



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 17, 2025

Re: Public Hearing for the Fire Station #10 Fire Marshall's Renovations

## Executive Summary

Public Hearing for the renovation of the existing building at the site of the future Fire Station #10, 1020 S. El Chaparral. The existing structure's upper level will be renovated for Fire Marshall's offices and the lower level will be renovated to provide an interim location for a fire crew. An addition is also planned to house a fire truck. An interested parties meeting was held March 27, 2024, and the Site Master Plan for Fire Station #10 and the preliminary renovations and additions were presented to those in attendance.

## Discussion

The Columbia Fire Department has a need to provide additional capabilities for emergency response personnel and administrative staff as a result of our rapid community growth.

With exceptional growth along the east-central corridor of the city, it was determined that an additional fire station was required to provide coverage in this area. On June 20, 2023, City Council authorized the purchase of lots one (1) and two (2) of El Chaparral Subdivision for constructing Fire Station #10.

This purchase has resulted in the acquisition of an existing building with 7,429 square feet on two levels. The fire department requests to convert this building into office space on the upper level and - on an interim basis - space for a fire station on the lower level, while a permanent fire station is designed and constructed on the site. The lower level will be occupied in the future by the Fire Marshall's Office when Station #10 is completed.

The Fire Station #10 development project plans were posted on the City's BeHeard web site. One hundred sixty-nine (169) participants visited the site. The Summary Report is attached. The Columbia Fire Department's Conceptual Site Masterplan and the Conceptual Fire Marshal & Interim Fire Station #10 plans, copies attached, were also presented. Eighteen (18) persons attended the interested parties meeting.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The estimated cost of the renovation project is \$2,546,708.22 and will be funded with capital improvement program sales tax funds.

Long-Term Impact:



## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Safe Community, Secondary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Organizational Excellence

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

## Legislative History

Date	Action
02/03/2025	R14-25 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of renovations to the existing structure located at 1020 S. El Chaparral Avenue to provide interim office and fire crew spaces associated with the design and construction of Fire Station #10.
06/20/2023	B140-23 Approving and ratifying a contract for the sale of real estate with The Gathering, Inc. for the purchase of property located on the southeast corner of Broadway (Route WW) and El Chaparral Avenue (1020 S. El Chaparral); amending the FY 2023 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.
09/05/2023	REP49-23 Report to Council for guidance on contract to engage the services of architect.
11/20/2023	R178-23 Authorizing an Amendment to the Professional Architectural Services Agreement with Peckham and Wright Architects d/b/a PWArchitects, Inc. for the Design Services Related to the Renovation of the Existing Building and the Construction of City of Columbia, Fire Station #10.
04/01/2019	B79-19 Appropriating funds relating to construction of Fire Station #10 (East).

## Suggested Council Action

Approve the renovation of the existing building at the site of the future Fire Station #10, 1020 S. El Chaparral.