



Agenda: Battle Creek City Commission

Meeting Type: Workshop

Meeting Date: September 17, 2024

Chair: Mayor Mark A. Behnke - TOPIC: Fire Station Proposals

Prepared By: Battle Creek City Hall - City Commission Chambers - 3rd Floor

City Commission

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Mark Behnke
Commissioner Jenasia Morris
Commissioner Carla Reynolds
Commissioner Jim Lance

ABSENT: Commissioner Patrick O'Donnell

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Roger Ballard
Vice Mayor Sherry Sofia
Commissioner Jake Smith
Commissioner Christopher Simmons,
remote

CITY STAFF

Rebecca Fleury, City Manager
Ted Dearing, Assistant City Manager
Chad Frein, IT Director
Bryce Hamilton, Service Desk Tech
Shannon Bagley, Interim Director Police
& Fire Services

Cody Titus, BCFD Battalion Chief
William Kim, City Attorney
Alicia Greene, Deputy City Clerk
Michelle Hull, HR Director
Helen Guzzo, Community Development
Supervisor

ATTENDANCE

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Rebecca Fleury, City Manager welcomed everyone to the workshop, introducing Cody Titus, BCFD Battalion Chief, Shannon Bagley, Interim Director of Fire & Police Services and Cody Newman, Driven Design, all participating in the presentation.

Ms. Fleury reviewed the agenda for the workshop, thanking former Fire Chief Bill Beaty for his contribution helping prepare this presentation.

Ms. Fleury discussed findings and recommendations from the last 4 studies of fire facilities, noting many capital

needs in all 6 stations.

PRESENTATION BY CITY STAFF

COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Rebecca Fleury, Cody Titus and Cody Newman all participated in providing clarifying information in response to City Commissioners questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT-LIMITED TO 4 MINUTES PER INDIVIDUAL

Jim Moreno, Chuck Yarger, Mary, Pat Shellenberger and John Kenefick provided opinions and recommendations related to the Fire Department presentation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Behnke adjourned the meeting at 6:42pm.

Citizens who wish to address a specific issue on the floor may do so after being recognized by the Mayor or presiding Commissioner. At the time for general public comments, after being properly recognized, citizens may address the commission on any subject within the control and jurisdiction of the City of Battle Creek. Citizens will be subject to the following summarized limitations, which are set out fully in ordinance 212.02, Art XVII:

1. Citizen comments on any Resolution before the Commission may be made either before or after the Commissioners have had an opportunity to discuss the Resolution, at the discretion of the Chair;
2. Citizens wishing to speak to a particular Resolution should raise their hands and wait to be recognized before speaking;
3. Before speaking, an individual who has not filled out a comment card disclosing this information, shall identify themselves by name and address and, if appropriate, group affiliation for the record.
4. Citizens will confine their remarks to matters currently pending on the floor, and be brief and concise in making their remarks;
5. If a citizen becomes repetitive or, in the opinion of the Chair, takes an inordinate amount of time in making comments, that citizen will be ruled out of order and the Commission will continue with its business;
6. Citizens should address all remarks to the Commission as a whole, and not to individual Commissioners.

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Battle Creek Fire Department Fire Station Improvements & Recommendations



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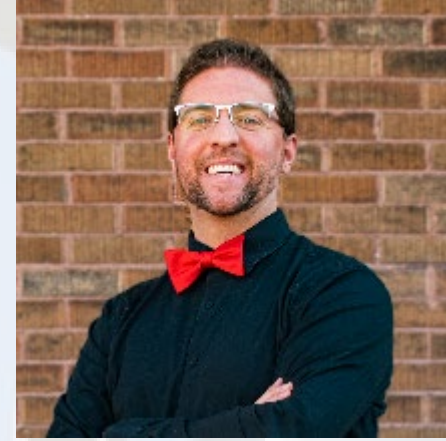


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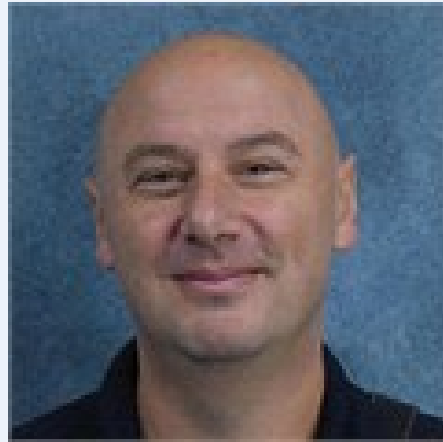
Presenters



