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Project Objectives

- I. Demonstrate to the public the value of each of the key city services.
- II. Integrate Golden Valley vision, values, and mission into project planning principles.
- III. Increase equity in service delivery and in Golden Valley civic workplaces.
- IV. Demonstrate planning that fulfills city goals for sustainability, resilience, water and energy efficiency.

Project Goals

- A. Develop a long-term plan with clear thresholds for phased investment and implementation.
- B. Balance implementation with debt management.
- C. Address critical space deficiencies, accommodate projected evolutions in operations and service delivery:
 - i. Facilitate Fire Department transition from paid-on-call 3-station model to 24/7 duty crew 2-Station model.
 - ii. Provide support and training spaces to enhance Police Department processing, operations, preparedness, and Community Outreach.*
 - iii. Consolidate Public Works into a single location off-site from the civic campus to improve service efficiency and accommodate contemporary equipment.
- D. Build on the guidance of the Downtown Study for the NE quadrant and overall downtown planning goals.
- E. Explore co-locations for efficiency, value, and impact.
- F. Utilize transparent, well-documented community and stakeholder outreach in project visioning and development.



Figure 1 Existing NE Quadrant Site Plan. Golden dashed line indicates City of Golden Valley property line.



**Project Goals Note: Storage and training facilities are insufficient for Police, Fire, and Public Works, and are addressed in program recommendations for each department.*

OVERVIEW

The City of Golden Valley provides a consistently high level of service to residents from facilities designed for operational and space requirements more than four decades old. Deficiencies in the size of facilities, workflow of spaces, and accommodations for staff currently impact hiring and retention, operational efficiency, safety, accessibility, and adaptability for continued evolution in equipment and practices. To appropriately address concerns for the City's key operating facilities: Public Works, Fire, Police, and City Administration, a long-range plan is critical to comprehensively define needs, to objectively establish priorities, and to provide a framework for investment, planning, and phased implementation in City facilities that also responsibly manages debt.

Building on the City's 2040 Comprehensive Plan, guidance from the Urban Land Institute, and the 3-phase Downtown Study, this Municipal Facilities Study is a tool that combines long-term vision and goals for Golden Valley's future with objective assessment of City facilities and operations to establish an informed and objective planning framework for the NE quadrant of Downtown Golden Valley, for Downtown City facilities and those to be located at new sites in the future.

IMPACTED SITES

Within Downtown Golden Valley, the block NE of the intersection of Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road is home to the City of Golden Valley's Public Works (3 buildings including surface parking and a work yard), Public Safety (Police and Fire co-located in a single building, with an additional adjacent police squad garage), and City Hall (home to Administrative Offices and the City Council chamber), a McDonald's franchise, and the Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin



Figure 2 Map of Impacted City of Golden Valley Municipal Facilities Sites

County Library. This plan is also based around the existing water tower remaining in-place. The block is currently a mix of buildings and surface parking lots, with some components of pedestrian pathways criss-crossing the block. Basset Creek bisects the NW corner of the site, and immediately north across Rhode Island Avenue is the Luce Line Trail. The Downtown Study (2018-2021) by Hoisington Koegler Group Inc. (HKGi), identified the NE Quadrant as a specific area of redevelopment “envisioned as a consolidated civic institutional area on the northern portion with a mix of commercial and residential on the southern portion with a signature bike/walk pathway and public outdoor gathering spaces running through the middle of the site.” (Downtown Study Phase II Interim Report, January 2020, page 7). In addition to the Downtown site, the City currently operates out of additional Public Works buildings and yards at 10th Avenue and Highway 169, and out of Fire Stations #2 and #3 (400 Turners Crossroads and 3700 Golden Valley Road, respectively). Brookview facilities are not a part of this study.

CRITICAL NEEDS

This project supports City response to two related needs: outstanding issues with City facilities that impact current operating conditions and costs, and doing so with a planning approach that also integrates response to the vision and planning for the enriched and revitalized future of Downtown Golden Valley.

The City utilizes a Capital Improvement Program (CIP), a ten-year plan updated annually, to schedule construction projects and purchases that cannot be financed within a single year. Earlier facilities and operations studies identified issues with building infrastructure, capacity and accessibility (2007 Facility Analysis Report, Wold Architects and Engineers), as well as specific issues related to Fire Service (2016 Review of Fire/Rescue Services, Fire Rescue Analytics and Five Bugles Design); this study confirmed those findings and augmented them with current visual and analytic assessments of buildings, review of operational workflows, and dialogue with facilities managers and department heads.

While the City has maintained its facilities very well, primary building systems (mechanical and electrical) are at end-of-life; there are accessibility issues with features and elements non-compliant with current regulations, including split-level conditions at all three Public Works buildings (without elevators), and most significantly, facilities designed for equipment and vehicles that were significantly smaller than current units, leading to challenges of movement, mobilization, safety and access. Public Works and Public Safety have masonry load-bearing structures, which limit the ease and value of significant renovations, and City Hall is an amalgamation of older structures, with limiting floor-to-floor heights and relatively tight structural grid spacing leading to closely-spaced columns that limit flexibility. These structures would require significant and costly rework to provide the necessary reconfigurations required to accommodate current and future operations and equipment.

The 2016 review of Fire Department operations and facilities identified a need for the department to transition from a paid-on-call model to a 24/7 duty-crew model, to provide “13-15 personnel arriving on scene at a structure fire within eight minutes, as recommended by the National Fire Protection Association [NFPA],” (Review of Fire/Rescue Services, 2016, page ii), and also given ever-increasing challenges to consistently staffing departments through the paid-on-call model, an issue common across the nation. Both the 2016 study and this project’s review affirmed the need for this operational transition, and the accompanying requirement for facilities that provide the necessary accommodations for duty-crew service. The 2016 Fire/Rescue Study also identified that the City can most effectively operate out of two stations rather than three once a duty-crew model is in place, with a new remote station geographically located to complement the downtown station to meet NFPA requirements for response times; existing Fire Stations #2 and #3 were not efficiently located originally, have experienced reduced access given development around the stations since their construction, and a significant part of the coverage radius for each station overlaps service areas in adjacent cities.

Evolutions in the Police Department over the life of the building - both in the nature of service delivery and staffing makeup - have resulted in a facility at capacity in critical areas that currently hinder operations and have a direct impact on present-day hiring and retention. A key example is the staff locker areas: undersized for contemporary equipment and gear, with a women’s locker room at capacity without resources for all current female staff, without any spare capacity for new hires. These are located at the basement level, alongside the facility’s single training room, shared by police, fire, and community events, which precludes meeting current industry best practices for dedicated police training spaces for the distinct key types of training officers must participate in regularly. Within the shared Public Safety building, both Police and Fire are at capacity, with no room to address inadequacies of operations, including the Police Department’s insufficient amount of public interview rooms, undersized sergeant’s work area, and inefficient workflow between key program spaces such as the sally port and evidence processing.

PROJECT PROCESS

The work of the project team was informed by regular sessions with two groups: a Steering Committee including most City Department heads, and a citizens Task Force bringing together residents and business leaders with representatives from both the City Council and Planning Commission. From project onset through community engagement and into development of recommendations, these two groups provided objective insights through their respective lenses - whether operational and functional through the Steering Committee or value and community-based from the Task Force.

The project followed a process of information-gathering in advance of developing planning options and priority timelines, including tasks to:

- **Understand the Buildings:**

Review of prior assessments, studies, capital improvement plans, and deferred maintenance logs. On site review of building and systems by architects, engineers, interior

designers and department-specific planners led by department heads and facility managers.

- **Understand the Operations:**

Dialogue with department heads and staff about current operations and the impact of facilities on workflow, safety, service, and staffing. Included discussion of mobilization from buildings to services provided within the community, collaboration between departments, issues impacting resident access to facilities and services, and issues where current regulations, requirements, and best practices cannot be accommodated within existing facilities.

- **Engage the Community:**

Intentional touchpoints with ten key community stakeholders and the Golden Valley community at-large to inform project priorities, to share project progress, and to gain input on planning recommendations. As this work was completed during the COVID-19 pandemic, most of these efforts utilized digital technology - digital meetings, live interactive forums, and interactive websites - in addition to providing physical resources available for resident use. Beginning with invitations and outreach via social media and physical mailers, this process included two rounds of multi-lingual surveying (both digital and physical), a preliminary fact-sharing open house video of existing facilities distributed through multiple channels, and a live public forum with department heads available for Q&A. A full summary and raw data are available in this report's appendices.

- **Explore the Options:**

Working from our analysis of available data, the project team developed a series of planning options for the downtown campus that encompassed a range of building and site configurations to address project priorities in different ways, as well as the creation of recommended configurations for the two offsite facilities (Public Works and the Remote Fire Station) to inform future site selection. Options were presented to the Steering Committee, Task Force, City Manager, and City Council for review and input, before refinement into two recommended scenarios for public input.

- **Establish Recommendations, Phasing & Costs:**

Final recommendations reflect cycles of review with the public and key project stakeholders to fully embody the goals and priorities of this project and the related long-term civic vision. Planning scenarios reflect an understanding of efficient phasing to allow departments to continue operating out of existing buildings without needing to move to temporary locations during construction of new facilities. Working with Kraus Anderson for insights into construction phasing and costs, the recommendations include a timeline for phased implementation of projects intended to apportion project costs across a thirty-year timeline to allow the City to manage their debt and responsibly plan implementation. For City Hall and the Police Department, which fall at the end of this phasing, near-term renovations of existing facilities are recommended to address current critical needs.

SPACE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

To help determine current and long-range department operational space requirements, the planning team used a number of strategies to assess and project these needs including: onsite evaluation of existing operational spaces, reviewing operational and equipment changes since each facility's construction or latest renovation, understanding planned and projected staffing and operational changes, and an assessment of each department and facility against current industry standards, requirements, and trends.

The following table summarizes program (space needs) requirements developed during this study, reflecting existing operations, industry standards, benchmarks, and regulations, and projected in five year increments. Detailed program matrices for each department and facility are including in this report's appendix.

While some facilities such as City Hall do not require a significant increase in square footage, it should be noted that the recommendation to build new is based on the ability to be more efficient with space, to provide greater long-term flexibility, in a facility that can provide more area devoted to net assignable uses and less for circulation.

	EXISTING AREA	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				
		2021 PROGRAM	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	20-YR. PROJECTED
City Hall						
Department Spaces		14,522	15,192	15,948	15,948	16,395
Support Spaces		10,818	10,818	10,818	10,818	10,818
Usable SF Subtotal	24,409	25,340	26,010	26,766	26,766	27,213
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	25,341	27,874	28,611	29,443	29,443	29,934
Public Safety Building						
<i>Police Department</i>						
Department Spaces		21,939	22,178	22,417	22,651	22,878
Support Spaces		11,405	11,405	11,405	11,405	11,405
Usable SF Subtotal	15,147	33,343	33,583	33,822	34,056	34,283
<i>Fire Department: Station #1</i>						
Station No. 1 Department Spaces		23,062	<i>Program recommendations address department's projected staffing and operations for 20+ years</i>			
Station No. 1 Support Spaces		3,140				
Usable SF Subtotal	9,544	26,202	-	-	-	-
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	26,979	65,500	-	-	-	-
Fire Department - Remote Fire Station						
Remote Station Department Spaces	<i>new</i>	13,688	<i>Program recommendations address department's projected staffing and operations for 20+ years</i>			
Remote Station Support Spaces	<i>new</i>	2,400				
Usable SF Subtotal		16,088	-	-	-	-
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE		19,627	-	-	-	-
Public Works Department						
		2021	10 YEAR	20 YEAR	50 YEAR	
Buildings & Conditioned Spaces	59,425	111,865		123,552	129,881	137,327
Site Features & Unconditioned Storage	281,433	375,086		403,122	414,895	428,219
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	340,858	486,951		526,674	544,776	565,546

PLANNING STRATEGIES**NE Quadrant Planning Strategies:**

Proposed planning addresses project requirements, site capacity, and long-term vision for this block identified in the Downtown Study.

- **Utilize Center of the Block for Public Safety**

Maintaining co-location of the Police and Fire Departments within a single Public Safety building ensures departmental relationships proven invaluable for providing service in the field while also providing an efficiency of physical resources. Right-sized for the equipment, operations, and requirements of today and the future, the new Public Safety facility including related access drives, aisles, and parking, is most efficiently sited at the center of the NE quadrant block.

- **Provide North-South Pedestrian + Bike Path Connecting to Luce Line Trail**

Holistic redevelopment of the NE quadrant allows for intentional integration of a new pedestrian and bike corridor running North-South through the site connecting to the Luce Line Trail. This element brings additional green space to the block and encourages safe pedestrian access.

- **Create New East-West Connecting Drives for Access and Parcels**

Adding two new east-west connecting drives between Winnetka Ave and Rhode Island Ave: one south of the McDonald's, and one, an extension of the current drive into the Hennepin County library, will increase and manage access into the site, increase pedestrian safety with new crosswalks, facilitate movement of Public Safety vehicles, and help define new parcels for development by the City and for release to developers. The design of the south drive as a multi-use pedestrian-friendly design will allow the new street to serve as expanded event and gathering space when closed to vehicular traffic.

- **Integrate Outdoor Public Event Space**

With a history of hosting larger community-wide events such as Market in the Valley, a seasonal farmer's market, including space for outdoor gathering and events is a critical component of the project's program. Planning includes a 1,000 person gathering space and a building for public restrooms, catering support kitchen and administration. Planning approaches also utilize the south access drive as a pedestrian-friendly road designed to be used as shared space for additional gathering and events.

- **Release Parcels for Redevelopment**

A key opportunity identified by previous visioning studies and community input is to release portions of the City's current property for mixed-use redevelopment to provide more residential properties and more spaces for businesses. This is achieved through the relocation of Public Works offsite, and through relocation of Public Safety and City Hall. The proposed planning yields parcels of a size attractive to developers, with key frontages and access.

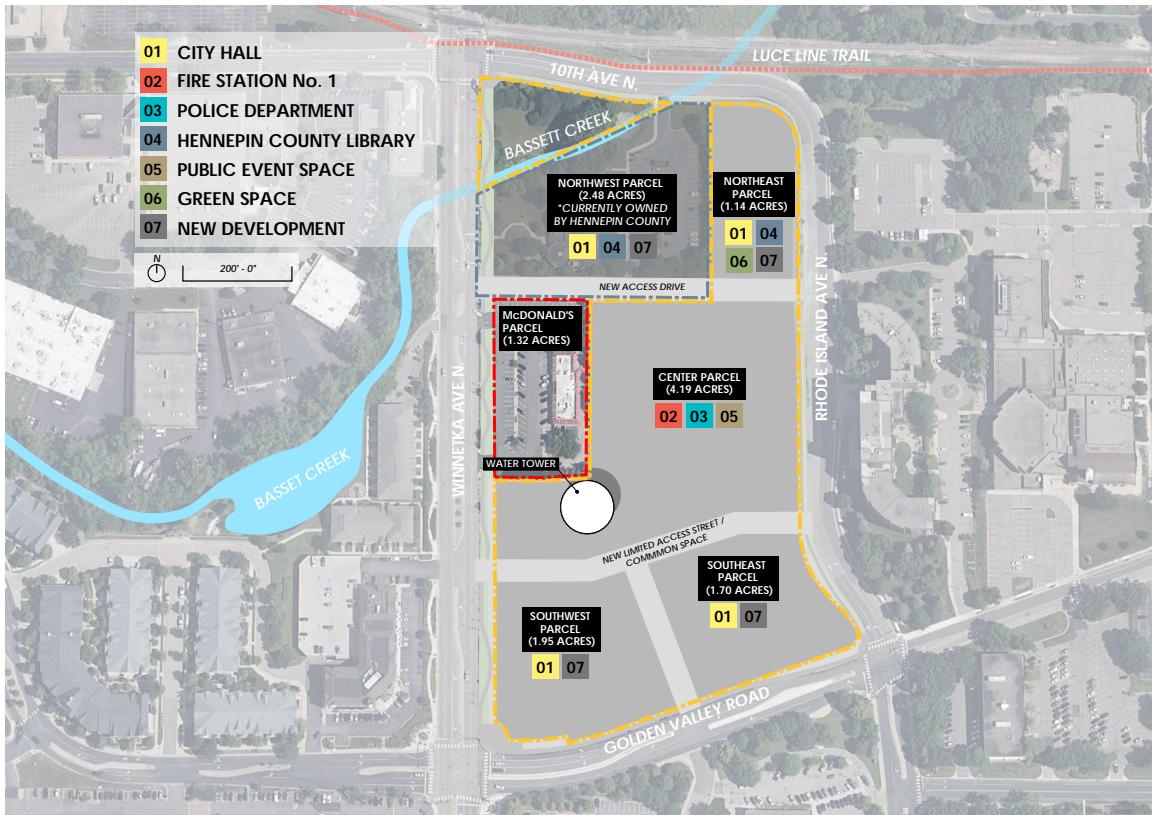


Figure 3 NE Quadrant Site Strategy showing (2) new E-W connectors between Winnetka Ave N and Rhode Island Ave N. This approach to the overall use of this site is based on principles and recommendations developed in the 2018-2021 Downtown Study related to redevelopment of downtown Golden Valley while also reflecting this project's review of program and operational space needs and access requirements. The proposed approach to site parcelization for release for development and use by the city also allows a phased approach to demolition of existing buildings, reconfiguration of the site, and construction of new structures.

PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS

Preliminary planning options explored a range of options for the NE quadrant block, each maintaining the existing structures to remain (Library, McDonald's, water tower) and offering different locations for development and municipal facilities. These options included the common elements already identified (north-south pedestrian/bike path, east-west access drives, integrated stormwater management). Option A retained and expanded City Hall in its existing location, and provided new development only on the corner of Rhode Island Ave and Golden Valley Rd. A series of Option D's - D, D2, and D3, maximized land for development, with the south third of the site along Golden Valley Rd dedicated to new multi-use development, achieved by relocating City Hall to the north side of the site, either standalone or co-located with a Golden Valley branch library.

Following dialogue with project stakeholders about preliminary planning options, two schemes were identified as most fully incorporating project goals and objectives: Option B and Option C. Both schemes reflect the goals of the Downtown Study, the recommendations for overarching changes and NE Quadrant planning strategies identified during this study while also offering two different approaches to maximizing redevelopment. In both schemes, public entries to City Hall and Public Safety face one another, to allow for easy navigation between facilities and to create a stronger sense of identity.

- **Option B: Maximize Parcels Available for Redevelopment**

In this scheme, Golden Valley City Hall would relocate to the corner of Rhode Island and Golden Valley Road located at the first floor of a combined development with multi-family housing above. This approach preserves the visible presence of City Hall along Golden Valley Road and leaves the NE parcel of the block for low to mid-rise redevelopment. Co-location of City Hall with residential is an emerging technique that offers economic, cultural, and social benefits, although it also requires forethought and planning in regards to the arrangement between developer and municipality. Per the Downtown Study, it is intended that redevelopment along Winnetka and Golden Valley contain retail and commercial opportunities at street level alongside City Hall, with housing above and parking below.

- **Option C: Separate Municipal Facilities and Development Parcels**

In this scheme, Golden Valley City Hall relocates to the NE parcel on the block directly opposite the Golden Valley branch library. This scheme provides an opportunity to develop shared exterior resources between both facilities to allow for public events and gathering, and with shared surface parking and below City Hall, encouraging "one-stop" visits to both resources. In this scheme, City Hall, Public Safety and the Library all face one another, establishing a strong civic presence. The south side of the block, two independent parcels, is entirely available for multi-story redevelopment, intended to have commercial and retail at grade, with housing above. This project and the Downtown Study both identified the opportunity of potential co-location of Golden Valley City Hall with the Golden Valley branch of the

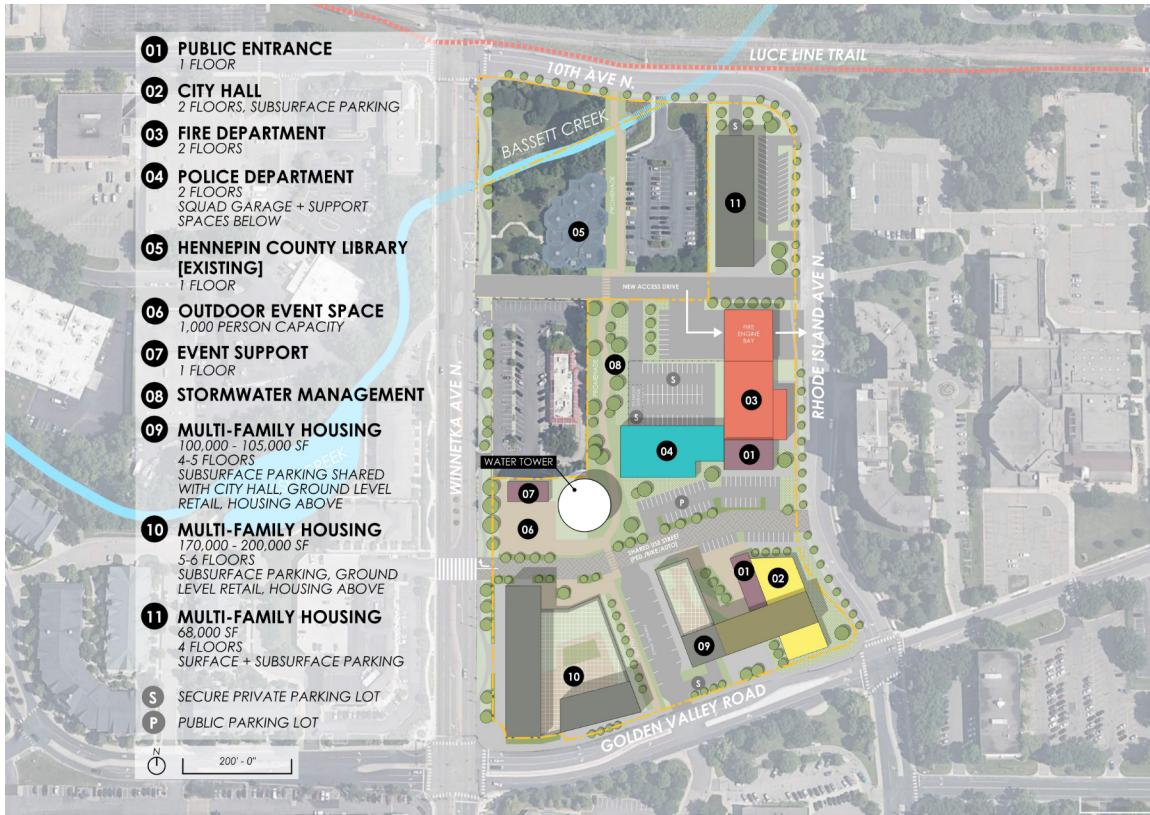


Figure 4 Option B: Maximize Parcels for Redevelopment

Entries to the relocated City Hall and Public Safety buildings face inward to the new shared-use street, with surface parking and additional public parking available below the multi-family housing. Subject to future design, the form of City Hall could intentionally be expressed as somewhat distinct from the housing above, to preserve a sense of identity.

NOTE: Massings shown for multi-use development are representative only, and align with Downtown Study recommendations for frontages and industry best practices for floorplate depth re: double-loaded corridor and unit sizes.

Hennepin County Library; dialogue with the County and Library indicates that this may be beneficial, although neither entity was prepared to make a commitment at this time. In this scheme, should a partnership be desired and defined, City Hall and the Library could co-locate on the NE or the NW portion of the site, utilizing the site topography for a multi-level structure that would be more efficient, could utilize shared resources such as restrooms, meeting rooms, and parking, while providing more space for shared outdoor amenities and potentially providing an area of land for release to developers.

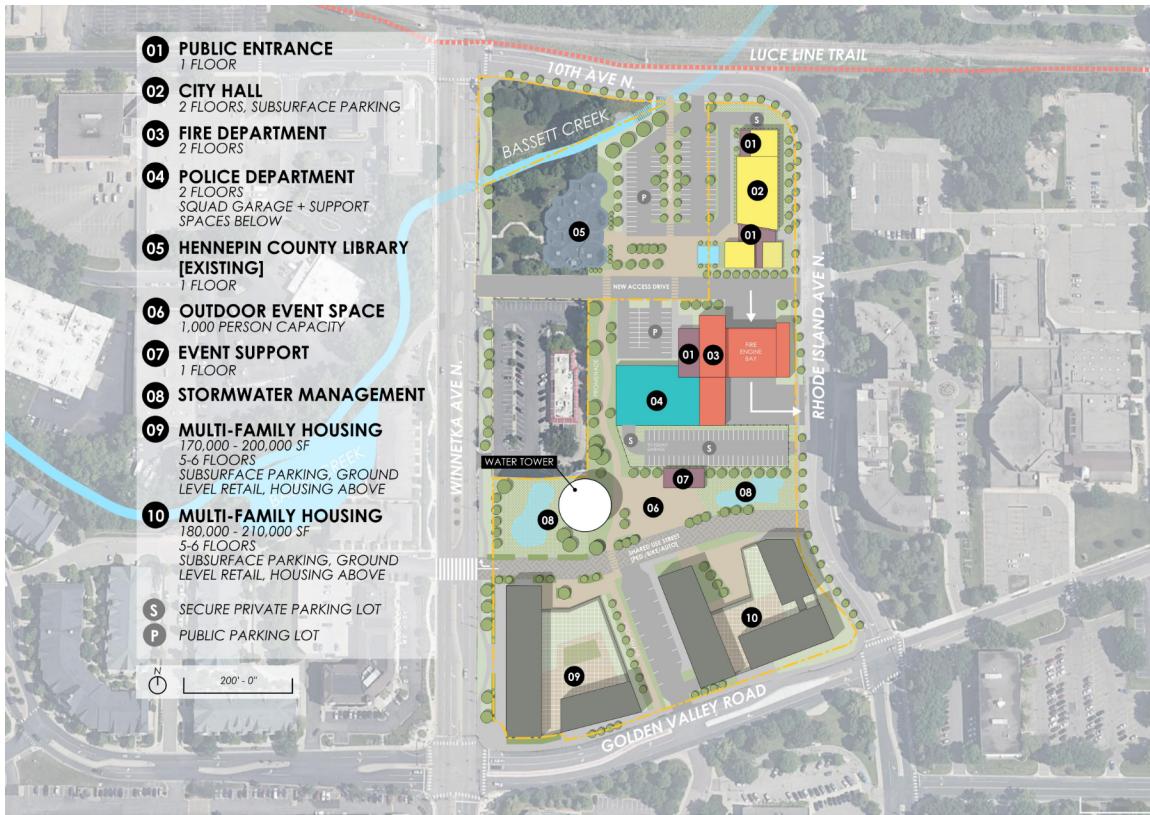


Figure 5 Option C: Separate Municipal Facilities and Development Parcels

In this scheme, City Hall and Public Safety are oriented towards the Library and Bassett Creek, providing easy pedestrian access between buildings. Given the topography of the north side of the site, City Hall is a two-story structure with public functions consolidated to a single floor, with staff functions on the other, and a parking garage beneath. The two south parcels are available for development, fronting both Golden Valley and the new shared-use street, with a centralized outdoor event space flanked by stormwater management features that become landscape amenities.

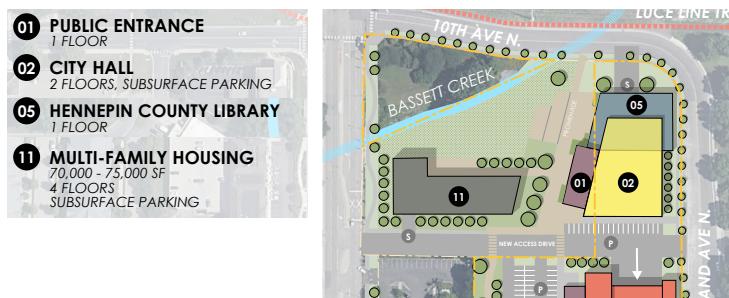


Figure 6 Alternate for City Hall and Library Co-Location

Leveraging the site topography would allow for at-grade access to City Hall at street level, and at-grade access to the library at the level of Bassett Creek and a new civic promenade. As shown here, this scheme could include another parcel for multi-family development, or that portion of the site could be left open as public outdoor space.

PRIORITY RECOMMENDATIONS, PHASING & COST ESTIMATES

As an outgrowth of project assessment, analysis, and dialogue, the team has developed recommendations that address investments into City property and facilities to address known operational and infrastructure issues and to ensure long-term adaptability for the City to continue providing high levels of service across all departments for the next 50 years and beyond. Project recommendations can be defined into two categories: overarching changes, and NE quadrant planning strategies.

Overarching Changes:

The following changes are critical, regardless of planning strategy or phasing timeline.

- **Near-Term Transition of Fire Department Operational Model**

Invest in an operational transition from paid-on-call three station model to a 24/7 duty-crew two station model. This transition will ensure long-term consistency of fire department personnel and operations. In order to make this operational change, facilities that support and accommodate this model; this project proposes investment in a new remote fire station that meets these needs and can allow the operational transition to occur while the department continues to operate out of the Downtown Fire Station (Public Safety Building) until it is relocated as part of long-term planning.

- **Near-Term Investment in Public Safety Building for Police Operations**

Perform strategic renovation and expansion of the existing public safety building to address critical facilities issues with direct impact on current police department operations: expand locker space including sufficient capacity for staff growth; provide an additional public interview room and conference room adjacent to the building entry, accessible from the public lobby; rework office space for workflow and efficiency; improve evidence intake and storage areas; and address issues with sergeant's work area and report writing stations. Improvements will focus around providing the necessary operational and support spaces to strengthen the city's ability to recruit and retain high-quality law enforcement personnel.

- **Relocate Public Works from Downtown and Consolidate to A Single Site**

Relocating Public Works to a site zoned for Industrial uses will allow consolidation of resources to a single site, reducing operating costs and seasonal mobilization, while also freeing up the NE quadrant for redevelopment and eliminating existing issues with equipment and vehicle traffic downtown.

- **Redevelop NE Quadrant to Meet Downtown Planning Goals**

Investment in the NE Quadrant will contribute to long-term goals for civic redevelopment by increasing development density, providing expanded housing, commercial, and retail space, and enriching the outdoor spaces and amenities available to residents and visitors. Relocation of City Hall and Public Safety into new facilities meets two broad goals: providing more efficient and adaptable space for long-term service and freeing up two parcels most valuable for multi-use .

Prioritizing Project Phasing

The breadth of work included in this project requires a strategy for implementation that allows work to proceed in phases. This allows debt to be managed over time with allocation of funds for discrete facilities in sequence prioritized by existing building limitations and challenges.

Following a review of critical issues, construction sequencing, and projects that enable other work, the project team has proposed the following prioritized sequencing for project phasing: a timeline intentionally silent on specific years and organized instead into general timing over the proposed 30 year life span of implementation, with prioritized projects and investments within ten years, larger-scale projects executed in ten to twenty years as budget allows and to facilitate the long-term projects, which may be executed in a twenty to thirty year time frame.

As indicated in this sequence, focused renovations within Public Safety and City Hall's existing facilities are strongly recommended in the near term to address critical issues and to ensure smooth operations until departments move to new structures in 2040 and 2050.

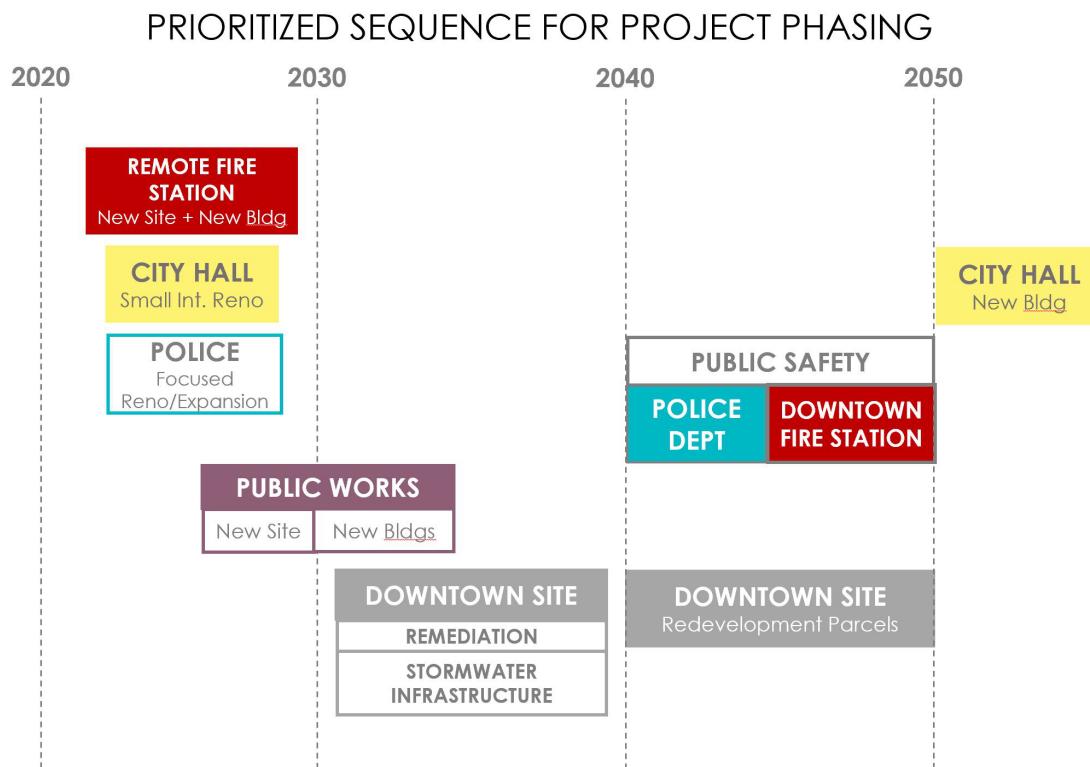


Figure 6 Proposed Project Priority Timeline

This diagram is intended to communicate critical project priorities - such as creation of the new remote fire station to enable the fire department operational transition - as well as to define the critical path projects: relocation of public works to a new site to free up the downtown NE quadrant for phased redevelopment over time. This diagram was developed in dialogue with each department, reflecting conversations with the Steering Committee and Task Force, and utilizing the advice of the project's Construction Manager relative to project sequencing and phasing. This is only intended as a guide, and is subject to the City's final financial strategy for project funding.

PROJECT COST PROJECTIONS

Following development of program recommendations and a strategic long-term phased implementation plan, cost estimates were prepared drawing on benchmark cost data for projects of similar sizes and types within the Twin Cities Metropolitan area. The costs listed below are identified by proposed timeline for construction; planning and design work would precede these dates by 12 to 24+ months.

Cost projections include two primary components: construction costs ("hard" costs) related to physical development of a building site and construction or renovation of a structure, and "soft" costs that encompass professional design and engineering services, furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E), security and low-voltage technology (AV/IT), moving costs, permitting, and special inspections (as required by building code). When costs are developed in a preliminary planning phase such as this, there is much that is as yet unknown about project scope and requirements, so each contain a line item for contingencies - or the unknowns of a project: in construction costs there is both a design contingency (to address changing scope and design requirements identified through the design phases) and a construction contingency (to address unforeseen conditions that arise during construction), and it is highly recommended for an owner to carry their own owner's contingency within their "soft costs" of the project, as a protection of overall project budgeting.

The proposed project phasing disperses work across a potential timeline of thirty years, to address the city's goal of controlling debt management and impact to residents. Project costs have been provided in 2021 dollars, with a separate line item for escalation (or inflation) of projected costs to the midpoint of construction, using a national and industry benchmark of 3.5% per year, on average. It should be noted that as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, actual inflation rates experienced between 2019 and 2021 have been more than double (varying by specific labor market and materials).

We recommend that the city re-evaluate the proposed project phasing annually, to explore financial strategies that could move projects forward sooner. Completing the full recommended scope within a shorter overall duration will result in long-term savings to the community. Lower overall project costs could be achieved with the reduction of compounded inflation for individual facilities, with potentially reduced interest rate impacts, and the ability to realize the annual operational savings of more efficient, consolidated city services.

Description	Remote Fire Station 2, Near Term City Hall Reno & PD Reno/Additions	New Public Works Facility	Demo Existing Facilities & Add Site Infrastructure	Public Safety	New City Hall & Below Grade Parking
	2024	2030	2030	2040	2050
Construction Costs					
Building Construction					
Building	\$5,336,385	\$22,084,886		\$20,302,292	\$10,307,624
Site Development	\$394,774	\$4,403,860	\$2,960,000	\$4,993,168	\$1,200,000
PD Renovations (8,400 GSF) & Additions (5,540 GSF)	\$2,755,800				
Design Contingency	8%	\$678,956.72	\$2,119,099.68	\$236,800.00	\$2,023,637
Construction Contingency	5%	\$458,298	\$1,430,392.28	\$159,840.00	\$1,365,955
Construction Escalation	3.5%/Year From 2021	\$1,010,542	\$9,462,045	\$1,057,342	\$19,075,559
Subtotal		\$10,634,754	\$39,500,283	\$4,413,982	\$47,760,611
Soft Costs					
Subtotal		\$3,049,515	\$11,326,706	\$1,103,495	\$13,695,355
Total Project Costs		\$13,684,269	\$50,826,989	\$5,517,477	\$61,455,966
					\$33,835,138

CRITICAL NEEDS



FIRE DEPARTMENT

BACKGROUND: EVOLUTION IN OPERATING MODELS

In 1943, the city of Golden Valley authorized mobilization of a 39-member volunteer fire department which operated out of two fire stations until the 1970s, when the city closed its oldest station and built Fire Stations #2 and #3. The department's current operating model is paid-on-call, wherein volunteers with full-time jobs are 'on call' part time and respond to notifications when received. In this model, all firefighters on call during a shift must report to their station, with those arriving first reporting out to a call unless it is significant enough to warrant a larger crew. This has two outcomes that impact current critical issues:

1. Response times (the time it takes between an incoming call and the fire department reporting to that location) currently include the time it takes firefighters to travel from work or home to the station, and then from the station to the location of a call. This can be challenging when firefighters work or live at a distance from the stations.
2. All on-call firefighters in a given shift must report to the station when a call comes in. This means firefighters may report to the station only to find out they are not needed, which is both a loss of time and also a missed opportunity to engage in the act of firefighting.

The current paid-on-call operating model relies on volunteers that are willing and able to accommodate the unpredictability of on-call work, and must have work and home structures that support unpredictable departures, a specific challenge when both parents work outside the home, which is an increasing number of households. Across the country, there has been a decline in paid-on-call service, as work and life commitments take precedence. Even as early as 2007, the U.S. Fire Administration summarized this shift:

Fire departments can no longer count on the children of current members following in their parent's footsteps. Nor can they count on a continuous stream of community people eager to donate their time and energy to their local volunteer fire department. Adding to the problem, departments cannot rely on members staying active in the volunteer fire service for long periods of time.

"U.S. Fire Administration, Retention and Recruitment for the Volunteer Fire Services." FEMA FA-310, May 2007.

Since late mid-1990's the City of Golden Valley has committed to recruitment and retention, with outcomes eroded by the transition of nearby St.Louis Park, Eden Prairie, Plymouth and Minnetonka to a majority of duty crew firefighters. In a 24/7 duty crew model, volunteer firefighters are scheduled in shifts providing active service 24 hours a day, with firefighters based in a fire station during their shift.

A 24/7 duty crew model offers key benefits and consistency:

1. Response times are more efficient, with firefighters reporting directly from a station to a call.
2. Within each shift, firefighters based out of a station are available for calls, can complete required training, and can contribute to equipment maintenance.



Fire Department: Figures 1-3 Fire Trucks (Apparatus)

(Left to Right): Golden Valley 'Old Number One,' a 1923 Oshkosh used by the department and currently in storage at Fire Station #2. This valuable piece of history is not currently on public display due to lack of space. Golden Valley No. 8, historic photo circa 1960s; note the automobile-width truck. Golden Valley Ladder 11 as housed in Fire Station #1 (combined Public Safety building), 2020. Apparatus are wider, longer, taller, and heavier than in the past.

3. Shifts are scheduled and known, and can be coordinated and planned in advance with other work and life commitments.

BACKGROUND: 2016 STUDY

In 2016, the City of Golden Valley invested in a Review of Fire/Rescue Services, a study and report on fire service facilities and operations led by Fire Rescue Analytics LLC and Five Bugles Design. The purpose of the study was to assess the "sustainability, effectiveness, and efficiency" of GVFD operations, to provide recommendations for improvements, and to "assess the location of the city's three fire stations and consider alternative options, if any." (Review of Fire/Rescue Services, 2016, page ii). Key observations and recommendations within this study that were reaffirmed as part of this current municipal facilities study include:

- A. While the current three fire stations provide adequate coverage of the city, a majority of the effective service area for Fire Stations #2 and #3 are outside of the city's boundaries.
 - i. Consolidation to two facilities makes staffing, operations, and maintenance more efficient, and can allow GFVD to reduce the total amount of equipment while providing equal or greater levels of service.
- B. Transitioning from a three station paid-on-call model to a two station duty crew model is critical for consistent staffing and will increase operational efficiency by improving response times by two and a half minutes to four minutes overall.
 - i. Transitioning to a duty crew model provides a more attractive working model for firefighters, reduces response times, and provides a more viable long-term operating model for GVFD.
- C. None of the existing three stations have the physical capacity (in site size or building construction) to accommodate the necessary facilities for 24/7 duty crew operations, and each was designed for equipment and apparatus of yesterday significantly smaller than today's equivalents.
 - i. Returning Golden Valley to a two station model is more cost effective long-term, and investment in new facilities will provide staff and equipment spaces of a type and size required by today's operations.



Fire Department: Figure 4 Building Limitations

Fire Station #2 with Engine 21: the existing garage bays were designed at a time when apparatus were smaller. As shown in the photograph, current bays are not sufficiently wide enough, causing issues with back-in parking (potential vehicle and structural damage) and with turn-out after firefighters return to the station - i.e. removal of firefighting gear and equipment.

GOLDEN VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT CRITICAL ISSUES:**• Critical Issue #1: Urgent Need for Operating Model Transition**

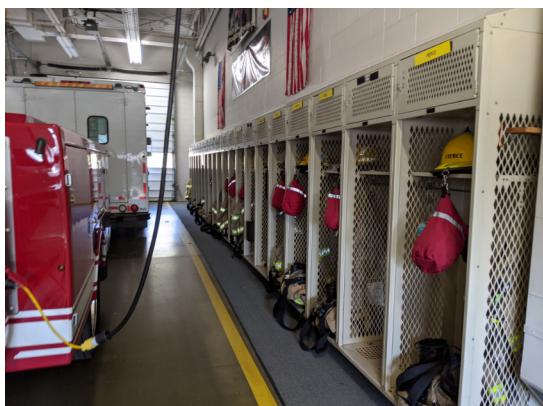
GFVD continues to face challenges with recruiting and retention, with personnel committing to duty crew service with adjacent communities. As identified in 2016, a transition from paid-on-call to 24/7 duty crew will provide the scheduling consistency valued by current and prospective firefighters while also providing shorter response times. This operational transition requires investment in new physical facilities in order to provide the space types required, as existing facilities do not have the capacity for such changes. - See item #2 below. A duty crew model will still allow Golden Valley to utilize volunteer firefighters, which is more cost-effective than a force entirely staffed by career firefighters.

