety Facilities Analysis Committee Meeting Notes

Thursday, August 18, 2022 @ 6:03 PM

Attendees: Michael Moore, Elaine St. Jean, David Copeland, Justin Miller, Mark Tetreault, Glenn Drolet

What do the Police and Fire prefer for sites

Police - Anywhere

Fire prefers two sides of town model

One large central is OK if done right

Can PD and FD facilities be together?

Yes - but need to work on how to do it

In general, they would be physically separated

e.g., a locked door between departments

Separate buildings on the same site

Info on building costs from Groen (Farmington contractor)

Use approximately \$330 per sq ft

Groen is willing to estimate a few options at a very high level

Reviewed spreadsheet outlining various concepts

Three options were discussed

Police HQ and FD HQ in one facility + FD sub-station (essentially what was proposed a couple of years ago)

Separate Police HQ, separate FD HQ, separate FD sub-station

Police HQ and FD sub-station at one end of town and FD HQ at the other end

Noted that phasing is an option

Need to confirm that the FD space requirements are consistent across all concepts

Mark and Michael offered to do analysis before next meeting

We could also consider one very large facility for all (i.e., police unit + one very large FD unit)

Represents a change to the two-building strategy the FD currently uses

Only if we can fund and buy the perfect spot in town

Is 'Do nothing' really an option?

Consensus is 'No'

Facilities are in grossly inadequate

Liability for the town

Impacts our ability to recruit personnel

Discussed the need publicity and input

Proposed using web site with ability to receive ideas / input

Listening session

In both cases, need to have some rough costs

Build costs

Bond costs

Tax impact

Emphasize that everything is for life safety  
There is no discount for that  
Include this in the publicity