

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE  
491 E. PIONEER AVENUE  
HOMER, ALASKA

NOVEMBER 4, 2015  
WEDNESDAY, 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL UPSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA** *(3 minute time Limit – Only items on the agenda not for Public Hearing may be commented on)*

**5. VISITORS**

*(There are no visitors scheduled for this meeting.)*

**5. STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOROUGH REPORTS**

A. Council Report – Mayor Wythe

B. Staff Project Report – Carey Meyer

C. Stantec Project Report – Dale Smythe, Sara Wilson-Doyle

**6. PUBLIC HEARING** *(3 minute time limit)*

**7. PENDING BUSINESS**

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**10. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

**11. COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF**

**12. COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER** *(If one is assigned)*

**13. COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**

**14. COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE**

**15. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR**

**DECEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.** at City Hall in the upstairs conference room located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer Alaska.



Session 15-08 a Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Building Review Committee was called to order by Chair Ken Castner at 5:30 p.m. on October 14, 2015 at City Hall Upstairs Conference Room located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** COMMITTEE MEMBERS HOWARD, WYTHE, ROBL AND CASTNER  
ALTERNATE MEMBER(S) MIOTKE

**DESIGN TEAM:** SARA WILSON-DOYLE, DALE SMYTHE, STANTEC (TELEPHONIC)

**ABSENT:** COMMITTEE MEMBER PAINTER (EXCUSED)

**STAFF:** CAREY MEYER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
RENEE KRAUSE, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

The agenda was approved by consensus of the committee.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Minutes for the September 16, 2015 Regular Meeting

Chair Castner called for any changes or corrections to the minutes as presented.

There was no discussion.

The minutes were approved by consensus of the Committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA** *(3 minute time Limit – Only items on the agenda not for Public Hearing may be commented on)*

Mary Griswold, city resident, stated that she was sharply disappointed at the September 30<sup>th</sup> Open House. She expected the Design Team describe design concepts, site, layout, phasing options and funding options which was stated in the Fall 2015 Public Engagement Schedule; the Mayor requested plans reflecting turning radius' for fire apparatus; instead they heard a re-hash of the existing buildings deficiencies; she believed they were beyond this since the team presented this information a year ago on the Space Needs results. The October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting looks like more glitter than substance. She looks forward to hearing about tonight about the Funding Feasibility Focus groups that will be meeting from 8:30 - 5:00 p.m. Ms. Griswold stated she has studied the preliminary conceptual plans and recommended paring the project down from desires to needs before progressing to 35% Design. She stated that the Harbormaster project was a good example for this committee. She found one synopsis for the Port & Harbor Building Task Force of December 20, 2013 that spoke about reducing the project revising the conceptual design by reducing the building overall 25%, building it planning for a future 2<sup>nd</sup> story. They discussed the shop and overslope development and those being important features. They also spoke about costs and funding options. Ms. Griswold urged this Committee to start thoughtful discussion about this project; it gets harder to make design changes the further you get into it. She recommended that the Committee separate the buildings far enough to make for efficient construction. Ms. Griswold believed that building the Police Station hard

against the HERC gym will be time consuming, inconvenient for construction staging, more expensive and potentially dangerous to the public. She requested the Committee scrutinize the office spaces, kitchen and dining areas, a lobby that displays the Fire Engine 1 Jeep, Fire Station Bays longer than requested in the Space Needs Assessment. Further, Ms. Griswold asked the committee to please consider what space can be enclosed now for future expansion, what space can be added later. Please have some lively discussion to scale back this project before going to 35% design.

## **VISITORS**

### **STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORT/BOROUGH REPORT**

#### **A. Council Report – Mayor Wythe**

Mayor Wythe reported there were no recent actions from Council on this project.

#### **B. Staff Report – Carey Meyer, Public Works Director and City Engineer**

Chair Castner requested Mr. Meyer to speak about the discussion that was held after the Open House on September 30, 2015.

Mr. Meyer reported on the public efforts conducted by Stantec meeting with various groups, handing out surveys to the general public to get input on the project then culminating in the Open House on September 30<sup>th</sup>. This meeting was not attended by the public. The attendees were very disappointed in the results.

Mr. Meyer reported that after the meeting waiting on departure flights between Don Bivins, Sara Wilson-Doyle, Chair Castner and himself they agreed that bringing the information to the public would be a better approach instead of expecting the public to attend a meeting. Suggestions were articles in the papers and Coffee Table with the local radio station.

Mr. Meyer reported that they spoke on the following:

- scaling back the project
  - keeping the overall plan consistent for the facility
  - using the Harbormaster Office as an example
- phased approach to construction
- finding a champion from a member of the public

Chair Castner explained that after the meeting they had a general discussion on how they were going to proceed with continued public outreach. Since what he has heard from Ms. Griswold is that the public wants to know that information first.

Mr. Meyer continued that the next public meeting was to pull a couple of options on how they want to proceed. They are hoping that they can stimulate discussion by the committee on these options tonight and that they will be able to participate on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Committee member Howard reported that the PowerPoint presentation was very hard to see from the back of the room, contained way too much information. She would like to have a preview of any slides that are to be used. Further comments on the little to no advertising for the project and the difficulty finding any information on the project, she had to go the Public Works website to find anything on the project.

He continued by opining that the public was not interested in hearing from Staff or the committee since there was the appearance of bias, he agreed that an outside champion or group that supported the project was needed. Mr. Meyer stated his goal would be between this meeting and the next identify some of these groups.

C. Stantec Project Report – Dale Smythe, Sara Wilson-Doyle

Ms. Wilson-Doyle reported that Don Bivins and she met with the Kenai Peninsula Borough, Fire Station Personnel, Police Station personnel, and Kachemak Emergency Services Area personnel. They also spent time at local grocery stores to bring awareness to the public about the project. Ms. Wilson-Doyle agreed with the statement that the public wanted more detailed information before voicing opinions and making decisions. Ms. Wilson-Doyle stated they are preparing for the next meeting which is broken down into two groups of fire and police and requesting additional specific groups such as MAPP which she felt was tied into Police.

She pointed out some aspects of the surveys they are receiving regarding service, operational needs, funding and available funding. Ms. Wilson-Doyle would like some input on other groups to invite to the worksession on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Ms. Wilson-Doyle requested that at the worksession and the focus groups that they come up with three options that they might be able to implement a Direct Mail Program.

They will have a deliverable for the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting from these meetings and a memo from Don Bivins. They will need to prepare for the November 30<sup>th</sup> Public meeting.

Chair Castner requested basic civil overlays on the site so they can see how the new bays would sit the site with relation to turning radius'; he then asked about having the information that Ms. Griswold requested regarding the demolition and space between buildings.

Committee member Howard expressed concern regarding having a Public Meeting the night before a Special Election. Chair Castner provided a brief overview of the financial situation of the city and what is scheduled.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PENDING BUSINESS**

A. Public Engagement Schedule – Status Update Fall 2015

Ms. Wilson-Doyle provided her tentative agenda for the October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Islands & Ocean, Focus Group Meetings as follows:

- 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Smaller group to discuss economic issues such as price points
  - The invitation list is still a work in progress
- 10a.m. to 12:00 p.m.- Invitations have been extended to Fire Personnel
- 12:00 p.m. to - Homer Police, MAPP discussions on how the Homer Police Department services the overall community
- Time slated as afternoon - Discussion with champions and advocates.

Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Council Chambers, Worksession:

10am to 4pm - Sharing results of the previous day focus group sessions and brainstorming, funding possibilities and mechanisms and looking at the design details to come up with three distinct alternatives, this could be a line item or space related budget, etc.

The Committee is needed to help guide the discussion asking, What does the public really need in order to make an informed choice, that might reflect something that is actually doable for the community and on what timetable like the next two years, or five years. This will be an open discussion. The City Manager is scheduled to attend this meeting also.

They will need to get down to the nitty gritty and speak about design assumptions, detailed elements. This worksession will be the place to express what the committee wants and can set the framework of the project. Ms. Wilson-Doyle noted that Mr. Smythe will be present to assist the committee with architectural design details. She reiterated the location will be in Council Chambers.