Rebecca L. Fleury,
City Manager



Cody Newman,
Driven Design



Cody Titus, BCFD
Battalion Chief



Shannon Bagley,
Interim Director
of Fire & Police
Services



AGENDA

- ❖ How did we get here?
- ❖ Walk through station renderings.
- ❖ Commission discussion.
- ❖ Project cost, info on issuing capital improvement bond.
- ❖ Technology considerations.
- ❖ Additional commission discussion and next steps.
- ❖ Public Comment.



How did we get here?

- **2015 Kramer Study**
- **2022 Center for Public Safety Management Service Delivery Model Study**
- **2022 Temporary Closure of Station 4 (14 months)**
- **2022 Wightman & Associates Fire Station Facility Assessments**
 - Each study showed investment into Stations 2 & 3 were not prudent for taxpayer dollars due to age and current conditions.
 - Every station has capital needs.



How did we get here?

- Assumptions made to begin drafting next steps:
 - No additional investments into Station 2 or Station 3.
 - Station 2 handles the most calls for service and is in a good location, so proposal is for constructing a new Station 2 near the current station.
- Engage an architect to help with renderings of proposed improvements for four stations and one new build.
- April – June 2024: Six fire station open houses to gather neighbor input on design and draft recommendations.
- Key themes: Staffing, Response times, Technology, Station Locations, Safety, Modern quarters, Cost
- Current Station Challenges



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Walk through station renderings

