

## **The Case for a New Police Station/Fire Substation**

The Police and Fire Departments have outgrown their current 1978 Public Safety Complex creating multiple problems.

### **Police Department Problems:**

#### **Inadequate workspace**

- Overcrowded – workstations in hallways.
- No space for confidential interviews.
- No training or meeting space.
- Not enough space for equipment to be stored, cleaned, or charged.
- Booking room cramped with necessary technology for finger printing, etc.
- Inadequate toilet facilities; no public restroom.

#### **Liability due to lack of safety and security**

- Evidence room maxed-out.
- Records stored in cells and unsecured storage shed.
- No victim/witness privacy.
- IT server for all of town's computer servers and equipment lacks fire suppression and roof leaks.
- Parking lot unsecured – officers threatened; citizens have filmed vehicle and building interiors.
- Passage of prisoners through spaces cramped with workstations, tools, and gun cleaning.
- Lobby not secured.
- Not ADA compliant.

### **Fire Department Major Problem:**

- Slow response times to area northwest of railroad tracks.

**No new PD or FD staff required.**

**No major renovations to current building to accommodate FD.**

**New building will be energy efficient and net zero ready.**

**New building will solve above needs for space, safety, and security.**