Committee member Howard questioned who the stakeholders were that Ms. Wilson-Doyle was speaking about earlier? She inquired if Ms. Wilson-Doyle has already met with them. Committee member Howard stated that they do have some groups in her opinion that deal with Public Safety Issues and the community and have the information that is very current, she further stated that they would have the level of service required, the community tolerances on what they will inconvenience themselves to have that level of service. Ms. Howard stated that they would be well on their way if they invited such as MAPP, Haven House, Youth Court, Green Dot regarding services funding has to be tied to the need and to get this approved we have to show the value. She further opined that they are too disconnected from the community at this point.

Committee Member Dan Miotke stated that the only numbers they have heard for the project is 30 million, he suggested presenting it as this is the amount per year that a taxpayer will pay, Committee member Miotke further commented on being pitted against pickle ball/recreation from the start and noted that individual departments within the city are not totally on board with this project. How do we provide the project without the full support of all the departments within the City? Committee member Miotke believed that if they can provide alternative recreation space and get the support from city departments the project will fare better.

Chair Castner provided information on the City of Whittier Public Safety Building/City Hall and they received bids \$2 -\$9 million for a 3 story 34000 sf facility, which doesn't have a jail, but did have a holding facility. He opined that maybe there was some opportunity ahead to get the project since the bidders included some companies that would not have looked twice at the project last year. Since the City of Whittier decided not to have an estimate done they saved money and had \$4.5 million put away for the project.

Chief Robl expressed his disappointment on the lack of public interest. He agreed that there may have been a lack of advertisement for the last meeting but his impression from the public is that they don't care and they don't know; they will care when it comes time to vote on the bond. How the committee can generate the interest and interact with the public he is not sure what they can do. Chief Robl further stated they really need to change the tactic to get the voters informed because when it comes to vote of a bond issue it will not pass.

Chair Castner responded that for several years they had money coming in for these projects and did not have to go to the voters but now they have to; just like the Harbormasters Office he believes he knows the number that they will be able to sell; he advocates for buildings they need to replace; he

believes that they have the correct message to replace the Police Station and believes that people are supportive. We still need to keep the other buildings in mind such as the Skateboard Park and the HERC building regarding replacement. Those people are going to need something to be convinced and should not be forced to give them up.

Committee member Howard agreed with the Chair and then commented on the expectations of the Committee from the Public. We need to provide the back-up materials, the costs and not expect the excitement regarding floor plans. She added a compliment to the Homer Police and Fire for being humble and doing so much with so little and believes that it works well for speaking out on living so long poorly. She acknowledged that they may not like the number but maybe when they break it down on a yearly basis it may be more acceptable.

Ms. Wilson-Doyle has extended personal invitations to the Police Department and Fire Department personnel. Mayor Wythe requested the names of individuals or groups that have been invited to participate in the focus groups. Ms. Wilson-Doyle stated that the following have been invited or will be targeted for invitation:

- Police and Fire Personnel
- MAPP
- Mary Griswold
- Committee Members

Ms. Wilson-Doyle expressed a desire to have input on any additional groups to invite to participate that will willingly take on the roles of champions or advocates for the project. Committee member Howard questioned the availability of these groups being that it is scheduled nine days from tonight. Chief Robl was not aware of any of his personnel that indicated they were aware of the meeting and planned on attending as it was not very clear in his opinion the invite that was included with the in-house survey. Ensuing discussion on inviting MAPP to push the invite out to all their participants on attending the focus group meeting and that the committee should take a bigger lead and direct the design team on what they should do.

The Committee also discussed the following:

- Presenting the design/facility and getting support from more than the employees
- What is doable? What will the community support? What are the priorities?
- Funding Alternatives – Having Finance, Bonding and Banking information for the worksession
  - Availability of Grants to include Federal, State, Local, other agencies and organizations, using more than one to fund the project
  - Bonding – a time honored traditional method used by municipalities to fund necessary projects
- Giving a presentation similar to the Harbormaster's Office project would be appropriate
- Seniors and Senior Exemptions – Effects on the city and borough resources and revenue
- Project Cost listed in the CIP
- Providing the costs for bonding a project at various price points
- Determining if the project is dire or not and support that need, not waiting for "free money"
- Costs of maintenance and operations for a new building
- Contacting the Voice for Business, Chamber of Commerce, a Local Realtor
- Contacting State (Federal) Representatives
- Verifying and determining spaces in the design to narrow the costs
  - the Design team can provide the drawings they have and the committee can determine what is needed and what can be postponed until a later date.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Next Meeting Date and Deliverables**

Chair Castner requested each committee member send the Clerk a list of topics so an agenda can be provided for the worksession with a clear defined purpose and outcome by the close of business Friday, October 16, 2015.

The desire for the focus groups was to try and make sure they are on board and agree they are part of the core services. The committee did not want any focus on the design features. The committee agreed that the October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting was poorly advertised and the appropriate groups were not aware of this meeting.

The committee agreed after discussion that due to all the pending issues, lack of advertisement or prearrangement with outside groups and with the city budget being more prevalent on people's minds it would be better to postpone the meetings scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup>, and November 30<sup>th</sup> until after the first of the year.

Chair Castner in response to Ms. Wilson Doyle's question regarding rescheduling the meetings that he would like to get the budget issues over before wading into the details of the Public Involvement meetings.

It was confirmed that the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting will be an open meeting that will be conducted in a worksession format, noticed in the paper and if the design team can provide some idea of pricing, reasonable expectation of condensing space for discussion purposes.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

### **A. Resolution 14-20 Creation of the Committee and Scope of Work**

## **COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

Mary Griswold, city resident, recommended refining the design and costs before the focus group canceling the October 22<sup>nd</sup> until after the workshop on October 23<sup>rd</sup> then invite those folks to the meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup>. They do not have a design or cost estimate and that is what people need. As the committee has stated the people do not have the expertise to look at space needs but they do want to know what it is going to cost them and she still hasn't heard anything. If you take the square footage of 50,000 and multiply that by \$210 per square foot then the cost is only \$10,500,000 and if you can reduce the square footage down to 35,000 or 40,000 then you're are talking in the ballpark.

## **COMMENTS OF CITY STAFF**

## **COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER**

Mayor Wythe requested the project website to be updated and should be a front page item.

## **COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**

Chair Castner responded to Ms. Griswold cost estimate regarding this project including some jail costs that were not included in the Whittier project. Mr. Smythe responded to the costs were being projected high since there are unknown aspects of the project.

## **COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE**



**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next meeting will be a worksession **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2015 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** a regular meeting will be **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.** at the City Hall in the Conference Room Upstairs at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, and Alaska.

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RENEE KRAUSE, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Summary of Direction to Design Team  
Public Safety Building Review Committee Meeting  
October 23, 2015

(Draft modified scope of work - for discussion at the November 4 meeting)

Develop three Scenarios:

- Plan for a \$25M-30M Combine Police/Fire Facility
- Plan for a \$20M Combined Police/Fire Facility
- Plan for a \$15M Police Facility/ Fire Station Upgrade

Deliverables for each scenario:

- Concept Floor Plan
- Concept Civil Site Plan
- Concept Cost Estimate

Schedule:

- Draft Documents                      Mid January, 2016
- Final Documents                      End January, 2016
- Public Presentation Documents    February, 2016



## **WORKSESSION MEETING NOTES**

### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

- Committee recommendations
- Community Champions
- HERC future
- Previous budget priorities survey
- January kick-off to re-engage public
- Methods
  - community events
  - radio
  - intimate conversations
- Materials
  - online, brochures
- Message
  - Fact Sheets
  - displaced uses
  - costs & alts

### **WHAT'S AGREED**

- Employee Safety
- No remodel at Police Department
- Fire Hall has another calling
- HERC – opportunity, cost and displacement
- Community buy-in to recomm
- Police Department and Fire Department in different states
- Quality of Life
- Low maintenance, energy efficiency
- Campus, co-located
- Liability/Risk Exposure

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### **CHALLENGES**

- Public acceptance
- Obtaining Funding
- Displaced uses
- Fiscal readjustment
- Willingness to pay
- Matching facilities to future needs
- Operations funding
- Natural gas permits/legacy
- Phasing contingencies

### **CHOICES**

- Quality of materials
- Magnitudes

- "Add" alternates
- Fire Hall interim improvements if phased
- Extent of work if phased
- \$12-20 million ?