• Critical Issue #2: Facilities that Support Needs & Requirements:**• Duty Crew Operations**

With a duty crew model, staff are based out of a station during their shift within a 24-hour period, which requires facilities to include living facilities such as a kitchen, day room, bunk rooms, and shower/changing/locker areas, as well as on site training facilities. Existing facilities do not have any extra space to incorporate the full complement of space types required to support this recommended operational model.

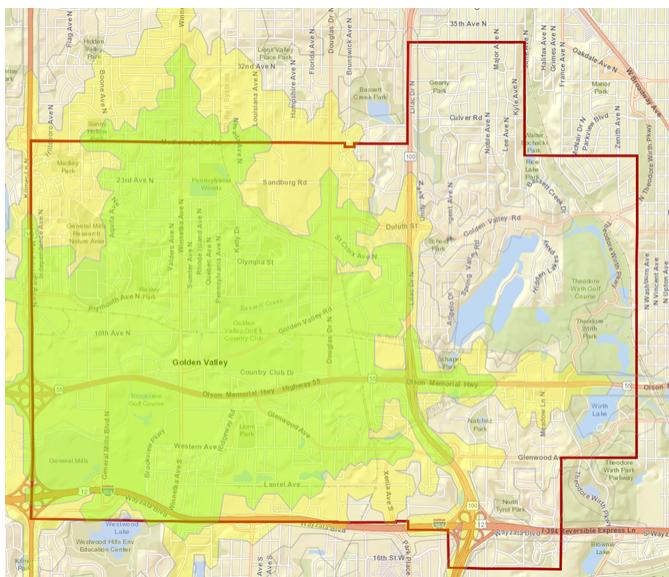
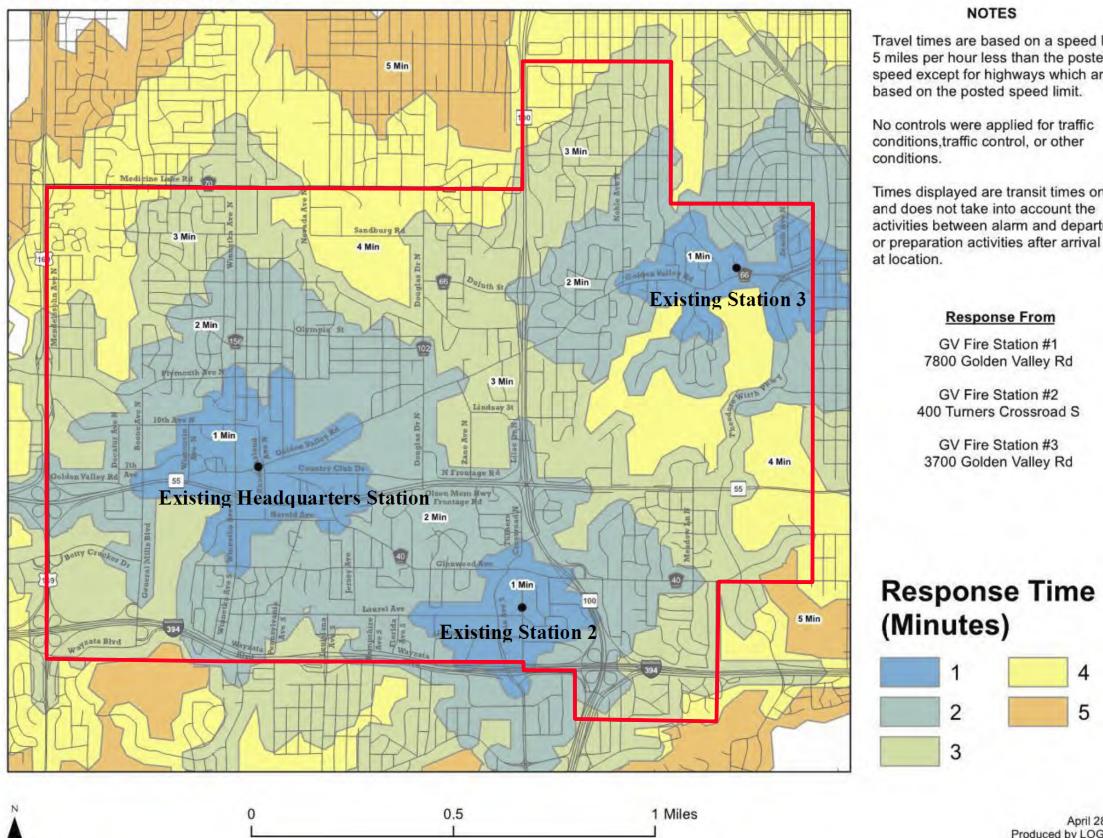
• Accommodating Equipment and Apparatus

Since the original fire stations were constructed nearly fifty years ago, the size of equipment and apparatus have increased: vehicles are wider and longer, and each firefighter carries additional gear and apparatus. Currently, in all three stations, firefighter lockers are located within vehicle bays, no longer considered a best practice - see next item. Fire Stations #2 and #3 require backing in trucks when returning from a call, which increases opportunities for vehicle and building damage; Fire Station #1 is designed as pull-through, but as vehicle bays are shared with the Police Department, the facility largely functions as pull-in/pull-out. The physical structure of existing facilities was based on older, smaller vehicles and equipment; "up-sizing" facilities for current equipment sizes would be a costly enterprise when the primary structural systems of the building are impacted.

***Fire Department: Figure 5 Lack of Zoning***

Fire Station #1. Firefighter lockers and gear are currently located within the apparatus bays (at all three fire stations). This places clean gear and equipment adjacent to vehicles, an issue related to proper zoning of uses. Current best practices use zoning to separate out different spaces and functions in a fire station related to potential contaminant exposure: hot zones for highest hazard, yellow zones for transition, and green zones for low hazard. Ideally, fire apparatus and returning gear (exposed to contaminants at a fire) are separated from areas of cleaning and drying, and from areas where clean gear is stored and personnel are working at the station.

Three Station Response Time



Fire Department: Figure 6 Response Times
 Top: 2016 Response time map of current 3-Station Model by Five Bugles. This model provides adequate coverage to Golden Valley, with Fire Stations #2 and #3 providing coverage beyond Golden Valley. At left: 2021 response time map of service from Fire Station #1 (only), indicating sufficient coverage of central and west Golden Valley. A future remote fire station should be located to provide complimentary coverage of the City's east side with a comparable level of response time, leveraging access to Highway 100 and Highway 55. Fire Chief John Creelly has noted departmental analysis indicates a transition to a paid-on-call 2-station model will reduce overall response times by ensuring staff are at stations when calls are received.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

BACKGROUND

Golden Valley's Police Department currently operates with a community policing model: one centered on relationship-building with the community including positive connections and partnerships, early intervention, and prevention. Through this model, the department provides progressive community service and law enforcement, including crime prevention, patrol, investigation, and prosecution.

As noted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police: "Well-designed police facilities enable staff to perform their duties efficiently, effectively, and securely. As a facility ages, it may no longer meet the needs of an evolving department, thus, negatively affecting morale, efficiency, safety, security, technology, and overall delivery of police services." (https://www.theiacp.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/Police_Facilities_Planning_Guidelines.pdf). More than five decades have passed since the design and construction of the current facility: operational changes during that time, and ongoing at present, shape needs that the current facility cannot accommodate. With this, the Golden Valley Police Department has struggled to recruit and retain staff as the facility lacks appropriate operational and staff support spaces, losing quality officers to neighboring communities.

When Golden Valley's police facility was originally constructed in 1966 as a one story structure plus lower level, it was a standalone building designed around an older model of service and operations and a very different understanding of gender balance in staffing. The building was originally expanded in 1973, partially renovated in 1989, expanded in 1995 when Fire Station #1 was attached to the back (east) of the building, and underwent a focused interior renovation in 2005. These updates to the facility offered incremental improvements in functionality, while also introducing complexity as additional program spaces and uses were added.



Police Department: Figures 1 & 2 Public Lobby and Interview Room

The existing lobby is modest, with a single two-person interview room as the extent of unsecure space where the Police Department can meet with the public. To meet with the Fire Department, visitors must be escorted through secure areas.

Two aspects of the facility continue to impact Police Department operations:

- The existing building is of masonry load-bearing walls at both the exterior and the interior. This type of construction, while extremely durable, is also extremely limiting, as adjustments to individual walls, rooms, or areas, requires significant demolition and construction rework. This makes otherwise achievable renovations within an occupied structure largely infeasible for cost and operational impact.
- The Police and Fire Department share a single training room for staff training and for community training and outreach; scheduling conflicts and lack of specialized training space often required the Police Department to utilize offsite training facilities, which has added direct costs as well as personnel costs for off-shift training as well as travel time.

GOLDEN VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT CRITICAL ISSUES:

• Critical Issue #1: Facilities that Support Gender-Equitable Hiring and Retention

As of this report, the Golden Valley Police Department employs more female staff, including officers, CSOs and Community Response Officers (CSRs) than it can provide dedicated lockers for, as the women's locker room is half the size and capacity of the men's locker room and is fully assigned. This is a significant issue, as it impacts equitable and safe resources that are due to each employee, regardless of gender. Within the process of this study, this limitation has impacted the department's hiring process. The Police Department also shares its shower facilities with the Fire Department, as there are no dedicated Fire Department locker rooms.

Beyond the limited locker room space and overall number of lockers, the lockers provided are not adequately sized, nor designed for law enforcement needs. The limited space within the lockers and lack of proper ventilation requires individuals to store items outside of their assigned locker units.



- **Critical Issue #2: Sufficient, Secure Space for Vehicles and Equipment**

Currently the Police Department has a single-bay sally port (secure entrance for transporting those under arrest) and a three-bay garage that are directly connected to the police station, with an additional multi-bay garage across the driveway that is attached to the Public Works Parks and Recreation building. These garages are designed for passenger vehicles only without additional space for work, supplies, or indoor storage of impounded vehicles, with the multi-bay garage so shallow that a squad vehicle pulled in touches the face of a workbench, preventing it from being used when vehicles are parked. The department utilizes a portion of the Fire Department's apparatus bay to park a larger tactical van, and has to park an additional equipment truck in the open parking lot shared by Police and Fire because of a lack of indoor space.

The open, un-secured lot shared by both departments is challenging: there are 26 spaces utilized for both department vehicles as well as for staff vehicles for both departments. There are regular and frequent issues when paid-on-call firefighters respond to a fire and double-park their vehicles because of a lack of spaces, leaving police staff blocked in.

Current best practices would provide a gated, fenced parking lot for Police Department use, and would provide heated garage space for all departmental vehicles to protect sensitive equipment and supplies such as defibrillators, laptops, and narcan, which otherwise need to be removed from vehicles when they are parked, which increases the number of steps an officer must take before responding to a call.

- **Critical Issue #3: Meeting Space for the Public Outside of Secure Areas**

Space for the public within the existing building is severely limited: there are two small benches in the lobby, a single two-person interview room accessible from the lobby, with two spaces requiring a police escort: an additional interview room located within the department's office space, and community events held in the shared training room on the building's lower level. This lack of space, and location of public areas within spaces otherwise



Police Department: Figures 3, 4, and 5 Women's Locker Room, Vehicles Stored in Fire Department Garage, and Shared Training Room.

Women's locker space is at capacity without providing enough lockers for current staff or for future hires. Both men's and women's locker rooms are too small for current gear and equipment.

Subject to availability, the Police Department parks one of their two vans within the Fire Department's apparatus bay, which prevents the bay from being used as pull-through access (which would be more efficient and safe).

The training room serves three purposes: Fire Department and Police Department training, as well as community training and events. There is no furniture storage, so reconfiguration of the room for different types of Police training is severely limited. The room is undersized for current department sizes.

considered secure impacts workflow, projects more of a sense of fortification than welcome, and requires additional procedures for staff to engage with the public.

Visitor arrival at a police department impacts perception and response: visitor-friendly public spaces typically include a safe, comfortable waiting area, multiple meeting rooms for use by staff as well as custody exchanges and connection with social services, and direct access to a community meeting room for training and events. The building's existing layout limits the ability to renovate to provide such accommodations.

- **Critical Issue #4: Work Space for Evolving Operations**

Since the last interior renovation in 1995, operations of the Golden Valley Police Department have continued to evolve with that of the discipline nationwide. With a focus on community policing and overall public safety, the department continues to augment its staff of sworn police officers with non-sworn Community Service Officers (CSOs), Community Response Officers (CSRs), with a goal of adding social services staff as budget allows. The Department of Justice recommends: "Changing the climate and culture means supporting a proactive orientation that values systematic problem solving and partnerships. Formal organizational changes should support the informal networks and communication that take place within agencies to support this orientation." (<https://cops.usdoj.gov/RIC/Publications/cops-p157-pub.pdf>)

Currently staff space is at a premium throughout the department, with single-use offices shared by two staff or more, a sergeant's work area that is undersized and separated, and no dedicated space for CSOs, CSRs, and social services, ideally located adjacent to the building entry for easier and more fluid engagement with the public.

- **Critical Issue #5: Dedicated Training Space**

Regular training is a state and local requirement for police officers, within a system that begins with basic training, includes field training, and relies on in-service training throughout the year. The Golden Valley Police Department currently shares a single training room with the Golden Valley Fire Department, a limiting factor for both departments:

- Competing demands for scheduling: As it is the only space sufficiently large enough in the building for each department to meet as a group both Police and Fire must coordinate use of the training room for departmental meetings, for planned training, and for use with each department's community outreach and community training events. While the City's nearby Brookview complex has capacity for such events, it is so popular that it is typically not available for City use.

The current training room is most often set up in "classroom" mode, with rows of tables facing two front screens and boards; this type of setup applies to a minority of in-service training, which also includes a broad application of scenario-based training, where officers practice de-escalation, and the five levels of force: presence, verbal response, empty-hand techniques, non-lethal weapons use, and lethal weapons use. Newly constructed and renovated police facilities typically provide two separate

training spaces, one for classroom-style learning, and one for 'use of force' training; this facilitates department's investment in practicing methods of engagement and building skills that align with the department's focus on progressive community service.

- Offsite training: GVPD utilizes offsite training locations for two reasons: when space is not available within the building, and when specialized training resources are required. Offsite training brings added costs: rental and usage costs, labor costs associated with staff traveling from the station, and for training that brings staff together outside of normal shift hours. When in-service training can be provided within a station, these costs of money and time are greatly reduced.

For example, the current indoor 2-lane firing range does not provide sufficient space for GVPD training activities. Training is typically completed in groups of 4 or more at a time, which the current facility can not accommodate. In addition, scenario-based training can not be completed within the current space and requires off-site training.

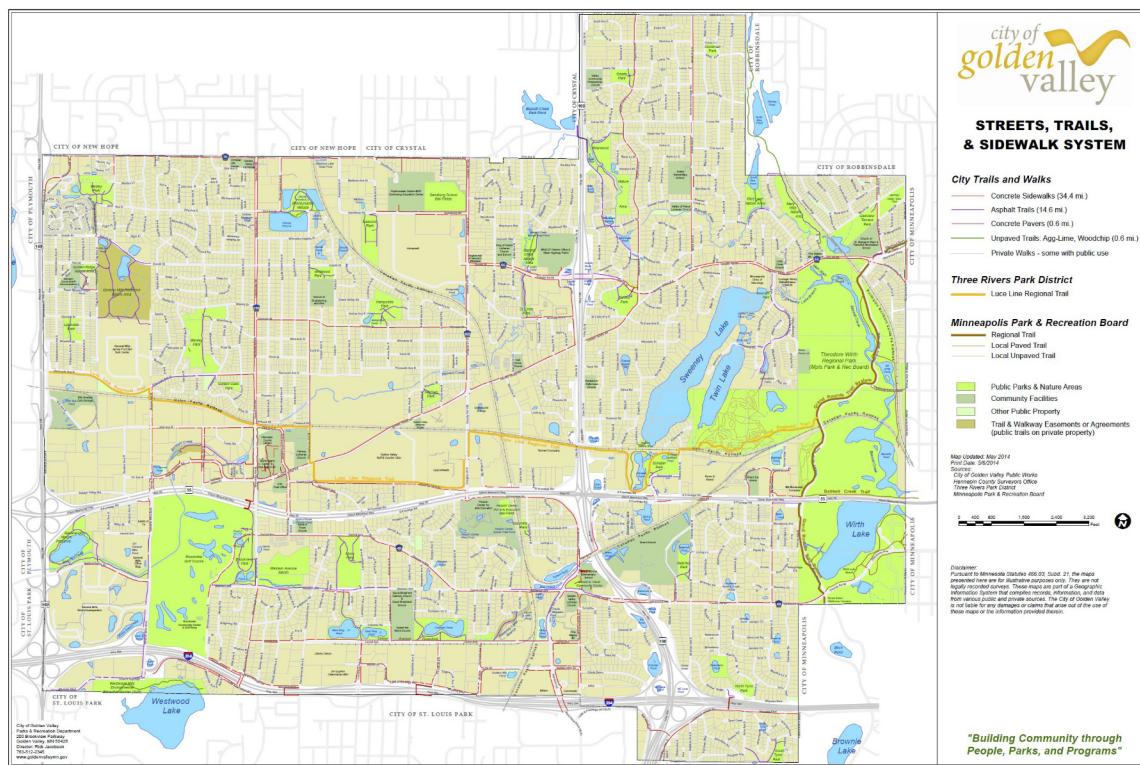
Existing site constraints: the load-bearing masonry structure with small structural bays, the shared facility with two departments at capacity for staff, equipment, and vehicles, and a site already overly full with undersized spaces for vehicles, make it impossible to address all of the existing facility deficiencies. This project's recommended near-term renovations and focused expansion will alleviate some of the critical issues of today, allowing the Police Department to function more fully until a new public safety facility can be constructed.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

BACKGROUND

Golden Valley's Public Works department encompasses four divisions: Park Maintenance, Street Maintenance, Utility Maintenance, and Vehicle Maintenance, and utilizes both full-time and seasonal staff to maintain the City's infrastructure, parks, and municipal vehicles and buildings. Work includes planned maintenance projects throughout the year, seasonal maintenance and response, and emergency repairs. Public Works currently operates out of four primary buildings on two different sites: Parks & Streets, Utilities, and Vehicle Maintenance located within the civic campus on the NE quadrant in downtown Golden Valley, and Cold Storage located at 10th Avenue N, approximately 1.7 miles away.

Since the construction of Public Works' facilities between fifty and thirty years ago, there have been two key evolutions in the field: an overall increase in equipment and vehicle sizing, and a trend towards specialization of vehicles, with features that are unique to key maintenance tasks. The two main vehicle buildings: the combined Parks and Streets Maintenance and Utility Maintenance, are beyond capacity, so additional and specialty seasonal vehicles and equipment are stored offsite at 10th Avenue. When those items are needed, two staff at a time must drive over - one acting as a shuttle, and the second to pick up the required equipment. In addition to

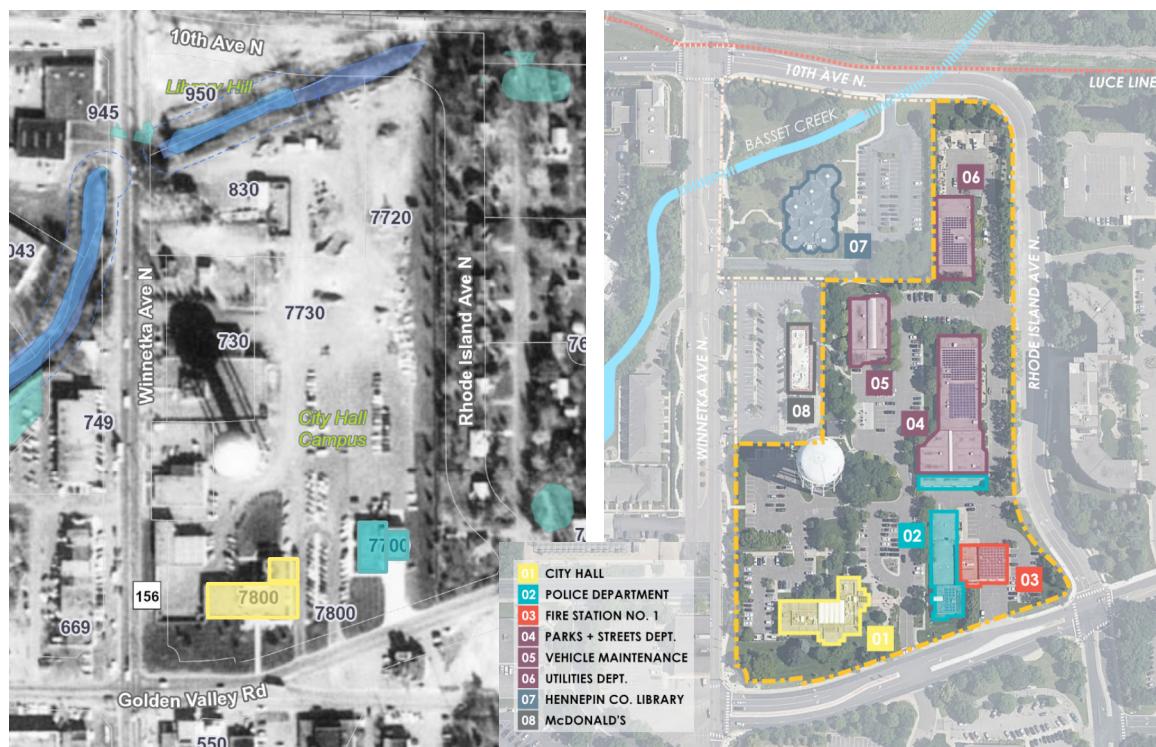


Public Works Figure 1 Map of Golden Valley Streets, Trails and Sidewalks

Public Works maintains the City's 34.4 miles of sidewalks and 14.6 miles of asphalt trails, more than 1,035 acres of parks and open space, in addition to the city's sanitary sewer, water, and storm sewer systems.

equipment storage, the 10th Avenue site is also home to the city's primary yard storage: salt, sand, bulk materials storage, site collection areas for yard waste, and miscellaneous un-conditioned ("cold") storage for Public Works as well as the Police Department. With salt and sand offsite, additional time and planned mobilization is required before and after snow events.

Public works departments are not typically located in the heart of a municipal civic center, as public works is a high-traffic often high-noise endeavor, with space use requirements for both buildings and grounds that are expansive, given the nature of the work. With development and increasing density of Golden Valley that has emerged over the last fifty years, public works was initially placed on what was at the time an under-utilized area of cleared land in proximity to City Hall and the Police Department. While the department provides a consistent and high level of service, this is achieved with mobilization that disrupts traffic in the heart of downtown Golden Valley, and on a currently open campus where pedestrians cross from the Calvary Center



Public Works Figures 2 and 3 1969 Site Plan and 2021 Site Plan

The City Hall Campus has evolved greatly over time, with unpaved land identified as a home for locating Public Works just after this photo was taken. Public Works' three facilities and related parking and yard occupy a majority of the City's available land on a block identified for greater density and a balance of municipal functions and multi-use development.

Cooperative through Public Works vehicle driveways to McDonald's, and where visitors to City Hall cross paths with Public Works use of the drive aisles in the main public parking lot.

GOLDEN VALLEY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT CRITICAL ISSUES:

- **Critical Issue #1: Address Operational Space Deficiencies**

The size - both in footprint and in vertical height - of equipment and vehicles has increased significantly since the city's public works facilities were first constructed. As an example, the existing facilities provide a 392 SF parking stall for snow plows; current industry standards given equipment sizing are now 810 SF, more than double in size. With buildings originally constructed out of concrete - i.e. not easily or cost-effectively modified - public works operations require additional time and care to move vehicles and equipment in and out of the garages, as parking stalls are too small, with vehicles using portions of shared center drive aisles for parking. It is not uncommon for additional vehicles to be moved in order to allow others to be accessed or parked, and multi-point turns, requiring more than a half a dozen adjustments, are commonplace for most of the fleet's larger vehicles. These requirements are not simply an inconvenience of time for drivers and staff who must assist with parking, they also increase the likelihood of vehicle damage, structural damage to garage facilities, personnel injuries or combinations thereof.

- **Critical Issue #2: Consolidate Resources & Relocate from Downtown**

The challenges of a two-site Public Works Department add to annual labor and operating costs, and consolidation of primary facilities would be beneficial while providing greater adaptability long-term. With a lack of conditioned storage for all key vehicles, seasonal equipment is currently housed offsite at 10th Avenue Cold Storage; when it is time to transition from summer to winter service, the relocation of vehicles from downtown to 10th Avenue takes one month. Fall/Winter 2020 offered an example of this complexity: with an early snowfall that required mobilization of plows, and a few weeks later a significant warm period requiring lawn movers to be remobilized. The ability to house all major equipment in a single location would allow Public Works to be more nimble in responding to whatever conditions are required throughout each year.

Public Works' current configuration: both over-full facilities and a two-site setup, cause daily impacts to operations and efficiency, as staff have to coordinate access to tools, materials, and storage that are either located behind other elements or equipment, or located at the other facility. Independently, these are managed conditions; in the aggregate this increases time diverted away from service delivery and work.

The Downtown Study identified the NE quadrant as a key component of long-term vitality and use for Golden Valley. Relocating Public Works from the NE quadrant to a new location in the city properly zoned for Commercial/Industrial use both benefits Public Works operations with a consolidated location, and also is the 'key' to unlocking long-term redevelopment of the NE quadrant to meet the City's Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Study goals for increased development, density, and resources in the heart of downtown.

- **Critical Issue #3: Meet Industry Standards, Regulations, and Applicable Codes**

Each of the three main Public Work's buildings on the NE Quadrant were built at a time of different standards and regulations, and investment in new facilities will allow the department to comply with current requirements and best practices:

- Equitable locker and restroom facilities for both male and female employees. Some of the existing buildings lack any female restrooms.
- Separate of equipment bays from office space for acoustics and air quality management.
- Provide sufficient space for vehicle and equipment, access, and maneuvering.
- Ensure accessible facilities for staff and visitors. Parks and Streets and Utility Maintenance are both split level buildings without elevators. Vehicle Maintenance is accessible at grade but lacks an elevator to access second floor office space.

CITY HALL / ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS

BACKGROUND

Golden Valley's City Hall is home to the City's administrative functions: those related to customer service such as the DMV and general services (billing and assessments), those that have both administrative and service functions such as elections and the physical development department, responsible for engineering, planning and inspections, and those departments which are focused on municipal operations: finance, information technology, communications, human resources, and legal.

The distinct functions of a City Hall - service, administrative, and council - have distinct spatial requirements that the current building does not accommodate:

- **Service functions** benefit from being visible and easily accessible. Clear wayfinding should allow all visitors - those new to the building, and those who have visited before - to navigate to their destination without confusing or complex directions.
- **Administrative offices** should support completion of focused tasks, while leveraging adjacency of departments to foster collaboration and dialogue. Proximity rather than distribution of administrative offices throughout a city hall also allow for greater spatial efficiency by reducing duplicate amenities and more flexibility and adaptability as department operations and staffing change over time.
- **Council chambers and associated meeting and waiting areas** are the core spaces that communicate the transparency and connection between residents and their government. These spaces should also be visible and easily accessible, while providing sufficient safety measures and acoustic privacy.

Traditionally, City Halls have been located in an easily accessible, visible, and central location within a community to provide direct access to key resources and as a physical gesture of the transparency and accountability of government. Golden Valley's current City Hall includes portions of structures from past decades, including the oldest portion which dates to 1957 and establishes the building's current position at the corner of Golden Valley Rd and Winnetka Avenue. Over time, additions and renovations have adjusted the front of the building, most recently in the 1980s relocating the front entry from facing south onto Golden Valley Road to facing east towards Public Safety, and inwards on the NE Quadrant block.

City Hall and Golden Valley's administrative departments do not face the same level of issues with the current physical facility - i.e. none related to operational safety or overall building accessibility: critical issues listed would enhance visitor experience and service delivery, streamline operations, and ensure longer-term adaptability. Most critically, this study has affirmed the recommendation of the Downtown Study to relocate City Hall from the southwest corner of the block in order to leverage this prime site for multi-use and multi-story redevelopment at the key crossroads of Golden Valley Road and Winnetka Avenue.

GOLDEN VALLEY CITY HALL / ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT CRITICAL ISSUES:

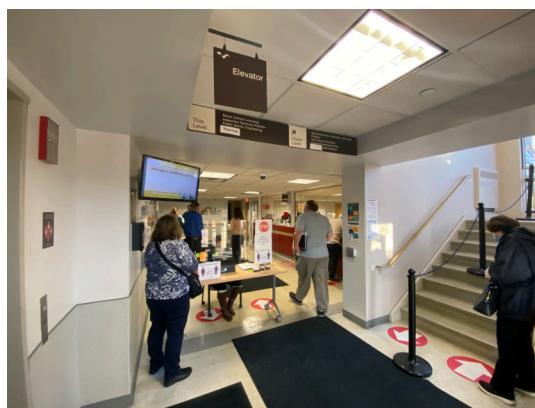
Retaining City Hall in its present location has been identified as a block to long-term development opportunities for the NE Quadrant; at the same time, departments within the facility are largely “making do” with the nearly fifty year old facility. The critical issues outlined in this section would be resolved in any new facility that employs industry best practices for city hall space planning. As part of overall project phasing, investment in a focused renovation of the existing building would enhance the visitor experience and improve operations as the building remains in use until such time as a new structure is built (currently targeted for 2050 in this project’s recommendations).

- **Critical Issue #1: Provide Clear Welcome & Wayfinding**

The 1980’s renovation and addition re-oriented the building’s entry so that City Hall and Public Safety entries face one another. While this gesture is successful in establishing a connection between these two municipal buildings, it has created two key challenges:

- City Hall turns its back to the key intersection of Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road. In addition to no visible building entry from these streets, the landscape also rises and shields the building from view.
- Arrival from the building’s main entry is confusing, as there is no welcome desk or main lobby and waiting area: visitors open the door to the building and immediately meet the frequently large waiting lines of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), located immediately adjacent to the entry vestibule. With limited overhead signage, and no other service areas in sight, visitors often wait in line at the DMV believing it is the information desk.

Continued wayfinding within the building is also complex and confusing: at the entry level, visitors must find their own way through two changes of direction to reach the service desk for the Physical Development Department or the public restrooms, and at the second floor three turns are required from the stairs and elevator to reach the City Council chambers and the main administration service desk.



City Hall Figures 1 and 2 Main Entry & DMV Waiting and Second Floor Hall to Council Chambers

The modest space available for overall building arrival is evident in this photo, taken in October of 2020, when temporary COVID-19 protocols included a small staff desk immediately in front of the DMV waiting area. On the second floor, the challenge of blind corridors is evident, with no visual connection into the City Council chambers (immediately behind the empty display cases at left) In both photos note the small directional signage placed out of immediate line of sight.

- **Critical Issue #2: Address DMV Visitor Volume & Flow**

As noted above, there are currently regular conflicts between the waiting lines for the DMV, which occur within a main corridor and access to Physical Development and public restrooms. This high volume service department is also a source of revenue. Investing in additional space to provide for onsite driver's license pictures would expand services and would also be an opportunity to separate the waiting area for DMV with overall access and circulation for visitors to City Hall.

- **Critical Issue #3: Provide Sufficient Space for Public Functions**

Given the limitations of the existing building, with remnants of structural bearing walls and relatively tight column spacing, the layout is based on corridors used largely for movement and enclosed department suites fronted by service counters. This means there is extremely limited waiting space: none at the building entry, limited benches and seating at each of the key service windows (DMV, Physical Development, and General Services), and none outside of the City Council chambers at all. This lack of space impacts visitor comfort, leads to crowded lines during times of high usage, and is a limiting factor when the building is more heavily used.

In addition to a lack of waiting space, the building does not have sufficient public meeting rooms, i.e. rooms that are directly accessible from public corridors. These are useful for staff to meet with the public without having to bring them into staff work areas, can be used by community partners to connect with residents, and can be available for use by residents.

- **Critical Issue #4: Relocate City Hall for New Development at Key Intersection**

Critical to the fulfilling some of the goals set forth in the City's 2040 Comprehensive Plan and explored further in the Downtown Study, it is highly recommended to relocate City Hall from the highly desirable corner of the intersection of Golden Valley Road and Winnetka Avenue. This parcel would be extremely attractive to developers, and consistent with the vision of the



City Hall Figures 3 and 4 Council Chamber Hallway/Waiting and Physical Development Waiting Area

While the corridor immediately adjacent to the City Council Chambers is wider than average, there is no seating, and gatherings in the hallway are both visually and acoustically distracting through the full-height non-acoustic glass partitions into the chambers. A 2019 renovation reconfigured the service counters at Physical Development, providing a modest waiting area where there was previously none. Photo taken October 2020 when City Hall was largely closed to the public.

Downtown Study, would help establish a more strong visual presence at this key intersection, with multi-use, multi-story development. Proposed planning recommendations offer alternatives that either allow City Hall to maintain a street presence along Golden Valley Road, or to relocate to the NE corner of the block, where it can have a different sort of visibility and prominence in relation to Bassett Creek and the Library.



City Hall Figure 5 July 2019 Street View of the Intersection of Golden Valley Road (right) and Winnetka Avenue N (left) City Hall is located behind the pergola, trees, and landscape berm which faces this key intersection. With prominent visibility, this corner of the block would be significant in establishing a new sense of arrival and destination within the heart of downtown Golden Valley.

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APPENDICES



01 SPACE NEEDS PROGRAMS

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	EXISTING AREA	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				
		2021 PROGRAM	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	20-YR. PROJECTED
City Hall						
Department Spaces		14,522	15,192	15,948	15,948	16,395
Support Spaces		10,818	10,818	10,818	10,818	10,818
Usable SF Subtotal	24,409	25,340	26,010	26,766	26,766	27,213
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	25,341	27,874	28,611	29,443	29,443	29,934
Public Safety Building						
<i>Police Department</i>						
Department Spaces		21,939	22,178	22,417	22,651	22,878
Support Spaces		11,405	11,405	11,405	11,405	11,405
Usable SF Subtotal	15,147	33,343	33,583	33,822	34,056	34,283
<i>Fire Department: Station #1</i>						
Station No. 1 Department Spaces		23,062	<i>Program recommendations address department's projected staffing and operations for 20+ years</i>			
Station No. 1 Support Spaces		3,140				
Usable SF Subtotal	9,544	26,202	-	-	-	-
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	26,979	65,500	-	-	-	-
Fire Department - Remote Fire Station						
Remote Station Department Spaces	<i>new</i>	13,688	<i>Program recommendations address department's projected staffing and operations for 20+ years</i>			
Remote Station Support Spaces	<i>new</i>	2,400				
Usable SF Subtotal		16,088	-	-	-	-
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE		19,627	-	-	-	-
Public Works Department		2021	10 YEAR	50 YEAR	50 YEAR	
Buildings & Conditioned Spaces	59,425	111,865		123,552	129,881	137,327
Site Features & Unconditioned Storage	281,433	375,086		403,122	414,895	428,219
TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE	340,858	486,951		526,674	544,776	565,546

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

FACILITY: CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY CITY HALL	CURRENT 2021 AREA	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS
		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	
<i>Department Spaces</i>						
Administrative Services		2,665	3,162	3,162	3,162	
DMV		1,947	1,947	1,947	1,947	
City Manager		2,951	3,016	3,599	3,599	
Physical Development		3,853	3,961	4,134	4,134	
City Council		3,106	3,106	3,106	3,106	
<i>Subtotal, Department Spaces:</i>		14,522	15,192	15,948	15,948	
<i>Support Spaces</i>						
Building Support		8,386	8,386	8,386	8,386	
Building Services		2,432	2,432	2,432	2,432	
<i>Subtotal, Support Spaces:</i>		10,818	10,818	10,818	10,818	
<i>TOTAL PROPOSED USABLE SF</i>		25,340	26,010	26,766	26,766	
<i>Building Factor</i>	10%		2,534	2,601	2,677	2,677
<i>TOTAL PROPOSED GROSS SF</i>	24,409	27,874	28,611	29,442	29,442	

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DEPARTMENT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Personnel Spaces												
Finance												
Finance Director	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Assistant Finance Director-future	WS	-	1	1	1	120	-	120	120	120		
Accounting Coordinator	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	Confidentiality concerns	
Accountant	OF	1	2	2	2	64	64	128	128	128	Payroll	
Accounting Intern	WS	1	2	2	2	64	64	128	128	128		
IT												
IT Director	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
IT Specialist	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
IT Technician		1	2	2	2	120	120	240	240	240	Potential future	
General Services												
Accounts Payable /Assessments Clerk	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	Front facing- public	
Utility Billing Specialist	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64		
Assessor	OF	3	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	Shared office for (3), see departmental spaces	
Accounting Technician	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	Front facing- public	
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		13	17	17	17		912	1,280	1,280	1,280		
Departmental Spaces												
Public Counter- General Services		1	1	1	1	210	210	210	210	210	Assumes (3) windows at counter	
Public Access Terminal		1	1	1	1	36	36	36	36	36	General Services	
Public Waiting Area		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support	
Public Meeting Room		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	4-6 person	
Staff Meeting/Huddle Area		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	4-6 person	
Public Drop Box		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	Located curbside for Utility Billing	
Copy/Print / Work Room		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support	
Supply Room / Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support	
Shared Assessors Workspace		1	1	1	1	216	216	216	216	216	Shared by (3) assessors	
Finance- Archive Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	Currently located in basement. To be scanned.	
IT Server		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support	
IT Workroom		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	Lockable workspace for IT set up of equipment.	
IT Storage		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	Lockable storage for IT equipment	
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces		13	13	13	13		1,062	1,062	1,062	1,062		
Total Department Spaces:		26	30	30	30		1,974	2,342	2,342	2,342		
Total Net SF							1,974	2,342	2,342	2,342		
Efficiency Factor							35%	691	820	820		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							2,665	3,162	3,162	3,162		

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DEPARTMENT: DMV	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		PROPOSED	2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.	
Personnel Spaces												
Motor Vehicle Supervisor	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	120	Private
Motor Vehicle Licensing Clerks	WS	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk workspace to be located at service counter
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		5	5	5	5		120	120	120	120	120	
Departmental Spaces												
DMV Service Counter		1	1	1	1	300	300	300	300	300	300	Assumes (5) service windows, clerks workspace to be located at service counter
License Photos		1	1	1	1	60	60	60	60	60	60	
Eye Exams		1	1	1	1	60	60	60	60	60	60	
Public Waiting		1	1	1	1	750	750	750	750	750	750	Seating for 50-60 people max.
Copy/ Print / Work Area		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Storage Room		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	150	Tabs/plates
Lockable Cabinet Storage		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	100	Adjacent to Service counter workspace
Coffee Counter		1	1	1	1	50	50	50	50	50	50	
DMV Entry Vestibule		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	80	Assumes separate entry from City Hall
Public Drop Box												Curbside drop box
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		9	9	9	9		1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	
Total Department Spaces:		14	14	14	14		1,770	1,770	1,770	1,770	1,770	
Total Net SF							1,770	1,770	1,770	1,770	1,770	
Efficiency Factor						10%	177	177	177	177	177	
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							1,947	1,947	1,947	1,947	1,947	

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DEPARTMENT: CITY MANAGER	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	
Personnel Spaces											
City Manager	OF	1	1	1	1	216	216	216	216	216	
Communications											
Communications Director	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	
Communications Specialist	OF	1	1	2	2	120	120	120	240	240	
Graphic and Web Designer	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	
Communications Intern	WS	-	1	1	1	48	-	48	48	48	
HR											
HR Director	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	
Equity and Inclusion Manager	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	
Executive Assistant to the City Manager	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	
HR Generalist	WS	-	-	1	1	64	-	-	64	64	Potential Future position
HR Intern	WS	-	-	1	1	64	-	-	64	64	Potential Future position
Legal											
City Attorney	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	
City Clerk	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	
Paralegal-Future	WS	-	-	1	1	64	-	-	64	64	
City Prosecutor- Future	OF	-	-	1	1	120	-	-	120	120	
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		9	10	15	15		1,136	1,184	1,616	1,616	
Departmental Spaces											
Public Counter		1	1	1	1	50	50	50	50	50	Minimal counter interaction with the public
Public Access Terminal		1	1	1	1	36	36	36	36	36	
Public Conference/Interview Room		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	4-6 people
Staff Meeting/Huddle Area		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	
Large Conference Room		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support
Communications Storage		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	Storage for printed materials (ex: Maps)
Shared Files		1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	
Elections Storage		1	1	1	1	500	500	500	500	500	Confirm size req. with City Clerk. To be located by loading dock type space for access by a truck
Office Supply Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support
Recycling		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support
Coffee Counter		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support
Copy/Print / Work Area		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Building Support
Vehicles											
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		12	12	12	12		1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	
Total Department Spaces:		21	22	27	27		2,186	2,234	2,666	2,666	
Total Net SF							2,186	2,234	2,666	2,666	
Efficiency Factor							35%	765	782	933	933
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							2,951	3,016	3,599	3,599	

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DEPARTMENT: PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Personnel Spaces												
Director	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Dept Admin/Deputy City Clerk	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64		
Planning Manager	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Planner	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Planning Admin.	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Building Official	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Building Inspector	WS	3	3	3	3	80	240	240	240	240		
Inspections Admin.	WS	2	2	2	2	64	128	128	128	128		
City Engineer	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Assistant City Engineer	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Environmental Resource Supervisor	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Environmental Specialist	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Engineering Tech	WS	1	2	3	3	80	80	160	240	240		Confirm future projections at year 10/15
GIS Specialist	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Seasonal Intern	WS	3	3	3	3	48	144	144	144	144		Seasonal
GreenCorp Member	WS	1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Housing/Economic Dev Manager	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		22	23	24	24		1,840	1,920	2,000	2,000		
Departmental Spaces												
Public Counter		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150		Assumes 20 lineal feet of counter
Public Access Terminal		1	1	1	1	36	36	36	36	36		shared
Public Conference room		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150		
Large Conference Room		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		See Building Support
Collaboration Space		2	2	2	2	150	300	300	300	300		Open area- includes monitors for plan review
Archive Filing Room		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		Records to be scanned
Office Supply Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		See Building Support
Copy/Print / Workroom		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		See Building Support
Plan Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		Migrating all plan storage to digital
Digital Plan Review Station		1	1	2	2	48	48	48	96	96		Flex workspace for consultants
Field Gear supply/Mud Room		1	1	1	1	200	200	200	200	200		
Equipment Storage Room		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		Public Works equip storage- Meters, storm water stenciling kits, etc.
Recycling		1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	10		
Coffee Counter		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		See Building Support
Vehicles		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		See Building Support
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		16	16	17	17		1,014	1,014	1,062	1,062		
Total Department Spaces:		38	39	41	41		2,854	2,934	3,062	3,062		
Total Net SF												
Efficiency Factor							2,854	2,934	3,062	3,062		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							35%	999	1,027	1,072	1,072	
								3,853	3,961	4,134	4,134	

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: CITY COUNCIL	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
<i>Departmental Spaces</i>												
Council Chambers		1	1	1	1	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	Current size
Control Room		1	1	1	1	140	140	140	140	140	140	
Council Workroom		1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250	250	
Council Restroom		1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	64	
Council Conference Room/Training		1	1	1	1	450	450	450	450	450	450	
Storage		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	120	Chair/Table storage
<i>Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:</i>		6	6	6	6		2,824	2,824	2,824	2,824	2,824	
<i>Total Net SF</i>							2,824	2,824	2,824	2,824		
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>						10%	282	282	282	282		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							3,106	3,106	3,106	3,106	3,106	

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DEPARTMENT: BUILDING SUPPORT	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Support Spaces												
Lobby (Shared)		1	1	1	1	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	Includes waiting spaces	
Reception/Info Desk		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Mail Room		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150	Confirm adjacency for staffing support	
Service Counters		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See Department spaces	
Display Cases		1	1	1	1	48	48	48	48	48		
Public Info Display/Lit.		1	1	1	1	20	20	20	20	20		
Public Restrooms		2	2	2	2	250	500	500	500	500		
Staff Restrooms		2	2	2	2	200	400	400	400	400		
Training/Community Room		1	1	1	1	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200		
Training Room - Storage		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100		
Training Room - Kitchenette		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Breakroom - Staff		1	1	1	1	500	500	500	500	500		
Mother's		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	Include sink, Undercounter refrigerator and mirror	
Wellness Room		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	Include sink, Undercounter refrigerator and mirror	
Fitness Space												
Public Conference Rooms (4-6 people)		-	-	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	Not needed	
Conference Rm. - 8-10 person		2	2	2	2	240	480	480	480	480	See department support	
Conference Rm. 12-14 person		1	1	1	1	360	360	360	360	360	See department support	
Office Supply Storage		2	2	2	2	120	240	240	240	240	See department support	
Coffee Counter		2	2	2	2	50	100	100	100	100		
Recycling		3	3	3	3	10	30	30	30	30		
Recycl. For public		2	2	2	2	5	10	10	10	10		
Public Vending		1	1	1	1	50	50	50	50	50		
Archive Storage Room		1	1	1	1	400	400	400	400	400		
City Vehicle Parking		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	TBD surface vs enclosed parking	
Subtotal, Building Support Spaces		31	31	31	31		6,988	6,988	6,988	6,988		

Total Net SF						6,988	6,988	6,988	6,988
Efficiency Factor					20%	1,398	1,398	1,398	1,398
TOTAL PROPOSED SF						8,386	8,386	8,386	8,386

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DEPARTMENT: BUILDING SERVICES	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		SPACES REQ'D					2020 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.							
<i>Support Spaces</i>												
Server Room		1	1	1	1	200	200	200	200	200		
Data Closet		1	1	1	1	150	150	150	150	150		
Janitor Rooms		2	2	2	2	100	200	200	200	200		
Electrical Closet		1	1	1	1	15	15	15	15	15		
Main Electrical Room		1	1	1	1	200	200	200	200	200		
Mechanical Room		1	1	1	1	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350		
Total Net SF							2,115	2,115	2,115	2,115		
Efficiency Factor						15%	317	317	317	317		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							2,432	2,432	2,432	2,432		

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SPACE ANALYSIS - DEPARTMENT SUMMARY

DEPARTMENT:	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS			
	2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED				
Department Spaces								
Administration	1,628	1,628	1,711	1,898				
CSO	614	697	697	697				
Patrol	3,237	3,393	3,393	3,440				
Investigations	1,984	1,984	2,140	2,140				
Evidence	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214				
Holding	1,994	1,994	1,994	1,994				
Garage	11,268	11,268	11,268	11,268				
Subtotal, Department Spaces:	21,939	22,178	22,417	22,651				
Support Spaces								
Staff Support	10,445	10,445	10,445	10,445				
Building Services	960	960	960	960				
Subtotal, Support Spaces:	11,405	11,405	11,405	11,405				
TOTAL PROPOSED USABLE SF		33,343	33,583	33,822	34,056			
<i>Building Factor</i>	10%	3,334	3,358	3,382	3,406			
TOTAL PROPOSED GROSS SF		36,678	36,941	37,204	37,461			
								Existing facility is 23,480 sf.

