

Ipswich Public Safety Facility

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE



Need for a new Public Safety Facility

Current Conditions

The extensive Feasibility Study study, already completed, will guide the design of the new facility. The Study's assessments determined that current Police and Fire buildings and land will not support renovation or expansion.

Fire Department Building was constructed in 1907 for Horse Drawn Carriages. Custom apparatus of limited size must be ordered to fit.

Absence of secure, private, safe spaces for common police work such as interviews, arrest bookings, domestic issues.

Police work at the Elm Street station building is done in unsafe and unsecure conditions caused by the constraints of an unsuitable structure.

At Central Street, the old structure puts equipment at risk and limits the ability of firefighters to live and work in a toxin-free environment.

Both existing buildings lack proper storage of equipment, limiting emergency response and equipment and record security and longevity.

Elm Street station lacks modern systems and space for cleaning of personnel and equipment after fires or spills

Both facilities lack accommodations for female personnel.

Current Public Safety buildings lack proper spaces for engagement with visitors and for civic business.

Opportunities

The extensive programming guide that takes into account current usage, state and federal requirements, as well as future needs of police, fire, emergency dispatch, emergency management, animal control, harbors & waterways, and shellfish.

Town purchased a 7 acre property on Linebrook Road. The new facility will provide an improved, centralized emergency response for the Fire Dept. emergencies.

The new proposal includes all of the programming needs of these departments.

The schematic design and programming includes space to accommodate a future ambulance service on the fire/apparatus side.

New building would have 4 bays for apparatus and under-building storage for less often used equipment and the fire boat. Expensive equipment can be kept indoors.

New building would have designated contamination space for cleaning equipment after fires or spills, in addition to a necessary facilities for removal of toxins from gear and equipment, creating a safe, clean environment for professionals and visitors.

New facility will have appropriate space to accommodate and hire diverse fighters and officers including women.

The new facility will have appropriate space to accommodate a well trained, diverse staff of public safety personnel, which will enhance recruitment

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