## **FUNDING OPTIONS**

- Cannabis – tax revenue – (Public safety)
- Bed Tax – tourist tax
- Sales Tax
- USDA Loan
- Property Tax – mil
- Cash
- Asset Sales (land & buildings)
- User Fees (shooting range, EMS, Jail?)
- Grants
- Bake Sale, (NRA, tiles, bricks...)
- Partners (Feds, Borough,...) Continuum
- Wet box tax – Fish packages
- Surplus properties
- Land Valuation Tax

### **Grants**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>FEDERAL</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>BOROUGH</b>	<b>NGO</b>
CDBG (MUST INCOME QUALIFY)	✓			
FOUNDATION (501c3 only)				✓
Non-Govt Orgs/Groups				✓
Homeland Security	✓			
NOAA/USCG	✓			
EOC/FEMA	✓			

## **DIRECTION**

Option 1 - \$20 million – Whole Thing

Option 2 - \$15 Million – HPD & FD Retrofit plus future cost of phase 2

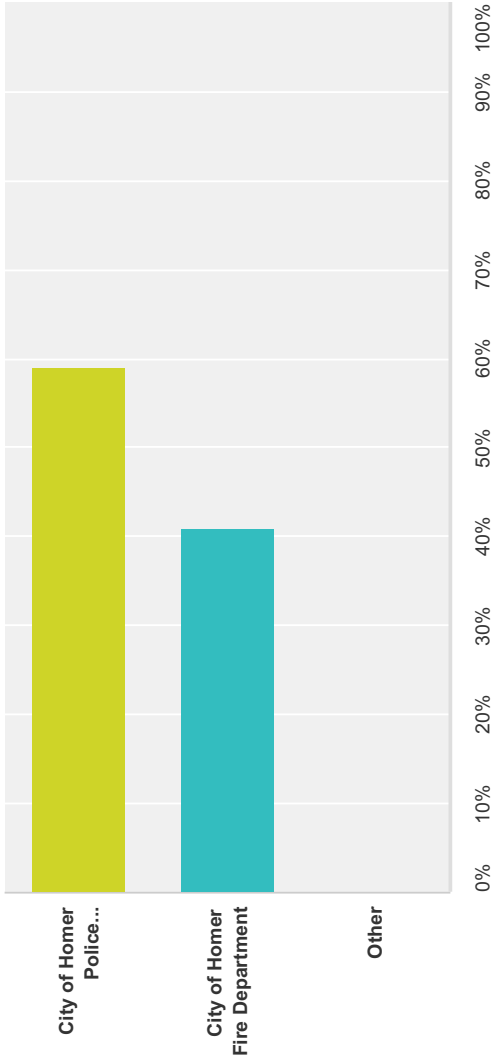
Option 3 - \$25 – 30 million Whole thing

## **NEXT STEPS**

- Project Schedules
- Site Prep
- Fire Department remodel (if option 2) if will \$ (December)
- Champion ID (November)
- Borough Mayor re: Bed Tax (October)
- Engagement Program/Materials

Q1 What is your affiliation, past or present?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0



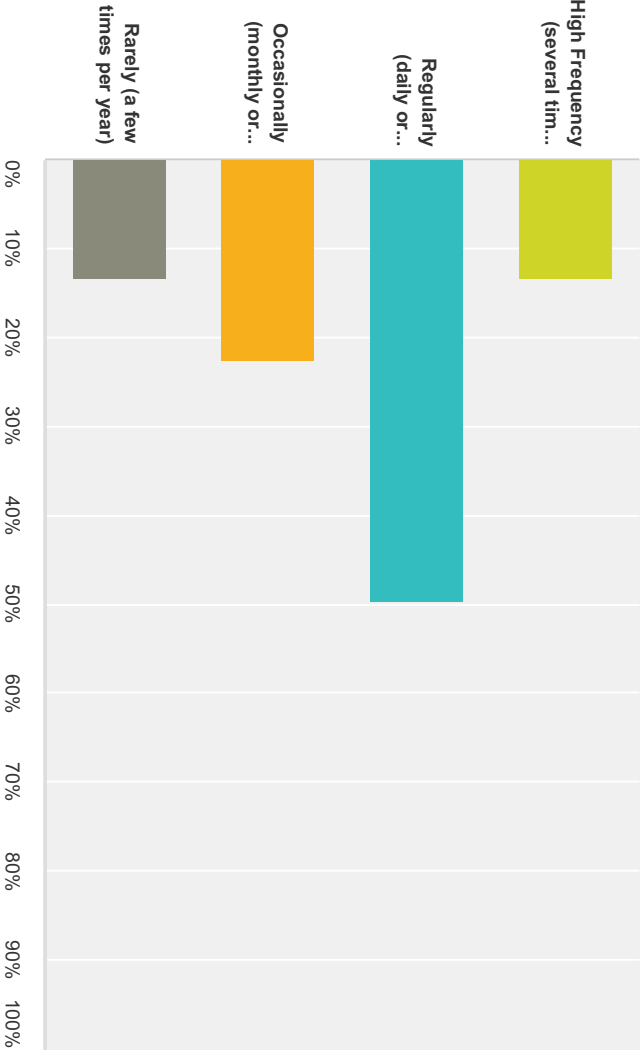
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Answer Choices		Responses	
City of Homer Police Department		59.09%	13
City of Homer Fire Department		40.91%	9
Other		0.00%	0
Total			22

#	(please specify)	Date
1	Employee	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
2	current employee	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
3	Work at the police department	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
4	present	9/23/2015 8:16 AM

Q2 How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
High Frequency (several times or more per day)	3
Regularly (daily or weekly)	11
Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)	5
Rarely (a few times per year)	3
Total	22



### Q3 Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:

Answered: 21 Skipped: 1

#	Responses	Date
1	air exchange issue with proximity to prisoner(s)/jail area no decontamination area after exposure with prisoner escorting visitors through work station areas to visit prisoners escorting prisoners through building to visiting rooms overcrowded - many officers share suffices and work stations most of the radio equipment is not cooled and life expectancy is reduced to heat	10/22/2015 10:29 AM
2	Limited bunk rooms, limited ceiling height for apparatus makes it hard to check equipment on top and cost money to pull a truck out to check. Short bays causes us to squeeze through trucks to get to other sides of the bays. Lack of work stations to share when doing work reports,	10/10/2015 7:04 PM
3	If you really want to know what the fire department needs, it needs an Asst. Chief. The lack of that position (and we are the ONLY City dept. without a second in command) has more problems associated with us not being able to do our jobs than our building. We've been asking for that position to be filled for 5+ years. Our staff has stretched beyond their limits to cover what it takes to provide emergency services, and everyone wants to talk about a new building. Our highest priority is getting a second in command. We need an Asst. Chief.	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
4	WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF	10/9/2015 1:24 PM
5	There are minor inconveniences but nothing that cannot be dealt with	9/28/2015 7:24 PM
6	Jail is unsafe and building is not secure enough. There is too much risk of prisoner escape and the public gaining access to the building. The building is old and the air flow is terrible. We are breathing the same air as the prisoners and many of them have Hep C, T.B., and other infectious diseases. The building is old and obsolete.	9/28/2015 8:14 AM
7	Tight quarters (inadequate work space and storage), poor ventilation (airflow), inadequate security between work areas and inmate cells and public access, outdated equipment (communications is vital!).	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
8	We have outgrown our space for current personnel. There is no where to safely secure or search vehicles/other items of evidence/ especially in inclement weather. There is not enough storage space for police training gear/equipment. No where to practice defensive tactics (most lawsuits are due to alleged excessive force). No female locker room and exercise room is too small. Air quality in building is poor/ no ventilation out of jail.	9/27/2015 12:18 PM
9	Equipment problems: non-working essential phone lines, computer and radio equipment (occurs on a regular basis). Sub-par and often disable patrol vehicles. Poor ventilation poses concern for employees and computer equipment.	9/25/2015 8:09 AM
10	Mostly small issues of efficiency.	9/24/2015 8:37 PM
11	Electrical Issues, Ventilation Issues, Heating Issues, Size Restrictions. Parking Room Issues. at the Homer Police Station. The building is old and just slapped together.	9/23/2015 9:44 PM
12	It is always either too hot or too cold to comfortably work. Space is always a problem, both for storage of records we are required to keep and for personal belongings while we are working. Constant issues with our electronics, most likely due to the inadequate, aging wiring in the building.	9/23/2015 9:38 PM
13	Lack of sleeping places to allow over nights, lack of ventilation for facility, lack of space to cover and protect equipment	9/23/2015 8:39 PM