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DEPARTMENT: ADMINISTRATION		SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS
			2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	
Personnel Spaces												
Chief		OF	1	1	1	1	192	192	192	192	192	Small table
Support Services Coord.		OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	
Operations Commander		OF	1	1	1	1	168	168	168	168	168	Area to meet staff 2-3
Office Assistant		WS	2	2	3	3	64	128	128	192	192	Located near records counter
Future Position		OF	-	-	-	1	144	-	-	-	144	Flexible space/conference rm
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:			5	5	6	7		608	608	672	816	
Departmental Spaces												
Records Counter			1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	Reception
Central File Room			1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	
Copy Room / Supply Storage			1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	
Conference Room			1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250	Seating for 8, located within secure area
Coffee Alcove			1	1	1	1	20	20	20	20	20	
Storage			1	1	1	1	30	30	30	30	30	
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces			6	6	6	6		644	644	644	644	
Total Department Spaces:			11	11	12	13		1,252	1,252	1,316	1,460	
<i>Total Net SF</i>								1,252	1,252	1,316	1,460	
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>							30%	376	376	395	438	
TOTAL PROPOSED SF								1,628	1,628	1,711	1,898	

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: CSO		SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
			2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Personnel Spaces													
Operations Supervisor		OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	Meeting space within office	
Lead CSO			1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See shared workstation below	
CSO			7	8	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	See shared workstation below	
Volunteer Reserves			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No space required, typically have 6	
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:			9	10	10	10		144	144	144	144		
Departmental Spaces													
CSO storage		WS	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	Shared workstation, located near records counter	
Shared Workstation			1	2	2	2	64	64	128	128	128		
Reserve Storage			1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:			3	4	4	4		328	392	392	392		
Total Department Spaces:			12	14	14	14		472	536	536	536		
<i>Total Net SF</i>								472	536	536	536		
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>							30%	142	161	161	161		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF								614	697	697	697		

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: PATROL	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
		Personnel Spaces										
Patrol Commander	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Sergeant	OF	6	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	See shared sergeant office below	
Patrol / Response Officer	WS	17	18	19	20	-	-	-	-	-	See report writing stations below	
Future Position	OF	-	1	1	1	120	-	120	120	120		
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		24	26	27	28		144	264	264	264		
Departmental Spaces												
Roll Call Room	WS	1	1	1	1	480	480	480	480	480	Seating for 16 people	
Shared Sergeant Office		1	1	1	1	650	650	650	650	650	Six 6x8 workstations with team area	
Coffee Alcove		1	1	1	1	20	20	20	20	20		
Report Writing Station		5	5	5	6	36	180	180	180	216	6x6 workstations, 3:1 ratio	
Report Writing Room		1	1	1	1	60	60	60	60	60		
Uniform Storage		1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Mail Area/Copy/Print		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	Locate near report writing	
Duty Bag Storage		1	1	1	1	168	168	168	168	168	Locate near garage	
Aerial Surveillance Storage		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Radio Charging/Repair/Supply		1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Armory		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	Locate within patrol area	
SWAT Storage		1	1	1	1	180	180	180	180	180		
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		16	16	16	17		2,346	2,346	2,346	2,382		
Total Department Spaces:		40	42	43	45		2,490	2,610	2,610	2,646		
Total Net SF							2,490	2,610	2,610	2,646		
Efficiency Factor						30%	747	783	783	794		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							3,237	3,393	3,393	3,440		

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: INVESTIGATIONS	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Personnel Spaces												
Detective	OF	5	5	5	5	100	500	500	500	500		
Sergeant	OF	1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Community Health Officer	OF	1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
Crime Analyst	OF	-	-	1	1	120	-	-	120	120		
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		7	7	8	8		764	764	884	884		
Departmental Spaces												
Copy / Print Area		1	1	1	1	48	48	48	48	48		
Soft Interview Room		2	2	2	2	120	240	240	240	240	Located at lobby	
Digital Forensics		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80		
Conference Room/Team Area		1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250	Seating for 8	
Storage		1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144		
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		6	6	6	6		762	762	762	762		
Total Department Spaces:		13	13	14	14		1,526	1,526	1,646	1,646		
Total Net SF							1,526	1,526	1,646	1,646		
Efficiency Factor						30%	458	458	494	494		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							1,984	1,984	2,140	2,140		

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DEPARTMENT: EVIDENCE	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Personnel Spaces												
Property Rm. & Invest. Tech.	WS	1	1	1	1	64	64	64	64	64	Located within Evidence Processing	
Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:		1	1	1	1		64	64	64	64		
Departmental Spaces												
Evidence Intake		1	1	1	1	168	168	168	168	168	With pass-thru lockers	
Evidence Processing		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100	Layout/work area adjacent to pass-thru lockers	
Evidence Storage		1	1	1	1	600	600	600	600	600		
Narcotics / Firearm Storage		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	Accessed from evidence storage	
Vehicle Processing/Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See garage program	
Property Storage		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	See garage program	
Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:		6	6	6	6		948	948	948	948		
Total Department Spaces:		7	7	7	7		1,012	1,012	1,012	1,012		
<i>Total Net SF</i>							1,012	1,012	1,012	1,012		
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>						20%	202	202	202	202		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214		

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: HOLDING	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL SPACES REQ'D				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED	
<i>Personnel Spaces</i>											
<i>Subtotal, Personnel Spaces:</i>		-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	
<i>Departmental Spaces</i>											
Vehicle Sallyport		2	2	2	2	380	760	760	760	760	Single sallyport sized for two vehicles
Booking		1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	
Intox		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	
Adult Holding cell		2	2	2	2	80	160	160	160	160	
Juvenile Holding Cell		1	1	1	1	80	80	80	80	80	
Restroom / Shower		1	1	1	1	90	90	90	90	90	
Hard Interview Room		1	1	1	1	90	90	90	90	90	
Janitor / Storage		1	1	1	1	30	30	30	30	30	
Secure vestibule		2	2	2	2	50	100	100	100	100	
<i>Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:</i>		12	12	12	12		1,534	1,534	1,534	1,534	
<i>Total Department Spaces:</i>		12	12	12	12		1,534	1,534	1,534	1,534	
<i>Total Net SF</i>							1,534	1,534	1,534	1,534	
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>						30%	460	460	460	460	
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							1,994	1,994	1,994	1,994	

SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: GARAGE	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		SPACES REQ'D					2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		PROPOSED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED		
<i>Departmental Spaces</i>												
Squad Parking- Indoor Garage		20	20	20	20	360	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	10ftx20ft stalls	
Wash Bay/Decon		1	1	1	1	550	550	550	550	550	Laundry sink, mop sink, combo eye-wash/shower, pressure washer	
Vehicle Processing/Storage		1	1	1	1	550	550	550	550	550	Evidence	
Property Storage		1	1	1	1	320	320	320	320	320	Non-evidentiary, Secure storage	
Misc. Storage		1	1	1	1	650	650	650	650	650	Accounts for required circulation space at ends, not usable for vehicle storage	
Bike Storage & Repair		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120		
<i>Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:</i>		25	25	25	25		9,390	9,390	9,390	9,390		
<i>Total Department Spaces:</i>		25	25	25	25							
Total Net SF							9,390	9,390	9,390	9,390		
Efficiency Factor						20%	1,878	1,878	1,878	1,878		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							11,268	11,268	11,268	11,268		

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DEPARTMENT: STAFF SUPPORT	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		SPACES REQ'D					2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.		2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
Support Spaces												
Lobby		1	1	1	1	420	420	420	420	420		
Community/Training Room		1	1	1	1	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300		Seating for 50, can be off lobby, shared
Training Room - Storage		1	1	1	1	100	100	100	100	100		
Public Restrooms		2	2	2	2	75	150	150	150	150	150	Single-user
Staff Restrooms		2	2	2	2	75	150	150	150	150	150	Single-user
Personnel Lockers		50	50	50	50	25	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	24x24 lockers, Shared M/F
Shower/Changing Room		6	6	6	6	95	570	570	570	570	570	Shower, toilet, sink, changing bench
Mother's Room		1	1	1	1	60	60	60	60	60	60	Sink, refrigerator
Sleeping Quarters		1	1	1	1	70	70	70	70	70	70	
Fitness Room		1	1	1	1	650	650	650	650	650	650	Locate near locker room
Use of Force Training		1	1	1	1	450	450	450	450	450	450	
Breakroom		1	1	1	1	420	420	420	420	420	420	Seating for 12
Firearms Range		1	1	1	1	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	5 lanes, 25 yard
Firearms Range - Storage		1	1	1	1	120	120	120	120	120	120	
Firearms Range - Mechanical		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	Equipment assumed to be located outside
Weapon Cleaning		1	1	1	1	144	144	144	144	144	144	Locate adjacent to firearms range
General Storage		1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250	250	
<i>Subtotal, Personnel Spaces</i>		73	73	73	73		8,704	8,704	8,704	8,704		
<i>Total Department Spaces:</i>		73	73	73	73		8,704	8,704	8,704	8,704		
<i>Total Net SF</i>							8,704	8,704	8,704	8,704		
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>							20%	1,741	1,741	1,741	1,741	
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							10,445	10,445	10,445	10,445		

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SPACE ANALYSIS FORM

DEPARTMENT: BUILDING SERVICES	SPACE CODE	TOTAL PERSONNEL				PROG. SF UNIT	USABLE AREA REQUIRED				COMMENTS	
		SPACES REQ'D					2021 PROPOSED	5-YR. PROJECTED	10-YR. PROJECTED	15-YR. PROJECTED		
		2021	5-YR.	10-YR.	15-YR.							
<i>Support Spaces</i>												
HVAC Equipment Room		1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	Rooftop equipment assumed	
Water Service Room		1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250		
Electrical Room		1	1	1	1	250	250	250	250	250		
Electrical Closet		1	1	1	1	30	30	30	30	30		
Communications Closets		1	1	1	1	30	30	30	30	30		
Janitor Closet		2	2	2	2	30	60	60	60	60		
Server Room		1	1	1	1	180	180	180	180	180		
<i>Subtotal, Departmental Spaces:</i>		8	8	8	8		800	800	800	800		
<i>Total Department Spaces:</i>		8	8	8	8		800	800	800	800		
<i>Total Net SF</i>							800	800	800	800		
<i>Efficiency Factor</i>						20%	160	160	160	160		
TOTAL PROPOSED SF							960	960	960	960		

DEPARTMENT:	EXISTING			REQUIRED	
	STATION 1	STATION 2	STATION 3	STATION 1	STATION 2
CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT					
<i>Department Spaces</i>					
Entry and Training Spaces	1,453	38	154	3,904	1,144
Administration	687			2,008	180
Firefighter Areas	2,263	1,262	1,723	3,824	3,854
Apparatus Bays and Support	4,316	3,172	3,411	13,410	8,510
<i>Subtotal, Deptartment Spaces:</i>	8,719	4,472	5,288	23,146	13,688
<i>Support Spaces</i>					
Building Support	825	63	74	3,140	2,400
<i>Subtotal, Support Spaces:</i>	825	63	74	3,140	2,400
TOTAL PROPOSED USABLE SF	9,544	4,535	5,362	26,286	16,088
<i>Building Factor</i>	1,432	1,026	511	6,573	3,539
TOTAL PROPOSED GROSS SF	10,976	5,561	5,873	32,859	19,627

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	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #1 (Headquarters)			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Public Areas							
Vestibule	1	600	600	1	100	100	8' long, full width of lobby
Lobby/ Display Space			0	1	500	500	space; if shared with Police, enlarge to accommodate both
Training Room/ EOC	1	2,000	2,000	1	2,000	2,000	divisible into two; Challenging to share re: scheduling FD/PD/Public Training etc.
Breakout Rooms	4	100	400	4	100	400	for testing and training and EOC
Table/Chair Storage	1	120	120	1	200	200	10% of training room area
Public Education Storage	1	384	384	1	80	80	
Training Room Props	1	240	240	1	240	240	
Kitchenette	1	192	192	1	80	80	sink, counter, microwave, small refrigerator
Public Restroom	2	140	280	2	140	280	1 lav, 2 toilets each?
Janitor Closet	1	24	24	1	24	24	
	subtotal, Public Areas				3,904		
	4,240						
Administration Areas							
Fire Chief Office	1	240	240	1	192	192	desk, credenza, 4 person conference table
Deputy Chief Office	1	240	240	1	180	180	desk, credenza, two guest chairs
Training Chief Office	1	144	144	1	180	180	desk, credenza, two guest chairs
Inspectors Office				3	80	240	might combine into shared office
Admin. Assistant	2	192	384	1	180	180	desk, credenza, two guest chairs, file storage
Battalion Chiefs Shared Office	1	300	300	1	180	180	shared office, three workstations
Workstations (Relief, Study, Light D	2	80	160	1	180	180	shared office
Future Office				0	140	0	desk, credenza, two guest chairs
Library	1	20	20				in with copy room
Conference Room	1	440	440	1	300	300	10-12 person table, counter
Copy room	1	24	24	1	108	108	also supply storage and library
Quartermaster	1	128	128	1	108	108	
Records Storage	1	80	80	1	140	140	
Admin Restrooms				0	60	0	single user rooms
Coffee Alcove			0	1	20	20	undercounter refrigerator, sink, microwave
	subtotal, Administration Areas				2,008		
	2,160						

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	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #1 (Headquarters)			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Firefighter Areas							
Dispatch Office	1	96	96	1	180	180	workstations for three firefighters; incl mail/print/resources
POC Staging	1	192	192	1	240	240	
Single User Bunk Room	5	130	650	6	90	540	sized for extra-long twin bed, three lockers, nightstand
Single User Shower Room (Gender Neutral)	2	80	160	3	90	270	lavatory, toilet, shower; review quantities if shared in Public Safety
Lockers (Gender Neutral)	1	380	380	30	10	300	24" wide x 24" deep; likely dedicated ea. for FD/PD re: weapons storage etc.
Janitor/Storage/Laundry			0	1	160	160	w/d, mop sink, storage cabinets, shelves; shared 160 paper storage w/PD OK, laundry sharing OK if space is larger w/addtl units
Janitor	1	36	36				
Linens	1	48	48				
Supplies	1	20	20				
Laundry	1	80	80				
Kitchen	1	364	364	1	364	364	separate from PD break room
Dining Area	1	300	300	1	300	300	dining table for 8-10; separate from PD break room
Dayroom	1	300	300	1	400	400	great room concept, 6 lounge chairs; separate from PD break room
General Storage			0	1	90	90	
Detoxification Space			0	1	80	80	80 for skin decontamination, 2 to 3 people
Physical Conditioning Room	1	900	900	1	900	900	900 sharing w/PD okay if larger for concurrent usage
subtotal, Firefighter Areas			3,526			3,824	
Apparatus Bays & Support Areas							
Apparatus Bays	5	1,440	7,200	5	1,620	8,100	2 engines, ladder, pickup and 2 trailers, rescue, training bay; equip distribution between stations to be reviewed in detail during design phase
Small Bays	3	630	1,890	6	480	2,880	16' x 30' (2 inspector vehicles, 3 take-home command vehicles, 1 duty officer vehicle)
Decon Vestibules			0	2	80	160	
Turnout Gear Storage	30	14	420	30	14	420	added space for extra gear storage
Turnout Gear Laundry	1	100	100	1	100	100	extractor, gear dryer
Equipment Decontamination	1	140	140	1	160	160	two compartment sink, mop sink, w/d, emergency shower
Bay Restroom	1	64	64	1	60	60	lav and toilet
Maintenance Shop	1	120	120	1	150	150	workbench, tool storage, flammable liquid cabinet
SCBA Compressor/ Fill	1	88	88	1	100	100	also bottle storage
SCBA Repair Workroom	1	96	96	1	120	120	sink, counter, computer, storage for parts/tools
Medical Supply Closet	1	80	80	1	80	80	
Hose Storage			0	1	80	80	
General Storage			0	1	400	400	seasonal equipment
Hose/ Training Tower	1	600	600	1	600	600	training tower with switchback stair, several levels, no burn capabilities
subtotal, Apparatus & Support			10,798			13,410	

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	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #1 (Headquarters)			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Building Support							
Mechanical			0	1	400	400	approx. area
Sprinkler Riser			0	1	40	40	approx. area
Electrical			0	2	80	160	main and emergency power rooms
Communications	1	100	100	1	160	160	sized for EOC
Stairs			0	4	150	600	two stairs x two levels
Elevator			0	2	80	160	two levels
Elevator Equipment			0	1	20	20	based on machine room-less elevator
Mezzanine	1	1,600	1,600	1	1,600	1,600	
subtotal, Building Support			1,700			3,140	
Exterior Areas							
Visitor Parking			0	10			Confirm count during pre-design
Staff Parking			0	35			Confirm count during pre-design
Bicycle Racks			0	3			Confirm count during pre-design
Flagpole			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Patio			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Monument Sign			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Training Pad			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Dumpster Enclosure			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Generator Enclosure			0	1			Confirm site scope during pre-design
Total Programmed Area (sf)			22,424			26,286	
Circulation Factor (sf)	42%	9,362		13%	3,418		
Envelope Factor (sf)				12%	3,155		
Building Footprint (sf)			31,786			32,859	

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	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #2			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Public Areas							
Vestibule	1	100	100	1	120	120	secure area for interaction with public
Lobby/ Display Space							
Training Room/ EOC				1	800	800	Seats 30 at tables; Can serve as polling place
Breakout Rooms							
Table/Chair Storage				1	80	80	10% of training room area
Public Education Storage							
Training Room Props							
Kitchenette							
Public Restroom	1	140	140	2	60	120	single-user rooms
Janitor Closet	1	24	24	1	24	24	
subtotal, Public Areas			264			1,144	
Administration Areas							
Fire Chief Office							
Deputy Chief Office							
Training Chief Office							
Inspectors Office							
Admin. Assistant							
Battalion Chiefs Shared Office	1	300	300	1	180	180	shared office, three workstations
Workstations (Relief, Study, Light D	1	80	80				in dispatch office
Future Office							
Library	1	20	20				in dispatch office
Conference Room	1	221	221				now training room
Copy room	1	24	24				in dispatch office
Quartermaster			0				
Records Storage			0				
Admin Restrooms			0				
Coffee Alcove			0				
subtotal, Administration Areas			645			180	

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	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #2			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Firefighter Areas							
Dispatch Office	1	96	96	1	180	180	workstations for three firefighters; incl mail/print/resources
POC Staging	1	192	192	1	240	240	
Single User Bunk Room	5	130	650	6	90	540	sized for extra-long twin bed, three lockers, nightstand
Single User Shower Room (Gender Neutral)	3	80	240	3	100	300	lavatory, toilet, shower
Lockers (Gender Neutral)	1	380	380	30	10	300	24" wide x 24" deep
Janitor/Storage/Laundry				1	160	160	w/d, mop sink, storage cabinets, shelves
Janitor	1	36	36				
Linens	1	48	48				
Supplies	1	20	20				
Laundry	1	80	80				
Kitchen	1	289	289	1	364	364	
Dining Area	1	180	180	1	300	300	dining table for 8-10
Dayroom	1	225	225	1	400	400	great room concept, 6 lounge chairs
General Storage	1	24	24	1	90	90	
Detoxification Space				1	80	80	for skin decontamination, 2 to 3 people
Physical Conditioning Room	1	600	600	1	900	900	
subtotal, Firefighter Areas		3,060				3,854	
Apparatus Bays & Support Areas							
Apparatus Bays	4	1,440	5,760	4	1,620	6,480	2 engines, pickup and 2 trailers, rescue; equip distribution between stations to be reviewed in detail during design phase
Small Bays							
Decon Vestibules				2	80	160	
Turnout Gear Storage	30	14	420	30	14	420	added space for extra gear storage
Turnout Gear Laundry	1	100	100	1	100	100	extractor, gear dryer
Equipment Decontamination	1	140	140	1	160	160	two compartment sink, mop sink, w/d, emergency shower
Bay Restroom	1	64	64	1	60	60	lav and toilet
Maintenance Shop	1	120	120	1	150	150	workbench, tool storage, flammable liquid cabinet
SCBA Compressor/ Fill	1	96	96	1	100	100	also bottle storage
SCBA Repair Workroom				1	120	120	sink, counter, computer, storage for parts/tools
Medical Supply Closet				1	80	80	
Hose Storage	1	100	100	1	80	80	
General Storage				1	400	400	seasonal equipment
Hose/ Training Tower				1	200	200	hose tower with limited training capabilities
subtotal, Apparatus & Support		6,800				8,510	

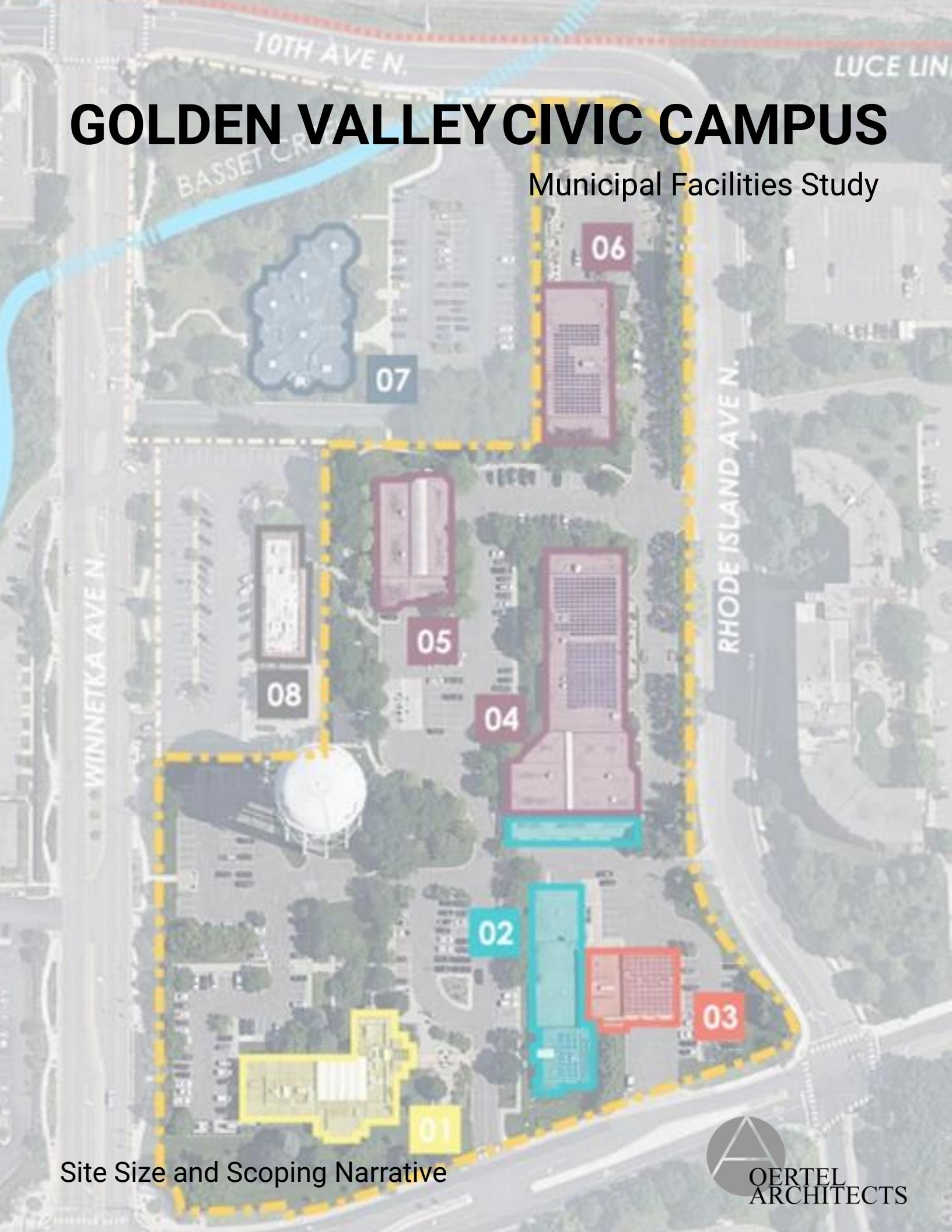
Golden Valley Fire Department

COMMISSION NO: 2405.01

	Five Bugles (2016)			Station #2			
	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	count	unit area (sf)	net total (sf)	comments
Building Support							
Mechanical				1	400	400	approx. area
Sprinkler Riser				1	40	40	approx. area
Electrical				1	100	100	approx. area
Communications	1	100	100	1	80	80	approx. area
Stairs				4	150	600	two stairs x two levels
Elevator				2	80	160	two levels
Elevator Equipment				1	20	20	based on machine room-less elevator
Mezzanine	1	1,600	1,600	1	1,000	1,000	
subtotal, Building Support			1,700			2,400	
Exterior Areas							
Visitor Parking				0	5		Confirm during pre-design re: polling site volume
Staff Parking				0	30		Confirm count during pre-design
Bicycle Racks				0	2		Confirm count during pre-design
Flagpole				0	3		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Patio				0	1		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Monument Sign				0	1		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Training Pad				0	1		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Dumpster Enclosure				0	1		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Generator Enclosure				0	1		Confirm site scope during pre-design
Total Programmed Area (sf)			12,469			16,088	
Circulation Factor (sf)	40%	4,972		10%	1,609		
Envelope Factor (sf)				12%	1,931		
Building Footprint (sf)			17,441			19,627	

GOLDEN VALLEY CIVIC CAMPUS

Municipal Facilities Study



Site Size and Scoping Narrative

Golden Valley Civic Campus Municipal Facilities Study – Site Size

Date: February 12, 2021

To: Tim Kieffer, Public Works Director, City of Golden Valley
Marc Nevinski, Physical Development Director, City of Golden Valley

CC: Susan Morgan, BKV Group

RE: Public Works Site Size and Scope Narrative

Purpose – Explanation of Space Program Documents

The purpose of this narrative is to provide a brief description of potential site size, location and orientation factors to help with future site selection considerations and project cost assumptions.

Building Program and Orientation Impact on Site Size

Ideal Considerations

A singular site, able to accommodate a 50-year Building and Site Function Space Needs Program.

Accommodate a single-story facility.

Be located along major arterial roads to allow for easy access to service areas.

Be located entirely within industrial or commercial zoning areas.

Functional / Usable site area of 10+ acres, with a total size of around 12 acres to accommodate necessary setbacks from adjacent properties, stormwater easements, utility easements, etc.

Unoccupied, flat site without demolition of existing structures or remediation of soils required.

Alternative Consideration – Two Story Facility

Office over Shops:

Inclusion of a two-story facility, with offices over workshops is an acceptable and at times even advantageous arrangement. However, it would only minimally reduce site need, as site functions still require exterior grade level work area.

An assumed site area reduction would at maximum be approximately 1/5 – 1/4 of an acre.
(approximately 8,000 SF)

Two Level Vehicle Storage:

Inclusion of a two-story vehicle storage facility is not a typical design approach but could be implemented for the smaller equipment and vehicles, such as standard pick-up trucks or smaller vehicles. This approach might force some internal separation of adjacency. For example, parks workshop areas might be on the main level, but some smaller equipment would be parking on an upper level, so larger-heavier equipment is not on a second level. This approach also adds cost to the overall construction, so the site reduction impact would have to be leveraged against the additional construction cost. This approach would be more applicable with a site that has a grade change that reduces the need for elevators and internal vehicle circulation.

An assumed site area reduction would be approximately 1 acre.

Alternative Consideration – Multiple Sites

Main Facility – Satellite Site – Site Function Separation only:

Common among developed suburban Cities is to follow the model currently used by Golden Valley, to separate some site functions from the main facility. This does lead to some inefficiencies, but if appropriate site functions are located on the satellite site, the main facility can actually gain efficiency on typical daily functions and only experience *inconvenience* during certain times of the year. A satellite site for bulk material storage and forestry waste materials are common. The main and satellite site could be separated by any distance within the city and not necessarily be detrimental to operational efficiency.

Recommended site functions located on Satellite Site:

- Bulk Material Bins: 6,000 SF
- Site Collections Area (yardwaste, etc): 60,000 SF (2/3 of program area 90,000)

Site Reduction: 1.5 acres

Main Facility – Unconditioned Facility Separation – Large Distance:

This scenario would be a similar operation to the current organization of Golden Valley Public Works. The primary difference would be the consolidation of the three separate structures for the four departments, into the one central facility. The satellite site in this case we would recommend contain the unconditioned “cold” storage facility, bulk material storage and site work area. In this scenario, salt and sand are with the main facility

Recommendations:

- Bulk Material Bins, 6,000 SF
- Site Collections Area (yardwaste, etc): 60,000 SF (2/3 of program area 90,000)
- Unconditioned Storage and associated site area: 18,000 SF

Site Reduction: 2 acres

Main Facility – Unconditioned Facility Separation – Adjacent Sites:

This scenario would be a similar to the one previously noted, but because the sites are immediately adjacent, such as across a street, or are only a few blocks away. In this scenario, we could recommend moving the entire site collections area and having salt and sand located at this location as well.

Recommendations:

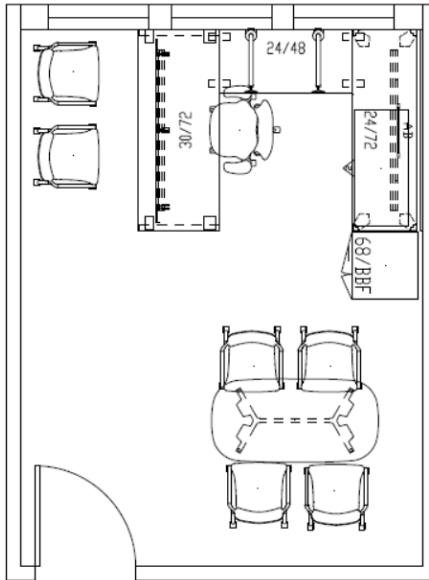
- Bulk Material Bins, 6,000 SF
- Site Collections Area (yardwaste, etc): 90,000 SF
- Unconditioned Storage and associated site area: 18,000 SF
- Salt and Sand and associated site area: 8,000 SF

Site Reduction: 3 acres



02 SPACE STANDARDS

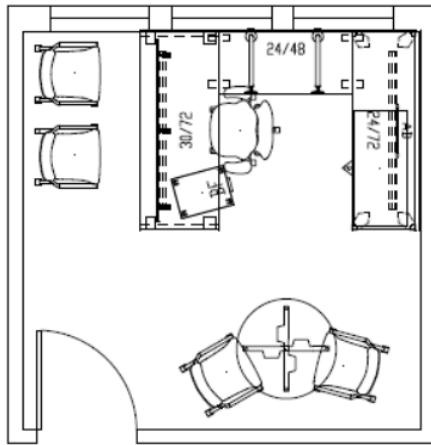
12' x 16' Typical Office (192 SF)



- 36" x 72" table with modesty panel
- 24" x 48" bridge surface to the side
- 24" x 72" back surface with 2-drawer lateral file below. Closed overheads, tasklight, and tackboard above
- 24" x 24" x 68" high wardrobe cabinet with box/file and bookcase
- 30" x 60" oval conference table
- Six guest chairs
- Mirra task chair



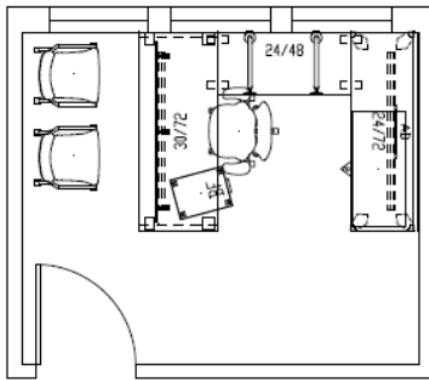
12' x 12' Typical Office (144 SF)



- 36" x 72" table with modesty panel
- 24" x 48" bridge surface to the side
- 24" x 72" back surface with 2-drawer lateral file below. Closed overheads, tasklight, and tackboard above
- Mobile box/file pedestal with cushion top
- 36" diameter conference table
- Four guest chairs
- Mirra task chair



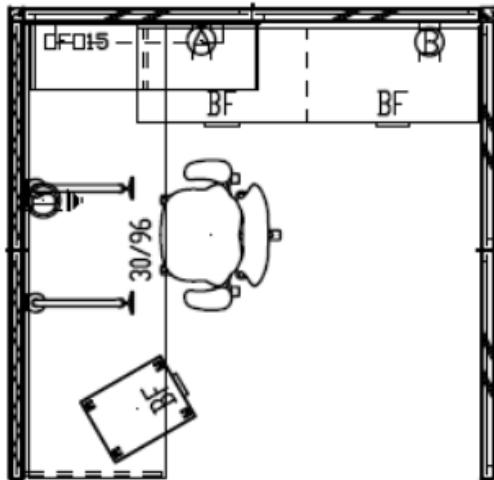
12' x 10' Typical Office (120 SF)



- 36" x 72" table with modesty panel
- 24" x 48" bridge surface to the side
- 24" x 72" back surface with 2-drawer lateral file below. Closed overheads, tasklight, and tackboard above
- Mobile box/file pedestal with cushion top
- Two guest chairs
- Mirra task chair

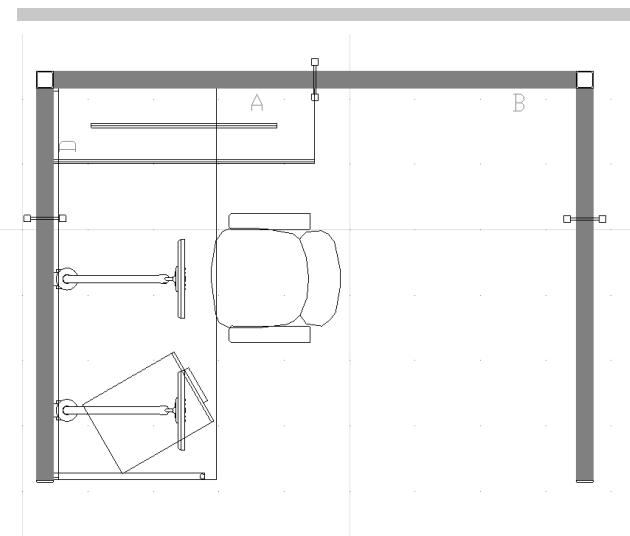


8' x 8' Typical (64 SF) Standard



- 42" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles in front
- 57" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles side and back
- 2 – 22" high x 48" wide marker board tiles to back
- 30" x 96" work surface with mobile box/file pedestal with cushion below
- 72" x 20" low credenza with two 36" box/file cabinets
- 48" open cabinet above with task light
- 2 Flo monitor arms
- Mirra task chair

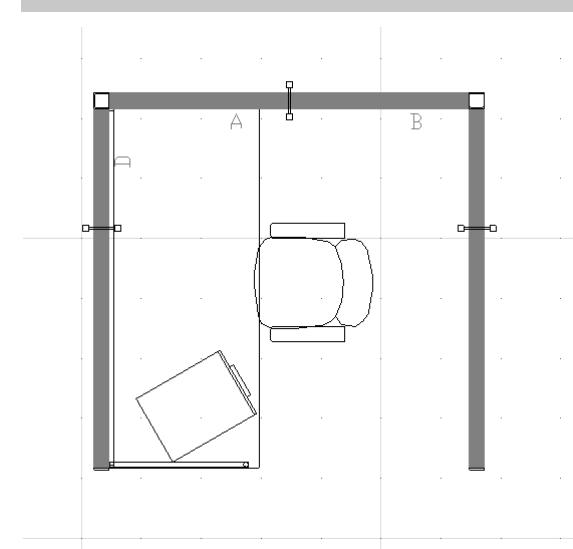
6' x 8' Typical (48 SF) Hotel Station



- 42" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles in front
- 57" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles side and back
- 1 – 22" high x 48" wide marker board tiles to back
- 30" x 96" work surface with mobile box/file pedestal with cushion below
- Mirra task chair



6' x 6' Typical (36 SF) Hotel Station



- 42" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles in front
- 57" high Canvas frames w/ tackable tiles side and back
- 1 – 22" high x 48" wide marker board tiles to back
- 30" x 96" work surface with mobile box/file pedestal with cushion below





03 BUILDING AUDIT



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I. Executive Summary

A. INTRODUCTION

The intent of this study was to review the existing City Hall, Public Safety (Police and Fire Station #1), Public Works, and Fire Stations #2 and #3 facilities in order to document existing physical conditions and space uses, and to identify operational space deficiencies to be further understood through the project's programming phase. Critical deficiencies, systems at end-of-life, and compliance issues will be included as project scope within cost estimates and project phasing created later in this project.

B. FACILITY ASSESSMENTS

As part of this study, facility assessments were completed. The facility assessments included on-site analysis of the City's existing facilities. The assessments are intended to provide an indication of the existing conditions, recommended capital improvements, code and life-safety issues, and other maintenance items that should be considered as part of a planned capital improvement project. The facility assessment is not intended to be an exhaustive review, but rather to assess and highlight the major building deficiencies observed during the tours.

Facilities included in this study, and reviewed in person by the project's architects, interior designer, engineers, construction manager, and facility specialists are:

City Hall

7800 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1957. Renovations and additions in 1966, 1989, 2000, and 2015.

Public Safety - Police Department and Fire Station No. 1

7700 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1966. Renovations and additions in 1973, 1989, 1995 (Fire Station #1 Addition), and 2005.

Fire Station No. 2

400 Turners Crossroad S, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1979, remodeled in 1999.

Fire Station No. 3

3700 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1979, remodeled in 2005.

Park and Street Maintenance - Public Works

7708 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427 (Parks)
7710 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427 (Streets)

- Original construction 1989 (Park Maintenance), 1975 (Street Maintenance), renovated in 2011.