- Cody Newman, Driven Design





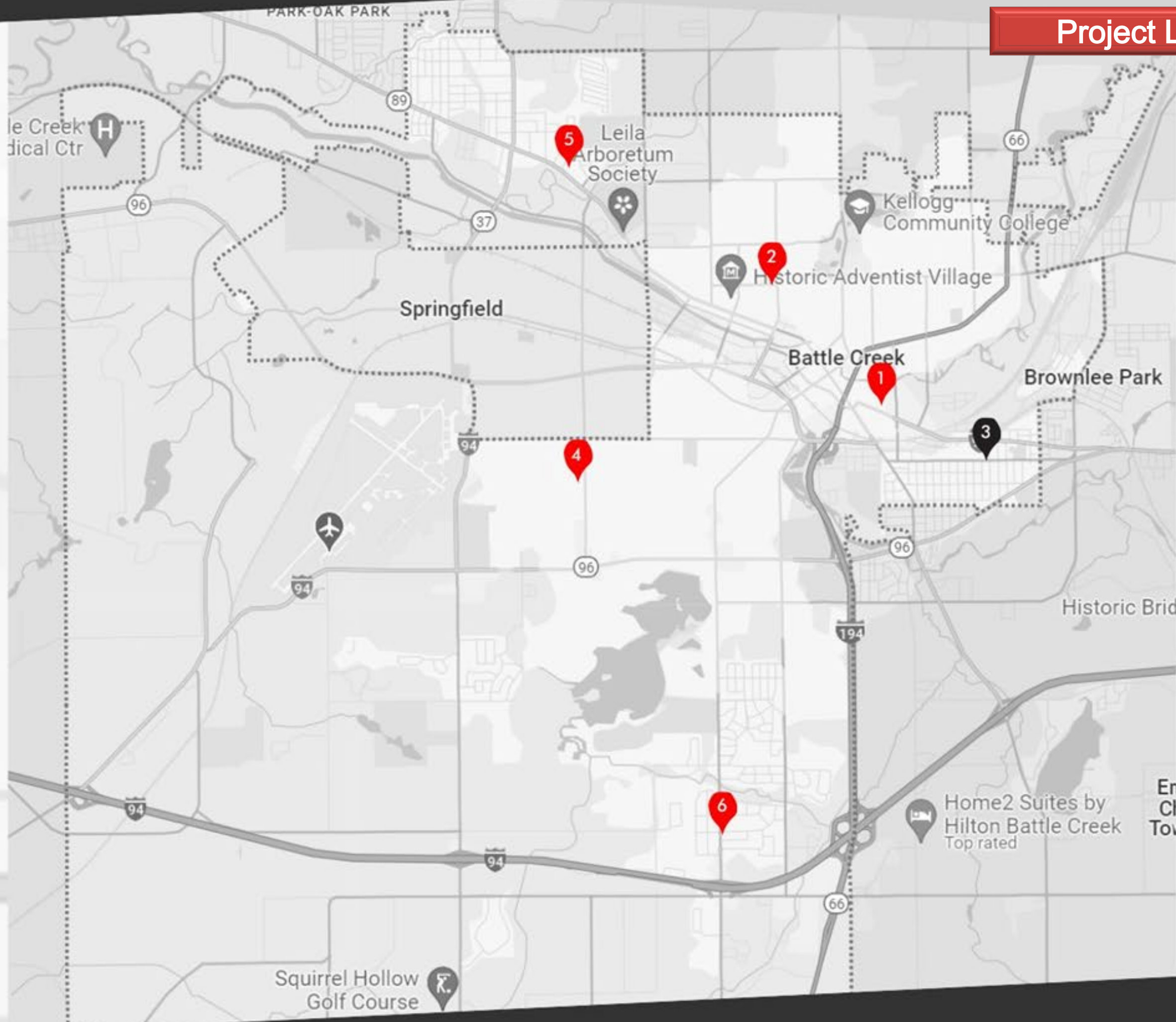
STATION 1
INTERIOR RENOVATION & ADDITION



STATION 2
NEW STATION



STATION 3
PROPOSED CLOSURE



STATION 4
NEW FOUR FOLD DOORS



STATION 5
NEW ADDITION & RENOVATION

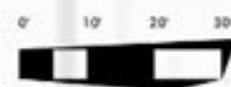


STATION 6
NEW ADDITION & RENOVATION

LOCATION MAP



BASEMENT - 3,495 SF
FIRST FLOOR - 10,630 SF
2ND FLOOR - 3,722 SF
TOTAL NEW - 5,575 SF
TOTAL RENOVATED - 12,272 SF
TOTAL BUILDING - 17,847 SF



BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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CARPET



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STAINLESS STEEL APPLIANCES



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WOOD LOOK FURNITURE



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WOOD LOOK PORCELAIN TILE





FLOOR	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	
3RD FLOOR	7,215 SF	0 SF	0 SF	7,174 SF	1,666 SF	783 SF	1,040 SF	0 SF	0 SF	15,429 SF	GROSS TOTAL	1,666 SF	783 SF
2ND FLOOR	COLD ZONE			HOT ZONE			DECON ZONE						



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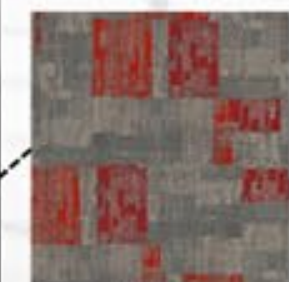
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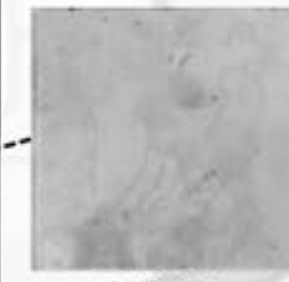
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



Station 4 New Four -Fold Doors



FOUR FOLD DOOR EXAMPLES



FOUR FOLD DOOR EXAMPLES



LOCATION MAP



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

1ST FLR	2ND FLR
3,626 SF	426 SF
598 SF	190 SF
2,162 SF	0 SF
4,386 SF	616 SF
GROSS TOTAL	

COLD ZONE (Blue)
 DECON ZONE (Yellow)
 HOT ZONE (Red)



SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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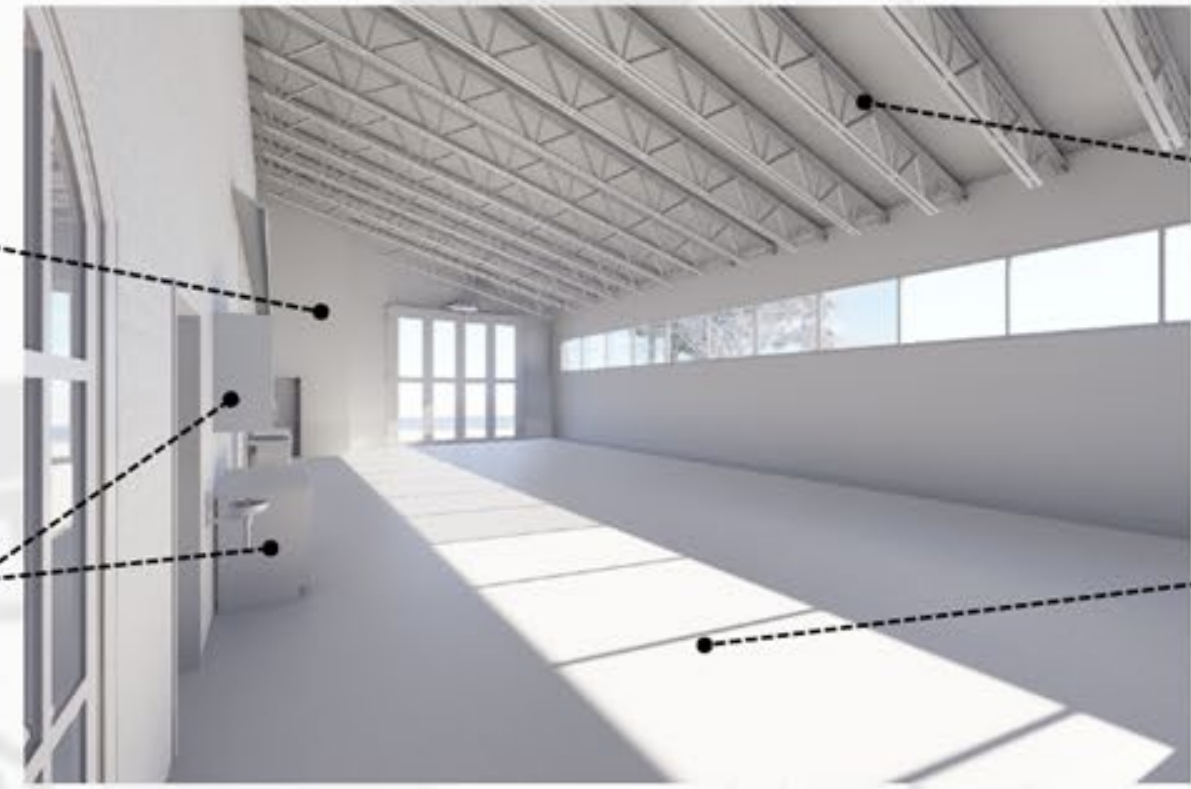
WOOD LOOK PLASTIC LAMINATE CABINETS