## City of Homer Public Safety Building

14	I believe more volunteers would overnight if sleeping quarters were better. There is no fan in either restroom and not enough restrooms for the many employees and volunteers. Storage for emergency/ medical supplies is very cramped. In general very cramped for training when all the dept volunteers are there and class is held. Equipment that is stored outside is being aged prematurely.	9/23/2015 8:30 PM
15	We have a poorly laid out building making it difficult to efficiently complete duties. The facility security is poor. The building has not been properly maintained. The building is too small for what it is used for. As is there are several outbuildings in use. Prisoners and visitors get walked through officer work space to conduct visitation. Visitation is not monitored. The booking room is immediately next to the exit door. The booking room is small and confined. This is also where the datamaster is located. The door to the booking room and sometimes the exterior door must be left open during a DUI processing to avoid an error due to the alcohol in the air.	9/23/2015 7:47 PM
16	It is not the best building set up for everything, such as cooking for training because the kitchen/dining area is rather oddly set up for that but it does suffice. It is worn though and somethings could be updated. The biggest problem I see with the building is actually with the parking and pulling in. When turning left off of Pioneer you have to cross the opposing traffic and turn lane or stop in the road, this intersection is busy enough as it is and stopping in the middle of the road doesn't help anything. As well when pulling out with an apparatus, especially turning east (left) onto pioneer, in heavy traffic, there are many hazards to be aware of. The pull out for the parking lot across the street is one. Many times cars pulling out of the parking lot across the street will not see the apparatus attempting to pull onto the street and cut it off. The parking is also rather tight and during training's many people end up parking across the street.	9/23/2015 3:21 PM
17	The biggest problem I see is with officer safety and workplace safety in general because of the poor building layout and pedestrian flow in the building.	9/23/2015 1:49 PM
18	Cramped conditions, lack of heat and cooling, dirty working conditions. Air circulating in PD includes prisoners with diseases. Prisoners being taken through unsecure areas where they can access dispatch. Unsafe wiring for computers etc due to cramped conditions of building built before advent of computers.	9/23/2015 12:47 PM
19	The building is old and very hard to keep clean we work in a very dirty area.	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
20	Not enough storage for evidence, found property. Poor building layout means I get interrupted by counter traffic while trying to complete paperwork.	9/23/2015 9:24 AM
21	Frequent plumbing issues, lack of office space for employees to complete work, obsolete/malfunctioning phone and communications system, etc	9/23/2015 8:16 AM

## Q4 As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0

#	Responses	Date
1	outdated, crowded and piecemealed together	10/22/2015 10:29 AM
2	In need of help. Can us an uplift for better employee safety.	10/10/2015 7:04 PM
3	The police department is the highest priority for replacement or repair. The building no longer meets certain codes, it's falling apart, and they've outgrown it.	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
4	WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF	10/9/2015 1:24 PM
5	The facilities while somewhat old are not nonfunctional	9/28/2015 7:24 PM
6	They are doing an outstanding job with the resources they have.	9/28/2015 8:14 AM
7	Both facilities appear to be dated and tight for space however, both agencies appear to be operating effectively yet no efficiently out of them.	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
8	As a citizen, both departments need more personnel. For Homer, there is a Heroin epidemic that leads to burglaries and thefts that mostly go unsolved due to lack of manpower. For fire, they have to wait for volunteer's to show up before leaving to calls which delays response times.	9/27/2015 12:18 PM
9	Police station should be a visible presence in the city.	9/25/2015 8:09 AM
10	I feel Ok about the existing Fire Building. I feel worse about the police building. I feel the priority should be on replacing the Police building first. Then again, my feelings don't really matter. What matters is the well being of the patients and public we serve. Along with the financial responsibility to provide those services in the most cost effective manner possible.	9/24/2015 8:37 PM
11	Both building are looking worn out and if not replaced then needs to be remodeled like the City Hall was.	9/23/2015 9:44 PM
12	Police and Fire are basic necessities for any city. These agencies deserve facilities that enable them to perform their duties in the best, most efficient manner possible.	9/23/2015 9:38 PM
13	Usable but very limited and not allowing any growth	9/23/2015 8:39 PM
14	I think they both need an upgrade for the employees and volunteers.	9/23/2015 8:30 PM
15	As a citizen I feel the facilities need to be replaced, I am not a proponent of raising taxes to accomplish this task. The city needs to look at bringing in new business and keeping tax revenue in the city for this purpose. If a Fred Meyer can pay for Soldotna's police station, I believe we could have a similar impact here. The city should be working to recruit business.	9/23/2015 7:47 PM
16	I feel the fire Station Building is currently sufficient.	9/23/2015 3:21 PM
17	The facilities are very outdated for what they're currently being used for. The health and safety issues are my major areas of concern.	9/23/2015 1:49 PM
18	Fire is adequate, could be upgraded at some point. Police station totally inadequate and unsafe.	9/23/2015 12:47 PM
19	In some cases they seem too small or lacking in room for what is needed.	9/23/2015 12:03 PM

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20	OLD, very 1970s looking, old heating, no fresh air resource, no ventilation. Bad lighting old fixtures. Unsafe outlets and light switches ...	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
21	Fire facilities are adequate. Police need more space and updated facilities for increasing technological needs as well as a bigger jail.	9/23/2015 9:24 AM
22	Technologically challenged, obsolete and dated buildings, poor investment to continue repairing.	9/23/2015 8:16 AM

## Q5 As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0

#	Responses	Date
1	very excited and long over due	10/22/2015 10:29 AM
2	I understand the idea but think it would be better to have two separate entrances to distinguish between the two entities. Like an East and West side entrances.	10/10/2015 7:04 PM
3	My biggest concern is how will the City pay for the upkeep and maintenance on a new facility, when they cannot even cover the costs on existing buildings? A new building will demand as much time, effort, and repairs. Look back on when our library was built - they had upkeep and repair problems right off the bat. If you cannot take care of what you already have, how can you keep the next building in good repair? And I am not thrilled about the price tag, without state or federal funding to help defer costs.	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
4	WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF	10/9/2015 1:24 PM
5	While a new facility would be nice to have it is not absolutely necessary and it would be fiscally gross negligence to proceed with these facilities at this time	9/28/2015 7:24 PM
6	It would be money well spent. Better location, better communication, and shared resources.	9/28/2015 8:14 AM
217	I feel that a combined building would be effective in minimizing long term cost by maintaining one facility rather than two. I would recommend building a facility that has the long term future of Homer in mind and not a facility that would require renovation in the near future.	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
8	It's a good thing and much needed. I feel it should be built in phases with police first. The police have outgrown their current space, which desperately needs to be updated and enlarged.	9/27/2015 12:18 PM
9	Large initial expense to save money in the future.	9/25/2015 8:09 AM
10	I am against it. I'm for replacing the police station first. Then in the future, when there are funds, replacing the fire station in a different location. I am against fire and police operating in the same building.	9/24/2015 8:37 PM
11	Great idea! Everyone benefits in this manner.	9/23/2015 9:44 PM
12	Great idea.	9/23/2015 9:38 PM
13	Needed but not right now.	9/23/2015 8:39 PM
14	I feel it is needed and will probably improve response times and employee morale.	9/23/2015 8:30 PM
15	I don't believe it is necessary to combine the buildings.	9/23/2015 7:47 PM