Utility Maintenance - Public Works

7720 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1970.

Vehicle Maintenance - Public Works

7730 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Original construction 1989. Renovations in 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015.

10th Ave Cold Storage - Public Works

9400 10th Ave N, Golden Valley, MN 55427

- Site contains (2) primary structures: wood-framed warehouse and open salt shed, and smaller structures and trailers. Dates of construction unknown.

C. SUMMARY

In general, Golden Valley facilities are in very good condition, even with an average age of 35 years. This indicates a high level of regular maintenance and care, both outside and inside. Throughout facilities, the elements most requiring attention and investment are mechanical and electrical systems which, in general across the facilities, are either original to each building's construction, or are old enough to be at end-of-life and providing a significantly lower level of comfort, indoor air quality, and efficiency than can be found in contemporary systems. Also common across facilities, though distinct to each department's operations, were space constraints and limitations imposed by the existing buildings and their layouts, on service, workflow, operations, and management of public access and wayfinding. The construction methods of some structures, concrete primary structure for example, mean that the ability to adapt these structures through interior reconfiguration only is limited, hampering an ability for the facilities to fully support today's service needs and operational requirements.

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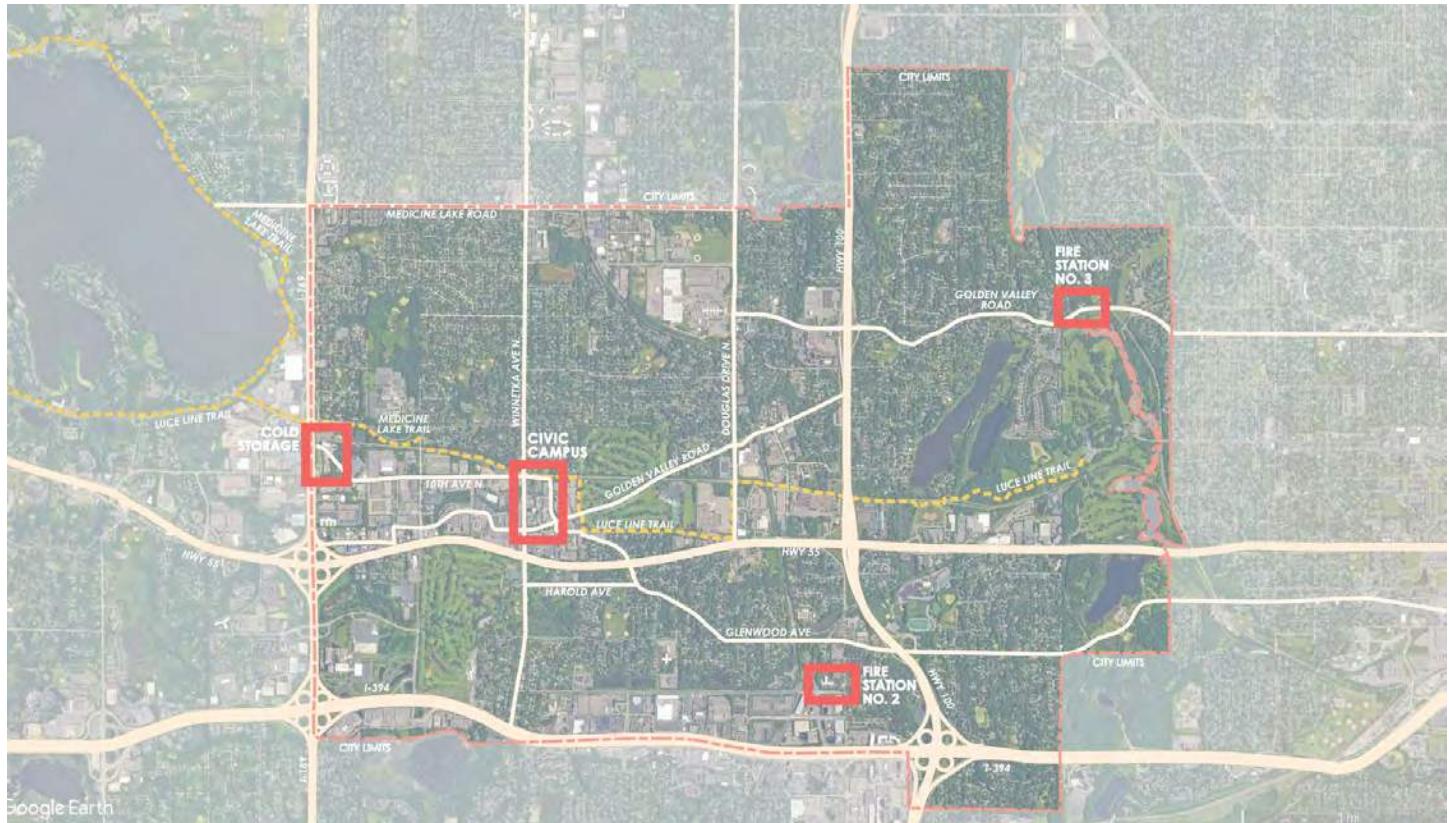


FIGURE A: Map of Golden Valley municipal facility sites included in this project

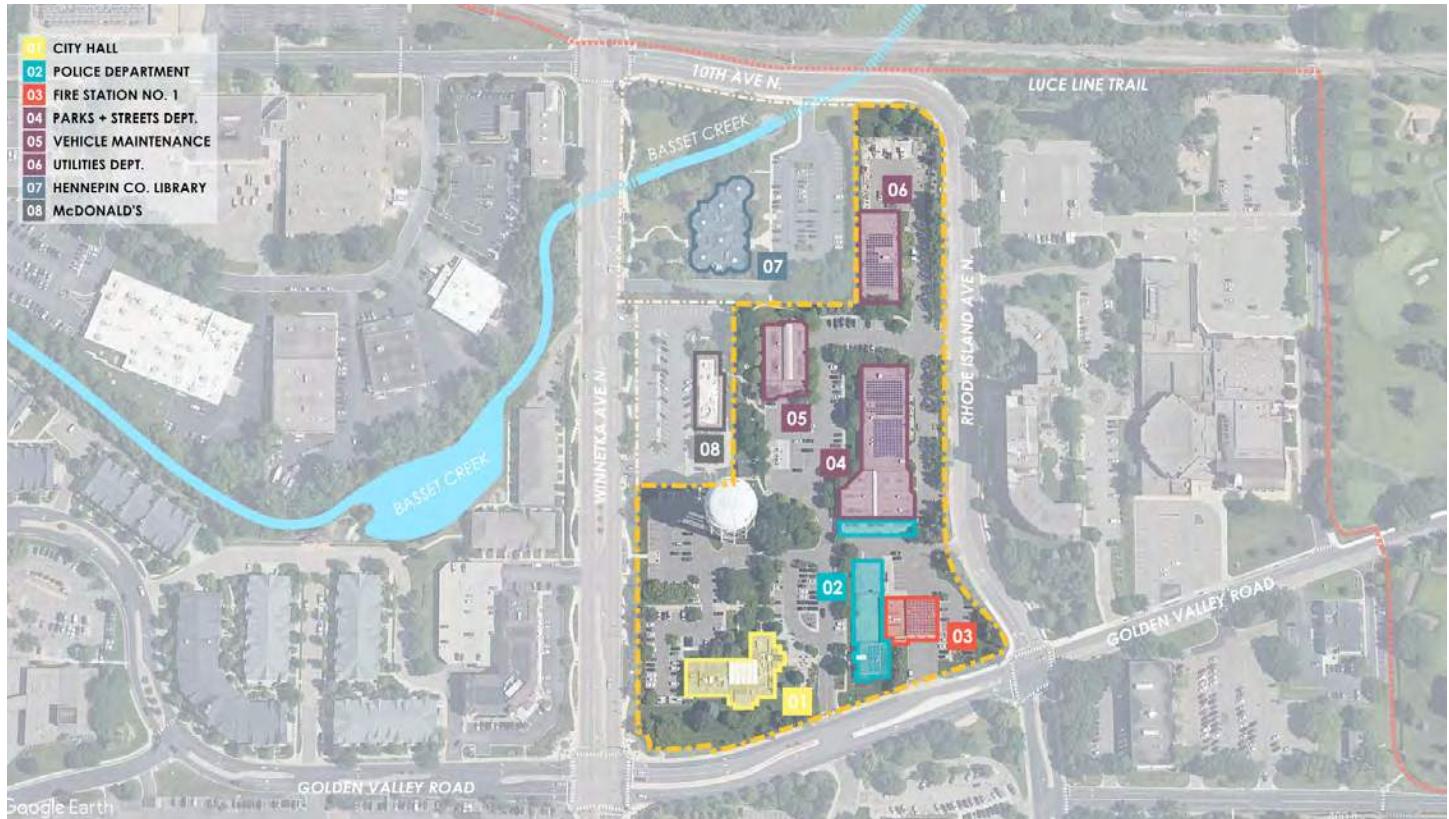


FIGURE B: Map of Downtown Golden Valley including current civic campus and adjacent properties on the NE quadrant block

II. Facility Audits - OVERVIEW

A. OVERVIEW

The facility assessments intend to provide an indication of capital maintenance requirements, potential code and regulatory required upgrades, and other building conditions which should be considered as part of the facility's general upkeep and/or included as part of any future building project, both of which will be itemized within the overall Facilities Study projected budget.

The facility assessment process starts with BKV Group's team reviewing all available previous studies and surveys, historical documents and drawings for the buildings being reviewed. The next step is an on-site tour of each facility with BKV Group's team of architects and engineers and Golden Valley department heads. Following the on-site assessment, the team then documents all found conditions within this report and summarizes each facility's existing conditions.

This building audit process did not review potential environmental issues through testing such as the presence or nature of any soil contamination, asbestos or destructive testing for concealed conditions. The project's budget, established later, will include any recommendations for future testing.

The Facility Assessment was conducted on November 5 & 6, 2020. The project team followed all coronavirus protocols required by the City of Golden Valley to protect the health and safety of all individuals.

The following individuals were present for the assessments:

- Marc Nevinski,
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- Jason Sturgis,
Police Chief
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- James Puls,
Electrical Designer with BKV Group
- Mohammed Ambo, EIT
Electrical Designer with BKV Group
- Dustin Phillips,
Pre-Construction + Estimation with Kraus-Anderson
- Andrew Cooper, AIA,
Public Works Architect with Oertel Architects

These building audits are seen as supplements to the Comprehensive Facility Assessments prepared by Wold Architects in 2007; this process revisits major issues identified at that time, with a focus on the following:

1. Functional/Operational Accommodations
2. Safety / Security of staff and visitors
3. Accessibility
4. Building Code Related Deficiencies
5. Capital Maintenance / Building Envelope

II. Facility Audits - City Hall

CITY HALL

Address: 7800 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1957

Gross Area: Approximate 13,400 GSF at Level 1,
13,500 GSF at Lower Level



GOLDEN VALLEY CITY HALL



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

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Building Overview

City Hall's physical structure is in good condition for its age, but primary systems are largely original and at end-of-life, and the interior layout is not conducive to ease of public use, or to adaptation to future evolutions in service.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. The entry and arrival is undersized for a facility of this use and scale. The exterior entry vestibule opens to a modest lobby for both the elevator and stairs to the second floor, and immediately abuts the DMV queuing area, which is also an open hallway to the rest of the floor. There is no area of welcome, information, or security desk for City Hall overall.
02. The high volume DMV is poorly placed, impacting access to the rest of the building as there is no separation between service counter queuing space and corridor access to the public restrooms and Inspectional Services counter at the other end of the floor.
03. The City Council area lacks appropriate queuing and pre-function gathering spaces, and can only be reached down a series of blind hallways, with no line of sight to the council chambers. There are no seats or benches adjacent to the council chamber. There are noise transmission issues between the council chamber and adjacent corridor, connected by single-glazed windows and doors. The adjacent meeting room has similar glazing, and while it can be configured in different ways, lacks a furniture storage room, so the space is often full of stacked chairs and tables.
04. There are limited spaces for meetings: either for staff, or for staff to connect with the public. Those that exist require the public to move behind service counters and through staff spaces.
05. Storage space is limited throughout for both departmental and public use, with some departments using available storage within the

office suites of other departments, because that is all that is available.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Building is fully sprinklered.
02. Service counters do not include portions that comply with ADA requirements for height and access.
03. Since the time of the 2007 assessment, there have been some updates to facility restrooms to address non-compliant door clearances; additional work is recommended for interior maneuverability at fixtures and counters.
04. Open stair guardrails and handrails are non-compliant for extensions and detailing.

Site:

01. Refer to 2007 report for detailed estimates of work. This audit did not identify additional areas of concern.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. Refer to the 2007 report for detailed estimates of work. This audit did not identify expanded or additional areas of concern.
02. Exterior glazing is original to the building's construction, with some fogging at the insulated glazing units (IGUs), which is typical for assemblies of this age, as sealants tend to fail beyond 20 years. This does not affect the assemblies weather barrier performance, but represents a loss of interior seal, which decreases overall thermal performance.

Interior:

01. Lower level office area includes clerestory windows throughout. Current workplace standards recommend all regularly-occupied workspaces have direct line-of-sight outdoors for daylighting and views.

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02. Ceilings in the lower level are low and many columns disrupt the open office area. This also impacts flexibility for future reconfiguration and new space uses.
03. Workstations appear to be ample in size, often exceeding the industry standard.
04. Service counters at the license center are dated and finished in laminate. New materials such as solid surface or quartz could provide greater durability.
05. Countertop at Council Chamber Dais is dated and finished in laminate. Typically this is stone or solid surface.
06. Restrooms are dated but functional.
07. Upper level corridor contains extensive display cases, which are underutilized and difficult for the city to maintain.
08. General Services office area contains a Kardex Lektriever system. It's unclear how much longer this system will be in use before the city moves to electronic filing.
05. Perimeter heat is provided through hot water baseboard with mechanical type control valves. These are not controlled by thermostats.
06. A document storage system on the lower level does not appear to be conditioned. A louver is provided between this room and the adjacent corridor. It appears piping above the ceiling of this room is provided with electrical heat trace.
07. The upper level is served by five packaged rooftop units. Systems serving office areas include VAV boxes.
08. Existing rooftop equipment appears to be 20+ years old. RTU equipment labels are not legible due to weathering.
09. A newer roof mounted condensing unit serves the lower level AHU. Refrigerant piping to the unit is insulated.
10. Some rust observed on roof mounted ductwork.
11. A mini-split AC unit serves an upper level server room.
12. Based on conversation with a member of the maintenance staff, the city hall equipment has not required recent significant maintenance/repair. Temperature control/comfort issues are common in the building, especially during colder seasons.
13. The city currently has a service contract with Uhl companies for the campus.

Plumbing:

01. Plumbing fixtures in the building have manual (non-sensor) flush valves and faucets.

HVAC Systems:

01. A steam boiler is located in the lower level mechanical room and appears to be original to the building.
02. The AHU serving the lower level is a dual-deck, multi-zone unit that appears to be original to the building.
03. Existing building controls are pneumatic.
04. The building includes hydronic perimeter radiant heat. A shell-in-tube steam to hot water heat exchanger and pumps are located in the mechanical room.

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Electrical Systems:

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. Life safety loads need to be separated to comply with current codes. If additional life safety loads are identified, a larger diesel generator may be required.

Lighting:

01. Lighting is largely LED throughout. Occupancy and

II. Facility Audits - City Hall

daylight sensors building-wide would increase energy efficiency.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. Not reviewed in detail.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. Specifically within the City Council chamber, equipment is original to the building, of an age where replacement parts are no longer available. The city had a planned replacement of the system for 2020, deferred by the start of this project.

Fire Alarm System:

01. Per 2007 report, fire alarm system to be upgrade to a fully addressable system, including head-end panel and devices throughout.

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FIGURE 1: Entering directly into the DMV area is congested with wayfinding issues. NOTE: Conditions shown include COVID protocols.



FIGURE 2: Service counters are hidden and feature dated, less durable finishes. Counter heights do not have portions that comply with accessibility requirements for lower service areas.



FIGURE 3: Restrooms feature dated finishes but are functional. ADA clearances to be reviewed as part of an overall building renovation.



FIGURE 4: Low ceilings and columns in the lower level office disrupt the open office area. Frequency and configuration limit spatial flexibility.



FIGURE 5: Office spaces lack dedicated storage areas. File storage is located wherever possible throughout, with a small number of small-footprint storage closets for other supplies and materials.



FIGURE 6: Extensive display cases are underutilized and difficult to maintain. The row here is at the current side of the council chamber, and could otherwise provide line-of-sight into this public space.

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FIGURE 7: Some signs of water damage are apparent in the ceiling systems. This indicates minor issues with HVAC piping above.

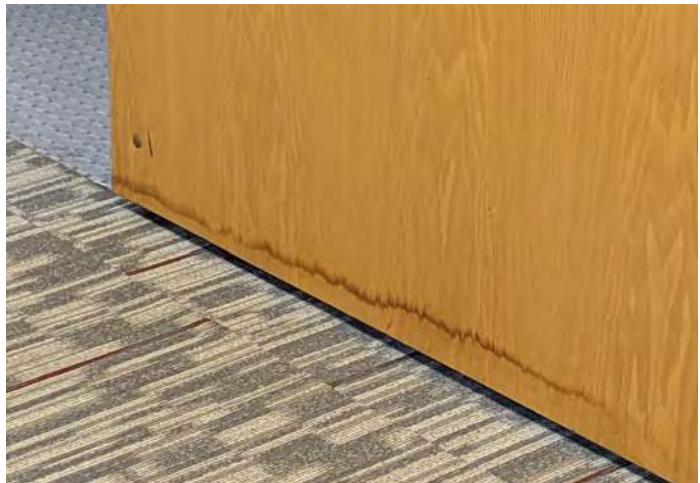


FIGURE 8: Interior doors are clear-finished wood, which stains when carpets are steam-treated.

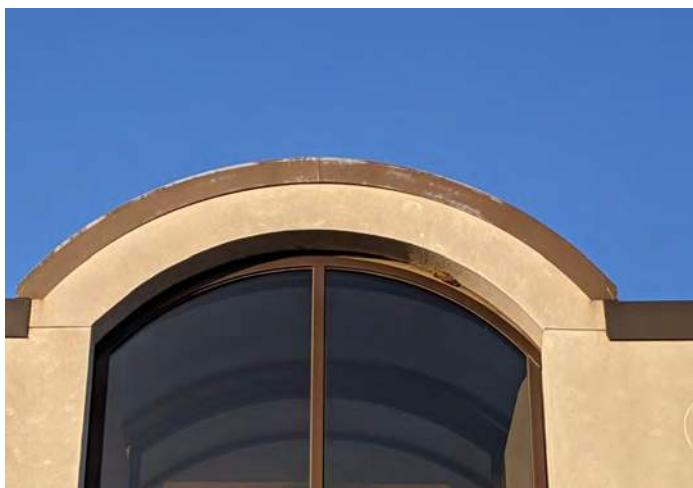


FIGURE 9: Exterior stucco and metal coping shows some signs of wear, but represent cosmetic issues rather than water-infiltration related.



FIGURE 10: Inconsistency of paint finishes and touch-ups in some places from installation of new exterior window.



FIGURE 11: Some signs of metal oxidation and staining on the exterior.



FIGURE 12: Exterior windows frames show some wear, though this is age-related and aesthetic, and does not affect unit performance.

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FIGURE 13: Landscaping and building orientation help to hide the building from the public way.



FIGURE 14: Landscaping also blocks visual and physical access from the primary corner of Winnetka and Golden Valley Road.



FIGURE 15: The rear facade of the building facing Winnetka Ave does not present a strong public facade or sense of civic identity.

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PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

POLICE DEPARTMENT

FIRE STATION #1

Address: 7700 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1966 (Police)

1995 (Fire Station #1 Addition)

Gross Area: Approximate 18,300 GSF at Level 1,
9,000 GSF at Lower Level



GOLDEN VALLEY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

II. Facility Audits - Public Safety

Building Overview

The physical structure of the Public Safety building is in reasonable condition for its age, though the primary MEP systems impact operations and comfort. Operational workflows and capacities for police and fire are defined by the building rather than by best practice and safety.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues: Fire Department

01. *Fire* - There are no provisions for 24/7 staffing at any of the existing fire stations. It is essential that the City switch to an on-duty staffing model to keep a cost effective fire department, and the physical configuration of the existing facilities limits the implementation of this transition.
02. *Fire* - The stations are not designed to build camaraderie and support department recruitment efforts.
03. *Fire* - The apparatus doors are not sized for modern fire apparatus. This limits the vehicles that the department can purchase and operate.
04. *Fire* - The apparatus doors are not equipped with high-cycle springs and tracks, which leads to more frequent failures and delayed response.
05. *Fire* - The apparatus doors do not meet the provisions of UL 325, the modern safety standard for those doors.
06. *Fire* - There is no indicator light that tells the apparatus driver when the overhead door has cleared the light bar, increasing the likelihood that the top of the apparatus will hit the bottom panel of the door.
07. *Fire* - The turnout gear is stored in the apparatus bays and is exposed to diesel exhaust and natural UV light. This is a violation of NFPA standards.
08. *Fire* - Turnout gear is located alongside the apparatus, creating a risky location for firefighters to don or doff PPE with potentially moving apparatus beside them.
09. *Fire* - The decontamination spaces are not equipped to be compliant with NFPA standards.
10. *Fire* - There is insufficient separation between the potentially contaminated areas of the station and equipment/areas that need to remain clean.
11. *Fire* - There is no sink for handwashing before entering clean areas of the station.
12. *Fire* - There is carpet in the fire stations, which can harbor carcinogen or bacteria that is tracked in from the apparatus bay.
13. *Fire* - There is very little opportunity for hands-on training for the firefighters (re: scenario training or fire tower).
14. *Fire* - There is no public lobby for the fire station. Visitors have to be escorted through secure police areas to reach the fire station.
15. *Fire* - There is insufficient space in the apparatus bays to park all the required vehicles, leading some vehicles to share a single door.
16. *Fire* - The showers and lockers for staff are located on the other side of the clean areas of the station, forcing contaminated firefighters to traverse the clean spaces to get to a shower facility.
17. *Fire* - There are insufficient showers to allow all staff to "shower within an hour" as recommended for decontamination after a call.
18. *Fire* - Storage for the fire department is distributed through several small rooms throughout the building.
19. *Fire* - The workflow for decontamination of equipment is divided into several small rooms.
20. *Fire* - Many of the offices do not have access to natural light.
21. *Fire* - There is no dedicated training room for firefighters.
22. *Fire* - Office spaces are overcrowded - 3 Fire Inspectors share one office, while 1 FT Admin and 2 On-Call Battalion Chiefs share another office.

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23. Fire - Due to lack of adequate parking, Police park their large utility panel truck in the apparatus bay, leading to operational and parking issues for the Fire Department.

Operational Issues: Police Department

01. Police - The police department plans to continue to increase on-site training which will require additional training space beyond what is currently provided. Space such as a dedicated use-of-force space with mats, classroom space, simulation training, and 5-lane firing range will be vital to support this goal.

02. Police - Circulation space in the squad garage is constrained. Parking stalls are narrow and not very deep, so items stored along the wall can not be accessed when a vehicle is parked in the garage. The garage design with multiple overhead sectional doors is not ideal for parking and multiple doors increases maintenance and energy costs.

03. Police - The squad garage does not provide space for all department vehicles. The garage space is divided into two areas, one attached 3-stall garage and a detached 12-stall garage. Several department vehicles are stored outside in unsecured locations or at other city facilities.

04. Police - the weapon cleaning space is located along a back wall in the garage, which requires moving vehicles to gain access to the counter and equipment. Additionally, the ventilation provided in the space is not localized or adequate to remove the fumes from cleaning solvents used during the process.

05. Police - The locker room space is not adequately sized for volume and diversity of staff. There are also ongoing humidity/ventilation issues. The men's locker room currently has 40 lockers total (32 single tier, 24" wide), and the women's locker room has 16 lockers total (8 single tier, 24" wide).

06. Police - The fitness space is used frequently by staff; however, the room is undersized to appropriately

place the equipment currently located in the space. The ventilation in the room is also poor.

07. Police - The building's layout unintentionally has created spaces that are either not ideally located or sized appropriately for modern day operations, leaving some spaces underutilized.

08. Police - Only one soft interview room is provided and can be access from the public lobby. Additional interview and public meeting space is needed located outside the secure staff area.

09. Police - Overall, the facility is limited on storage space for equipment and supplies. The department has resorted to using spaces such as stairwells for additional storage.

10. Police - The evidence storage and processing space does have adequate ventilation. Additionally, video surveillance in the evidence processing space and around the greater building is limited.

11. Police - The facility does not have adequate space to store larger evidence and vehicles held for evidence on-site. Vehicles held for evidence can not be stored securely.

12. Police - Several doors throughout the facility do not have electronic access control, which is recommended as modern practice to provide enhanced security and the ability to track access to secure areas.

13. Police - The increasing number of staff over the years has overcrowded available workspace in the facility. There is a need for improved workspace for patrol officers, supervisors, and acoustically private office space for social workers and mental health officers. Currently, sergeant workspaces are allocated in two rooms, each which is overcrowded with insufficient storage and work space for each staff.

14. Police - The configuration of the facility, including the adjacency of the Fire Department and training

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rooms that are often used by the public create issues maintaining the ability to secure private information and data in areas that is not accessible to the public.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Existing egress stairs are currently used for storage by both departments, which is not recommended.
02. Configuration of handrails and guardrails to be updated for full dimensional compliance.
03. Door operating clearances at restrooms and locker rooms do not fully comply with pull and push side clearances.

Site:

01. Police - The site layout does not provide separate parking for the department's staff. Contemporary planning favors providing fenced/secured parking space dedicated for law enforcement staff.
02. Police - The Police Department utilizes an adjacent garage for vehicle storage, gun cleaning, and miscellaneous storage
03. Fire - The East parking lot does not accommodate the parking needs of both Fire and Police staff.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. No major issues identified with water infiltration or thermal assemblies.
02. Existing west-facing EIFS above the entry has a significant amount of staining and mold, which appears to only be superficial.

Interior:

01. Finishes and materials are in good condition, though somewhat dark and dated. Typically would be refreshed as part of any major interior renovation, given their age.

Plumbing:

01. Plumbing fixtures in the building have manual (non-sensor) flush valves and faucets.
02. Fire - Apparatus bay includes 6 trench drains.
03. Police - Sally port garage and vehicle garage are served by trench drains near the garage doors.
04. Police - Auxiliary garage includes a gas-fired instantaneous water heater that serves wall faucets, a mop sink, and emergency eye-wash.
05. Police - Auxiliary garage is served by trench drains.

HVAC Systems:

01. Served by VAV system with AHU-1 and roof mounted condensing unit, with the AHU-1 being located on a mezzanine mechanical unit between the Police and Fire Department areas.
02. Perimeter baseboard, unit heaters, and heating coils are served by a boiler system located in the lower level. This serves both the Police and Fire Department areas.
03. Fire - Vehicle apparatus bay is heated by a newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube system.
04. Police - Gun range is served by a VFD controlled exhaust fan and make-up air unit. The make-up air unit and exhaust VFD are located on the upper level mezzanine area.
05. Police - The lower level evidence rooms have ventilation issues per the Police Chief; evidence locker prep area did not appear to include any exhaust. Access to evidence storage area was unavailable.
06. Police - Lower level fitness room may need additional cooling and ventilation/exhaust.
07. Police - Lower level men's and women's locker rooms are each served by a VAV box. It was noted that both of these rooms have ventilation and humidity issues.

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08. Police - Sally port garage and vehicle garage includes exhaust systems and low intakes and are heated by newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube systems.
09. Police - The vehicle garage includes a gas-fired make-up air unit within the garage.
10. Police - Auxiliary garage is served by a gas fired make-up air unit within the garage at one end and sidewall exhaust fan at the other end. A newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube system is also included.

Electrical Systems:

01. Availability of power within offices is limited, and does not meet contemporary standards. The use of extension cords and power strips was visible in many office and workspaces throughout the building.
02. The roof has an existing solar panel system.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. Emergency Generator is insufficient to provide backup power for all critical functions, between 24/7 Police, Fire, and Emergency Management uses.

Lighting:

01. Incandescent and fluorescent bulbs used throughout. Impacts energy efficiency and operating costs.
02. Rooms do not have occupancy or daylight sensors for efficient management of lighting. Manual toggle switches only.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. Not reviewed in detail.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. No specific comments.

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FIGURE 1: Training Mats for the Police Department are stored in the egress stairwells due to lack of adequate storage and training space.



FIGURE 2: There is only a single training room for use by Police and Fire for all types of training, and for public use. It cannot easily be reconfigured and is only accessible beyond the line of security.



FIGURE 3: Some signs of water damage are present in limited areas in the lower level ceilings, indicating issues with piping above ceiling.



FIGURE 4: Existing Gym space is undersized for serving both the Police and Fire Departments.



FIGURE 5: Police Department locker space is fully utilized, without enough space for gear, and underserved by exhaust ventilation, while the Fire Department lacks dedicated locker space.

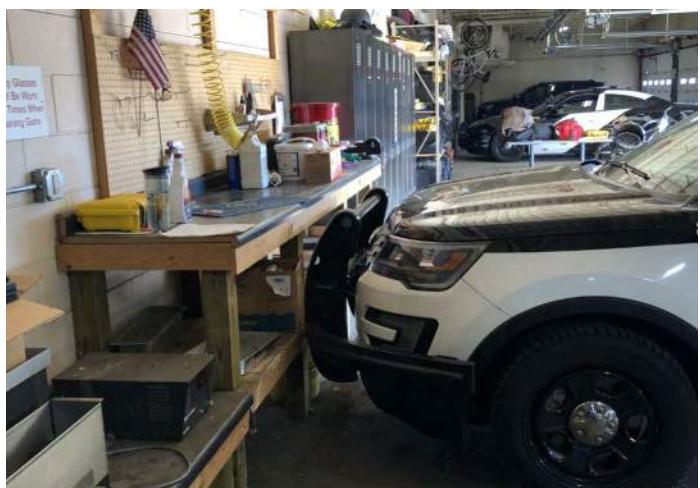


FIGURE 6: The work spaces in the auxiliary garage are inaccessible when squad cars are parked due to garage depth.

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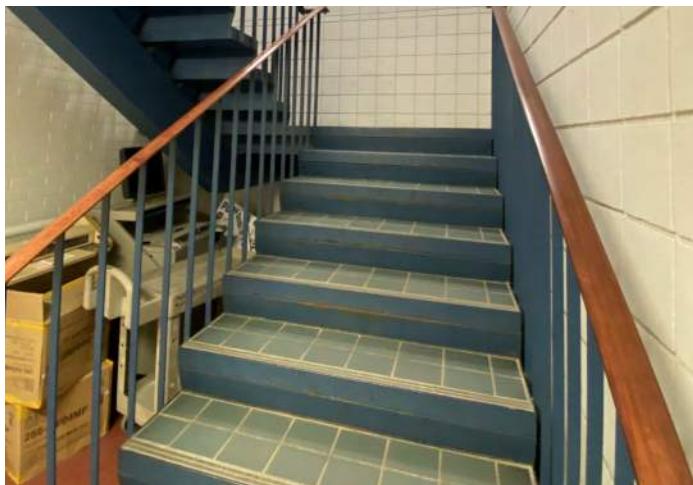


FIGURE 7: Finishes on the floor tile in the stairwell are visibly worn. Guardrails and handrails are non-compliant in detail with ADA.



FIGURE 8: Dedicated Police Dept break room is located in the basement, inefficient for staff on call.



FIGURE 9: Overhead door closer on an exterior door is loose at this heavily-used access point.

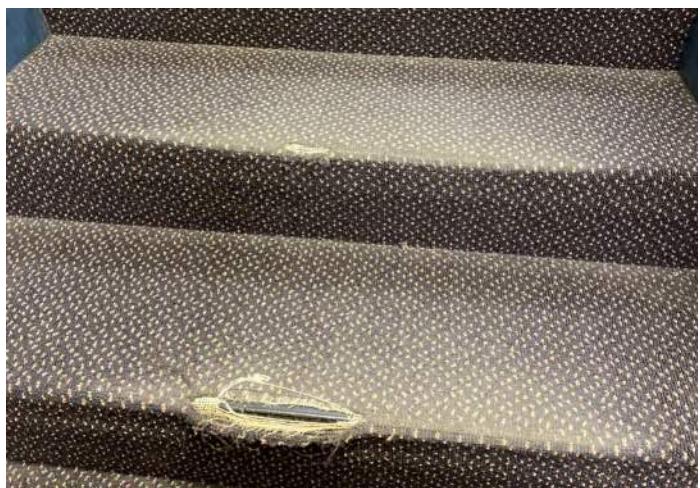


FIGURE 10: Heavy carpet wear on one stairwell requires replacement.



FIGURE 11: Carpet tile in the Police Dept record storage/work room is loose, with no permanent adhesion.



FIGURE 12: There is a lack of storage space in the Investigations area of the Police Department. Space used for materials and IT.

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FIGURE 13: Insulated panels on the Police Department garage doors are delaminating.

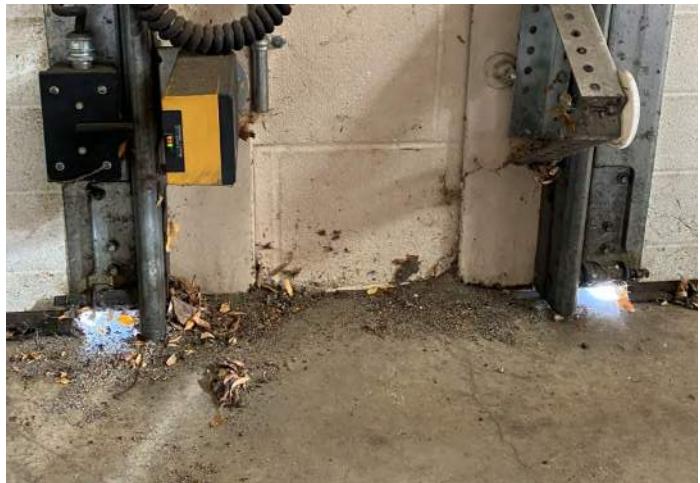


FIGURE 14: The seals on the Police Department garage doors have worn and now allow outside air in.

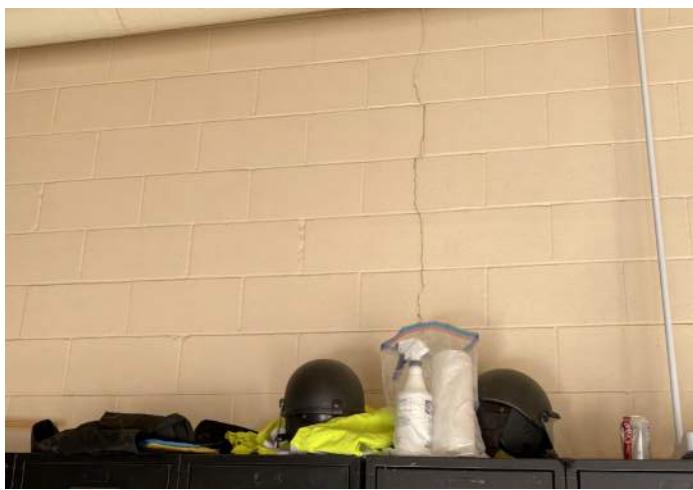


FIGURE 15: Some visible cracking at the walls of the auxiliary garage, suggesting settlement issues.

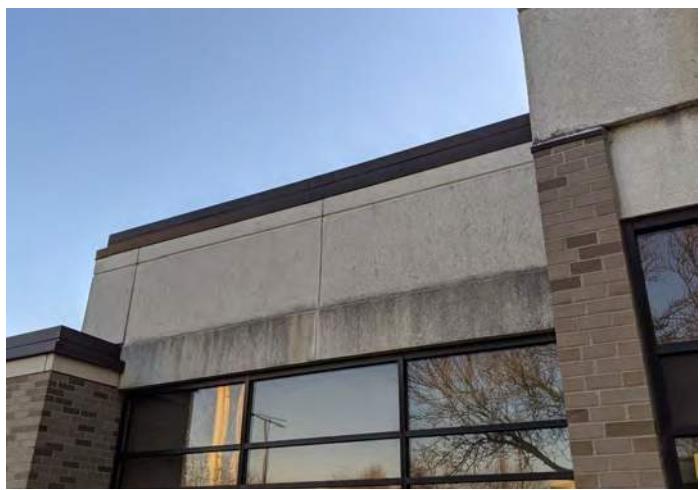


FIGURE 16: West-facing EIFS shows some signs of age at a superficial level.



FIGURE 17: Fire Department spaces lack adequate storage space for uniforms and gear.



FIGURE 18: Interior walls at the basement level show some signs of moisture damage and efflorescence.

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FIGURE 19: Record storage spaces lack adequate storage.

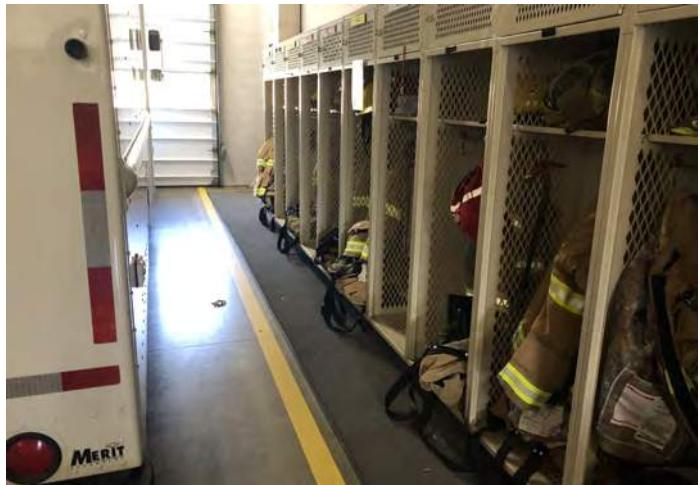


FIGURE 20: Turnout lockers are located in the apparatus bay, which can be dangerous for firefighters with trucks potentially moving behind them..



FIGURE 21: The Fire Department lacks adequate space for drying gear and equipment after responding to a call.



FIGURE 22: Lack of storage space is also apparent in the Fire Department.



FIGURE 23: Fire Department Dayroom lacks comfortable seating options and provisions for a 24/7 staffing model.



FIGURE 24: Insufficient garage space means multiple vehicles may share one door.

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PUBLIC WORKS: PARKS & STREET MAINTENANCE

Address (Parks): 7708 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

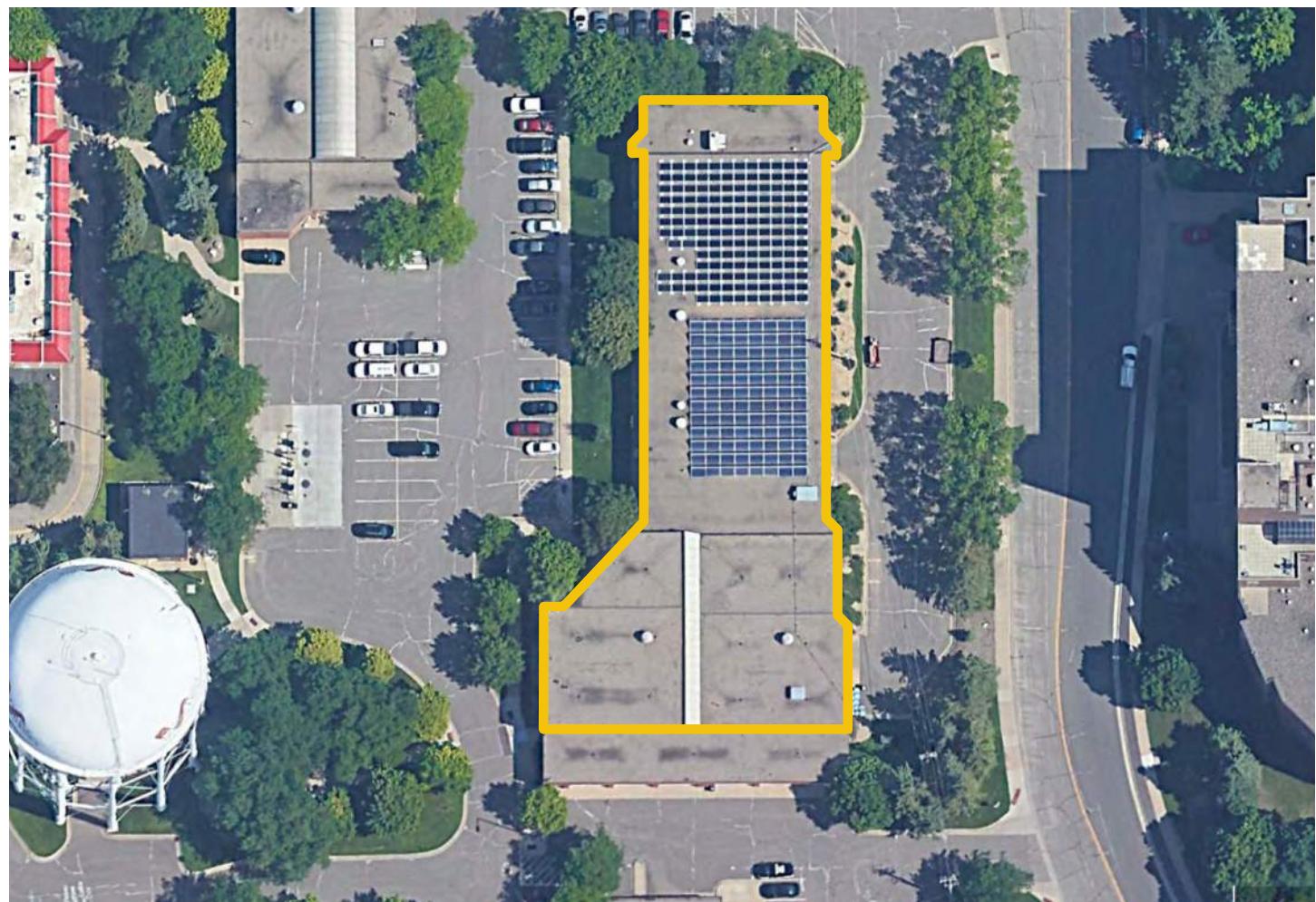
Address (Streets): 7710 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1975 (Streets); 1989 (Parks)

Gross Area: Approximate 7,000 GSF at Level 1,
27,200 GSF at Lower Level



GOLDEN VALLEY PARK & STREET MAINTENANCE



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

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Public Works Facilities Overview

The primary deficiency of all the public works buildings is available space. Operations in each department are as efficient as possible given the space constraints and time dedicated to maneuver equipment. Public Works staffs are famous for working with what they have, and Golden Valley is a prime example of that theme. Despite being separated into 3 primary structures, the divisions within Public Works do work cohesively.

