



Department Source: Fire

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 5, 2023

Re: REPORT: Fire Station 10 existing building renovations

Executive Summary

The Fire Department has prepared a report to update City Council on the need for Fire Station 10 existing building renovations.

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; however, we are outpacing our ability to provide adequate fire station locations and office space for our additional staff.

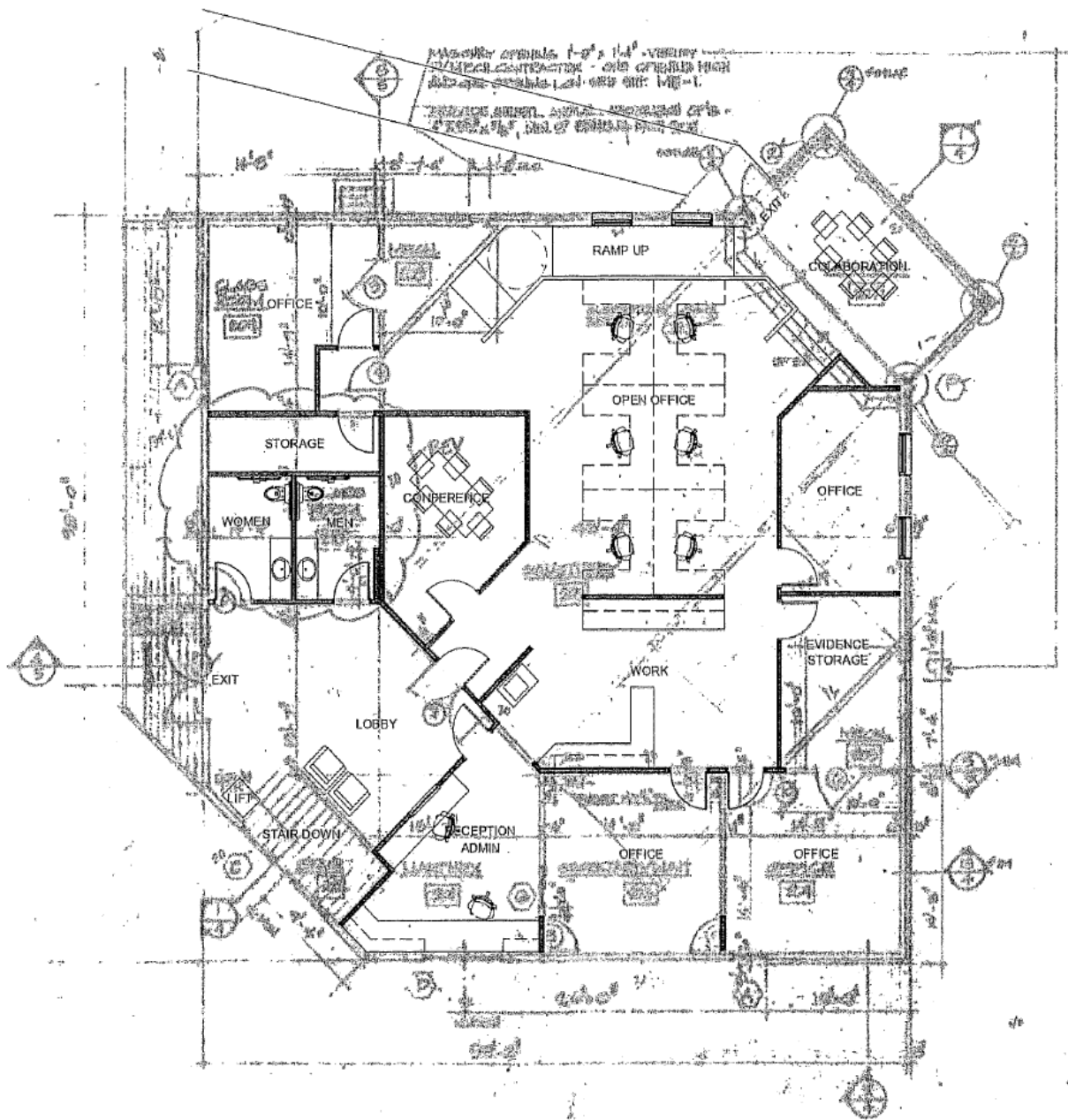
With exceptional growth along the east-central corridor of the city, it was determined that an additional fire station was required to provide coverage in this area. On June 20, 2023, City Council authorized the purchase of lots one (1) and two (2) of El Chaparral Subdivision for constructing Fire Station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

This purchase has resulted in the acquisition of an existing building with just over 7,000 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.

Council previously authorized construction of Fire Station 11, which is expected to be completed in September 2023, and we have an existing contract with an architectural firm for the design of this building. Having their involvement in this process would expedite the design work associated with the renovations to the existing structure on the El Chaparral site. Staff is seeking Council authority to issue a change order to the contract for Fire Station 11 to engage the services of the architect for design expertise for the renovations.

We estimate design costs will be \$130,000. If approved to move forward, we would request Council authority to exhaust the balance of the fund used for land purchase and to reallocate funds from the budget balance of the Fire Station 11 project.

Following City guidelines for improvements to City property, we would continue to engage with the community in a separate public improvement process to design and build the permanent fire station co-located on the site.



Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: estimated \$130,000 for design costs
Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Social Equity, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
06/20/2023	ORD #025380 – B140-23 – Approving and ratifying a contract for the sale of real estate with The Gathering Inc. for the purchase of property located on southeast corner of Broadway and El Chaparral Ave.

Suggested Council Action

Report is for informational purposes.