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16	I would NOT like to see a joint public safety building in the future. I don't believe it is in the interest of either department. The Fire Department and Police Department have different ways of achieving their objectives. The Fire Department, specifically the EMS side, needs to be able to have the trust of the patients in order to give the best service possible. This sometimes means having patients comfortable with telling us any relevant information such as drugs taken or other illegal actions. Information that sometimes can make a drastic difference in the care of the patient. In many situations the mere thought of law enforcement would stop the patient from sharing such information and make the situation more difficult. From a fire fighters perspective I do not want to be perceived as a law enforcement personnel and I do not have the training to do such. I volunteer to help when requested for fire and rescue and I observe the law but I don't personally enforce it. I appreciate and support our peace officers but I do not think combining the Fire Department and Police Department is in favor of either. On top of the difference in ways of achieve their objectives there is also the fact that the Fire Department is a majority of volunteers. Volunteers give countless hours to the department and come and go throughout the day on calls or on standby. They do overnight standby at the station, they eat lunch at the station and they train at the station, logistically I don't see how this would work if it was also a police station. Though they are both public safety related they have little in common as far as departments go.	9/23/2015 3:21 PM
17	The joint building is a great idea.	9/23/2015 1:49 PM
18	A new police station is desperately needed. Fire could be added to the police station in the future when economic climate improves.	9/23/2015 12:47 PM
19	I believe it would be extremely beneficial.	9/23/2015 12:03 PM
20	It seems to me that the Harbor has a new building, the library has a new building, public safety should have a new safer building!!!!!!	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
21	I think it is a needed addition to the community.	9/23/2015 9:24 AM
22	Better centralized location for personnel to respond to calls for service. Better proximity to school zones and public access.	9/23/2015 8:16 AM

## Q6 In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?

Answered: 20 Skipped: 2

#	Responses	Date
1	N/A	10/22/2015 10:29 AM
2	the building cost is crazy as we don't need a world class facility with sparkling effects. Solid structure with ease of use for both parties. Also we need to look at building the structure up and not out. Put a second of third floor on the building to help reduce square footage of the building pad and help increase room around the building to have room for apparatus training and future training structures for both police and fire.	10/10/2015 7:04 PM
3	Mike Pate approached the Mayor approx. 1 year ago and offered (on behalf of several investors) to build a public safety building. It would mean the City would do a long-term lease (25+ years) and the owners would take care of all the upkeep & maintenance, etc. This idea was turned down. When you look at other organizations in town, many have turned to a lease option - the court house, is a great example. Cheaper in the long run. Can this be looked into again?	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
4	WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF	10/9/2015 1:24 PM
5	The city should cut out all capital building projects and anything that is not absolutely necessary until such time as the budget issues are dealt with. Also the city would do well to try to encourage business here like Fred Meyer and other so called box stores along with use of the current Deep Water Dock and other such revenues that could be developed as a Port Facility. On another note Consolidation of Fire and EMS Service could be handed to the Borough as a way of liberating the Budget that the Fire Department now requires.	9/28/2015 7:24 PM
6	No	9/28/2015 8:14 AM
7	The cost of a new public safety building I'm sure is the issue in moving forward with such a project. I have seen the cost of new stations offset by selecting a less desirable site for new construction and selling the existing land/buildings, bringing the overall cost into a manageable figure.	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
8	Build police phase first as fire has adequate facility for the time being. Phase fire in at a later date to minimize initial cost	9/25/2015 8:09 AM
9	1. In the near future, the city should get an adequate professional police building. 2. Then, in the medium future a new appropriate fire station, not on the same lot as the police station. 3. I have yet to hear an adequate reason why the two buildings/departments should be combined. On balance, the potential costs savings of a combined public safety building do not exceed the coordination costs, the public perception costs, nor the risk to patient well being. If you want more details I would be happy to talk to you in person. Lars Bell larsbell@gmail.com cell (360) 607-7564	9/24/2015 8:37 PM
10	Hire people who have the education, work history and certification's to do the job. Pay competitive wages and have reasonable medical.	9/23/2015 9:44 PM
11	There is a lot of community concern about the loss of the gym at the HERC building. I think the City should look at the current fire hall as a replacement for that gym space.	9/23/2015 9:38 PM
12	Assistant chief for the fire department.	9/23/2015 8:39 PM

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13	We should prioritize development of opportunities for citizens to spend more of their money in Homer, not Soldotna or Kenai. If we could keep tax money here we probably would not be having this discussion. But for now you have to buy your new underwear online or up the road. The same thing with shoes and most other general merchandise. The city should be courting Fred Meyer or Walmart or Target or someone to bring competition to help lower the cost of living and keep money here.	9/23/2015 7:47 PM
14	Consider the fact that many of the volunteers are contributing countless hours of their lives (at least 120 to become certified) in order to be of service to the community at all hours of the day. During family meals and days off from their paying jobs, they volunteer to respond to those in need, with next to zero monetary support. These volunteers are actually in many cases paying to volunteer, not just in the monetary costs. The savings bonds, which is greatly appreciated, hardly suffices in comparing to the service they provide. There isn't even a gas reimbursement for individuals that drive their personal vehicles to respond. I would like you to consider the volunteers first before making any decisions regarding the Fire Department.	9/23/2015 3:21 PM
15	No. I feel strongly the plan should go forward as currently proposed.	9/23/2015 1:49 PM
16	Cut the funding to non-profits who have become dependent on it. Police and fire are essential services and should be first priority.	9/23/2015 12:47 PM
17	Having both the police and fire facilities in the same building.	9/23/2015 12:03 PM
18	Public safety to some may seem unnecessary, until they need public safety. There should be a safer cleaner area to work and perform duties.	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
19	Police need new vehicles. Police fleet is old and outdated. Multiple vehicles going in for repair at one time.	9/23/2015 9:24 AM
20	Considerations include the obvious cost of the building and should be a priority to the city as an integral part of the rebirth of the city infrastructure.	9/23/2015 8:16 AM



## Q7 In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?

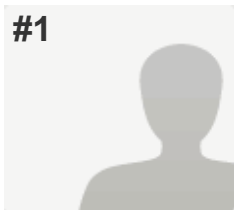
Answered: 21 Skipped: 1

#	Responses	Date
1	just the skateboard park; only if it interferes with new construction or parking	10/22/2015 10:29 AM
2	Maybe some but not all. Like the skate park. There are lots of gyms in the area to be used.	10/10/2015 7:04 PM
3	Our tax dollars are already paying for area-wide schools, all of which have gyms in them. I absolutely CANNOT support the City in another HERC building. Let's figure out a way to use the gyms & schools that sit empty after hours, and could be used by the tax payers.	10/9/2015 4:08 PM
4	WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF	10/9/2015 1:24 PM
5	The city should not try to fund anything that is not absolutely essential, or geared to building revenue	9/28/2015 7:24 PM
6	Only those that are costing a bundle of money and not beneficial to all that use it.	9/28/2015 8:14 AM
7	If the displacement comes by a forceful overthrow absolutely. If the displacement comes by a majority decision for the benefit of the majority and minority then NO!	9/28/2015 4:34 AM
8	No. Community rec is not a core service and the tax-payers should not be funding it.	9/27/2015 12:18 PM
9	Yes	9/25/2015 8:09 AM
10	That question is too vague. By "activities," do you mean should the city be responsible for providing the recreation actives that currently happen at the HERC building, should the new police building be placed there? Or do you mean, by "activities," the storm water retention capacity currently provided by the forest at the town center site, should the police building be placed there? Or do you mean something else?	9/24/2015 8:37 PM
11	NO!!! The Pickle Ball players should be able to support themselves in their activities. The building they are using costs the tax payers of this city way to much money and lies up to many resources. If they want a place of their own then they need to lease the building at fair market value or buy a building. All of these freebies are costing employs of the City of Homer their jobs.	9/23/2015 9:44 PM
12	While I dont think the city is obligated to do it, it would go a long way toward getting much of the community behind the new building if they did something. See above for my idea.	9/23/2015 9:38 PM
13	All plus more for better service.	9/23/2015 8:39 PM
14	It would be great in a perfect world but no I guess.	9/23/2015 8:30 PM
15	No. The pickle ball players should look for an alternative venue. We have several other operational schools in the area. They are not always in use. Maybe times for gym usage could be coordinated with those facilities.	9/23/2015 7:47 PM
16	I think the city should support the replacement of anything displaced but is not obligated in any way to actually replace them.	9/23/2015 1:49 PM
17	NO. It is not the city's responsibility to entertain and provide activities for the public.	9/23/2015 12:47 PM

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18	No.	9/23/2015 12:03 PM
19	yes	9/23/2015 11:44 AM
20	Not if it costs the city any money. City should make reasonable effort to assist/provide options but should not have to pay to relocate them.	9/23/2015 9:24 AM
21	Locations could be considered as a trade from the current location to the new site	9/23/2015 8:16 AM

#1



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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Police Department,  
(please specify) present

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Frequent plumbing issues, lack of office space for employees to complete work, obsolete/malfunctioning phone and communications system, etc

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Technologically challenged, obsolete and dated buildings, poor investment to continue repairing.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

Better centralized location for personnel to respond to calls for service. Better proximity to school zones and public access.