The existing facilities are older construction, with a construction type and size that is incapable of handling the larger, more diversified, and specialized equipment that make up modern Public Works fleets, while also lacking the ability to adapt to future equipment developments. Given that Golden Valley is a community that will not increase in land area, growth of the Public Works department will likely be seen in specialized activities, necessitating flexible work areas and storage of specialized equipment.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. Total time and planning for seasonal equipment changes takes about 1 month to execute given the lack of warm storage and the relational distance to the cold storage facility offsite.
02. There is only one way in or out of the Parks garage, which means that anything larger than a large mower needs to back into parking spaces or back out of the building.
03. The mowers are entirely summer use and are not converted over to winter sidewalk or park maintenance. In the winter, they are stored at the 10th Ave Cold Storage facility, which removes them from warm storage and exacts a degradation toll from being stored in a completely cold facility.
04. Interior vehicle traffic in the Street department garage is 'as required,' meaning there is no defined traffic flow to accommodate equipment access and egress. Large vehicles may need up to 10 point turns to access parking or egress a parking

stall, depending on adjacent equipment. Some vehicles find it easier to back up from the parking stall, directly out through the overhead door opening. Some vehicles will keep trailers connected and park in the drive lane, meaning these vehicles must be the first out or temporarily moved to allow other vehicles out.

05. Commute times for staff range from 10 minutes to an hour, and when overnight events occur that don't allow for staff to go home in between shifts there are no amenities to support them in the building.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Facility has a split-level entry: requiring a half a flight of stairs down to the garage level or up to the second floor; there is no elevator.
02. Second floor office functions, including the private offices, breakroom, and restroom are accessible by stairs only in both Parks and Street Department areas.
03. No roof access in building.

Site:

01. The site area for Public Works is currently landlocked in a shared campus with other city functions.
02. Three separate, smaller facilities in a tight area with multiple vehicle circulation paths and mixed exterior parking areas has created an environment for a high potential and frequency of accidents which can and has damaged equipment and structures.
03. The fueling station on site does serve the entire city fleet, storing 10,000 gallons of diesel and 6,000 gallons of unleaded.
04. The fueling system has been recently upgraded, and there are no known environmental concerns or leaks with the existing fueling station. However, there is no canopy or self contained site drainage

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system that could contain potential spills within a sensitive watershed area around Bassett Creek.

05. Mowers, sweepers, and dump trucks are washed outside, where the sediment and clippings are collected through a series of outdoor separators and structures before water is eventually discharged on the north end of the site to Bassett Creek.
06. The Street department's supplies of sand and salt are located offsite at the 10th Ave Cold Storage facility.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. Overhead doors are 12' tall and openings have evidence of damage on the door and building structure. The opening is too narrow for plows and wings to safely traverse, and backing in vehicles often requires spotters.
02. Skylight needs refurbishing / replacement.

Interior:

01. Parks and Street department garages are connected by a large opening, which is not used for vehicle access and not intended for staff traffic.
02. Parks - Main entry is a split entry arrangement, with stairs down to the main storage area and stairs up to the administrative area.
03. Parks - Daily use equipment is all parked on one side of the garage.
04. Parks - There is a wash bay in the building, but it is used for storage when not in use, so when vehicles do need washing anything stored there must be moved.
05. Parks - Workshop area and dedicated parts and small equipment storage is integrated into the perimeter of the warm storage area. The main level parts and work room doubles as a mower/equipment storage area.

06. Parks - Perimeter storage shelves are floor mounted and limited in storage by building/fire code stackable storage height limitations.
07. Parks - Locker areas are provided, but their small size limits staff access. Clothing storage is on the main vehicle storage floor due to available locker room space.
08. Parks - Storage also used for material and supply storage of paper products, attic stock, light bulbs and other fixtures for all city facilities.
09. Parks - Private offices provided for the Supervisor, Crew Lead, and Forester, but only one computer is provided for the rest of the department.
10. Streets - Brine making and storage is indoors.
11. Streets - Vehicle parking is a mix of straight-in and angled parking. This is a function of the overhead door locations, building dimensions, and geometry. Some straight-in parking is also back-in parking to facilitate egress. Parking spaces are labeled for specific equipment.
12. Streets - Front snow plows are dropped in a parking space when not in use, as attachment has become simplified, but plow wings stay attached to their vehicles. However, the narrow space between the wings and the adjacent vehicle's mirrors makes it difficult to maneuver.
13. Streets - Work areas are scattered around the perimeter of the warm storage area, with storage shelving and work space similar in scope to the work areas in the Parks division.
14. Streets - contains a dedicated laundry room and carpentry shop that are appropriately sized and outfitted, although there is no dedicated sign shop.
15. Streets - Equipment is stored outdoors when not in use to allow access to the interior parking area and workspace.
16. Streets - Breakroom is a multi-function area, with a

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small work station / computer access for staff, radio charging, and a muster / meeting room.

17. Streets - There is no women's locker room. The upper floor men's locker room utilizes old turnout gear storage lockers.
18. Streets - There is no dedicated wash bay - vehicles are washed in the drive lane, causing staging issues and delays.

Plumbing:

01. Garage areas are served by trench drains.
02. Gas-fired tank water heaters at each office area serve plumbing fixtures, wall faucets, mop sinks, emergency eye-washes, and clothes washer.
03. Plumbing fixtures in the building have manual (non-sensor) flush valves and faucets.

HVAC Systems:

01. Work Area/garage includes an exhaust system with low intakes and additional roof-mounted exhaust fans with inlet at the ceiling.
02. Street Maintenance garage area includes roof mounted exhaust fans with inlet at the ceiling only.
03. Each of the two garage areas include gas-fired make-up air units within the garage.
04. Garage areas included newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube systems.
05. Office areas at both ends of the building are served by constant volume vertical furnaces with gas heat and remote condensing units.

Electrical Systems:

01. The facility has a 400A 120/208V system and a 75 KVA transformer, with a connected solar panel system.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. There is no back-up generator for the building.

Lighting:

01. Fluorescent light fixtures at interior and exterior, LED fixtures in vehicle bay.
02. Occupancy sensors at locker rooms and some offices; remainder of spaces utilize manual toggle switches.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. Buildings have a security system and fire suppressant.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. N/A

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FIGURE 1: Some damage from equipment is visible on the curbs throughout vehicle driveways and parking areas shared with City Hall, Police, and Fire.

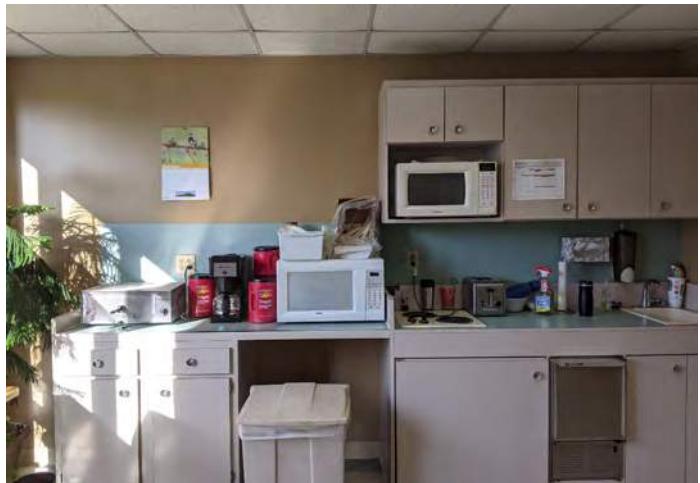


FIGURE 2: Finishes in the Parks Department break room are dated, albeit sturdy condition.



FIGURE 3: Some visible cracking appears on the interior walls in the Parks department garage.



FIGURE 4: Cracking also appears on the masonry wall separating the Parks garage from the Police auxiliary garage.



FIGURE 5: Some damage from equipment appears above the garage doors in the metal cladding.



FIGURE 6: Acoustic ceiling tiles in the locker rooms and offices show signs of water damage from concealed piping above.

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FIGURE 7: Acoustic ceiling tiles in the locker rooms and offices show signs of water damage from concealed piping above.



FIGURE 8: Storage in the Parks department is partially dedicated to storing paper and material supplies for all the other municipal facilities



FIGURE 9: Visible damage and wear on the floors is common throughout the Streets department garage.

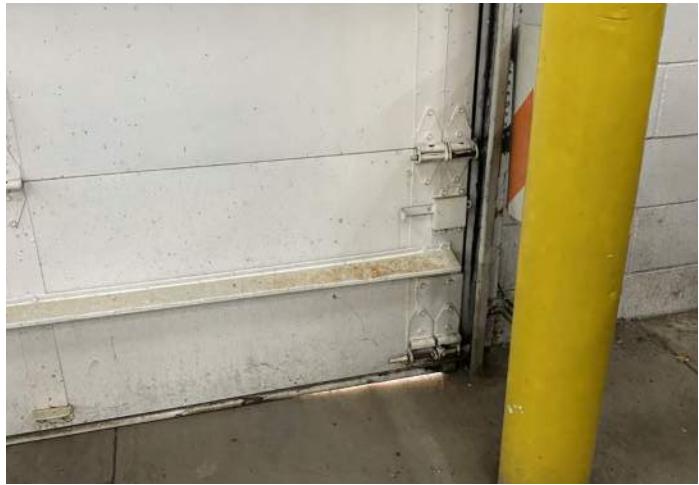


FIGURE 10: Seals on the garage doors have worn and now allow daylight and air through.

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PUBLIC WORKS: UTILITY MAINTENANCE

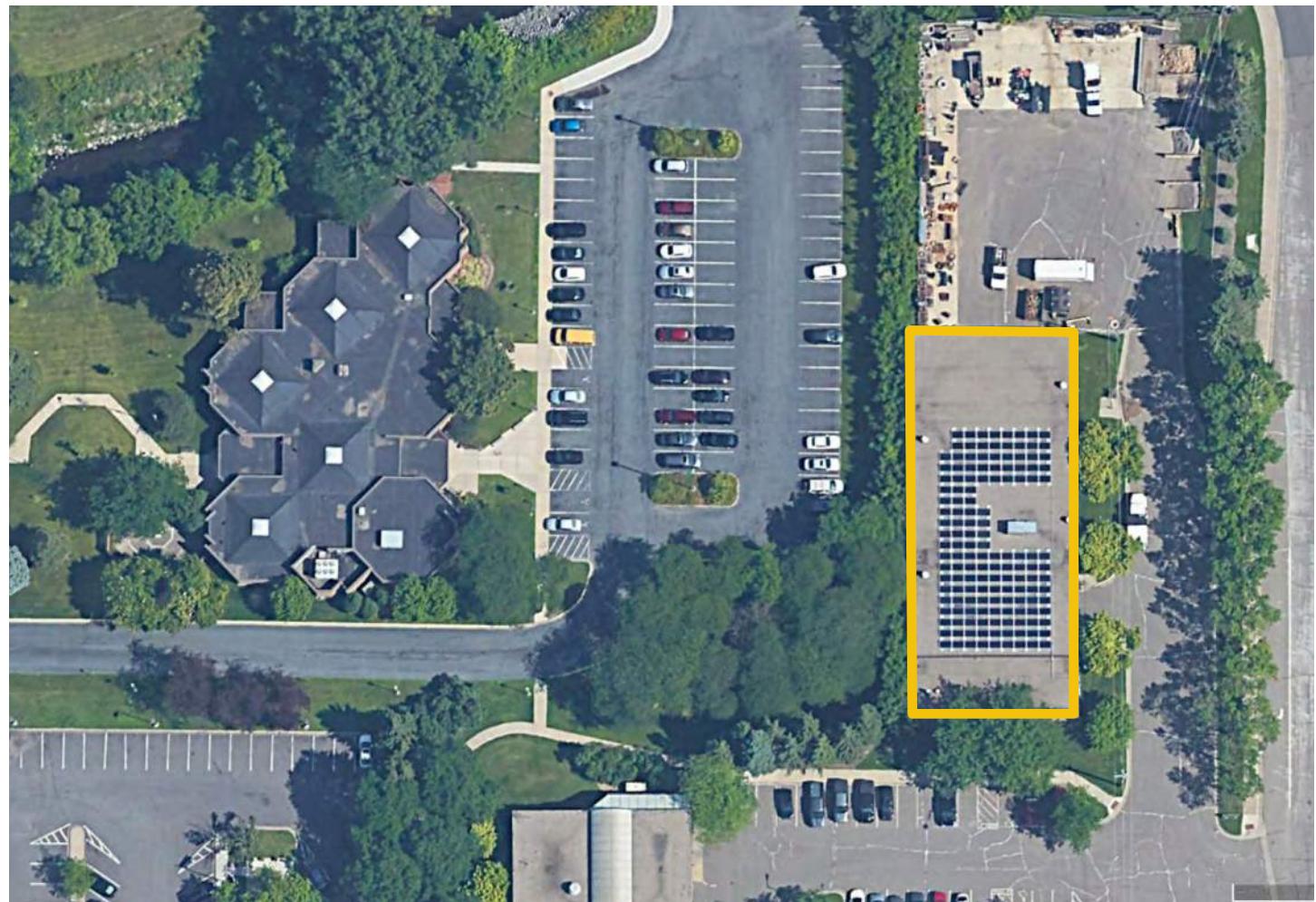
Address: 7720 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1970

Gross Area: Approximate 2,000 GSF at Level 1,
12,700 GSF at Lower Level



GOLDEN VALLEY UTILITY MAINTENANCE



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

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Building Overview

Refer to Public Works Facility Overview on page 22.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. Vehicle traffic inside the storage area is 'as required' meaning there is no defined traffic flow. The largest vehicles need to back in from the exterior to the parking space, and other vehicles may need to be moved to grant access to or from parking spaces. Multiple point turns are often needed to enter and exit the facility.
02. Equipment parking is also carefully orchestrated, with each piece having its own specific location and often requiring a spotter. In one case, the excavator arm needs to be articulated over another vehicle to allow both to park in the facility, a maneuver that is dangerous indoors and has caused structural damage. A mixture of head-in and rear-in 90 degree parking causes access and safety concerns, including blind spots and door dings.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Facility has a split-level entry; requiring a half a flight of stairs down to the garage level or up to the second floor; there is no elevator.
02. Second floor office functions, including the private offices, breakroom, and restroom are accessible by stairs only.
03. There is no women's locker room.
04. There is no roof access in the building.

Site:

01. The site area for Public Works is currently landlocked in a shared campus with other city functions.
02. Three separate, smaller facilities in a tight area with multiple vehicle circulation paths and mixed

exterior parking areas has created an environment for a high potential and frequency of accidents which can and has damaged equipment and structures.

03. The fueling station on site does serve the entire city fleet, storing 10,000 gallons of diesel and 6,000 gallons of unleaded.
04. The fueling system has been recently upgraded, and there are no known environmental concerns or leaks with the existing fueling station. However, there is no canopy or self contained site drainage system that could contain potential spills within a sensitive watershed area around Basset Creek.
05. Yard storage is accessible directly outside the north overhead door and houses castings, pipes, bulk materials, trailers, etc. This area is secured by fence and gate and is the only secured area on campus for Public Works.
06. Mowers, sweepers, and dump trucks are washed outside, where the sediment and clippings are collected through a series of outdoor separators and structures before water is eventually discharged on the north end of the site to Bassett Creek.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. No specific comments.

Interior:

01. Main entry is split entry, with stairs up to the administrative spaces and stairs down to the locker room and main storage area.
02. Main storage area houses the largest and most expensive public works equipment.
03. Work areas and miscellaneous storage areas are scattered around the perimeter of the warm storage area.
04. Material storage for water line pieces and sanitary sewer pieces are stored in a dedicated area.

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05. Breakroom is multi-function, and also houses SCADA equipment.
06. Locker room is recently reconstructed for full time employees; seasonal employees do not have a locker area. The old locker area has been re-appropriated as a dedicated office.
07. An old wash bay, which was not usable, was converted to a new laundry room and mudroom to create parking space and storage. Equipment is washed in the drive lane, similar to before the conversion.

Plumbing:

01. Garage areas are served by trench drains.
02. Two gas-fired instantaneous water heaters located in the garage area serve plumbing fixtures, wall faucets, mop sinks, emergency eye-wash, and clothes washer.
03. Office area restrooms and locker room have been recently remodeled and include new water closets/urinals with sensor flush valves and a semi-circular wash basin.

HVAC Systems:

01. Garage includes an exhaust system with low intakes.
02. Garage area appears to be served by a roof mounted make-up air unit with supply plenum/grilles at the ceiling.
03. Garage area includes newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube system.
04. Office area is served by a constant volume vertical furnace with gas heat and a remote condensing unit.
05. Office area restrooms and locker room have been recently remodeled but include original supply ductwork and grilles, which were painted rather than replaced.

Electrical Systems:

01. 400A 120/208V System with a 75KVA 120/208 Transformer.
02. Switchgear is missing a cover and is in a condition where replacement is recommended.
03. Connected to solar panel system.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. There is no back-up generator for the building.

Lighting:

01. Fluorescent exterior lights, with LED fixtures in the vehicle bay.
02. No occupancy or daylight sensors; manual toggle switches only.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. Has security system and fire suppressant.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. N/A

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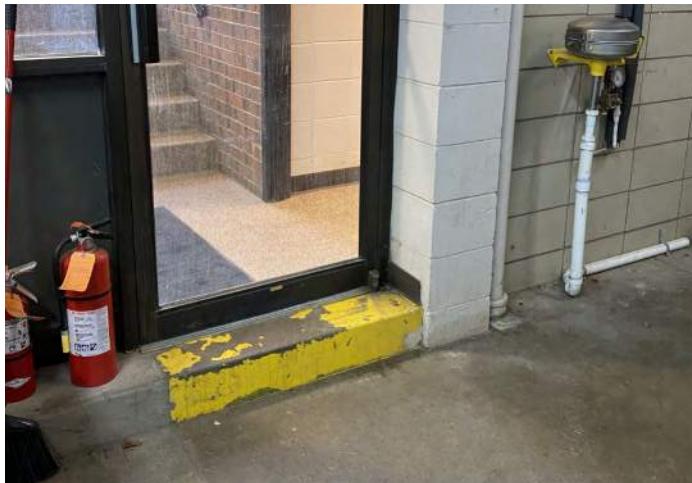


FIGURE 1: There is a step down into the garage within the footprint of the door swing, which would not be allowed in today's code standards.

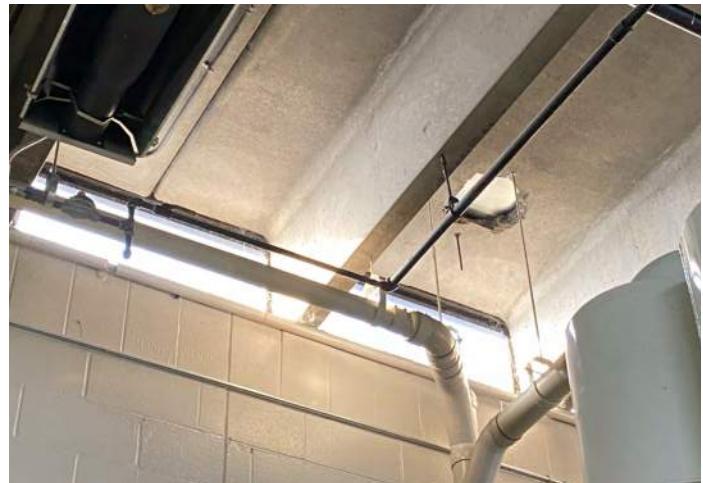


FIGURE 2: Previous roof penetration remains without concrete patching.



FIGURE 3: Precast concrete has the most integrity in protected areas; within open areas of the garage there is visible damage from equipment hitting the bottoms of the beams.



FIGURE 4: Damage to the bottom of a structural beam within the open garage area from the equipment adjustments necessary to nestle and park vehicles and equipment.

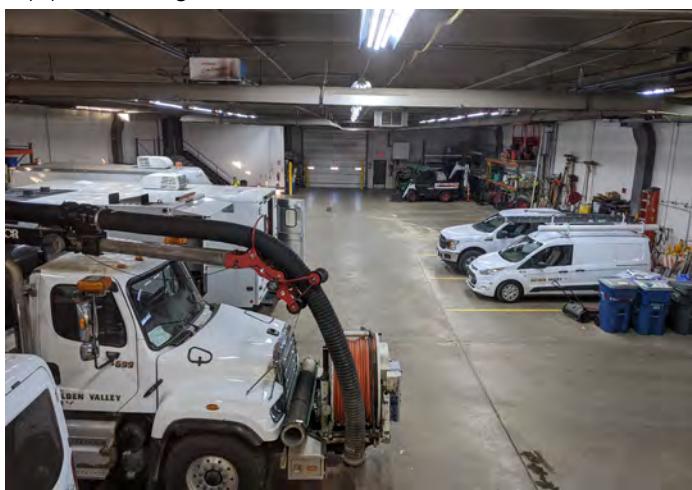


FIGURE 5: The size of the garage is inadequate for the size of modern equipment, creating circulation and parking challenges for vehicles, requiring more than 3-point turns for all movement.

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PUBLIC WORKS: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

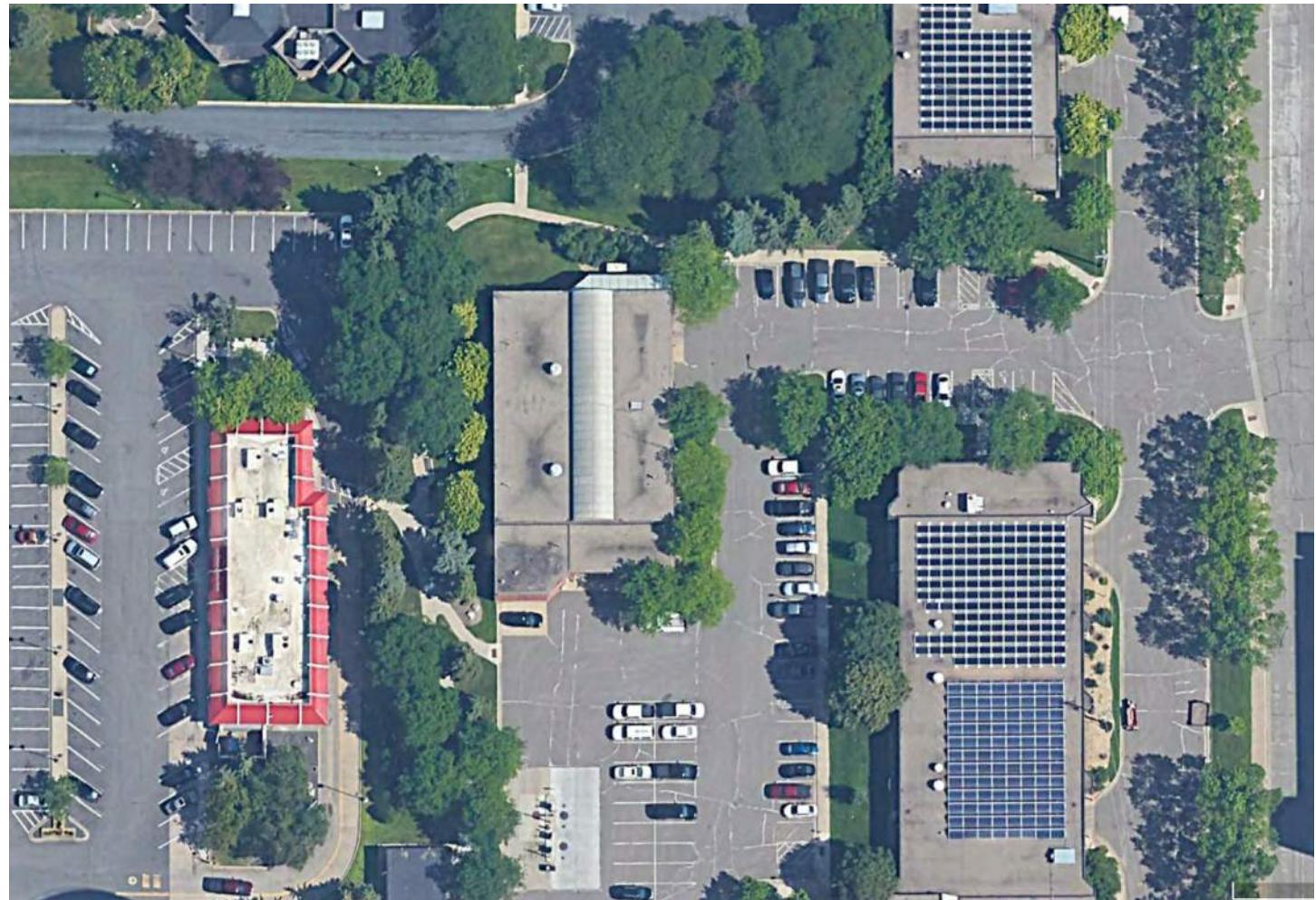
Address: 7730 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1989

Gross Area: Approximate 1,700 GSF at Level 2,
10,500 GSF at Level 1



GOLDEN VALLEY VEHICLE MAINTENANCE



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

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Building Overview

Refer to Public Works Facility Overview on page 22.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. Space challenges exist at the site, building, and use level. The facility's structural bays are occasionally in conflict with maneuvering room for vehicles.
02. See additional notes below.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Second floor office functions, including the private offices, breakroom, and storage are accessible by stairs only - there is no elevator.

Site:

01. The site area for Public Works is currently landlocked in a shared campus with other city functions.
02. Three separate, smaller facilities in a tight area with multiple vehicle circulation paths and mixed exterior parking areas has created an environment for a high potential and frequency of accidents which can and has damaged equipment and structures.
03. The fueling station on site does serve the entire city fleet, storing 10,000 gallons of diesel and 6,000 gallons of unleaded.
04. The fueling system has been recently upgraded, and there are no known environmental concerns or leaks with the existing fueling station. However, there is no canopy or self contained site drainage system that could contain potential spills within a sensitive watershed area around Basset Creek.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. Skylight needs to be refurbished/replaced.

02. See Note 4 under Interior.

Interior:

01. A retrofitted large vehicle bay includes a Rotary Vrex platform lift with an 80,000 pound capacity.
02. Maintenance bays have diagonal access from the center drive lane.
03. A column line runs down the middle of the building.
04. Barrel vault skylight is very dirty, indicating vehicle exhaust extraction issues, as well as the age of the structure.
05. Main service floor is served by a 7.5 ton overhead crane, large capacity platform lift, in-ground high capacity lift, and three small capacity in-ground lifts.
06. Vehicle and equipment service is performed in the drive lane when necessary.
07. Maintenance area has work stations and tool storage around the perimeter of the service area, as well as decent access to daylight.
08. Parts and material storage is scattered in several locations, including a room also appropriated for a break area.
09. A dedicated welding and fabrication bay is separated by bi-folding doors and served by a 2-ton overhead crane. A small dedicated fabrication area at the north end is served by a smaller capacity monorail crane. The upper level storage mezzanine also has a small capacity monorail crane.
10. Restrooms are located on the main level.
11. The public works director and support staff have offices on the upper level, with good size and functionality. The adjacency to the work area without adequate soundproofing is problematic for

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meetings and phone calls.

12. Facility is served by two piston-type air compressors, and has a bulk fluid delivery system and gravity fed waste-oil system.

02. Building has both occupancy sensors and manual toggle switches.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. Has security system and fire suppressant.

Plumbing:

01. Garage areas are served by trench drains.
02. A gas fired tank water heater in the office area mechanical room serves plumbing fixtures, wall faucets, mop sinks, and emergency eye-washes.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. N/A

HVAC Systems:

01. Garage area includes tail-pipe exhaust systems and additional sidewall exhaust fans.
02. Garage area is served by a gas-fired make-up air unit within the garage.
03. Garage area includes a newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube system.
04. Mechanic shop and welding areas include dedicated exhaust hoods.
05. Bulk fluid (oil) storage area includes vented tanks but does not include general exhaust.
06. Office area is served by a constant volume vertical furnace with gas heat and a remote condensing unit.

Electrical Systems:

01. 600A 120/208V System.
02. Transformer is unlabeled.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. Building has an back-up generator.

Lighting:

01. Fluorescent light fixtures on exterior, with LED fixtures in vehicle bay.

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FIGURE 1: Some cracking is apparent at the trench drains.



FIGURE 2: Cracking and other wear is visible throughout the garage floor.



FIGURE 3: Acoustic ceilings show some signs of water damage from concealed piping. Dust marks adjacent to diffuser suggest duct cleaning is required.

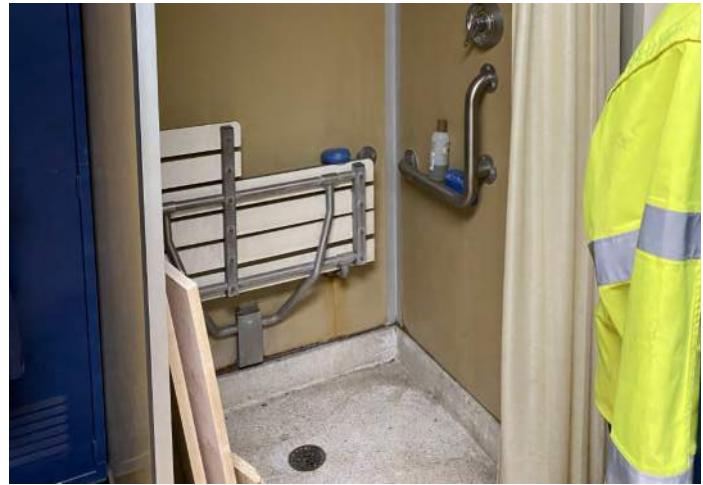


FIGURE 4: Staff restrooms and shower facilities are dated and show signs of wear.



FIGURE 5: Some cracking also appears in the second floor slab.



FIGURE 6: Soundproofing was needed to limit noise from servicing equipment.

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PUBLIC WORKS: 10TH AVE COLD STORAGE

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Golden Valley, MN 55427

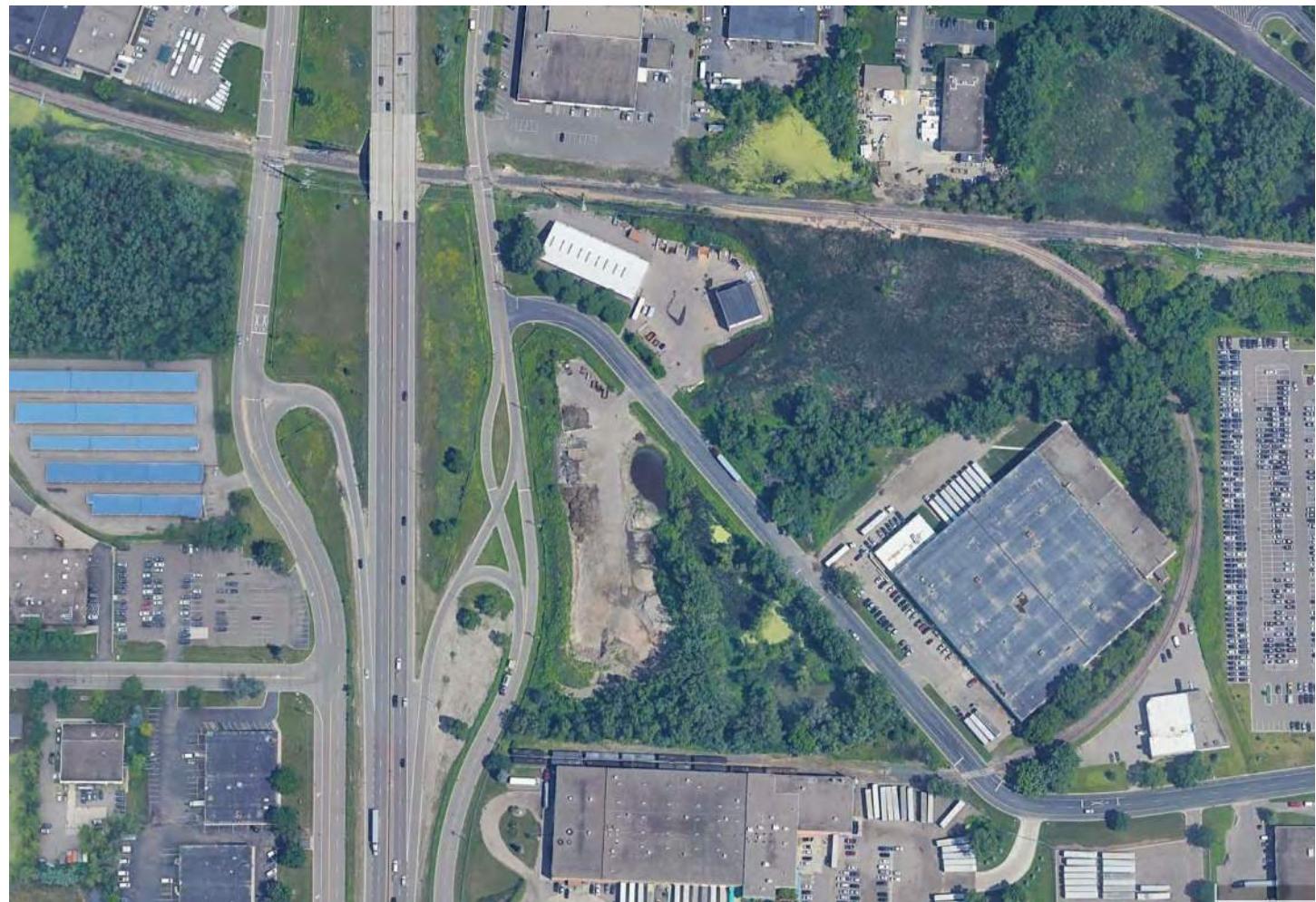
Includes open yard across 10th Ave N

Year Built: 1991

Gross Area: Approximate 11,200 GSF



GOLDEN VALLEY COLD STORAGE FACILITY



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

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Building Overview

Refer to Public Works Facility Overview on page 22. Property includes two portions bisected by 10th Ave N, with structures and open storage to the north, and a yard with open bulk storage to the south.

The site has two permanent structures: the wood-trussed warehouse and the open precast concrete salt/sand shed. The site also houses miscellaneous storage for the Police Department in an enclosed container, and training supplies for the Fire Department in a premanufactured 10x16 shed.

The wood-trussed warehouse also houses animal control kennels.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. The greatest challenge is the separation of these resources from the bulk of Public Works operations, requiring two staff to journey from the Downtown campus to this location to pick up and drop off any equipment or vehicles.
02. Both sides of the site only have a single access point - this increases the time it takes to load trucks with salt before a storm.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. No specific comments.

Site:

01. Site is bordered by US 169 to the west and industrial neighbors (Lubetech) to the east, and is surrounded by wetlands.
02. North side of the site contains a precast salt and sand storage structure and a wood framed pole barn for cold storage, while the south side of the site serves as bulk pile storage.
03. South side of the site is a collection point for brush before it gets chipped by an outside vendor.

04. Bulk dirt piles are temporary and meant for use, rather than permanent storage and/or screening.
05. Site is not specifically screened from adjacent roadways, and is secured by fence and gate.
06. North side of the site also houses the remainder of the bulk material storage bins not located at the main campus; 8 storage bins in total.
07. Area near the north side of the cold storage facility is used as a miscellaneous storage area for bulk materials.
08. Space is limited by the wetlands, which causes snow storage and stockpiling issues.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. Salt and Sand building is open to the air, and is constructed of precast wall panels with a separation panel in the middle and a steel joist / decking roof.
01. The building opening faces west, exposing bulk material to the weather and rain.
02. Loading limit of salt and sand compartments is approximately 6' on the exterior walls.
03. Cold Storage building is a metal-panel clad pole barn.

Interior:

01. Main storage area is open storage accessible by one overhead door, with shelving and racking for various storage needs.
02. Loader storage, for use at the salt building, is partially heated and houses a medium sized wheeled loader.
03. Animal control storage is heated and housed inside the main storage area.
04. A mezzanine space is used as storage for barricades and barrels.

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Plumbing:

01. Kennel area has water service, but no water heater or floor drains.

HVAC Systems:

01. Storage building is unheated.
02. Equipment bay in storage building includes a newer overhead gas-fired tube system.
03. Kennel area is served by a constant volume vertical furnace with gas heat and a remote condensing unit.

Electrical Systems:

01. Pole-mounted single pole transformer.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. There is no back-up generator in the building.

Lighting:

01. LED light fixtures.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. There is no security system, but the building does have dry fire suppressant.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. N/A

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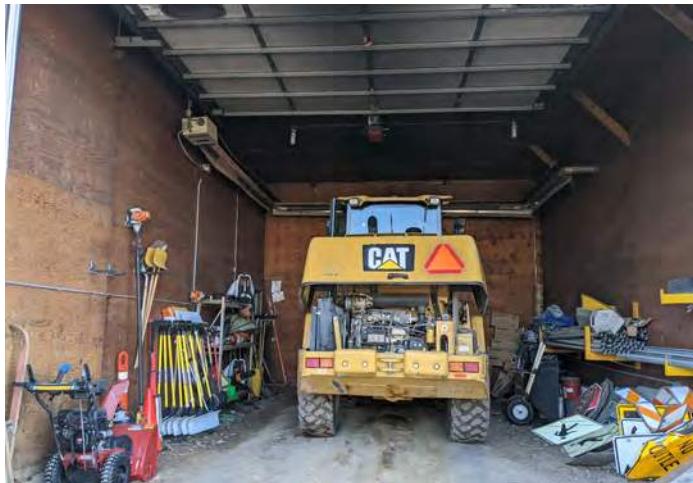


FIGURE 1: A small portion of the cold storage facility is heated, to store a front loader used to move salt and sand on site.



FIGURE 2: The interior of the building features a dirt drive aisle with paved storage areas to the side. Single in-out access.



FIGURE 3: Wear is apparent in the dirt drive aisle where it meets the concrete slabs.



FIGURE 4: The salt and sand storage structure shows some wear on the metal decking at the roof.



FIGURE 5: Most of the space on site outside of the wood-truss warehouse is used for bulk material storage.

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FIRE STATION #2

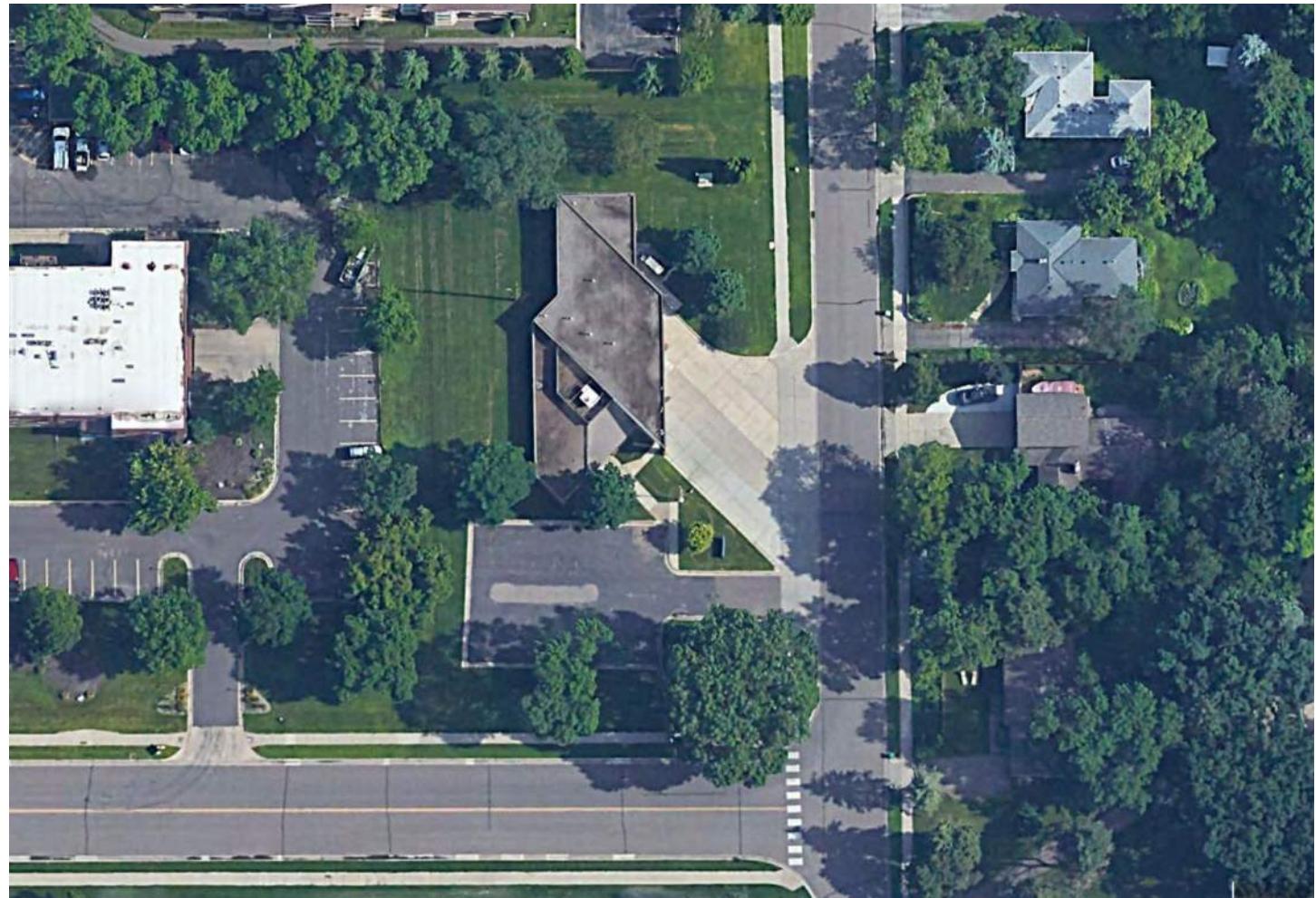
Address: 400 Turners Crossroad South,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1979

Gross Area: Approximate 5,400 GSF at Level 1



GOLDEN VALLEY FIRE STATION NO. 2



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

II. Facility Audits - Fire Station #2

Building Overview

This facility was constructed when the density of development in Golden Valley was very different, allowing the Fire Department more direct access to major roads and highways in all directions. Development over time has cut off these access points, increasing the time it takes for firefighters to come to the station for a call, and to get from the station to a call. The facility is built into the earth on two sides, and had substantial mold issues in prior decades, requiring a full interior gut for remediation. Since that time, no new issues of that type or scale have been identified. Additionally, Fire Station No. 2 also serves as a polling location during elections.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. There are no provisions for 24/7 staffing at any of the existing fire stations. It is essential that the City switch to an on-duty staffing model to keep a cost effective fire department, and the existing stations prohibit this transition.
02. The stations are not designed to build camaraderie and support department recruitment efforts.
03. The apparatus doors are not sized for modern fire apparatus. This limits the vehicles that the department can purchase and operate.
04. The apparatus doors are not equipped with high-cycle springs and tracks, which leads to more frequent failures and delayed response.
05. The apparatus doors do not meet the provisions of UL 325, the modern safety standard for those doors.
06. There is no indicator light that tells the apparatus driver when the overhead door has cleared the light bar, increasing the likelihood that the top of the apparatus will hit the bottom panel of the door.
07. The turnout gear is stored in the apparatus bays and is exposed to diesel exhaust and natural UV light. This is a violation of NFPA standards.