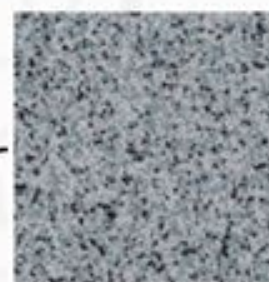
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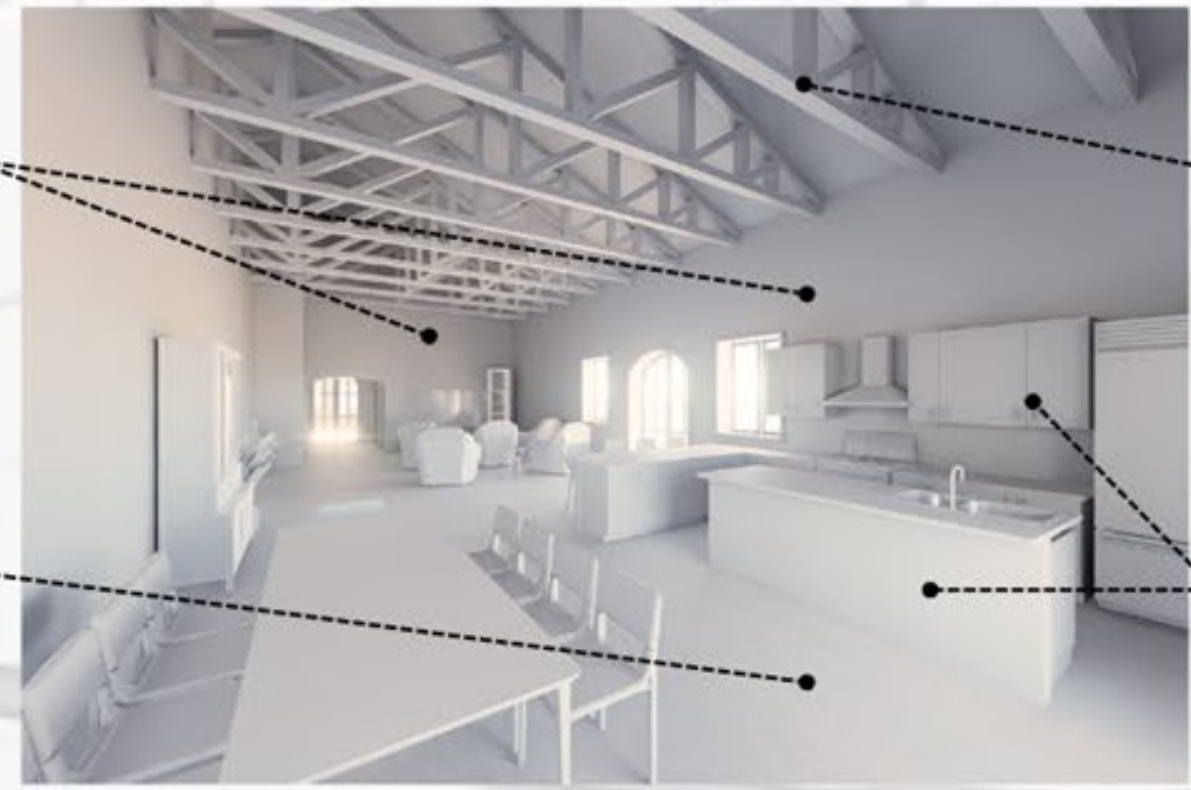
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POURED FLOOR SYSTEM



EXPOSED WOOD TRUSSES



PAINTED CABINETS W/ SOLID SURFACE COUNTERTOPS



LOCATION MAP



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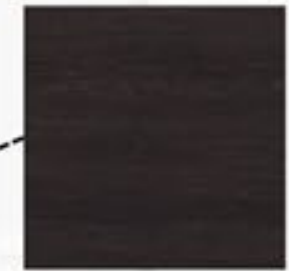
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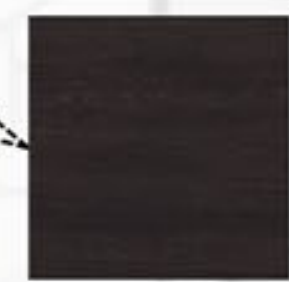
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WOODGRAIN LAMINATE CABINETS





Technology Considerations

Railroad notification system – grant with Calhoun County Consolidated Dispatch

- Will alert BCFD and dispatchers ahead of time to the presence of trains.
- Predictive rail crossing blockage technology, allowing BCFD to travel accordingly from the start of an incident and help reduce or minimize the impact of closing Station 3 and relocating that company to Station 1.

OPTICOM traffic light system throughout the city.

- This system contains a transmitter on fire apparatus (and police, transit, and snowplow vehicles) that changes traffic lights to “green” as they approach.
- Allows better movement of fire vehicles versus being bottled up intersections that can cause delays.



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Commission Questions / Discussion





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Project cost and information on issuing a capital improvement bond.

- Station 1 - \$5,678,477
- Station 2 - \$10,539,532
- Station 4 - \$193,434
- Station 5 - \$2,531,559
- Station 6 - \$4,022,739
- Building Alerting System - \$1,000,000
- Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment - \$800,000
- A/E - \$820,000 (including fees already paid)
- Total Building Estimate - \$25,585,741**
- Kellogg Arena HVAC & Exterior Facade \$2,500,000
- Bond Issuance Fees- \$400,000
- Total Bond Estimate - \$28,485,741**
- Est. Annual Bond Payment (25 yrs, 4.75%) - \$2,039,090**



Tentative Timeframe if Commission Agrees to Move Forward

- Notice of Intent Resolution to Oct. 1 Commission meeting
- Construction documents complete by January 31, 2025
- Bid Project in February 2025 (28 days)
- Bids back by early March
- March 18 Commission meeting to approve contract.
- Bond documents to Commission meeting on April 1st
- Bond issued by June 30th
- Construction estimated to be a 2 –3-year process



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Public Comment