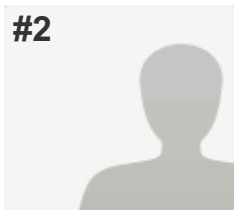
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Considerations include the obvious cost of the building and should be a priority to the city as an integral part of the rebirth of the city infrastructure.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Locations could be considered as a trade from the current location to the new site

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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Not enough storage for evidence, found property. Poor building layout means I get interrupted by counter traffic while trying to complete paperwork.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Fire facilities are adequate. Police need more space and updated facilities for increasing technological needs as well as a bigger jail.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I think it is a needed addition to the community.

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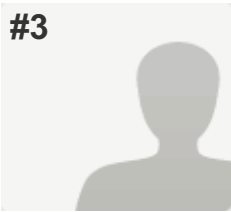
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**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Not if it costs the city any money. City should make reasonable effort to assist/provide options but should not have to pay to relocate them.

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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Police Department,  
(please specify) Work at the police department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

The building is old and very hard to keep clean we work in a very dirty area,

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

OLD, very 1970's looking, old heating, no fresh air resource, no ventilation. Bad lighting old fixtures. Unsafe outlets and light switches ...

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

It seems to me that the Harbor has a new building, the library has a new building, public safety should have a new safer building!!!!!!

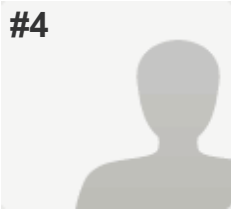
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Public safety to some may seem unnecessary, until they need public safety. There should be a safer cleaner area to work and perform duties.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

yes

#4



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

In some cases they seem too small or lacking in room for what is needed.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I believe it would be extremely beneficial.

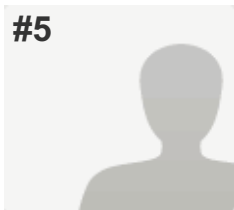
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Having both the police and fire facilities in the same building.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

No.

#5



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

High Frequency (several times or more per day)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Cramped conditions, lack of heat and cooling, dirty working conditions. Air circulating in PD includes prisoners with diseases. Prisoners being taken through unsecure areas where they can access dispatch. Unsafe wiring for computers etc due to cramped conditions of building built before advent of computers.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Fire is adequate, could be upgraded at some point. Police station totally inadequate and unsafe.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

A new police station is desperately needed. Fire could be added to the police station in the future when economic climate improves.

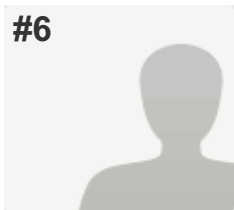
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NO. It is not the city's responsibility to entertain and provide activities for the public.

#6



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

The biggest problem I see is with officer safety and workplace safety in general because of the poor building layout and pedestrian flow in the building.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

The facilities are very outdated for what they're currently being used for. The health and safety issues are my major areas of concern.

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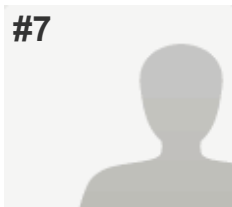
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City of Homer Fire Department

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Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

It is not the best building set up for everything, such as cooking for training because the kitchen/dining area is rather oddly set up for that but it does suffice. It is worn though and somethings could be updated. The biggest problem I see with the building is actually with the parking and pulling in. When turning left off of Pioneer you have to cross the opposing traffic and turn lane or stop in the road, this intersection is busy enough as it is and stopping in the middle of the road doesn't help anything. As well when pulling out with an apparatus, especially turning east (left) onto pioneer, in heavy traffic, there are many hazards to be aware of. The pull out for the parking lot across the street is one. Many times cars pulling out of the parking lot across the street will not see the apparatus attempting to pull onto the street and cut it off. The parking is also rather tight and during training's many people end up parking across the street.

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I feel the fire Station Building is currently sufficient.

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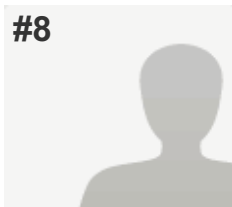
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**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

We have a poorly laid out building making it difficult to efficiently complete duties. The facility security is poor. The building has not been properly maintained. The building is too small for what it is used for. As is there are several outbuildings in use. Prisoners and visitors get walked through officer work space to conduct visitation. Visitation is not monitored. The booking room is immediately next to the exit door. The booking room is small and confined. This is also where the datamaster is located. The door to the booking room and sometimes the exterior door must be left open during a DUI processing to avoid an error due to the alcohol in the air.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

As a citizen I feel the facilities need to be replaced, I am not a proponent of raising taxes to accomplish this task. The city needs to look at bringing in new business and keeping tax revenue in the city for this purpose. If a Fred Meyer can pay for Soldotna's police station, I believe we could have a similar impact here. The city should be working to recruit business.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I don't believe it is necessary to combine the buildings.

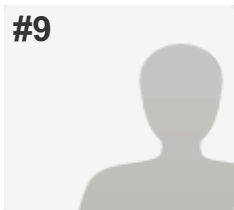
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

We should prioritize development of opportunities for citizens to spend more of their money in Homer, not Soldotna or Kenai. If we could keep tax money here we probably would not be having this discussion. But for now you have to buy your new underwear online or up the road. The same thing with shoes and most other general merchandise. The city should be courting Fred Meyer or Walmart or Target or someone to bring competition to help lower the cost of living and keep money here.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

No. The pickle ball players should look for an alternative venue. We have several other operational schools in the area. They are not always in use. Maybe times for gym usage could be coordinated with those facilities.

#9



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City of Homer Fire Department

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Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

I believe more volunteers would overnight if sleeping quarters were better. There is no fan in either restroom and not enough restrooms for the many employees and volunteers. Storage for emergency/ medical supplies is very cramped. In general very cramped for training when all the dept volunteers are there and class is held. Equipment that is stored outside is being aged prematurely.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

I think they both need an upgrade for the employees and volunteers.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I feel it is needed and will probably improve response times and employee morale.

**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

It would be great in a perfect world but no I guess.

#10



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Lack of sleeping places to allow over nights, lack of ventilation for facility, lack of space to cover and protect equipment

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Usable but very limited and not allowing any growth

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

Needed but not right now.

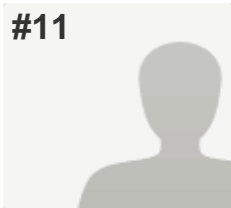
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Assistant chief for the fire department.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

All plus more for better service.

#11



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

It is always either too hot or too cold to comfortably work.

Space is always a problem, both for storage of records we are required to keep and for personal belongings while we are working.

Constant issues with our electronics, most likely due to the inadequate, aging wiring in the building.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Police and Fire are basic necessities for any city. These agencies deserve facilities that enable them to perform their duties in the best, most efficient manner possible.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

Great idea.