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08. Turnout gear is located behind the apparatus, creating a risky location for firefighters to don or doff PPE with potentially moving apparatus behind them.
09. The decontamination spaces are not equipped to be compliant with NFPA standards.
10. There is insufficient separation between the potentially contaminated areas of the station and equipment/areas that need to remain clean.
11. There is no sink for handwashing before entering clean areas of the station.
12. There is carpet in the fire stations, which can harbor carcinogen or bacteria that is tracked in from the apparatus bay.
13. There is very little opportunity for hands-on training for the firefighters.
14. The angle of the bay doors relative to the interior of the station forces responding firefighters to make repeated left and right turns.
15. The angle of the bay relative to the street makes responding towards the north awkward and returning from the south impossible.
16. There is insufficient walking space between the apparatus and the walls of the bay.
17. The station requires backing-in. This puts the firefighters who stand outside the vehicle and act as spotters at risk, and increases the risk that apparatus will be damaged by contact with the building.
18. There is no storage area in the building other than along the walls of the apparatus bay.
19. There is a step between the apparatus bay floor and the remainder of the fire station. This is a tripping hazard during response.

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20. A chest freezer is stored in the apparatus bay where the contents can easily become contaminated.
21. There is not a separate janitor area for the contaminated portions of the facility to avoid transfer of contaminants on mops and brooms.
22. There is no secure vestibule that would allow a firefighter to interact with a member of the public without giving them access to the entire facility.
23. There are no windows in the facility except into the watch room and apparatus bay.
24. There is insufficient exhaust in the apparatus bays.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Specifically at restrooms but also at the main corridor connecting the office space to the garage, maneuvering clearances and door push/pull clearances are tighter than currently allowed.

Site:

01. Refer to general building summary re: access to the station from greater Golden Valley.
02. The configuration of the single-access, angled bays requires multi-point turns when returning to the station in order to park engines backing in, which creates a fair amount of noise for the immediately adjacent single-family residences.
03. There is only a single driveway and parking lot for staff and visitors, which becomes an operational issue while the station serves as a polling location during elections.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. No specific issues identified during the walkthrough.

Interior:

01. There is not enough space when entering the building for firefighters to clock in when responding to a call, as there is only a small corridor adjacent to the main office.
02. Restrooms do not provide adequate locker space.

Plumbing:

01. Vehicle apparatus bay and work area are served by trench drains.
02. A gas-fired tank water heater at the back of the apparatus bay serves plumbing fixtures, wall faucets, mop sinks, emergency eye-wash, and clothes washer.
03. Plumbing fixtures in the building have manual (non-sensor) flush valves and faucets.

HVAC Systems:

01. Fire station offices, dayroom, and restrooms are served by a constant volume packaged rooftop unit.
02. Front dispatch office includes heating/cooling PTAC unit.
03. Vestibule includes electric cabinet unit heaters.
04. Vehicle apparatus bay and work area are heated by gas-fired unit heaters at the ceiling.

Electrical Systems:

01. 200A 120/208 power system
02. Transformer is unlabeled.
03. There are exposed wires at various locations throughout the station.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. No specific notes.

Lighting:

01. Fluorescent lighting fixtures at interior and at exterior pole-mounted fixtures.
02. No occupancy sensors at most of the building, only manual toggle switches.
03. There are some missing light fixtures.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. No specific comments

Audio-Visual Equipment: N/A

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FIGURE 1: Exterior brick finish shows some signs of accidental damage from vehicles leaving and entering the apparatus bay.



FIGURE 2: The open garage houses vehicles, lockers, laundry, storage, and an early historic fire engine.

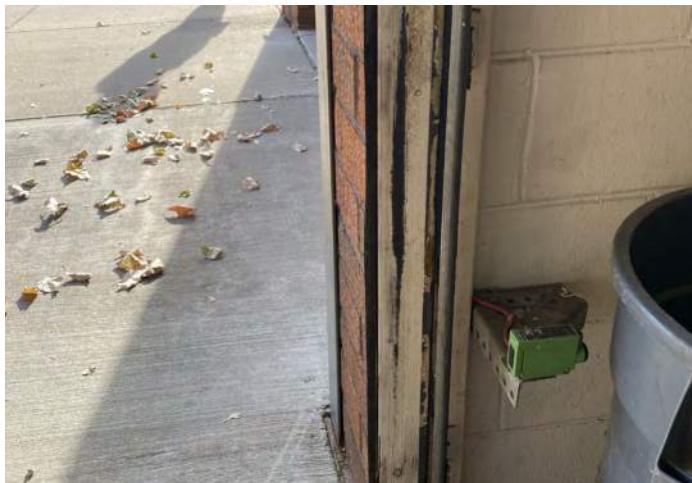


FIGURE 3: Wooden frames at the apparatus bay doors are weathered.



FIGURE 4: Staggered layout of the apparatus bay, along with narrow bay doors, leaves little room for vehicle doors to open, or for adequate turndown space.



FIGURE 5: Entrances to and from the apparatus bay are cramped and have an immediate step that is a potential tripping hazard.



FIGURE 6: Some staining is present on the interior walls.

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FIGURE 7: Apparatus bay floors show some signs of wear.



FIGURE 8: Signs of moisture and mold problems are present in the ceiling tiles.



FIGURE 9: Turnout lockers are located in the apparatus bay, which can be dangerous for firefighters with trucks potentially moving behind them.



FIGURE 10: Furniture and finishes in the dayroom are dated.



FIGURE 11: Apparatus bay doors are undersized for modern equipment, leading to difficult entry and exits during a call.



FIGURE 12: Apparatus bay threshold shows some signs of wear.

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FIRE STATION #3

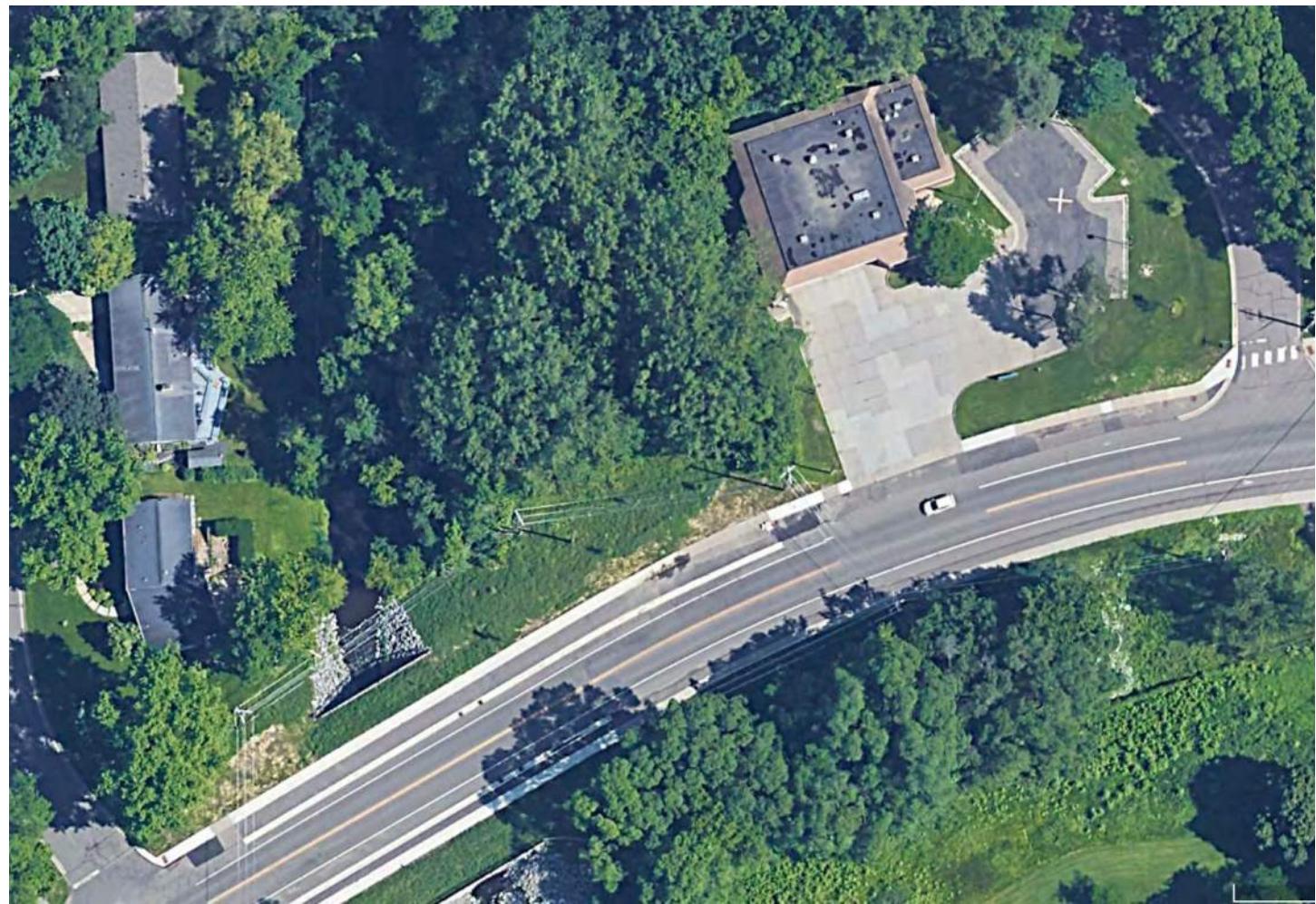
Address: 3700 Golden Valley Road,
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Year Built: 1979

Gross Area: Approximate 5,600 GSF at Level 1



GOLDEN VALLEY FIRE STATION NO. 3



OVERALL SITE CONTEXT

II. Facility Audits - Fire Station #3

Building Overview

In addition to serving as a Fire Station, this location is also used as a polling place, which causes issues with an overlap of public and emergency service vehicles, and public use of operational spaces for the fire department.

Summary of Findings

Operational Issues:

01. There are no provisions for 24/7 staffing at any of the existing fire stations. It is essential that the City switch to an on-duty staffing model to keep a cost effective fire department, and the existing stations prohibit this transition.
02. The stations are not designed to build camaraderie and support department recruitment efforts.
03. The apparatus doors are not sized for modern fire apparatus. This limits the vehicles that the department can purchase and operate.
04. The apparatus doors are not equipped with high-cycle springs and tracks, which leads to more frequent failures and delayed response.
05. The apparatus doors do not meet the provisions of UL 325, the modern safety standard for those doors.
06. There is no indicator light that tells the apparatus driver when the overhead door has cleared the light bar, increasing the likelihood that the top of the apparatus will hit the bottom panel of the door.
07. The turnout gear is stored in the apparatus bays and is exposed to diesel exhaust and natural UV light. This is a violation of NFPA standards.
08. Turnout gear is located alongside the apparatus, creating a risky location for firefighters to don or doff PPE with potentially moving apparatus beside them.
09. The decontamination spaces are not equipped to be compliant with NFPA standards.

10. There is insufficient separation between the potentially contaminated areas of the station and equipment/areas that need to remain clean.
11. There is no sink for handwashing before entering clean areas of the station.
12. There is carpet in the fire stations, which can harbor carcinogen or bacteria that is tracked in from the apparatus bay.
13. There is very little opportunity for hands-on training for the firefighters.
14. The location of the responder parking with regards to the apparatus response path creates conflicts.
15. The station requires backing-in. This puts the firefighters who stand outside the vehicle and act as spotters at risk, and increases the risk that apparatus will be damaged by contact with the building.
16. There is no storage area in the building other than along the walls of the apparatus bay.
17. There is a step between the apparatus bay floor and the remainder of the fire station. This is a tripping hazard during response.
18. The corridor is too narrow to allow two people to pass each other.
19. There is not a separate janitor area for the contaminated portions of the facility to avoid transfer of contaminants on mops and brooms.
20. There is no secure vestibule that would allow a firefighter to interact with a member of the public without giving them access to the entire facility.
21. The gang shower does not meet modern standards of privacy.

Accessibility + Code Compliance Issues:

01. Maneuvering clearances at restrooms and between garage and office area.

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Site:

01. Site only has a single driveway for use by staff vehicles, emergency vehicles, and public vehicles when in use as a polling place.
02. Site is steeply sloping at the edges, and there is some indication of initial settlement issues towards the NW corner of the interior garage slab.

Exterior Building Envelope:

01. This building has wood fascia and soffits, with a combination of general wear, damage from (birds or animals), and moisture issues on horizontal soffit issues. This type of material is not recommended as a primary exterior finish due to issues with longevity and durability without frequent maintenance.

Interior:

01. Interior spaces and finishes are dated.
02. Configuration of dayroom does not separate out kitchen and seating area from meeting space.

Plumbing:

01. Apparatus Bay is served by trench drains.
02. A gas-fired tank water heater at the back of the apparatus bay serves plumbing fixtures, wall faucets, mop sinks, emergency eye wash, and clothes washer.
03. Plumbing fixtures in the building have manual (non-sensor) flush valves and faucets.

HVAC Systems:

01. Fire station offices, dayroom, and restrooms are served by a constant volume horizontal gas-fired AHU located in the vehicle apparatus bay.
02. Front dispatch office includes a heating/cooling PTAC unit.
03. Dayroom includes electric baseboard at windows.

04. Vestibule includes electric cabinet heaters.

05. Vehicle apparatus bay includes exhaust through low intakes and in-line exhaust fans that discharge to exterior wall louvers.
06. Apparatus bay includes a gas fired make-up air unit mounted in the ceiling of the bay.
07. Ductwork and dampers in the apparatus bay are configured such that the return/relief air from the office area can be discharged into the apparatus bay or to the inlet of the make-up air unit.
08. Apparatus bay includes a newer overhead infrared gas-fired tube system.

Electrical Systems:

01. 120/208V power system.
02. Transformer is unlabeled.

Emergency / Stand-by Power Distribution

01. No specific comments.

Lighting:

01. Fluorescent light fixtures at interior and exterior of building.
02. No occupancy or daylight sensors; manual toggle switches throughout.
03. Some missing light fixtures.

Safety and Security Systems:

01. No specific issues.

Audio-Visual Equipment:

01. N/A

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FIGURE 1: Curbs in the parking lot show signs of damage.



FIGURE 2: Signs of wear and moisture are visible at exterior wood soffits and fascia.



FIGURE 3: There is some damage in the sidewalks around the building.



FIGURE 4: Furniture and finishes in the dayroom are dated.



FIGURE 5: Wear and damage from birds is common in the exterior fascia.



FIGURE 6: Some visible cracking appears in the apparatus bay floors.

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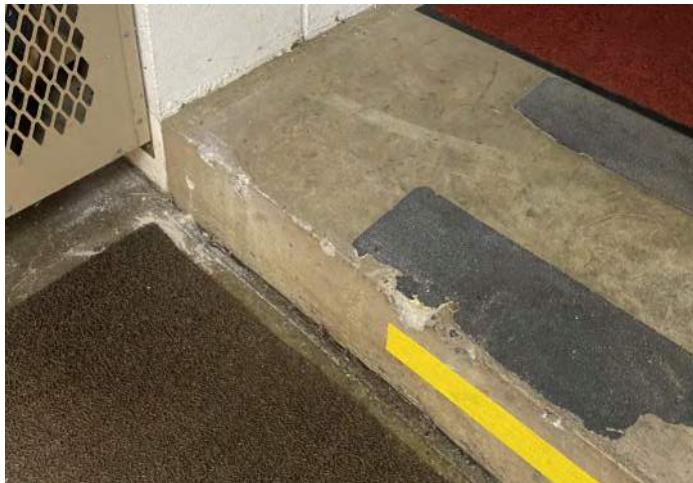


FIGURE 7: Some wear and damage appears on the step into the apparatus bay.



FIGURE 8: Turnout lockers are located in the apparatus bay, which can be dangerous for firefighters with trucks potentially moving behind them.



FIGURE 9: The apparatus bay doors are undersized for modern equipment, making for difficult entry and exit while responding to a call.



FIGURE 10: Bathroom fixtures appear dated and lack privacy.



FIGURE 11: Visible wear and damage is present in the office countertop.



FIGURE 12: Some visible cracking appears in the dayroom walls.

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Figure 13: The apparatus bay is used for open storage.



Figure 14: Accessory vehicles stored in the apparatus bay do not have clear exits without shuffling around the equipment. Note: these are adjacent to laundry and drying equipment.



Figure 15: Some signs of separation and settling appear along the exterior walls of the apparatus bay. Dimension of settlement is not concerning at this time.



Figure 16: CMU walls in the dayroom show signs of efflorescence.

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A NOTE ON FACILITY ASSESSMENTS FOR FIRE STATIONS:

Firefighters are at significantly higher risk than the general population to develop cancer (21% higher colon cancer risk, 32% higher brain cancer risk, 39% higher skin cancer risk, 102% higher testicular cancer risk, etc.). This risk is a direct result of their firefighting activities – they are frequently exposed to highly toxic and carcinogenic compounds at the fireground (arsenic, benzene, acrylonitrile, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, etc.), and they bring those compounds back to the fire station on every hose, ladder, fire truck, and piece of personal protective equipment that was anywhere near the fire. In addition, operating diesel fire trucks inside the fire station every day for years has resulted in massive amounts of diesel particulates permeating the apparatus bay (one large study showed a typical apparatus bay has concentrations 16 times above EPA Standards). Both the fireground toxins and the diesel particulates are so small that they hang suspended in the air for long periods of time, so the risk does not go away between calls but rather is consistent every time the apparatus bay is entered. Apparatus Bays are not a safe place to work, not a safe place to store equipment and supplies (especially absorptive materials like paper products), and not a safe place to walk through to gain access to adjoining spaces. Any adjoining space that is not properly protected through air pressure differentials and air locks also becomes contaminated. The increased risk of cancer becomes a major factor in evaluating the functionality of a fire station, and it will be covered in detail.



04 NEAR-TERM POLICE STATION PLAN CONCEPT

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BACKGROUND

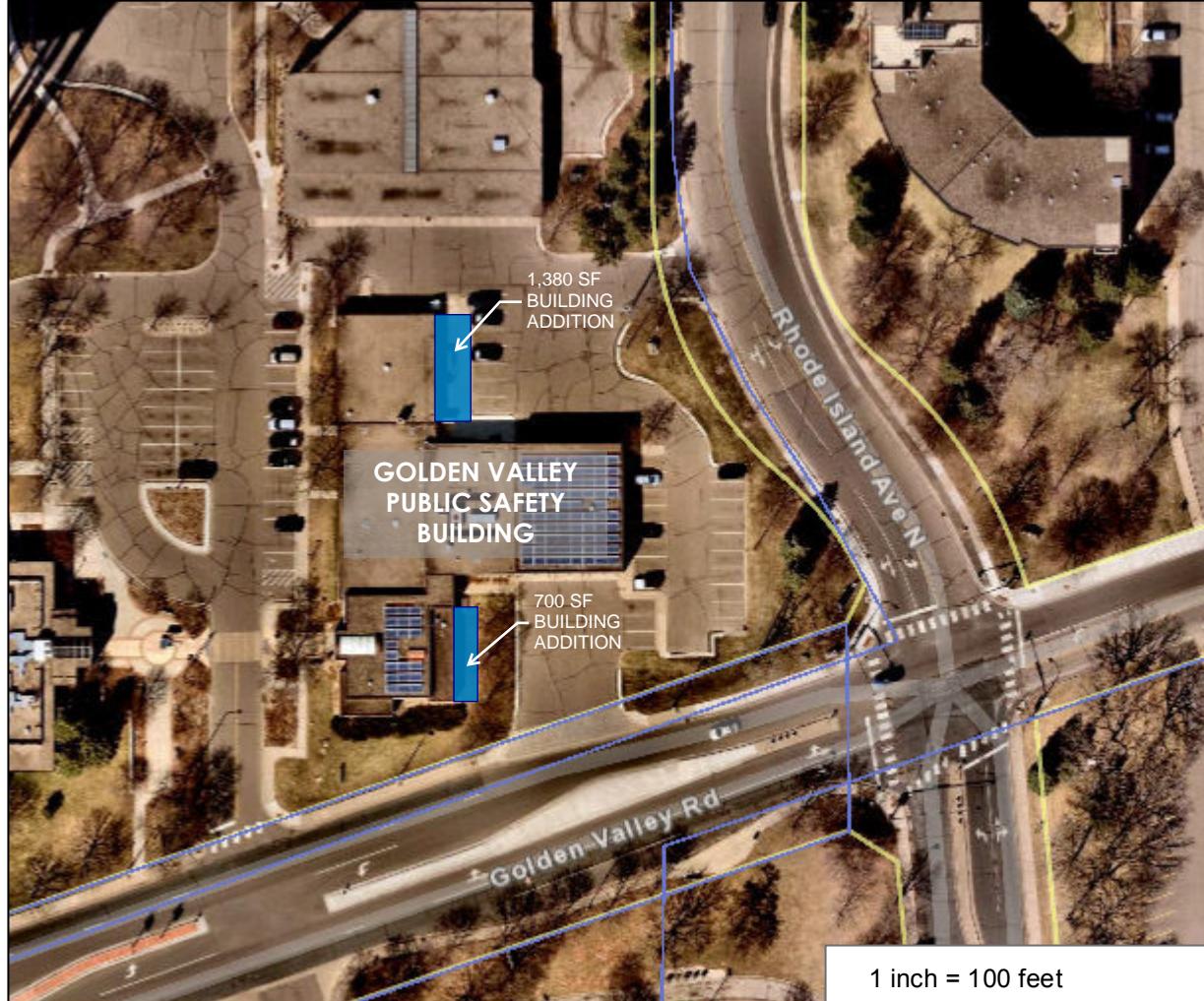
Throughout the early assessment and programming phases of this project, the police department identified issues with the existing facilities that presented challenges to efficient operations aligned with current operating standards. Early considerations of prioritization between other facilities and departments including police suggested that it might be possible for the department to continue operating out of the existing facility with only modest investment in capital improvements to the facility before a new one was constructed to address issues holistically as part of the overall campus improvements and reconfiguration. As financing projections and recommendations expanded the overall timeline of implementation for campus improvements and a future consolidated Public Safety building shifted outwards further in time, it became necessary to acknowledge how pressing current issues with the facilities are, relating to day-to-day operations, hiring, and retention, since staff departures continued throughout the time of this projection and completion of final recommendations.

Following completion of project financing and phasing timelines, the design team reconnected with City representatives, including Physical Development Director Marc Nevinski, interim Police Chief Scott Nadeau and Fire Chief Creelly (re: shared existing Public Safety building), to review concerns and insights to inform recommendations to enable continuity of service and quality of service for the period in which the Police Department continues to operate out of the existing Public Safety facility. Immediate needs identified by the department focused on critical needs such as lockers, open workspaces, shared workspaces, and the public lobby.

The design team, including dialogue with Kraus Anderson relating to phased renovations within an operating facility, developed a focused renovation and addition to address the current space deficiencies and workflow issues. This concept includes an addition to provide expanded and renovated locker rooms in the lower level along with additional office and workspace to support the growing department. Interior renovation is needed to improve the sergeants' offices and provide additional interview space adjacent to the public lobby. A second addition is planned at the rear of the facility to provide suitable evidence processing and storage space, as well as storage for duty bags and appropriate report writing space for patrol. Additionally, relocating evidence processing and storage from the lower level not only improves operational workflow, but also provides opportunity to repurpose the existing space for specialized police specific training. These alterations are intended to support the department's immediate needs, addressing the most pressing issues while anticipating a new public safety facility in the future.

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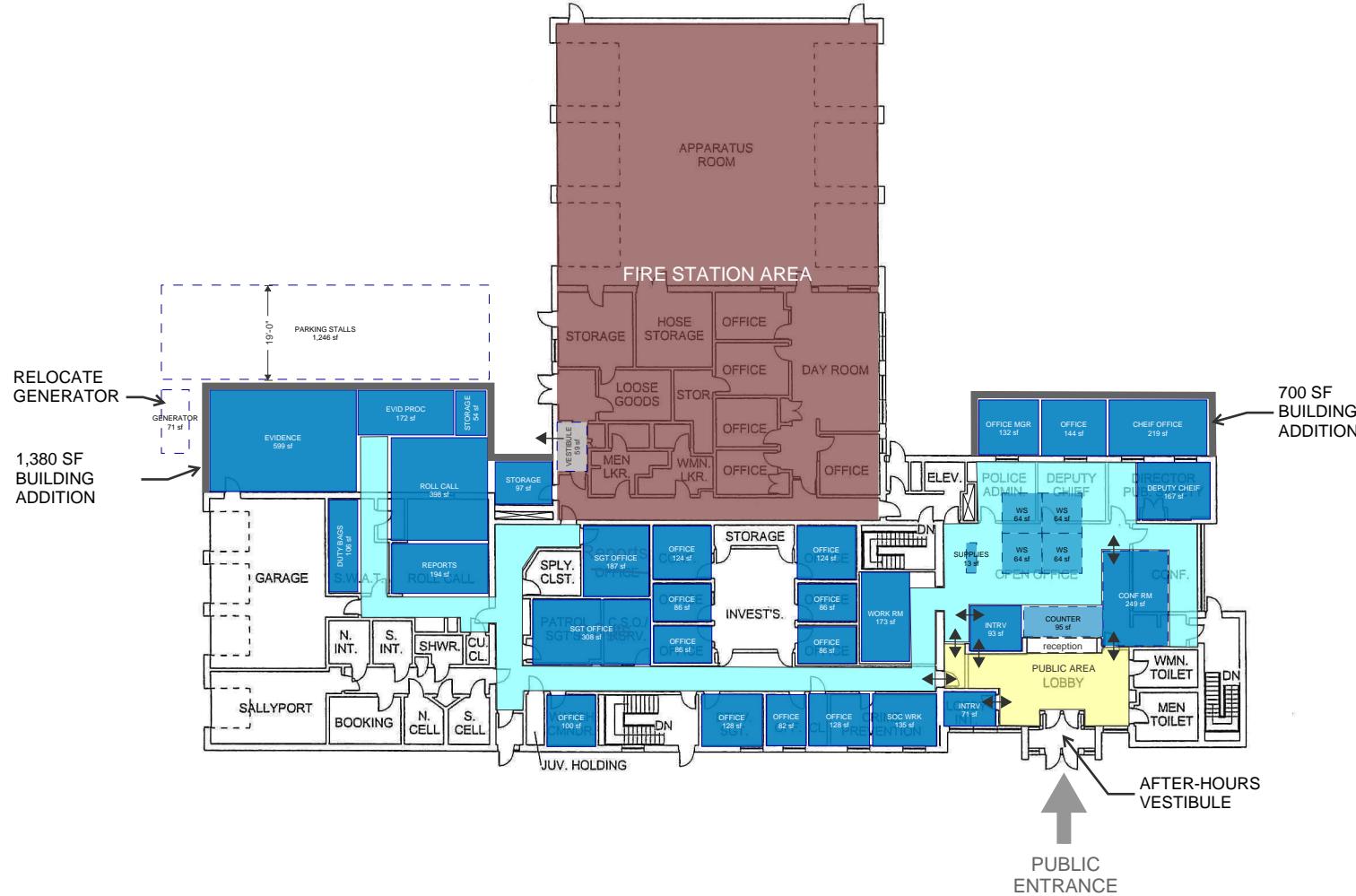
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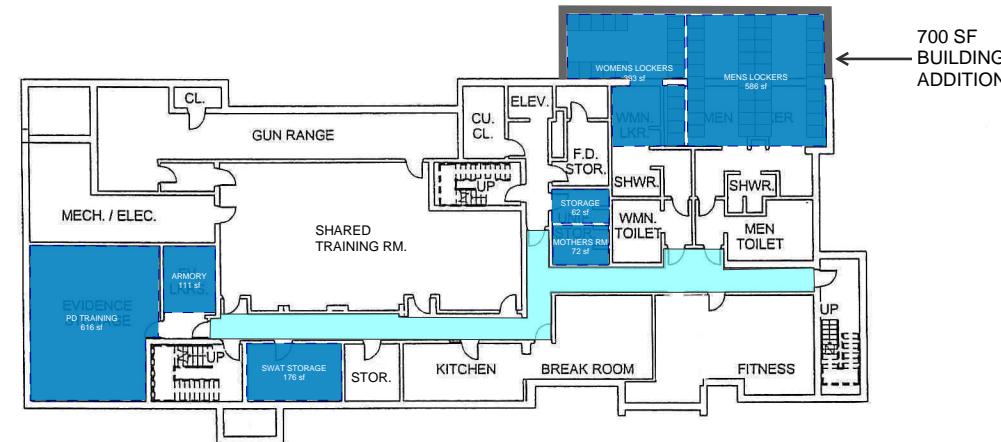
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Lower Level



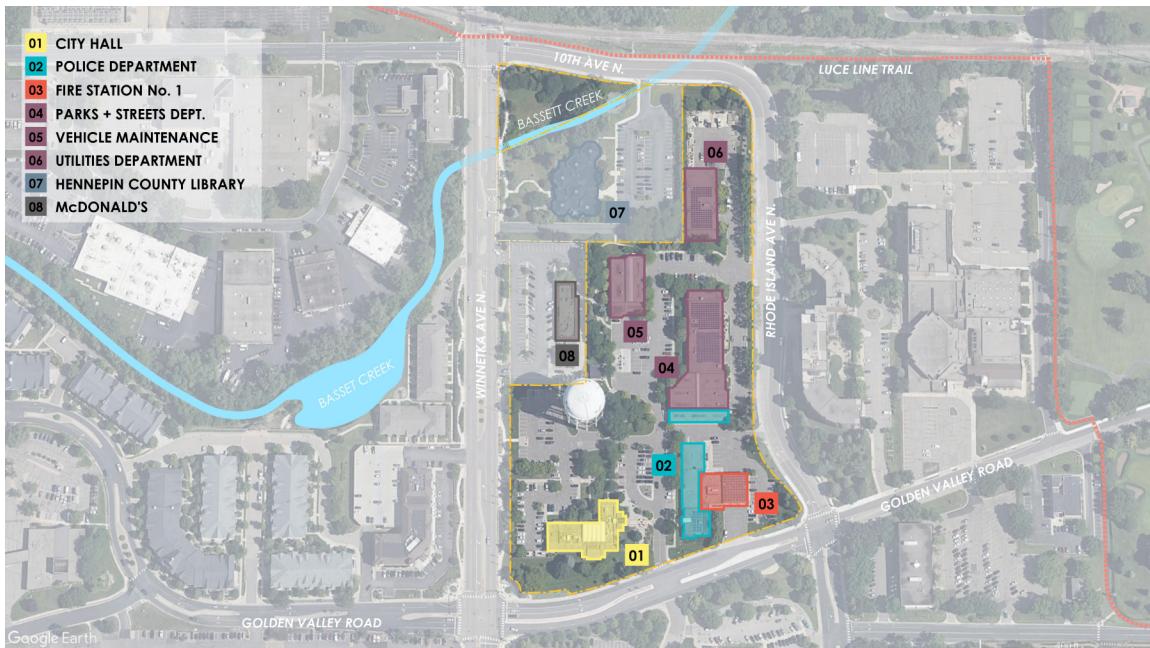


05 PRELIMINARY MASTER PLAN CONCEPTS

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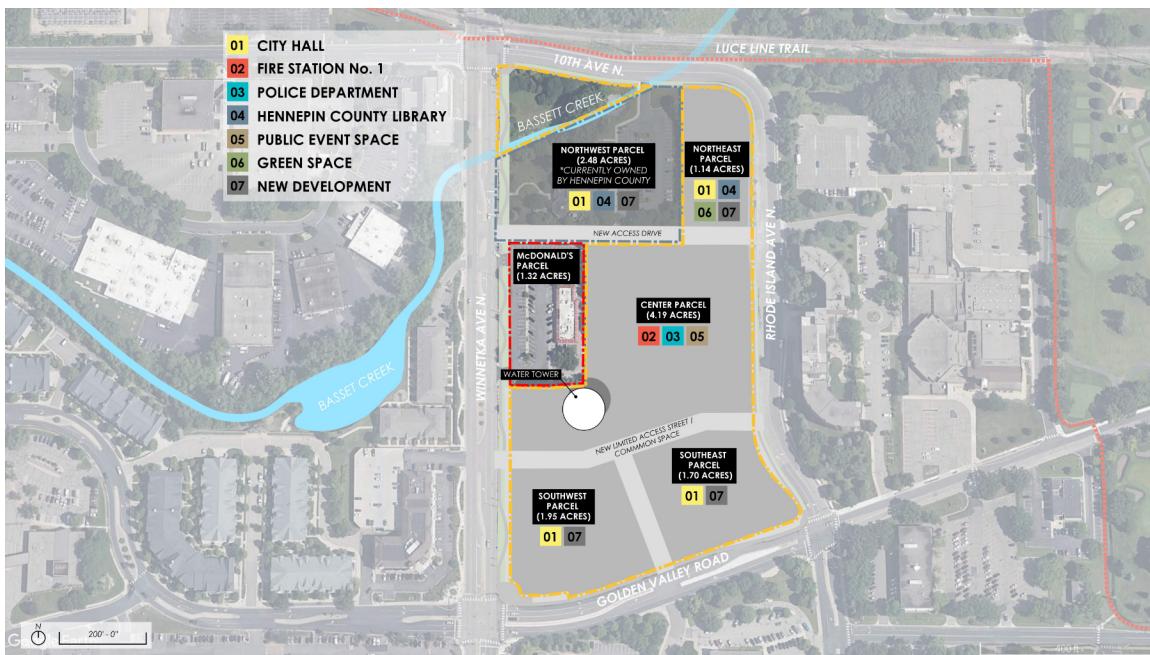
The preliminary planning approaches herein represent the design team's exploration of concepts for the northeast quadrant that address the project's goals and objectives, reflect the priorities and guidance of the Steering Committee and Task Force, and incorporate input from the Downtown Study and from this project's community engagement efforts. Initial concepts sought to explore the greatest variety of planning opportunities within the site, using building footprints sized according to the space program projections, and reflecting planning and best practice approaches to access, flow, and pedestrian safety.



Existing Northeast Quadrant Site Plan

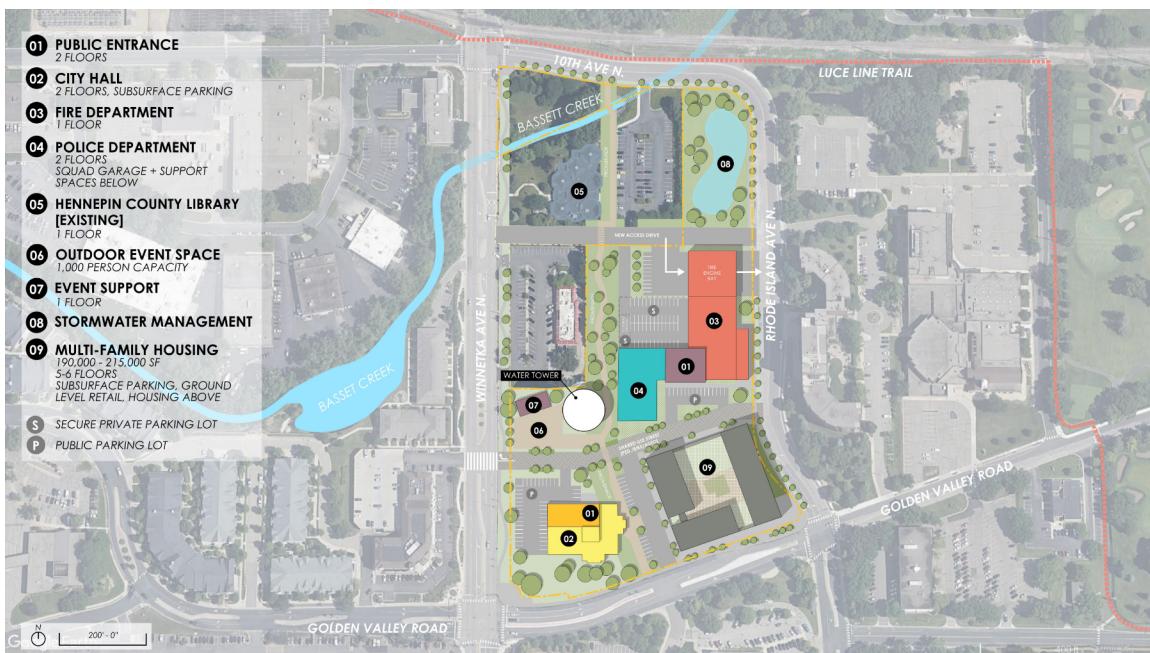
City of Golden Valley Property is bounded by a golden property line and indicated with a brighter intensity of color. City facilities are indicated in color by department.

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Northeast Quadrant Space Use Blocking

This diagram was developed following preliminary explorations of site development. For each of the proposed parcels, colored numbers indicate the variety of potential uses for each area, according to square foot capacity, access, views, and planning priorities.



Option A

Retains City Hall in its existing location while relocating Public Safety to the center of the block, releasing the SE parcel (corner of Golden Valley Road and Rhode Island Ave) for multi-use development.

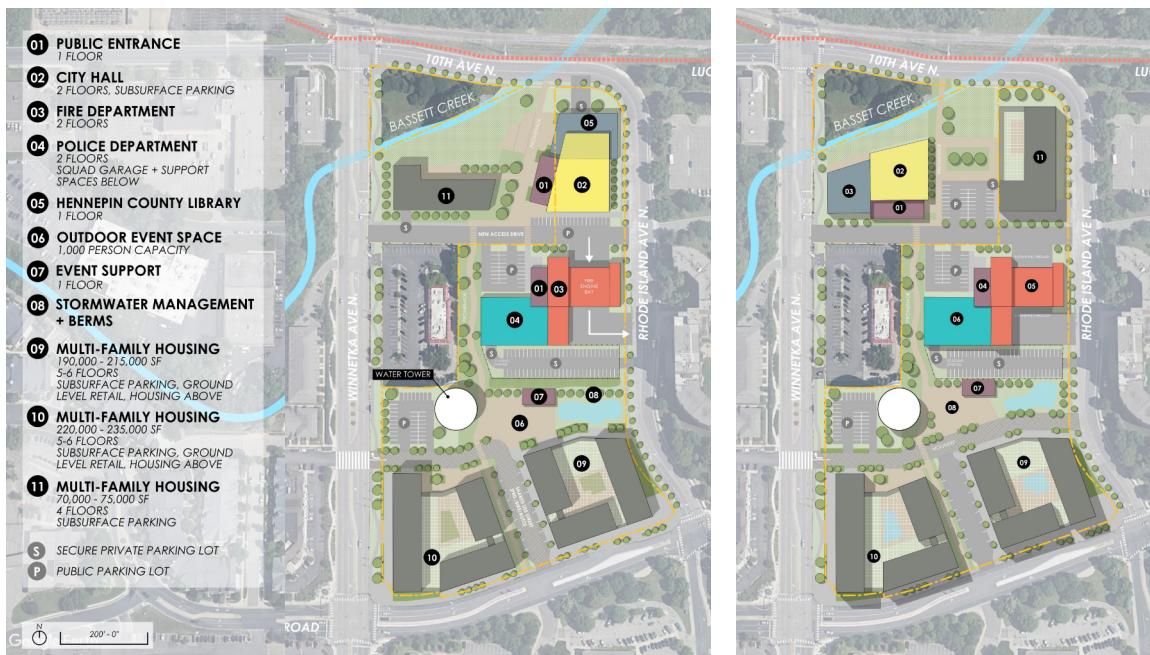
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PRELIMINARY MASTER PLAN CONCEPTS



Options D.1 and D.2

The D Options explored a scenario where City Hall and the Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin County Library are co-located, which benefits residents re: "one-stop shopping." This also allows for three distinct parcels for redevelopment across the site, with a smaller mid-rise building on the north side of the site.

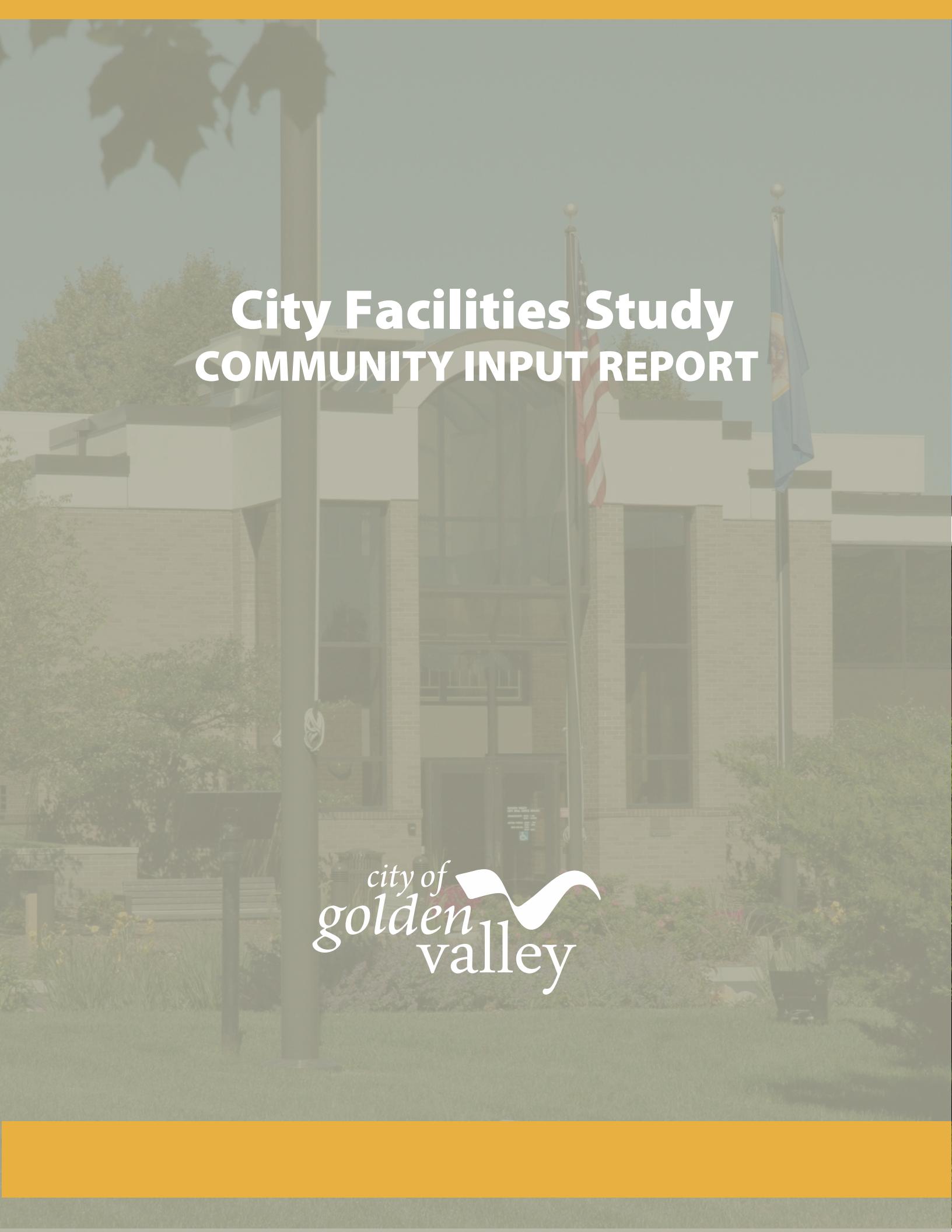


Option D.3

This scheme prioritized the quality of public space over total parcels for redevelopment, with a centralized co-located City Hall and Library "In a Park," which increases a sense of civic identity and offers expanded public outdoor space.