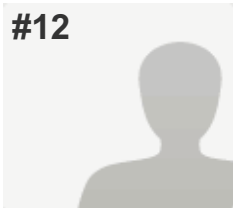
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

There is a lot of community concern about the loss of the gym at the HERC building. I think the City should look at the current fire hall as a replacement for that gym space.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

While I don't think the city is obligated to do it, it would go a long way toward getting much of the community behind the new building if they did something. See above for my idea.

#12



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Electrical Issues, Ventilation Issues, Heating Issues, Size Restrictions. Parking Room Issues. at the Homer Police Station. The building is old and just slapped together.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Both building are looking worn out and if not replaced then needs to be remodeled like the City Hall was.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

Great Idea! Everyone benefits in this manner.

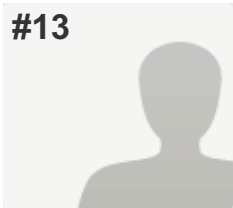
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Hire people who have the education, work history and certification's to do the job. Pay competitive wages and have reasonable medical.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

NO!!! The Pickle Ball players should be able to support themselves in their activities. The building they are using costs the tax payers of this city way to much money and ties up to many resources. If they want a place of their own then they need to lease the building at fair market value or buy a building. All of these freebies are costing employs of the City of Homer their jobs.

#13



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Rarely (a few times per year)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Mostly small issues of efficiency.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

I feel Ok about the existing Fire Building. I feel worse about the police building. I feel the priority should be on replacing the Police building first.

Then again, my feelings don't really matter. What matters is the well being of the patients and public we serve. Along with the financial responsibility to provide those services in the most cost effective manner possible.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I am against it. I'm for replacing the police station first. Then in the future, when there are funds, replacing the fire station in a different location. I am against fire and police operating in the same building.

**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

1. In the near future, the city should get an adequate professional police building.
2. Then, in the medium future a new appropriate fire station, not on the same lot as the police station.
3. I have yet to hear an adequate reason why the two buildings/departments should be combined. On balance, the potential costs savings of a combined public safety building do not exceed the coordination costs, the public perception costs, nor the risk to patient well being.

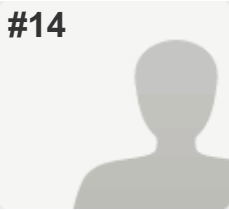
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**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

That question is too vague. By "activities," do you mean should the city be responsible for providing the recreation actives that currently happen at the HERC building, should the new police building be placed there? Or do you mean, by "activities," the storm water retention capacity currently provided by the forest at the town center site, should the police building be placed there? Or do you mean something else?



#14



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Equipment problems: non-working essential phone lines, computer and radio equipment (occurs on a regular basis).  
Sub-par and often disable patrol vehicles.  
Poor ventilation poses concern for employees and computer equipment.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Police station should be a visible presence in the city.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

Large initial expense to save money in the future.

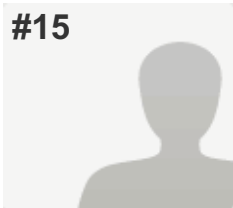
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Build police phase first as fire has adequate facility for the time being. Phase fire in at a later date to minimize initial cost

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Yes

#15



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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

High Frequency (several times or more per day)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

We have outgrown our space for current personnel. There is no where to safely secure or search vehicles/other items of evidence/ especially in inclement weather. There is not enough storage space for police training gear/equipment. No where to practice defensive tactics (most lawsuits are due to alleged excessive force). No female locker room and exercise room is too small. Air quality in building is poor/ no ventilation out of jail.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

As a citizen, both departments need more personnel. For Homer, there is a Heroin epidemic that leads to burglaries and thefts that mostly go unsolved due to lack of manpower. For fire, they have to wait for volunteer's to show up before leaving to calls which delays response times.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

It's a good thing and much needed. I feel it should be built in phases with police first. The police have outgrown their current space, which desperately needs to be updated and enlarged.

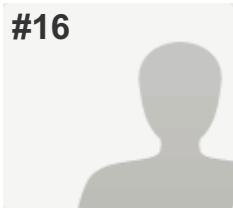
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

No. Community rec is not a core service and the tax-payers should not be funding it.

#16



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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Police Department,

(please specify) current employee

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Tight quarters (inadequate work space and storage), poor ventilation (airflow), inadequate security between work areas and inmate cells and public access, outdated equipment (communications is vital!).

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Both facilities appear to be dated and tight for space however, both agencies appear to be operating effectively yet no efficiently out of them.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I feel that a combined building would be effective in minimizing long term cost by maintaining one facility rather than two. I would recommend building a facility that has the long term future of Homer in mind and not a facility that would require renovation in the near future.

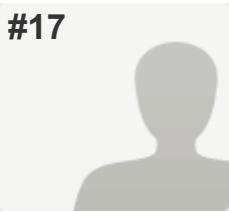
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

The cost of a new public safety building I'm sure is the issue in moving forward with such a project. I have seen the cost of new stations offset by selecting a less desirable site for new construction and selling the existing land/buildings, bringing the overall cost into a manageable figure.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

If the displacement comes by a forceful overthrow absolutely. If the displacement comes by a majority decision for the benefit of the majority and minority then NO!

#17



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Jail is unsafe and building is not secure enough. There is too much risk of prisoner escape and the public gaining access to the building. The building is old and the air flow is terrible. We are breathing the same air as the prisoners and many of them have Hep C, T.B., and other infectious diseases. The building is old and obsolete.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

They are doing an outstanding job with the resources they have.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

It would be money well spent. Better location, better communication, and shared resources.

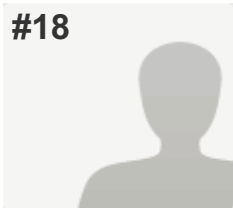
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

No

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Only those that are costing a bundle of money and not beneficial to all that use it.

#18



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Rarely (a few times per year)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

There are minor inconveniences but nothing that cannot be dealt with

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

The facilities while somewhat old are not nonfunctional

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

While a new facility would be nice to have it is not absolutely necessary and it would be fiscally gross negligence to proceed with these facilities at this time

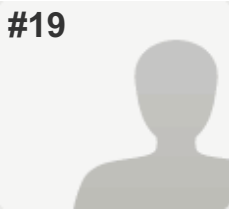
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

The city should cut out all capital building projects and anything that is not absolutely necessary until such time as the budget issues are dealt with. Also the city would do well to try to encourage business here like Fred Meyer and other so called box stores along with use of the current Deep Water Dock and other such revenues that could be developed as a Port Facility. On another note Consolidation of Fire and EMS Service could be handed to the Borough as a way of liberating the Budget that the Fire Department now requires.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

The city should not try to fund anything that is not absolutely essential, or geared to building revenue

#19



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Rarely (a few times per year)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF

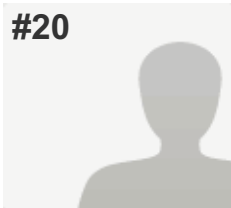
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WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

WE NEED AN ASSISTANT CHIEF

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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Fire Department,

(please specify) Employee

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Occasionally (monthly or seasonally)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

If you really want to know what the fire department needs, it needs an Asst. Chief. The lack of that position (and we are the ONLY City dept. without a second in command) has more problems associated with us not being able to do our jobs than our building. We've been asking for that position to be filled for 5+ years. Our staff has stretched beyond their limits to cover what it takes to provide emergency services, and everyone wants to talk about a new building. Our highest priority is getting a second in command. We need an Asst. Chief.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

The police department is the highest priority for replacement or repair. The building no longer meets certain codes, it's falling apart, and they've outgrown it.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

My biggest concern is how will the City pay for the upkeep and maintenance on a new facility, when they cannot even cover the costs on existing buildings? A new building will demand as much time, effort, and repairs. Look back on when our library was built - they had upkeep and repair problems right off the bat. If you cannot take care of what you already have, how can you keep the next building in good repair? And I am not thrilled about the price tag, without state or federal funding to help defer costs.