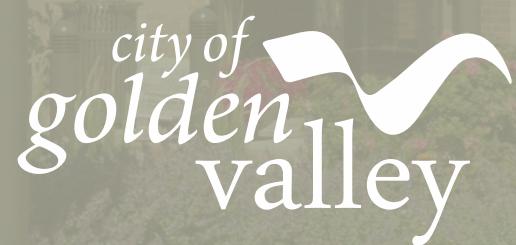


06 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



City Facilities Study

COMMUNITY INPUT REPORT



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Overview

Soliciting public input was a major component of the City Facilities Study.

Phase I solicited input from the community through a virtual open house and survey regarding the following areas:

- City Hall
- Public Safety Building
- Hennepin County Library
- Downtown Area

Phase II solicited input through a virtual community forum that outlined the City's operational and space challenges to be addressed in coming years for Fire, Police, Public Works, and City Hall. The two-session forum was followed by an audience Q & A session.

In **Phase III**, the City used an interactive online survey tool to help the public share their input on proposed concepts for both the Facilities Study and the Downtown Study. The concepts were developed with input from earlier community engagement efforts, insights from the Facilities Study Task Force, and guidance of the Facilities Study Steering Committee.

City staff also hosted an information table at the Aug 15 Market In The Valley, with the option for residents to participate in guided tours of City Campus facilities. While several residents stopped at the table with questions, no one took the tour.

All community input opportunities were promoted multiple times in *CityNews*, on the City website newsfeed, on Cable Channel 16, and through social media posts on Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor.

Phase I: Facilities Study Survey

The survey asked for public input on each of the areas under consideration. It also asked two demographic questions, one regarding whether respondents lived or worked in Golden Valley, and the other to establish the age range of respondents.

It was active from Dec 11, 2020–Jan 26, 2021, was limited to one response per IP address, and had 330 responses (324 online and six paper). See Appendix A for complete survey results.

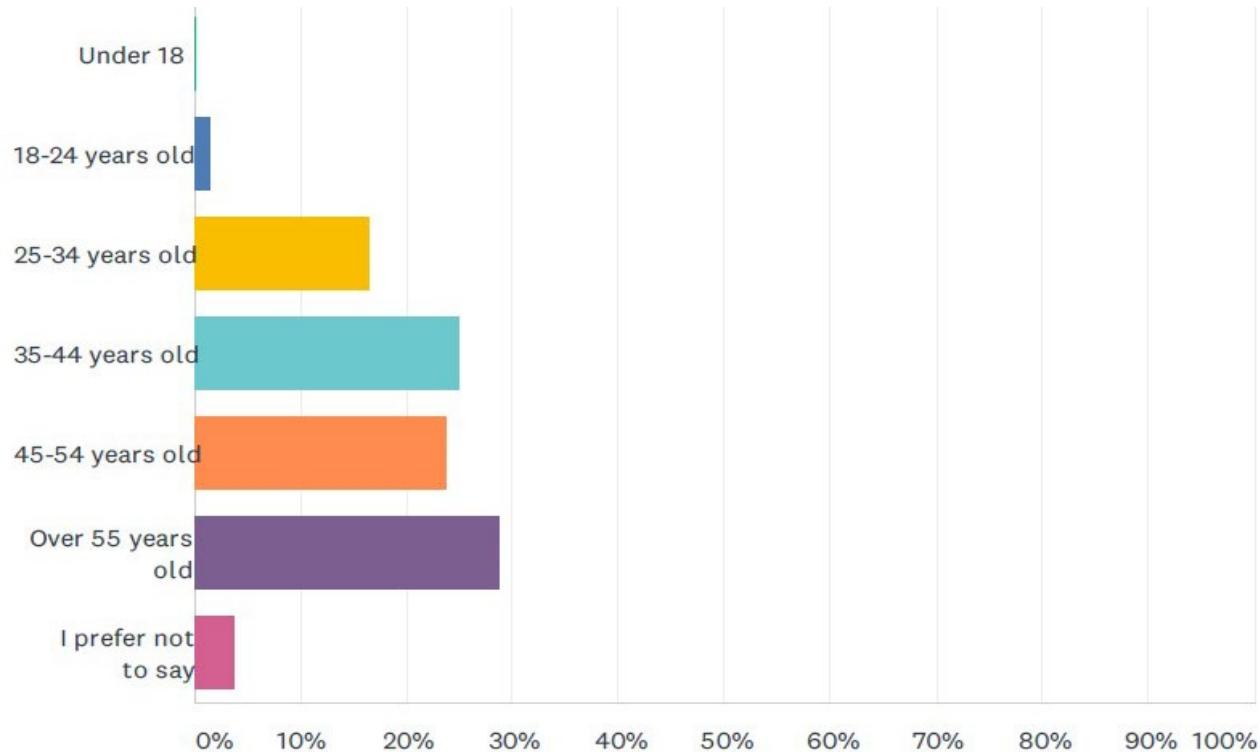
To kick off the survey, the City created a virtual open house video to explain the purpose of the study and to provide residents with an overview of the issues before taking the survey. The video was available for viewing Dec 11, 2020 on the City website, YouTube channel, and social media. As of Nov 2, 2021 the open house had 459 views on YouTube.

Information about the open house and survey was published in the Nov/Dec 2020 and Jan/Feb 2021 issues of *CityNews* and multiple times on the City website newsfeed. The City further promoted the open house and survey 10 times on Facebook and Twitter and four times on NextDoor between Dec 11, 2020 and Jan 26, 2021. See Appendix D for reach and engagement details for each post.

DEMOGRAPHICS

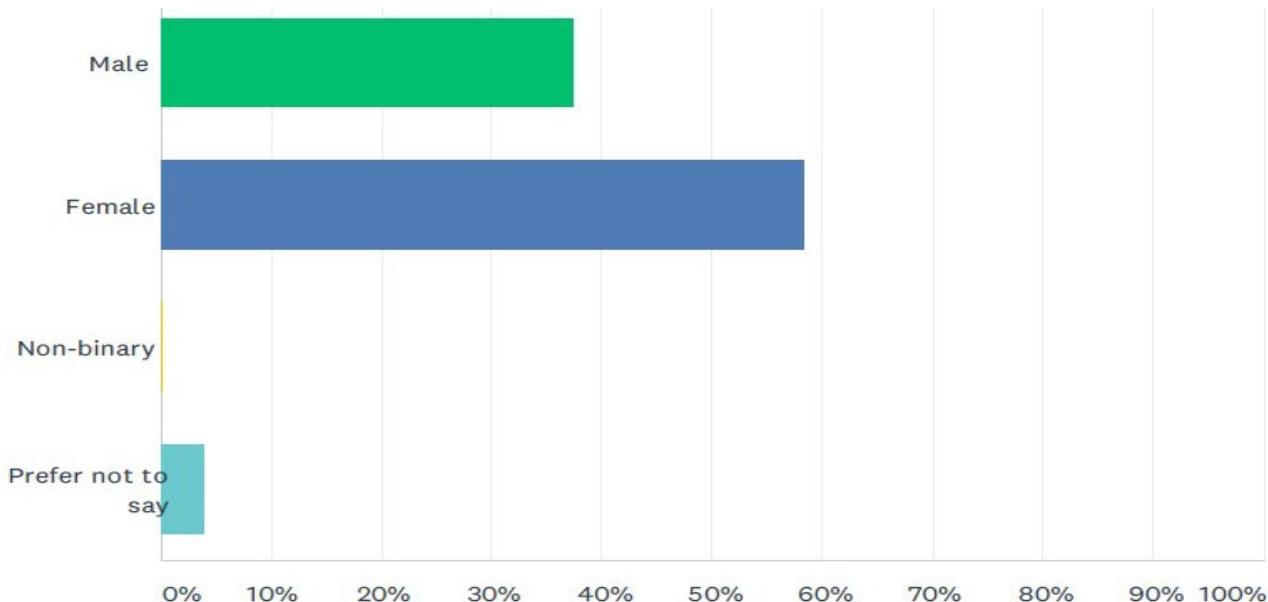
What is your age?

Of the 326 responses to this question, 94 (28.83 percent) are over age 55, 82 (25.15 percent) are age 25–44, 78 (23.93 percent) are 45–54, 54 (16.56 percent) are 25-34, 12 (3.68 percent) prefer not to say, 5 (1.53 percent are age 18-24), and 1 (.31 percent) is under age 18.



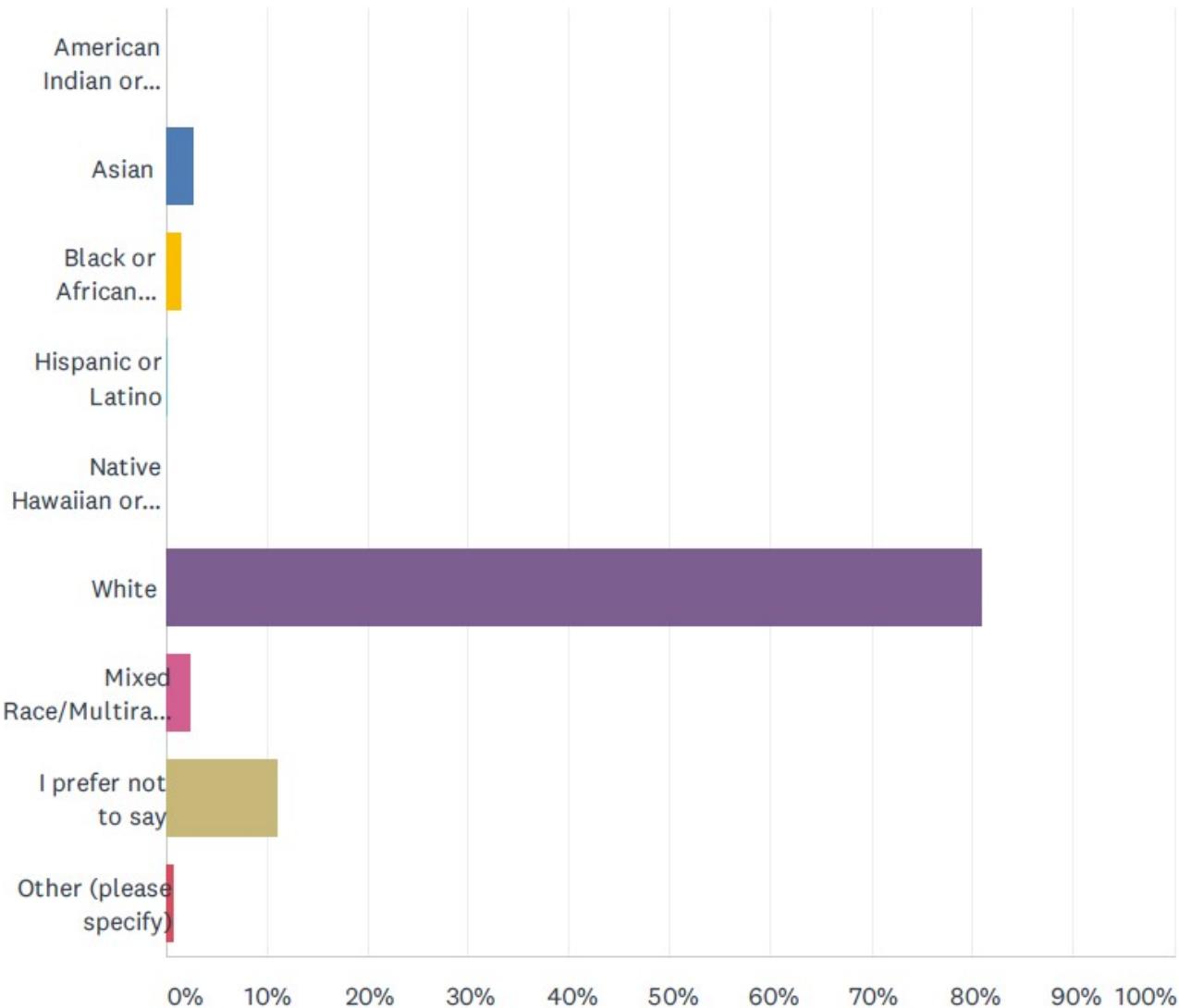
What is your gender?

Of the 324 responses to this question, 189 (58.33 percent) identify as female, 121 (37.35 percent) identify as male, 13 (4.01 percent) prefer not to say, and 1 (0.31 percent) identifies as non-binary.



What is your racial identity?

Of the 325 respondents who answered this question, 263 (80.92 percent) identify as White, 36 (11.08 percent) prefer not to say, 9 (2.77 percent) identify as Asian, 8 (2.46 percent) identify as Mixed Race/Multiracial, 5 (1.54 percent) identify as Black or African American, 3 (0.92 percent) identify as Other, and 1 (0.31 percent) identifies as Hispanic or Latino.



“Other” Answers

Rather than identifying that the the survey responder is a resident taxpayer, questions 1-6 are totally irrelevant.
(See our attachment containing suggestions)

human

Mediterranean and White

What is your ethnicity and/or country of origin?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. It was answered by 173 people.

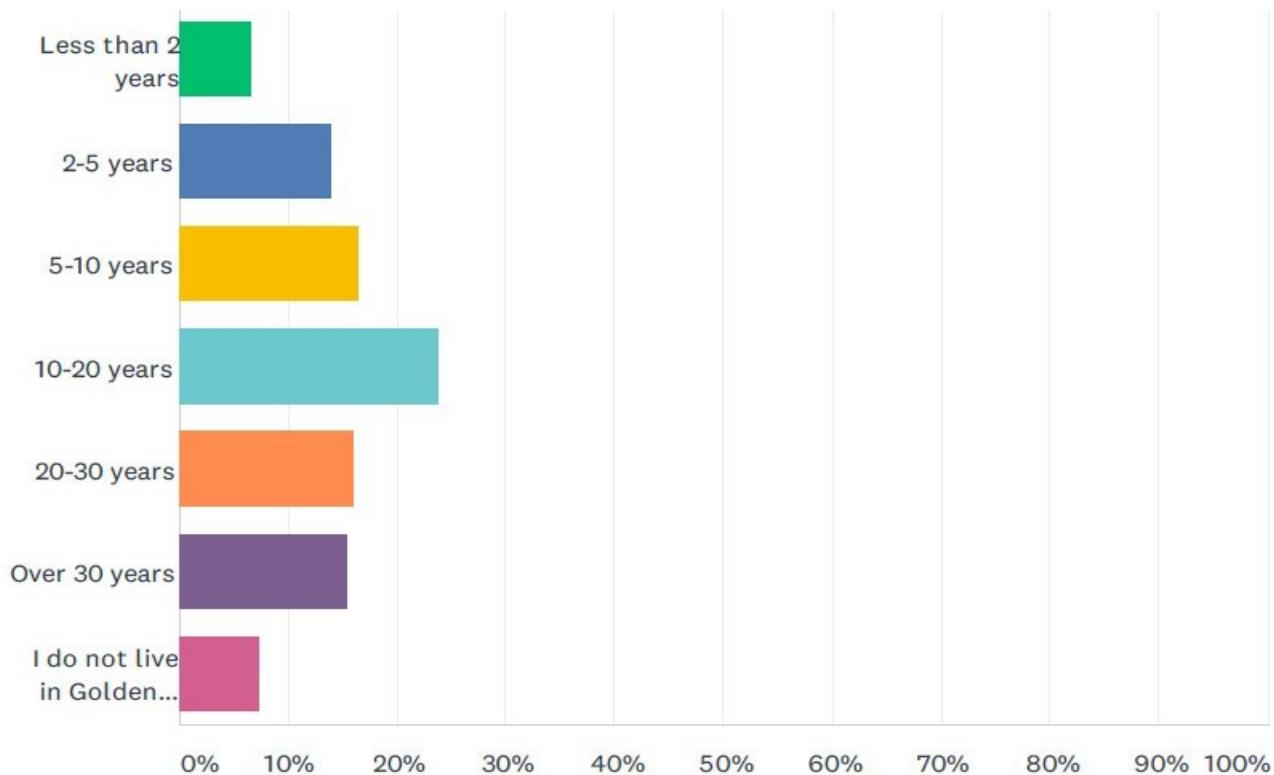
Responses

Danish/German, born in USA	USA	USA
USA	USA	US
US born of Eastern European descent	German/English	United states
USA	USA	Usa
USA	USA	Canada
Scottish	USA	USA
USA	USA	USA
American	USA	American
German/Swedish/Norwigan	English French German	US
USA	USA	American
USA	Us	USA
United States	Japanese American	Usa
White	United States	German
American	USA	USA
United States	USA	Usa
USA	USA	German/Czech/Polish
Scottish/British/German/Swiss	White, Hispanic, US	USA
Cuba	Usa	Why is this relevant?
USA	American	American
USA	Czechoslovakia	Mutt
USA	European American, US	USA
White	USA	N/a
USA	US	Bosnia
USA	Latino	Usa
USA	US	Usa
Norwegian/English/Irish	Mexican	United Stares
USA	NA	German
Irish Catholic	Hmong	USA
United States	Norwegian American	United States

USA	European	USA	
USA	European American	Usa	
Eastern Europe	US	Swedish	
France	Northern European/British isles	USA	
USA	Caucasian	American	
Usa	US	US	
German	USA	Scandinavian	
American	United states	USA	
Englans	United States	American	
Usa	USA	United States	
Hmong	Germany (5th generation American)	African/Mexican/Euro American	
USA	Jewish	Jewish	
Scotland	USA	USA	
USA	American	USA	
American	USA	Norwegian, German, Irish	
US	Usa	USA	
Vietnam	United States	Born in the US; ethnicity is Northern European	
USA	USA	USA	
US	American	United States of America	
Southeast Asian	Jewish	USA	
USA, Caucasian	Western European	German/Irish	
US	Norway	United States	
United States	Korea	American	
US	USA	Norway	
US	European	USA	
US	Scots, English, Irish	US	
Caucasian	Usa	Caucasian	
Finnish	USA	American	
USA	White		

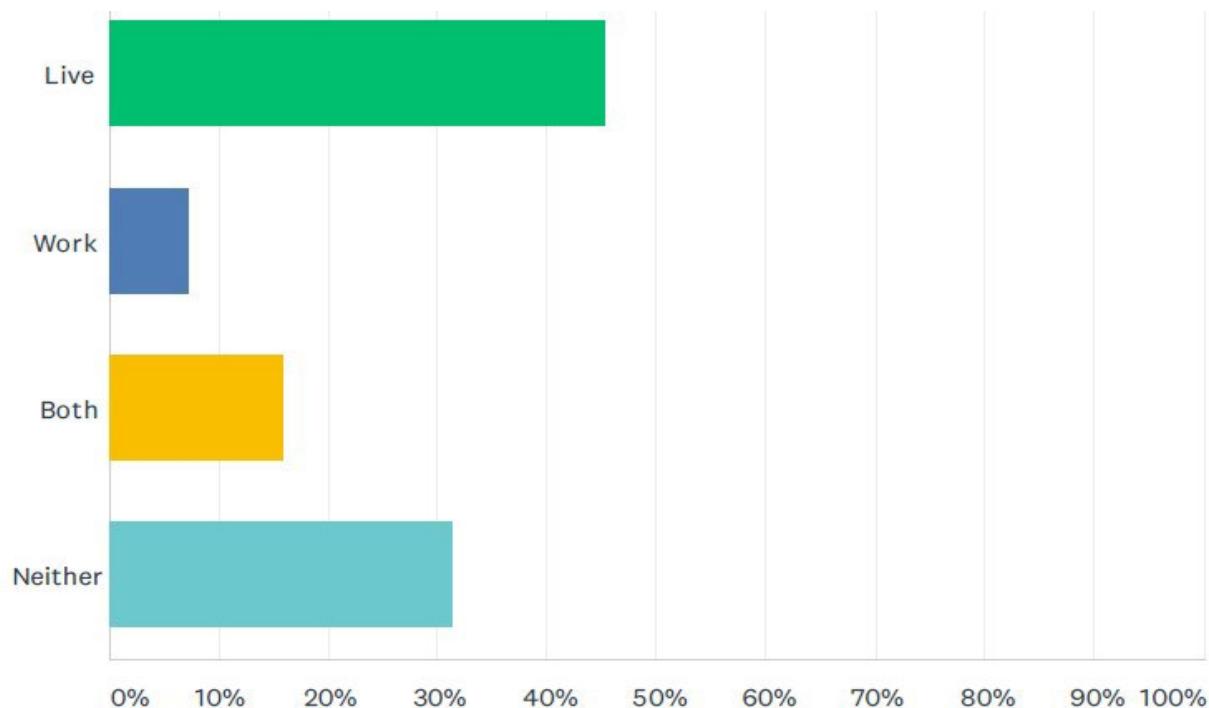
Are you a current resident of Golden Valley? If so, approximately how long have you lived in Golden Valley?

Of the 328 responses, 78 (23.78 percent) have lived in Golden Valley for 10–20 years, 54 (16.46 percent) for 5–10 years, 53 (16.16 percent) for 20–30 years, 51 (15.55 percent) for more than 30 years, 46 (14.02 percent) for 2-5 years, and 22 (6.71 percent) for less than 2 years. The remaining 24 (7.32 percent) do not live in Golden Valley.



Do you live or work in or near Downtown Golden Valley? This area is generally defined by the intersection of Winnetka Ave and Golden Valley Road.

Of the 328 respondents, 149 (45 percent) live near the downtown area, 24 (7 percent) work near the downtown area, 52 (16 percent) live and work near the downtown area, and 103 (31 percent) neither live nor work in the downtown area.



VISION

Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important.

Based on response averages, the highest ranked item is *Keep City Hall downtown to support civic, social, and business activity* and the lowest ranked item is *Center equitable access to City resources and services*.

Item	1	2	3	4	5	6	Weighted Avg
Develop a long-term plan for developing new facilities, relocating Public Works, and to potentially open a portion of the current site to private investment.	50	43	36	11	29	48	3.32
Keep City Hall downtown to support civic, social, and business activity.	86	35	35	27	23	19	2.65
Explore co-locations for efficiency, value, and impact.	24	36	45	63	29	19	3.44
Consolidate public works into a single location, off-site from the Civic Campus to improve efficiency, accommodate contemporary vehicles and equipment, and facilitate service efficiency.	28	39	33	57	31	32	3.55
Center equitable access to City resources and services.	18	25	39	33	66	38	4
Provide inclusive and equitable facilities for the public and for Golden Valley staff.	22	44	35	26	35	63	3.88

Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Present location is fine, already consolidated. How often, anyway, do fire trucks close GV roads while crossing? Danger? No!
Respondent labels all above as 6+ on their written survey. Refers to attached document for comments.
Enhance the beauty and look of Bassett Creek where it traverses downtown GV, add setbacks, greenway
A larger waiting area with more seating at the DMV (addressed generally in the video, but not specifically) along with an "express" window for quicker needs line renewing tabs
A more humane holding space for wandering pets caught by or turned in to GV police, within the station itself. The current one on 10th is appalling.
We don't need apartment buildings. Businesses and improved public facilities only.

If moved, compensate owners of property where new location will be at 2X 'market value' to be fair to them.
A revamping of the DT strip mall
Efficient emergency services
Move the post office operations offsite also. We only need the counter walk up area.. Inaddition, I believe we need to create a gathering place and retail downtown for our community to promote development of restaurants, bars, and other retail. The so called "downtown" area of GV faces Hwy 55.
I wish to keep all city- like services in the "downtown" - post office - city hall - police-fire-library. update and upgrade the strip mall "Golden Valley Shopping Center".
All of these priorities are important. I hope Golden Valley will also have a warm, welcoming (non-industrial) visual appeal.
The economic situation in this country is going to get worse. These building are sufficient.
Do not move fire station #3
no
Eco friendly which is maybe this is included in the plan.
Common Sense cost efficient plan instead of what "feels good."
How about keeping things as is? Our taxes are high enough and still paying for Brookview.
Yes, please include environment and human health resiliency and sustainability.
The current location makes sense and is easily accessible by all residents. While I appreciate all city employees, I don't feel location is an issue and companies generally don't relocate based on this. There are already existing options for including a nice green/gathering space at the existing footprint
I value having a centralized location for services and having it updated for function, and beauty. I prefer to optimize current locations (build up? Lower Parking garage vs lot, landscape/hard scale updates, etc.). Moving it would have a big (possibly negative) impact on the community- depending on where it goes. For example, I am vehemently opposed to leveraging Scheid park for a new city center and parking lot. The green space and services (sledding hill, baseball diamonds, hockey rink, tennis courts, playground) are also a critical part of the community and should not be forgotten.
Encourage redevelopment of the HUGE eyesore that is the Golden Valley Plaza.
tear it all down build more high rise apartments
No
no
Commitment to sustainability
T
No
Develop a comprehensive traffic plan and road reconstruction that will facilitate ease of use and the increased car/ pedestrian use that comes with creating a "downtown". The current layout of winnetka/ rhode island and 55 will become a mess with further increase in usage.
Keep the current city resource area for community use: gathering, walking, farmer's market, art crawl, sitting and reading or visiting with others. Do make commerical. The three shopping centers provide plenty of commercial space.

I envision a walkable downtown (defined as: I can walk or bike there easily from my home) where I want to spend time with my family on a regular basis. The current state of GV downtown is lacking in almost every way. It's hard to say what was lacking in the open house video, but the focus on improving the downtown area for residents seems to have gotten lost in the mix. I agree new facilities are needed, but found the arguments in favor of those to be a stretch. Why not be more direct with the request to improve, consolidate and build new facilities to make them more efficient? And then do it. Downtown has so much potential, but needs a major overhaul that focuses on creating spaces and places that residents want to enjoy. Look at the North Loop or Eastside neighborhoods of downtown for ideas instead of the West End. Look at connecting Brookview to downtown. Currently, Brookview has so much more to offer residents than downtown with its green space and community gathering areas inside and equally important, outside.

We need a grocery store in the downtown area.

Prioritize creation and preservation of green spaces throughout the city. Do not allow permits for further development of large apartment complexes in highly congested areas.

A nice central downtown hub.

No

Some of these rank equitably. Make city hall accessible. Stop spending money on studies to move the FD.

Utilize Brookview investment for some city services

Opportunity to bring in new businesses, shops and restaurants. Our "downtown" is lacking in character and resources.

Strong planning coordination with surrounding cities and public state agencies to provide efficient and equitable use of space and services. No planning in just a city focused bubble.

This exercise is to provide elected officials with notches in their belt and to make work for city staff. I would to know how many city residents have asked for new facilities.

Ensure a safe and secure Police Department. Ensure they have secured parking for squad cars and personal vehicles.

I think there should always be a long-term plan for city facilities. I think it is important to keep costs as low as possible while making sure the facilities meet the community's needs.

Fire stations

Take advantage of any freed up land to create denser housing. Integrate native plants / landscaping to help our pollinators and celebrate our natural ecology

multi-use considerations. Public use of meeting/training rooms if available. In downtown area place for bands/dance/theater to practice and perform. Possible contracting by city with companies to allow use of facilities by organizations in Golden Valley.

Honestly, I don't see a great reason to keep any of the city services campus in downtown. It's a waste of prime real estate. Goals missing: Economic development in downtown; Create a compelling reason for light rail to travel thru downtown; Create cultural and public events spaces in downtown; Continue to build a modern brand and identity for GV; Celebrate the iconic GV water tower with development integration; Integrate a new library facility (helps with all the above); partner with McDonald's to relocate/integrate within the development; Create a hub for cyclists, walkers, etc via the adjacent Luce Line trail. Your priorities list seems VERY focussed on internals, which are important and a good catalyst for change, but these are not true "vision" items. It looks like you've skipped to tactics and missed actual vision and strategy. Think bigger folks, this is a once in 100-years situation.

Grouping of vision components creates challenges for complete response.
What do you mean in question #7: Center equitable access to City resources and services. This is not clear. #8 Missing: should city hall and services move to the center of Golden Valley-- to Douglas or should it stay in downtown to provide more foot traffic for businesses?
A cultural gathering place should be prioritized.
New buildings for police, fire, city hall and public works
Fire stations need to be improved / replaced to accomodate the new scheduling and response requirements.
Financing
n/a
Accountability for transparency in spending of tax dollars and funding the initiative.
Explore sharing more services with surrounding communities also the recent pandemic has shown that a number of administrative functions can happen remotely without having employees in a physical office
N/A
Create an identifiable downtown for city activities, festivals, etc.
Explore how to provide modern, efficient and economic public safety to the community.
develop a funding plan with good/better/best facilities proposals.
Disagree that exploring co-locations is a vision. it is a task or at most an objective.
Work to have city and county facilities (e.g., library) near each other and not split up by private enterprises, such as McDonald's.
Consult with a company that can guide city government to teach the tools of LEAN management. Saves lots of money
outside gathering place
Determine locations of new fire and police facilities
Keep it as it is...Where is all the money for this coming from? Citizens?? We already have high taxes!
Minimize residential impact and reduction green spaces. GV has an established downtown and many industrial areas that can be utilized. Please do not revisit the use of Sheid Park for this endeavor.
Walkable

OPERATIONS

Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 4 being the least important.

Based on response averages, the highest ranked item is *Balance implementation with debt management*, and the lowest ranked item is *Provide support and training spaces to enhance Police Department processing, operations, preparedness, and community outreach*.

Item	1	2	3	4	Weighted Avg
Balance implementation with debt management.	97	37	32	52	2.18
Address critical space deficiencies and accommodate projected evolutions of operations and service delivery.	44	59	55	56	2.57
Facilitate Fire Department transition from three-station paid on-call model to a two-station duty crew model for 24/7 service to address facility, operational, and safety deficiencies.	42	55	69	49	2.58
Provide support and training spaces to enhance Police Department processing, operations, preparedness, and community outreach.	36	66	59	58	2.63

Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Is this all the city management can do, is develop buzz words, pretend huge, costly changes are necessary, sew distractions with the present - all to justify its own existence? At high salary?!?!
Respondent labels all above as 4+ and refers to attached comments
Say what you mean in plain, understandable English
More GV police officers and firefighters
No
The city should prioritize moving funds away from the police department gradually, and towards investment into public services instead. The police department should not take up as large of a percentage of the city budget as it currently does.
Try to keep the 3 station on-call model for fire if possible or combine services with other communities.
As long as those impacted are included in planning and in setting priorities, the list looks inclusive.
no

Keep police force FULLY STAFFED with ARMED SWORN Police Officers - additional Training added to their budget as well. Also have FULL TIME Property/Code Enforcement - this has been lagging and properties (especially rentals) are showing wear and tear and are not being maintained. And more GV homes in general are showing disrepair. More police presence for cars driving around with expired tabs and keep our city clean. Keep our Fire Dept in Community Center... as with all City Services.

I'm assuming that by addressing critical space deficiencies that would include the Police Department needs.

Stop raising taxes!

While I feel the fire dept is functioning well from my experience, the PD does not do enough to address homeowner crimes like the high incidence I see on Next-door of theft... unsure if that's due to victim reporting or lack of resources

Location, beauty/integrated with nature, maximize multipurpose use (eg, location for training, community gatherings, mtg, etc.).

Of course I want out fire centers to be safe but it isn't clear what the 3->2 model solves. What does gender equity mean, adding a bathroom or changing room?

Create policy and training for a more community centered police force, that is innovative and non militant.

City staff makes too much money

No

Destroying a neighborhood park (shied park)for a new fire Station location

Yes debt management is important, but clearly from the video not addressing these issues will create more financial issues than it will solve.

Debt at this time is the cheapest it has been in decades. While not advocating to go crazy, it is a good time to take on some for projects rather than delaying simply due to money.

Provide more funding for police and fire.

Better training for police, fire and all GV staff and local businesses would be helpful. I worry for my hispanic children.

Hire mental health specialists to support our police department in response to crises and in public outreach

No

Again, stop trying to throw money to slice a perceived problem. Use existing spaces (like brookview community center) for training space. Keep a PAID FD. Fix up the GV Rd.fire station instead of forcing all of us to keep going to city hall to tell you that.

Assure Gokden Valley is a key decision maker for any mass transit planning through our city. How does it fit best into City plans

Why do you make us pick from choices that I would rank as four. Not important at all.

I want to know if the fire department personnel agree with the idea of 24/7 service.

Difficult to rank them. The balance implementation and debt management goes without saying and should be ranked seperately.

Wow, this is so narrow. How does anyone who doesn't work in the machine understand the nuances of this.

#9 is very difficult to rank. Word work better with a 1-10 rank for importance of each

Not sure.
n/a
Have the fire department and police department take a closer look at a shared services approach and possibly reducing building size or needs
Increase visibility of police department to the public. I think it would be good to see a design of that building and those around it that is welcoming and almost encouraging of folks to see what's going on in the inside. Important in these times.
NA
Make city services more accessible and user-friendly for the public and staff
Improving or maintaining service levels. Meet professional standards
Public needs to know what has been spent in this location since the 1990's, tax increment and all renovation cost that have been done as well. We could not afford doing the fire department until 2026 financially and now we are thinking about doing everything over. What is wrong with this picture? What ever happened to our debt reduction plan? Also, we just finished Brookview 3 years ago. That was something we really could not afford than, but we made it happen. Now, let's just add the entire city campus...Did we get a blank check? Nice idea, but people need to afford to live too. Crystal's Public Works building cost 12 million a few years ago alone.

PROJECT PROCESS

Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 3 being the least important.

Based on response averages, the highest ranked item is *Integrate community and stakeholder outreach to inform project goals and priorities* and the lowest ranked item is *Build on the guidance of the Downtown Study for development of the NE Quadrant*.

Item	1	2	3	Weighted Avg
Integrate community and stakeholder outreach to inform project goals and priorities.	92	74	37	1.73
Build on the guidance of the Downtown Study for development of the NE Quadrant.	36	57	112	2.37
Establish clear thresholds for phased investment and implementation, prioritized for near-term critical issues and aligned with the long-term vision.	78	74	56	1.89

Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

(Responder has labeled the last option also as a 3)
Respondent labels all above as 3+ and refers to attached comments
Enhance and protect the creek, allow downtown housing with convenient areas to downtown businesses.

Give the residences detailed best case and worst case cost projections and impact on taxes.
No
So interesting the wording in the above. Just learned of this survey on the LAST day you could do it.... so there needs to me MORE notifications to residents of the city as to what is happening.
No, but I am concerned about the possibility of private investment in the NE Quadrant.
no
emphasize community engagement/input
I think this is unnecessary. We are still paying for brookview. The current city facilities are fine. Why spend more of our money when unneeded.
I DO feel strongly that the amount of excessive street parking is an eyesore and an issue. There are NO houses in the Hampshire Park area, yet there is always street parking that becomes a nuisance when neighbors don't obey the parking laws, either parking in a no parking zone or during snow emergencies. Why doesn't GV discourage this by requiring permits for overnight street parking? Milwaukee does this and not only does it prioritize those who park on the street but also generates revenue for the city.
I heard rumors of a gun range. In my mind, a gun range has absolutely zero place in a community center/city hall and services center. I am 10000% against a gun range in our community.
don't waste more taxpayers dollars
No
Keep a strict budget
This survey does not feel inclusive simply from the language used. It is not accessible to the average citizen, not factoring in those with home languages other than English. It seems likely to gather feedback from a small demographic of residents.
No
Yes. Stop trying to spend money on making another urban-sprawl location, ie "downtown". Having a quiet community is just fine.
I have seen the city engage in enough of these processes to know the city will do what it wants. The last process that was truly driven by the public was the heart of the city process that was done maybe 25 years ago.
Sometimes the squeaky wheels in the community don't get it right. Gather community members who are forward thinking, who bring diverse experiences and expertise to assist. I've observed a GV mindset that favors keeping everything the same and doing business as usual. As a newer GV resident, I purchased a home in this area because I see what GV could become with forward thinking leadership. More green space! More environmentally friendly buildings! Let people tear down and rebuild homes that are old and outdated. There needs to be fewer chain restaurants and long-time restaurants/bars and businesses that have barely maintained their spaces inside or outside — those are the places dominating downtown or nearby right now. I also don't think the city buildings offer much for residents except for quick purposeful visits (e.g., voting). I would like to see fire and police combined and see potential of having them close by downtown. Priority should be on connecting Brookview to downtown and avoiding monstrosities like the West End.
I'd love to see a park association with a giant pool, outdoor rec and picnic spaces. GV is missing a community pool and ice cream shop. I'd love to see both of those at Lions Park.

Current NE quadrant plans are already likely outdated.
Comment. There was opportunity for community and stakeholder outreach for the Downtown Study, so while integrating community etc. I put it third.
Could you have any *more* consultant-speak in these? I mean what on EARTH are you expecting non-city workers to say to these statements? Good grief.
NA
Develop and identify quantifiable metrics so residents can understand decisions.
Build on guidance all recent studies
3 on all of them.
Appreciate community involvement and input considerations.

INITIATIVES

The recent Downtown Study for Golden Valley identified a number of initiatives for the broader downtown, and particularly the Municipal Campus area. Of these initiatives listed below, please rank order which are the most important to achieve with this Facilities Study. Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 7 being the least important.

Based on response averages, the highest ranked item is *Create a public plaza, park, or public gathering space for daily use and events* and the lowest ranked item is *Make City Hall more easily accessible*.

Item	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Weighted Avg
Create a stronger north/south pedestrian connection.	29	30	33	32	36	31	17	3.85
Create a public plaza, park, or public gathering space for daily use and events.	56	48	34	36	16	8	13	2.92
Create opportunities for new private development (eg, commercial, retail, residential development).	40	33	22	28	22	28	44	4.01
Better engage Bassett Creek.	9	16	37	37	50	31	32	4.53
Strengthen connections to the Luce Line Trail.	18	23	31	32	33	55	18	4.31
Enhance overall pedestrian and bike connectivity and safety.	41	47	33	21	38	19	19	3.46
Make City Hall more easily accessible.	25	19	26	25	17	38	66	4.7

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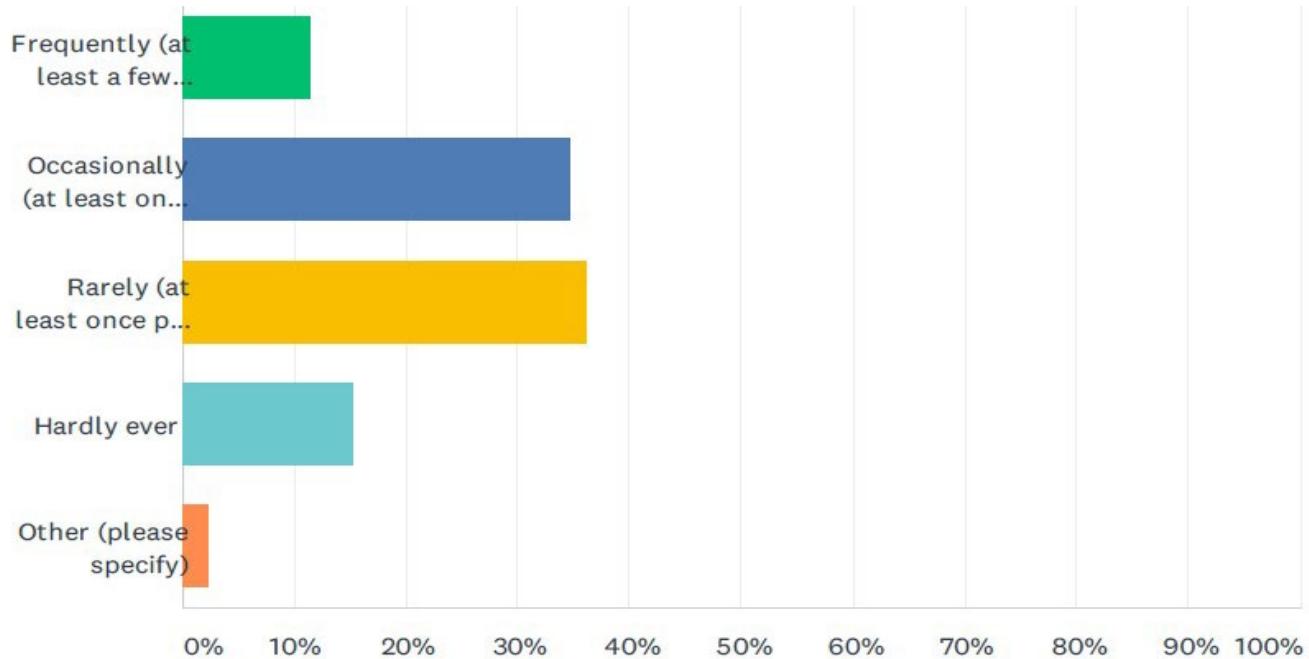
Respondent labels all above as 7+ and refers to attached comments
In addition to general public gathering space downtown, It would be great to have an off-leash public dog park, as well as a small central skating rink (with rental, as a source of revenue) that is NOT used for hockey. Interested Local businesses could sell hot food/drinks.
No more apartment buildings
Five of the above items basically say the same thing: Make a park. That's fine but when I want to visit city hall, I want a short walk from my car to the door. Many municipal designs have grand entrances set at long distances from parking. Don't make that mistake.
Nope
I feel City Hall is already accessible --- Walkability and bikability safety is important. Keeping our city clean is important and I don't exactly know what you mean about "engage Basset Creek" ----make a bridge you could walk over and enjoy the creek?? that would be nice!
visually inviting from Hwy. 55
not supportive for any in Item 13
Community garden space
Comment: Indeed, we have a beautiful creek flowing through the city, but it is hidden!
All is unneeded. Our spaces are adequate.
The options are not clear on engaging Bassett Creek, Luce Line Trail or private development... I feel this is a loaded question and not written well for the survey.
Why do we think City Hall isn't accessible? Its ugly, but its accessible.
leave as is
No
Better stormwater infrastructure for all the impervious surfaces in downtown Golden Valley.
"CityHall" needs to be defined to do a better ranking in this question, and previous.
- Establish guidelines for retail property appearances. - Continue to support native planting
Keep Down in the Valley shopping center as is.
Put dog bags on trails and add a dog park in the city
We need to deal with highway 55 being such a barrier and the lights being so slow
More small businesses
A connection from Brookview Park to downtown. First, downtown needs to become more desirable.
Less need for residential and more for restaurants, retail, etc. Prioritize a grocery store in the downtown area.
No

Safe pedestrian and bike areas are vital. Better public transport options. Accessible city hall.
Strong safe interconnection between downtown, Brookview and Theo worth park. Seek addition funding and options for overpass near 55 and parkway.
Where the cost of each of these alternatives? I would say they if the choices given is a list of deficiencies look to the city. This entire area was developed by THE CITY! The entire downtown area was created by the city (with the exception of the old shopping center). The city owned all of this land at one point in time, through the use of eminent domain. What confidence should any taxpayer have that it will be different this time and that downtown will work better?
Protect Basset creek as critical habitat and water resource. Celebrate it while leaving it as natural as possible
Economic development in downtown; Create a compelling reason for light rail to travel thru downtown; Create cultural and public events spaces in downtown; Continue to build a modern brand and identity for GV; Celebrate the iconic GV water tower with development integration; Integrate a new library facility (helps with all the above); partner with McDonald's to relocate/integrate within the development; Create a hub for cyclists, walkers, etc via the adjacent Luce Line trail.
Create stronger west/east pedestrian connection, so people can easily walk to library or city hall or businesses from either east or west side.
n/a
I'd rank City Hall item higher if 'accessible' was replaced with 'welcoming' or something that encourages time spent there that would be enjoyable.
NA
Commercial that is valuable to the community. Co-op, market, more full time farmers market.
Creating opportunities doesn't have to be separate locations. Really like the idea of replacing downtown city hall area with mixed use and make it iconic city center.
Develop off-Winnetka bike lanes between Golden Valley Road and 10th Avenue North.
We did not have the funds to improve all of our bike trails, but somehow we have the money to do all of this. Nice, but again where is the money coming from?