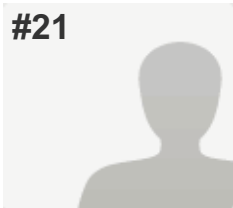
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Mike Pate approached the Mayor approx. 1 year ago and offered (on behalf of several investors) to build a public safety building. It would mean the City would do a long-term lease (25+ years) and the owners would take care of all the upkeep & maintenance, etc. This idea was turned down. When you look at other organizations in town, many have turned to a lease option - the court house, is a great example. Cheaper in the long run. Can this be looked into again?

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Our tax dollars are already paying for area-wide schools, all of which have gyms in them. I absolutely CANNOT support the City in another HERC building. Let's figure out a way to use the gyms & schools that sit empty after hours, and could be used by the tax payers.

#21



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City of Homer Fire Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Limited bunk rooms, limited ceiling height for apparatus makes it hard to check equipment on top and cost money to pull a truck out to check, Short bays causes us to squeeze through trucks to get to other sides of the bays. Lack of work stations to share when doing work reports,

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

In need of help. Can us an uplift for better employee safety.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I understand the idea but think it would be better to have two separate entrances to distinguish between the two entities. Like an East and West side entrances.

**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

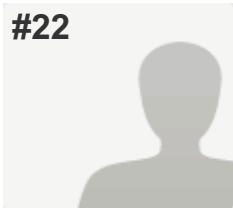
the building cost is crazy as we don't need a world class facility with sparkling effects. Solid structure with ease of use for both parties. Also we need to look at building the structure up and not out. Put a second or third floor on the building to help reduce square footage of the building pad and help increase room around the building to have room for apparatus training and future training structures for both police and fire.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

Maybe some but not all. Like the skate park. There are lots of gyms in the area to be used.



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City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

High Frequency (several times or more per day)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

air exchange issue with proximity to prisoner(s)/jail area  
no decontamination area after exposure with prisoner  
escorting visitors through work station areas to visit prisoners  
escorting prisoners through building to visiting rooms  
overcrowded - many officers share suffices and work stations  
most of the radio equipment is not cooled and life expectancy is reduced to heat

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

outdated, crowded and piecemeal-ed together

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

very excited and long over due

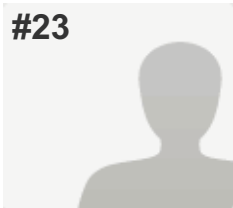
**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

N/A

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

just the skateboard park; only if it interferes with new construction or parking

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**COMPLETE**

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**Q1: What is your affiliation, past or present?**

City of Homer Police Department

**Q2: How often do the existing City public safety facilities cause problems in performing your duties?**

Regularly (daily or weekly)

**Q3: Please elaborate on the problems you see because of the conditions you are working in:**

Employee safety regarding prisoners/general public walking by employees work station areas because there is no separate secure area to escort prisoners.

Air ventilation system in the jail area which is shared with the employees.

Unsecure back area to process evidence/vehicles.

Phone system is out of date and causing problems.

Lack of space to process evidence, shared with computer equipment.

Not enough work stations, desks office area for all the employees. Shared work station areas. More storage area needed.

Need a dedicated interview room, instead of shared work space area.

Updated prisoner visitation area. Updated security for front and rear doors to include a more secure door and security access to building. Garage area for several patrol cars and access when transporting prisoners that is out of the public view and is secure area.

**Q4: As a citizen, how do you feel about the City's existing police and fire facilities?**

Need to update and modernize the building.

**Q5: As a citizen, how do you feel about a new, joint Public Safety Building?**

I really like the idea of combining the two facilities so you can have shared cost making the building and employees more efficient.

**Q6: In your opinion, is there anything else the City should consider (e.g., ideas, opportunities, concerns, priorities)?**

Try of have enough room in the building to secure a long term contract with the State Troopers to share existing space and costs.

**Q7: In your opinion, should the City be obligated to replace any or all activities displaced by a new Public Safety Building?**

No. Essential city services should be a priority.



# Fall 2015

## Public Engagement Schedule

### October

- 22(Thursday) Online Survey Ends (Funding Feasibility Review)  
*Intent:*  
*Compile input from Staff of HPD/Fire/EMS to share at work session.*
- Postponed until a later date Focus Groups (Funding Feasibility Review)  
*Intent:*  
*Gain candid input on project design and funding alternatives from key public groups to encourage and gain champions for the project.*
- 23(Friday)  
 Council  
 Chambers – City Hall  
 10:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Work Session (Funding Feasibility Review)\*  
*Intent:*  
*Working meeting with key decision-makers and thought-leaders (Council, City Manager, Department Heads and members of the Committee, plus interested Public) working with a facilitator to prepare three project cost alternatives to present to the public. Incorporating public input and survey findings.*
- Attendees Expected:*  
*Committee Members; Mary Griswold, Katie Koester, City Manager, Rick Abboud, City Planner; Dale Smythe, Sara Wilson-Doyle, Stantec; Don Bivins, Consultant*

### November

- 4(Wednesday)  
 City Hall  
 Conference Room 5:30 pm  
 Funding Feasibility Review Memo with Community Discussion PowerPoint.
- TBA – Postponed Public Meeting #3 Cost Alternatives  
*Intent: Ask residents to weigh in on three alternatives.*
- TBA City Council Briefing (with Public Safety Building Review Committee participation)\*  
*Intent: PSBRC Committee shares public engagement results and requests Council direction so that design can proceed to a target funding level, with a scope that reflects broad community agreement.*





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### Memorandum

TO: PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE  
FROM: RENEE KRAUSE, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK I  
DATE: OCTOBER 29, 2015  
SUBJECT: SCHEDULING THE NEXT MEETING AND DELIVERABLES

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Currently the following date(s) are available for the next meeting:

Tuesday	November 24 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday	December 9 <sup>th</sup>
Monday	December 14 <sup>th</sup>
Tuesday	December 15 <sup>th</sup>

All other dates are unavailable due to a busy schedule, other entities using the facilities or a holiday.

It is also best to outline the deliverables needed for the next meeting in order to facilitate staff and the design teams work schedule.

I will have the Clerk's Calendar for meeting room availability at the meeting.

#### Recommendation:

Discuss dates and make motion to establish meeting date for the next meeting of the committee.



**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager/  
Public Works Director

**RESOLUTION 14-020**

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL CREATING A  
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE AND  
ESTABLISHING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND PARAMETERS UNDER  
WHICH THE COMMITTEE WILL CONDUCT ITS WORK.

WHEREAS, The City has solicited GC/CM proposals from qualified firms or teams to  
conduct preliminary engineering, design, site evaluation, and cost estimating for the  
proposed new Homer Public Safety Building; and

WHEREAS, Proposals are due on January 21, 2014; and

WHEREAS, It would be beneficial to establish a Public Safety Building Review  
Committee (PSBRC) to assist the City with numerous functions including review and  
evaluation of the proposals, similar to the committees the Council has established for  
construction projects on other public buildings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council hereby establishes  
the Public Safety Building Review Committee (PSBRC).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee membership shall be the Mayor or one  
member of the City Council, the Police Chief or their designee, the Fire Chief or their designee,  
a member of the public, preferably with construction or project management experience, and  
a member of the business community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that primary staff support shall be provided by Carey Meyer  
and Dan Nelsen and secondary support shall be provided as needed and requested by the  
City Manager, the Finance Director, and the City Planner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Scope of Work shall include:

- Review and rate GC/CM proposals and make a recommendation to the Council


- Review the proposed contract and provide input on the scope of work and deliverables
- Review work products and participate in regular briefing with the contractor
- Make recommendations and provide direction to staff and the contractors as the project proceeds
- Make recommendations to Council as to how to proceed as various benchmarks are achieved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee shall establish its own work schedule and shall be disbanded when the initial scope of work is complete and the Council appropriation is expended. The Council may extend the life of the Committee and expand its scope of work if the project proceeds beyond this initial phase and additional project revenues are secured.

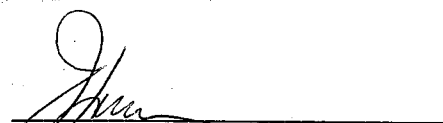
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is authorized to advertise for parties interested in serving as the public and business community representatives.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.

CITY OF HOMER


  
MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal Note: Staff time and advertising costs.



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