CITY HALL

How often do you visit City Hall?

Of the 224 responses, 81 (36.16 percent) visit City Hall rarely, 78 (34.82 percent) visit occasionally, 34 (15.18 percent) "hardly ever" visit, 26 (11.61 percent) visit frequently, and 5 (2.23 percent) responded with "Other" (see below).

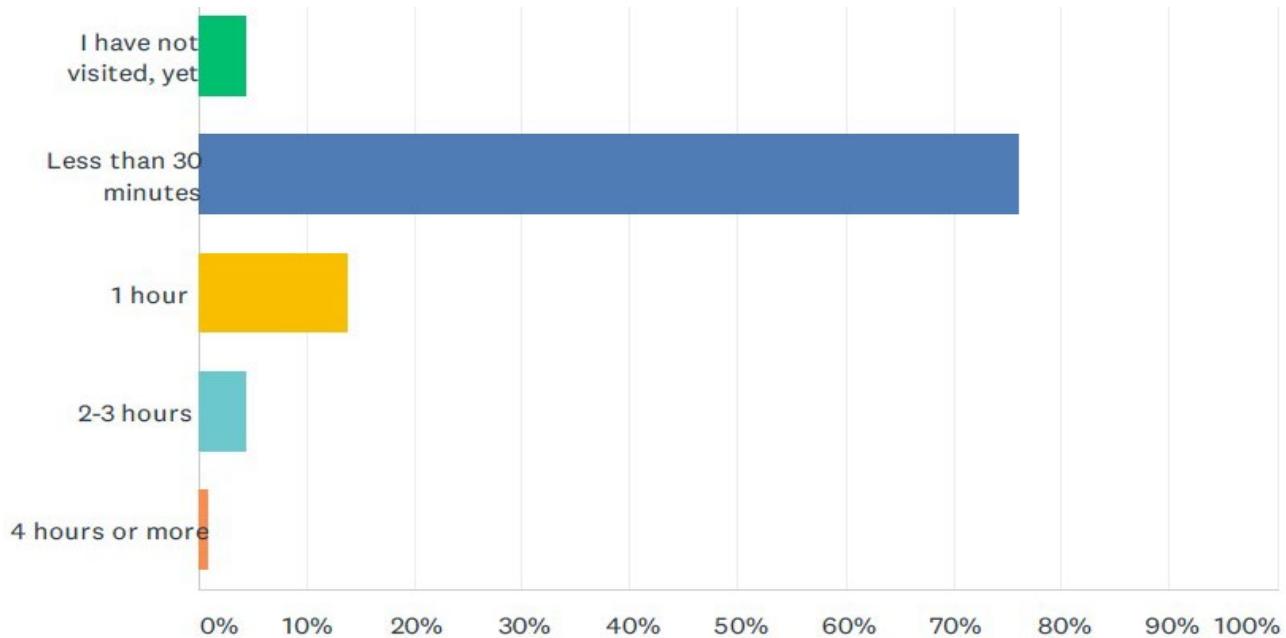


"Other" Answers

Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant gibberish"
Car tabs - voting - questions -
Hardly ever and that is okay.
Maybe once a month
Hardly. But prior to COVID, started to attend more Council and Planning meetings.

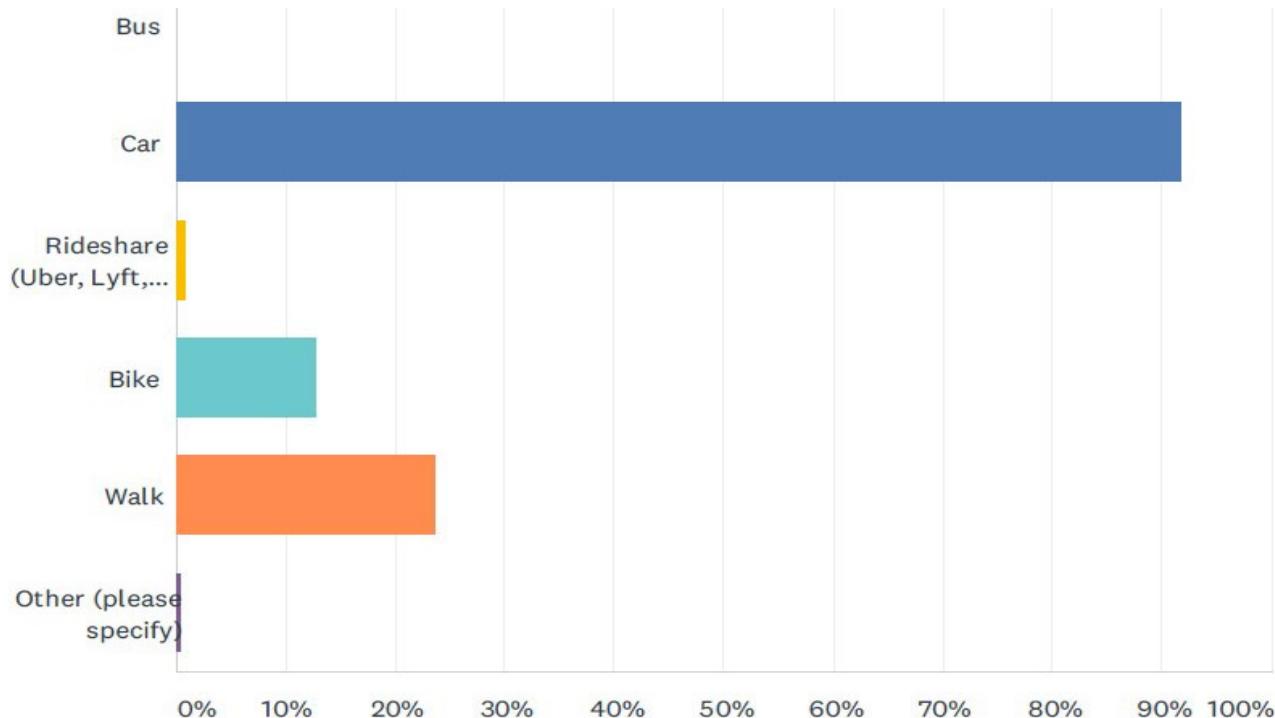
How much time do you spend at City hall when you visit?

Of the 223 responses, 170 (76.23 percent) spend less than 30 minutes, 31 (13.90 percent) spend an hour, 10 (4.48 percent) spend two to three hours, 10 (4.48 percent) have not yet visited, and 2 (0.9 percent) spend four hours or more.



How do you travel to City Hall? (check all that apply)

Of 220 responses, 202 (91.82 percent) travel to City Hall by car, 52 (23.64 percent) walk, 28 (12.73 percent) bike, 2 (0.91 percent) use a rideshare method like Uber or Metro Mobility, and 1 (0.45 percent) responded "other" (see below).

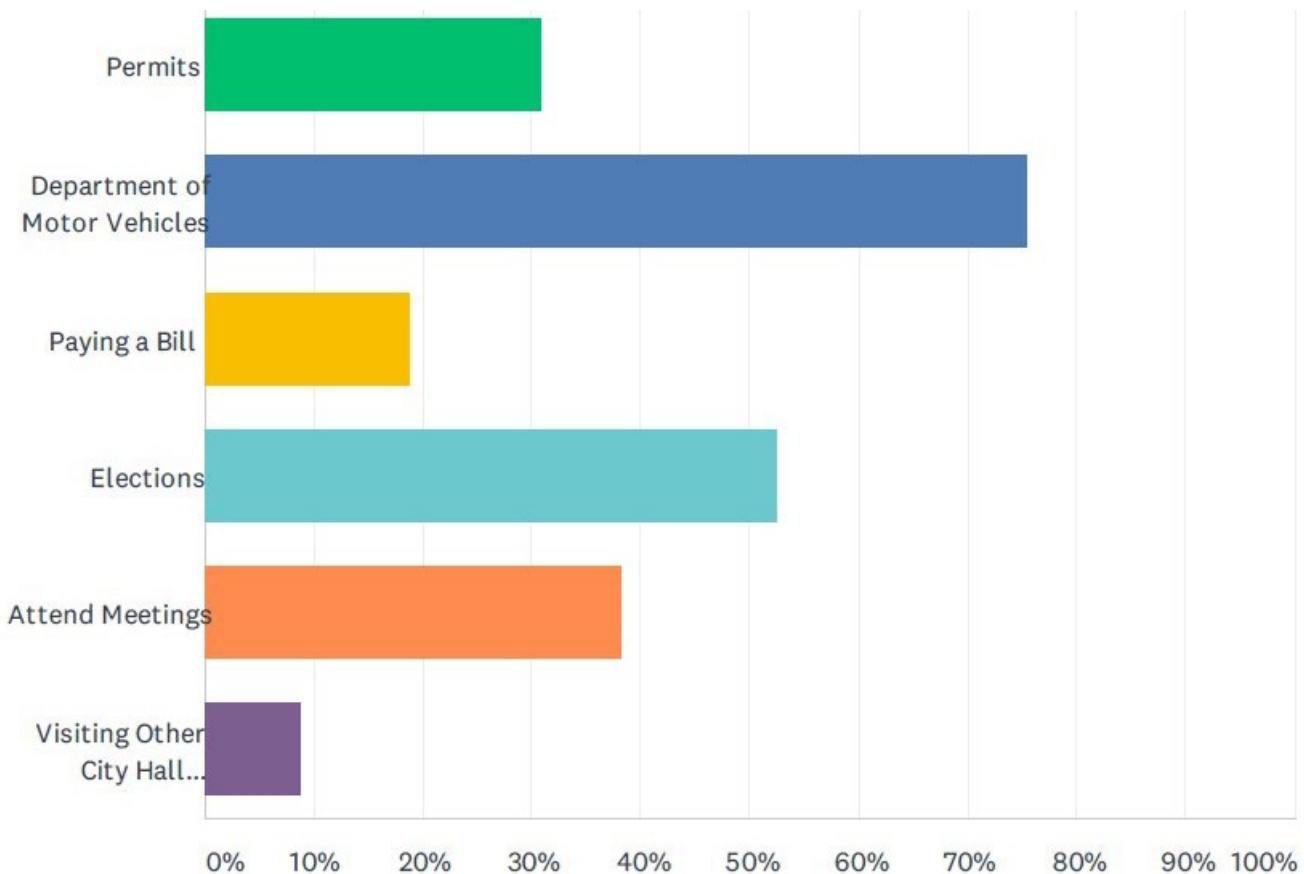


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Why do you visit City Hall? (Check all that apply)

Of 217 responses, 164 (75.58 percent) visit access the DMV, 114 (52.53 percent) visit for elections, 83 (38.25 percent) visit to attend meetings, 67 (30.88 percent) visit to obtain permits, 41 (18.99 percent) visit to pay a bill, and 19 (8.76 percent) visit other City Hall departments (see below).



“Other” Answers

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Did not specify

Fire/Police

City Hall is critical to properly serve the community

Public safety

Planning, Inspections

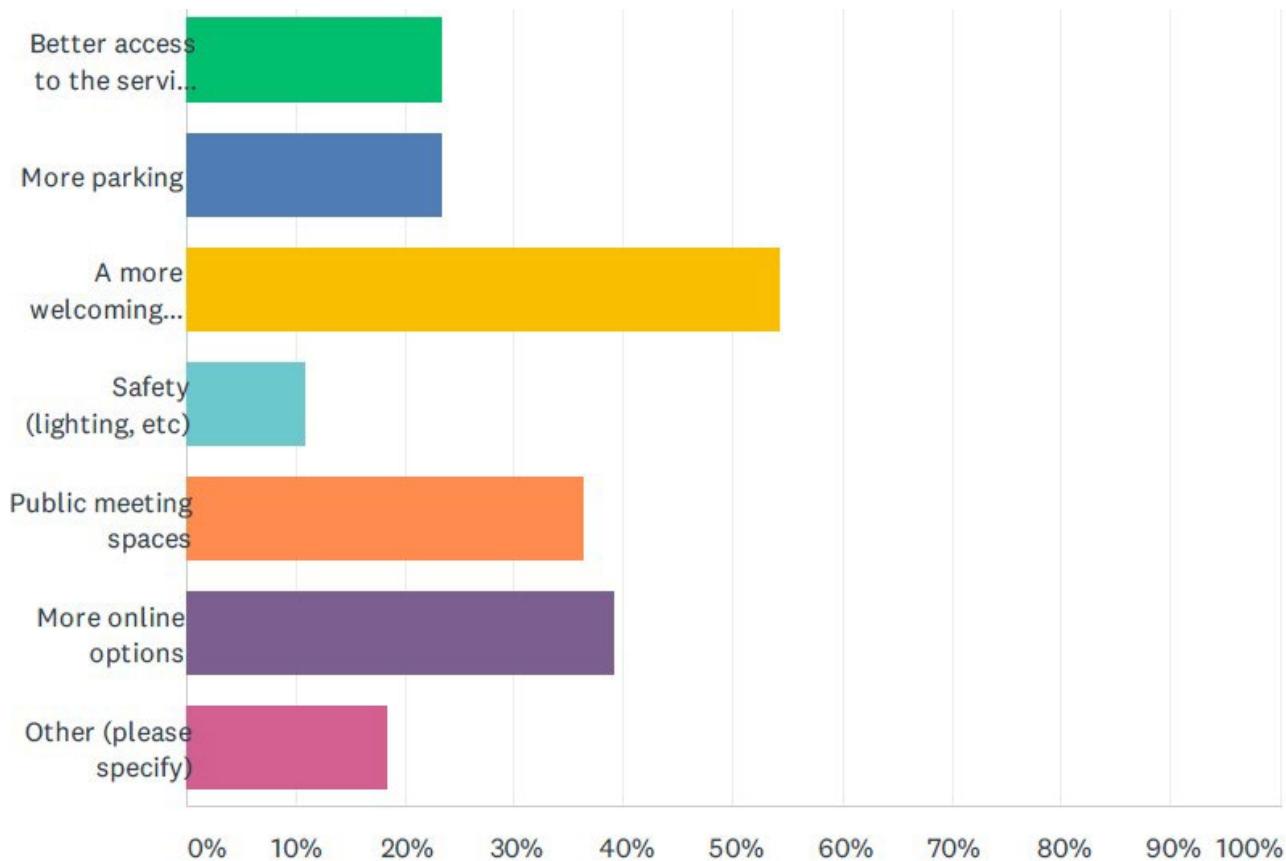
City Works Dept.

Borrowing equipment i.e. Buckthorn removal wrench

Homeowner concerns upon move in
Public hearings
Voting
Farmers market
Fire
questions regarding yard, or trees, etc.
Other
Planning
Police and Fire
Fire Department
Visit the police department

What features would you like to see improved at City Hall? (Check all that apply)

Of 184 responses, 100 (54.35 percent) answered *A more welcoming environment oriented to residents and customers*, 72 (39.13 percent) answered *More online options*, 67 (36.41 percent) answered *Public meeting spaces*, 43 (23.37 percent) answered *Better access to the services they need* and *More parking*, 20 (10.87 percent) answered *Safety (lighting, etc)*, and 34 (18.48 percent) answered "other" (see below).



“Other” Answers

Plenty welcoming already

Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant jibberish"

also to do passport and more services

More logical layout so I can find Departments

No improvement needed

Better signage to find what we need

more cohesive layout

it is fine if people ca not find that is too badheir way ar

hold the line on the budget.

Nothing.

None. It's fine the way it is.

Scheduling appointments so I don't have to wait in line, esp during covid; better waiting area for the clerk area

Integration with the library? Separated from the police.

leave as is

None it's fine as is.

an integrated space; not just as for current uses. library, gym?

Features work ok today

Visiting City Hall is not really an issue for me as I don't need to go there often. But clearly for how the city functions it is important to improve the flow.

Better interior organization and a clearer site map upon entry. Maybe dont have the dmv as the very first thing everyone encounters.

Full service DMV

Better signage

Nothing, it works fine especially since it has been closed for nine months! Where is the need. Why can't GVPD university be conducted at Brook view?

Better conference room and building flow.

separate large maintenance vehicles from public spaces

The website could have a more consolidated listing of available facilities and how to contact staff. Especially if people can't use the email browser connected to the emails given.

Co-locate with services I use regularly like restaurants, retail, etc. City Hall doesn't need to be its own building.

Nothing

Improved physical accessibility

Better and easier pedestrian access.

Before 9/11, city hall was used for public meeting spaces, but ended for security reasons. I enjoy city hall and find it easily accessible. I have heard from those using walkers that the bathrooms are not very accessible for the handicapped. For security of city council in meetings, it is safer to keep council chambers not immediately visible to those entering. No need to encourage crazies with guns.

I have no issues to whine about.

I've been to city hall and none of these are issues and do not need improvement.

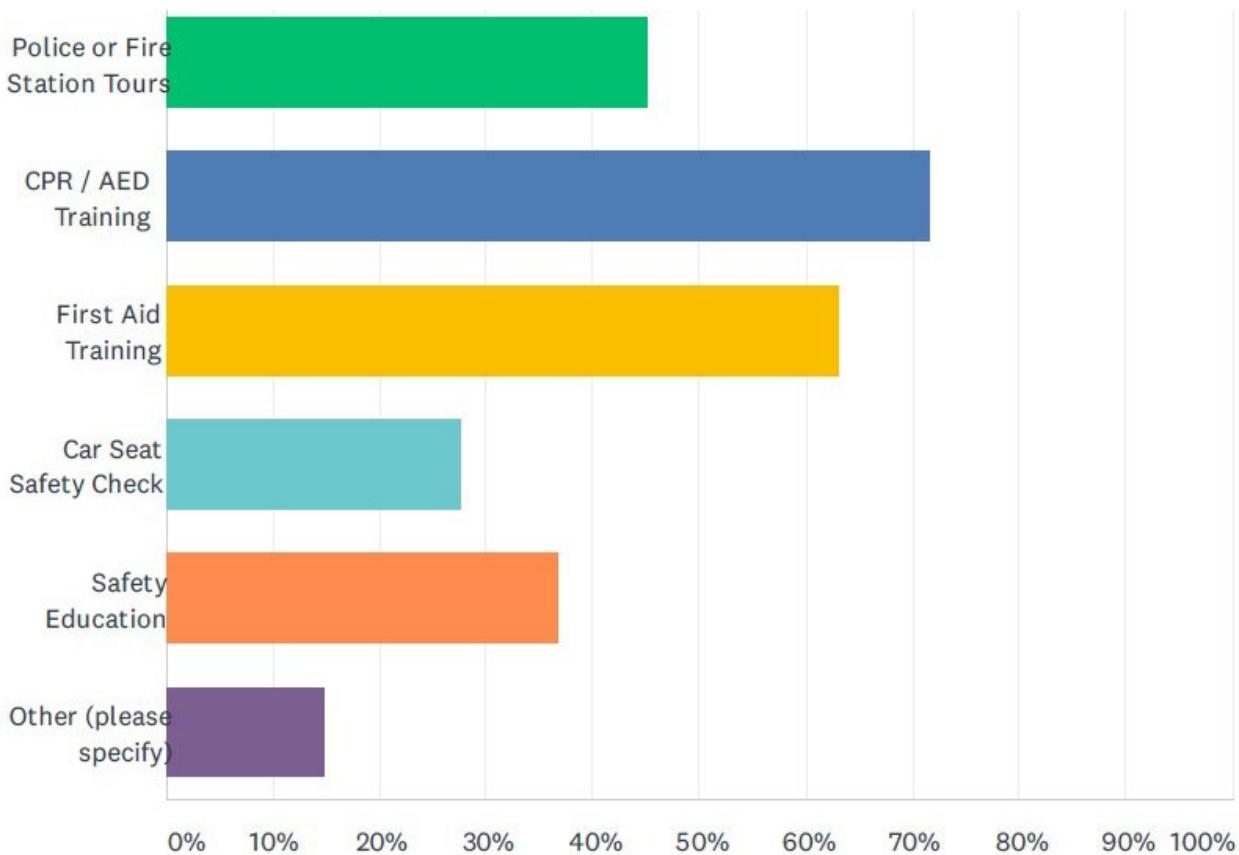
Better DMV, more rooo

Council chamber upgrade. We have just about redone all of city hall. how many times are going to ask our community to pay for city hall upgrades or starting over?

PUBLIC SAFETY

Golden Valley's Public Safety Department includes the Police and Fire Departments. These departments both offer a range of community outreach, education, and training opportunities within the classroom, in the field, and out in the community that are open to all Golden Valley residents. Thinking about what might bring you into a Public Safety building for an outreach or learning event, what types of classes or information sessions would you find most useful? (Check all that apply)

Of 195 responses, 140 (71.79 percent) said CPR/AED training, 123 (63.08 percent) said first aid training, 88 (45.13 percent) said police or fire station tours, 72 ((36.92 percent) said safety eduction, 54 (27.69 percent) said car seat safey check, and 29 (14.87 percent) said "other" (see below).



"Other" Answers

None. Totally uninterested except for the face that I have to pay for it, we can live without this!

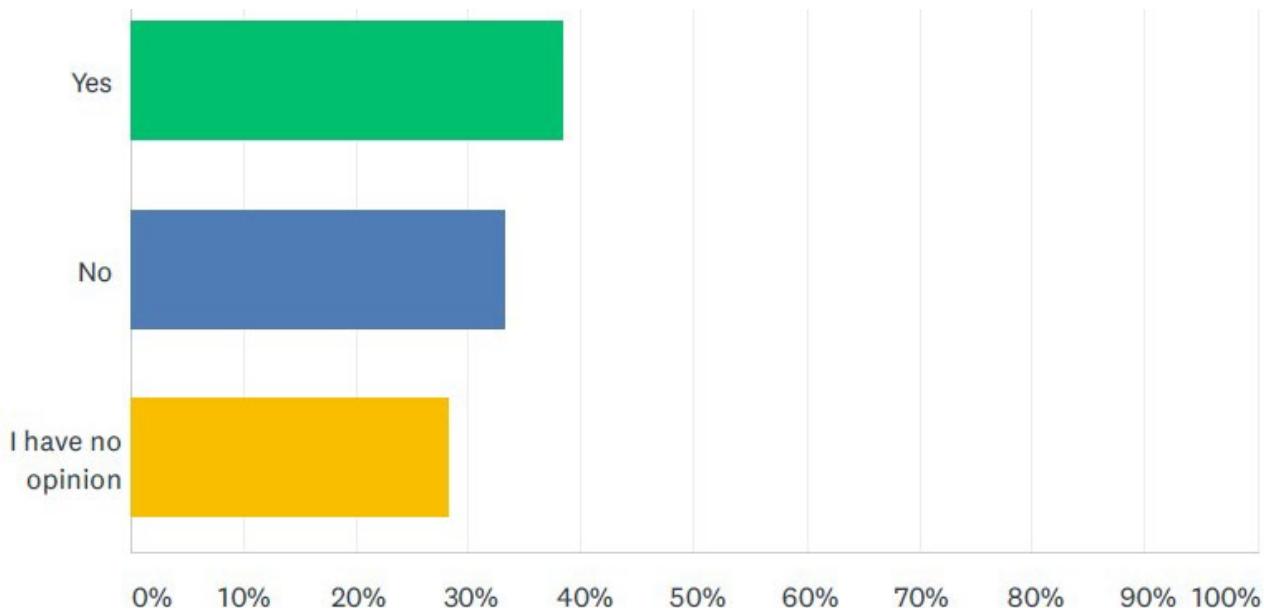
Volunteer opportunity, mental health trainings

Sr. Drivers Safety course
Self defense training
The police should limit community outreach and focus instead on reducing their services in exchange for preventative investment in community services and socioeconomic equity, rather than perpetrating a culture of control and fear.
Fire Prevention and personal safety training
Police Explorer Program
Meetings with staff
We have done many programs with Scouts. It was great
None. I wouldn't attend any of these offerings
Why can't these classes/info sessions not be done at either Davis or Brookview Community Center?
Crime issues, sexual predator released into the neighborhood
I am afraid of police and would not attend any events if police were the focus. I would attend if paramedics or firefighters or others were teaching.
Public Health tutorials - these are often done at the library or Hopkins ECFE - since Hopkins ECFE is so far away, it might be more central to residents to have them in GV.
Gun Safety
Neighborhood Watch meetings
I am a health care professional so I get CPR training etc through my work, but I could see sending my family members.
Community engagement meeting the policemen/ women who patrol our streets. Establishing trust and Racial equality/safety.
Public Narcan Training
Firearm safety, conceal and carry permit
Not much - all of these could be done at Brookview or the Library so those space investments can be used more widely and for more than they are now. .
Before 9/11, police station was also used for public meeting spaces. Has safety changed?
Community diversity discussions
not interested in participating in public safety outreach
firearm safety training, self defense
Citizens Academy
Fire and police academies to learn more about being a police officer and firefighter
How do citizens best support and use police and fire services
Drop off medicine bottles, meeting or ????

Hennepin County Library

The recent Downtown Study suggested the potential for integrating the Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin County Library with a municipal building, such as City Hall, to make it easier for residents to connect with multiple resources at a single location. Would you find it useful for the Golden Valley Library to share space with or be adjacent to City Hall?

Of 216 responses, 83 (38.43 percent) said yes, 72 (33.33 percent) said no, and 61 (28.24 percent) have no opinion.



What do you think could be potential benefits of having the Golden Valley Library share space with, or be adjacent to City Hall?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Answers
None, they are already close by. Again, hugs cost expenditure to do this for little, or no, gain. Another item to glorify ideas of the City Manager to justify his existence and high salary!
None
Isn't it already?
Makes a great deal of sense. Similar to how Plymouth DMV and library are adjacent, convenient
Sounds like city hall wants to expand and engulf the perfect community library.
When the staff are asked dumb questions, they can send folks to the library to educate themselves
Reduce areas of tax exempt properties
Increased traffic to the library
Easier one stop for those that take public transportation or have transportation difficulties.
No.

Parking will become an issue, just like Ridgedale.
Same building, same parking area and maybe a larger library?
One Giant office building with many levels that can have all gov. services in one building for Admin functions. That includes Park & Rec.
More welcoming
To me THEY ARE ALREADY integrated! They are literally right next to one another! Strange question.
Zero benefit
I think it is a potential security risk by adding more people not affiliated with city hall business under the same roof. Also, libraries will become extinct like book stores will.
adjacent but not share
having to park only once when combining errands; nice place to sit indoors and enjoy Bassett Creek while waiting or reading
So many people of all backgrounds use the library. If going through the same doors brings people into both the library and city hall, city hall becomes "demystified" and "our house" as residents.
Better use of parking along with more shared public space
Cost reductions (utilities, etc.); expanded & more convenient community meeting spaces.
sounds like spending money unnecessarily.
Reimagined, more modern buildings and spaces
Nothing. It close enough for a quick walk. No problem the booking at it is!
Cost sharing
It's fine where it is. How much does changing cost?
We love the current library. Why change what isn't broken? It seems like you are reaching for a way to spend our money. How many people that go to the library then go use the city facilities? I'm pretty sure it's rarely.
It would make it a more "impressive" location for both spaces also create more traffic for both spaces to draw upon that perhaps they wouldn't have on their own. This is also something that other neighboring City's have done and it seems to be very beneficial for all parties.
A one stop shop would increase use of the library facilities
Could share meeting rooms if needed?
Ridgedale and Brookdale are examples of multi use facilities. Edina /Southdale also. Better idea to share /combine
If they were close together it might be easier to visit both when needed, and it would make Golden Valley feel a bit more like it had a centralized downtown than it currently does.
Its common public space, great for visibility, great for continuity of services. Why would you not?
Shared resources
Not sure. seems like it would be quite expensive to relocate one or the other and the library recently went through a remodel.
none
None
Absolutely none. Waste of my tax dollars.
This is a leading question, assuming that there are only benefits to this shared space and no negatives. I do not think there will be many benefits with shared space other than convenience (for adults). As for children, from my own experiences, I enjoyed seeing and having that building accessible as a standalone building. It felt like safe space as a kid. I think GV Library as it is now is great. Having it shared with City Hall takes away from its importance. Having it be adjacent is a little better than having it being shared.
Easier access

To have everything more connected.
makes "City Hall" more of a public space, less of a task-driven location.
Shared spaces, better access, and more welcoming.
I don't see how this would be worth the investment- u less space could be consolidated and the land could be developed to increase tax base
shared meeting spaces strengthen community building and associations
None.
NA
If it's helpful for others I'm for it. I don't see a down side. I do plan to use the library often with my daughter once we can go again so I would like the library itself to be well maintained and well funded.
Cost-sharing, leased space, shared parking, reduced footprint
The existing library functions and has a welcoming cozy experience for our community members from youngest to oldest. Recreating a mixed use library/city office like Ridgedale took away from the feel and use of their library. The space has a stark feel to it, more like a corporate office building and is not a place you want to spend time in like the Golden Valley community library.
This would seem to create the possibility of modernizing both facilities and allowing both buildings (future one building?) to take advantages of advancements in construction, green building, etc along with possible efficiencies from reduced overhead from sharing between facilities)
Anything that saves money.
The current proximity of the library to city hall and area transit is sufficient
Could be more convenient for some, but they are already right next to each other so I don't see how city hall is "hard to access"
Love the idea
Share a parking lot and a wall?
Shared meeting and parking space. However current parking at the library is insufficient for the library; must be expanded if city hall is co-located.
The library could be part of any number of buildings. Ideally, it would be more easily accessible and a place where kids/adults can walk or bike to.
Increased awareness about its existence and resources it can offer.
It is already plenty close. It would be a waste of taxpayer money to move this all 50 yards either way.
Fewer buildings to maintain. City officials more visible. Meeting spaces can be utilized for both public and city
Acess to multiple services in one location
Just ensure the children's section isn't minimized.
More drawbacks than benefits. I do not recommend this option.
The current configuration is fine. Don't see a need to combine the two.
I personally prefer it separate. One is more business oriented (city hall) one is more family and child oriented for me. I'd hate to lose the family features of the library in prioritization of efficiency
Winter ease of access, more program education opportunities, city feel to the library
I don't see a benefit
Once in a lifetime it might be more convenient .

I guess that everything old is new again. The library was located within city hall! Now someone thinks they should again be in the same building. This really makes no sense if you are trying to improve access to buildings. Why don't we close Winnetka Avenue and build city hall in the extra space we get from closing the street ala Kmart in Minneapolis on Nicollet Avenue. how much is the city council planning to raise taxes to pay for all of this. I would be willing to buy everyone SIM City. It will be cheaper.
Better awareness and community connection - shared spaces for training, etc
Opportunity to increase density downtown and reduce the need for so much surface parking.
By combining the two, there's more opportunity for more useable/open land space for other amenities.
Not a good use of tax payer dollars here
share resources. this is a great idea.
More interaction with city services
It would consolidate the space and be a potentially good option if the facilities are moved to another location or if new facilities are built. It should only be considered if the city can get a great price for the land those facilities currently occupy and new facilities can be built in a cost-effective way.
A parking nightmare
More efficient land usage
Would be a more efficient use of space if creating meeting or room for training for use by organizations located in Golden Valley. Could also house a child care program for G.V. staff and people working in the downtown area.
See comments above about co-location options, but don't stop at city+library. It would be FANTASTIC to bring the two together, no doubt. Just don't limit the thinking.
I am a frequent library user, I will go now matter where it is located
Cost savings in terms of initial buildout and ongoing energy and maintenance costs.
Shared parking and green space. Need to know if library is agreeable to share space before more time is spent working on this option
More foot traffic into the City Hall
Patron convenience
Building efficiency.
"One-stop shopping"
Reduced cost, more accessibility
I love GV library as it is, no stairs or elevator needed to get into it. It has a different feeling and isn't enhanced with other public noisier activities in it.
Exposure to services of one when visiting the other.
One less building to maintain, shared cost between Hennepin county and the city
No benefits. The two facilities are not related.
I don't think most people would make a trip to the DMV and library at the same time but from a shared facility perspective it would make sense. Maybe it would drive more traffic to both as a result.
A sense of community and shared services.
Opportunity to combine using the library and city hall. More usage and exposure to the library.
I like the idea of them sharing a space.
Biggest benefit would be in case Police and/or Fire needs that lot.
Encourages younger generation to spend time at the library and take interest in City or municipal activities. It is always good to mix uses and see different entities or groups sharing a space or are near one another. It also improves communication.

More use and access for families. Children could be at library while parents attend to things in City Hall
NA
Shared indoor public meeting and gathering space
Consolidated resources - adjacent sounds better than connected. I do not like the idea of a large combo building like the Ridgdale library example.
Better use of valuable space and an great location. Library is under-used in its current form.
"One stop shopping"
possible cost saving
public meeting spaces that can be used day and night; open up the quadrant to new uses.
more efficient use of facilities. the library isn't that large and doesn't need its own space.
I don't think sharing is a good plan. The county doesn't seem to value the Golden Valley library compared to other sites. Sharing facilities doesn't help resolve that issue with the county.
Assuming you can work it out with Hennepin County, it would make for more efficient parking, snow plowing, lawn maintenance, etc. Also, it would integrate the fact that Golden Valley is its own community with its own amenities, and not merely a suburb with two school districts.
Would spend more enjoyable time there
Two different uses
Convenient and positive interface between these two entities
This is an historic building and should not be thought of as disposable...
None
Encouraging more use for both facilities.
I just want a convenient nice library. I don't care how it's connected.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

As Golden Valley considers long-range planning for its municipal buildings, we would like to learn more about your expectations for public buildings. In your own words, what features would make a municipal building approachable, welcoming, and inviting?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Answers
Just fine as is, the people - THE PEOPLE - make !!! What are you gonna do, how are you going to make the people more welcoming, etc. They already are - don't need a new building to do this?
The lower the cost the better it is for everyone
Space, ample seating, natural lighting, obvious signage, good customer service
Having nice landscaping and keeping walkways clear of snow and ice
Include a GV historical section
If it ain't broke, don't fix it.
Art from the community. History exhibits. All rotating.
Easy in / Easy out for things like licences drivers exams bill payment. Free parking & or drive through access for simple items as those.

Local artist work featured. Diversity of employees.
Public space, coffee shops, similar design to Minnetonka Municipal building
ADA Compliant, walkways well maintained
The less your public cathedrals cost, the lower your property taxes, the more inviting your community becomes.
A clear layout with directions to departments
1st and foremost parking. More departments on the ground floor.
Entries that are open and bright with a modern look
Lighting - sidewalks - landscaping - hours of operation
Pay debt before construction
Make motor vehicle dept. waiting area a more comfortable and pleasing place to wait.
Seems fine now.
DMV should have a separate entrance.
outside light, open space, benches and chairs, greenery, vending machines or a coffee shop
Modern architecture. Windows. Color. Good signage. Excellent disability accessibility features.
parking, parking, parking. colorful directional signage/arrows? easy layout.
EV charging stations, Public bathrooms for outdoor events ie farmers market, or concerts.
Convenient elevators and directional signage that is placed where clearly visible & is easy to read.
Good lighting for older eyes. Buildings designed to reduce long hallways.
Nothing wrong as it for me.
Better spaces for council meetings, community meetings. Less crowded areas for city services.
It's fine the way it is. Have never had a problem finding departments, ie; DMV, City Council Meetings, or Voting.
Getting my license tabs has always been a very efficient experience. It's the staff that makes a building/business approachable, welcoming and inviting.
Open space, art, staffing to reduce lines, places to sit
Sidewalks, larger entrance
They are fine the way they are. We use the city building once a year to visit the dmv. Not sure that warrants new building.
Environmental sustainability & resiliency.
More open & inviting reception area w/ a help desk to direct me accordingly (could be staffed by a volunteer)
Windows, more modern, landscaping, easy parking
Lack of armed police presence, ease of accessibility for those with disabilities, clear directions when entering buildings so it's simple to find where we need to go.
Integrated farmers market, windows, BBB counter.
Clear signage both outside and inside, to find the right room/division quickly. Have 3D tour of buildings online, as well as all forms online - to speed transaction time. Comprehensive menu of resources available at each location.
more of a lobby/atrium type setting (like Ridgedale building). Maybe a little cafe/coffee shop.
It would be nice to have an outdoor space for events
leave as is
Wayfinding
Our current building is fine.

Better colors or more natural lighting. But most of all, the people inside the buildings. They are the most important factor to making a building approachable, welcoming, and inviting. A building could be the most beautiful one in the world, but if it's populated with grumpy, unwelcoming people, then none of its aesthetics matter.
Easy access.
more friendly staff that seem like they want to help
may i say it - more welcoming staff at the dmv would help! could we have a full dmv? make it a citizens' building; library, gym, meeting rooms, fireplace room.
Shorter distance from parking lot to facility.
I dont think the buildings draw people in- the reason you go there does- and with more moving online, less physical presence is needed and more technical resources are
safe, easy to navigate, offers services to the community that can be easily accessed in the building
more accommodations for people that use MetroMobility..a place to be seated for being dropped off or picked up that is disability friendly.
Well maintained landscaping and building structure, open entryway, clear signs and a help desk, music
Multi purpose, access
Easy to navigate, clear signage, clear as to what building serves what purpose. Aesthetics that are timeless and will age well- stay away from ultra trendy materials/designs that will look dated in 10 years.
Better seating and waiting area for motor vehicle department.
Spacious, well-lit, one primary main entrance with way finding to different departments
Wheelchair access to all floors, multi cultural language signs, check in/ information desk to point people in the right direction. Online checking/ appointment making to expedite time spent on site
The existing city halls is a bit challenging to find the services you are looking for, mostly because you enter into a space that feels like a small basement room and have to go upstairs for most services. I will say that if I am visiting for DMV services, that is very convenient and efficient in GV. I dread going to Ridgedale of Brooklyn park for their expanded services, as the wait times are much longer and impersonal.
Cool architecture fitting of Golden Valley - think midcentury modern, one level (handicap accessible!) with green space that could be used by the public, and inside spaces that could be used by the public for free (Crystal city hall has this).
No public building is not already any of those things. We need to make our public buildings useful for the purpose of having it, and save on project costs every chance we get.
Having a directory/information desk (staffed) as the first point of contact
A pool, more things that engage the youth in our city
I don't really know why I would go to a municipal building - I prefer to do everything online.
I really have no need to go to these buildings. The DMV is useless, I have to go to a different city for renewals anyway. A better online experience serves the community best.
A layout that makes sense
Minnetonka City Hall is a great example of welcoming, inviting, useful and easy to use. Parking is sufficient, halls are wide, city council meeting room is open to the front door, other meeting spaces are along the corridors, easy to access restrooms and a reserved senior meeting area with lots of windows.
I feel like parking is relevant for city buildings, but I'd like to see way less blacktop space in downtown. I'd almost lean towards putting City Hall, etc. elsewhere to prevent having so many empty parking lots.

Accessible both physically and in language, more inclusive of services in one place - one stop shop - but with adequate space and staffing to continue to run efficiently.
Open, accessible, and usable to the public
More open visually to public. Handicapped accessible
Brighter space maybe area featuring local artist, independent businesses, unique to the community
I have rarely had a need for visiting city hall other than for voting, here (in the past year) or when I lived in Hopkins (10+ yrs)I think an investment in 1) more advertising of what services are available to residents at city hall 2) modernize the city website for residents to be able to do as much as possible virtually. Many prefer to do things virtually, even before the pandemic, and it is often difficult for working people to access services in person during business hours.
Handicap accessible, art that reflects GV residents, child friendly
Accessible to all, clean and bright. All services in one place.
I think the buildings should be functional. There is nothing wrong with the current facilities. They are nice and seem, to the public, to function appropriately for my needs. .
Accessibility
Tours, public outreach events, more visibility
Clear signage and directory
Good lighting, safety features to protect workers, landscaping for visiting resting places along a path to facility, one level for city services,
A good building directory at the entrance and directional signs on each floor.
it does not have to be inviting. I go there to take care of city services that I need; absentee voting, voter registration, pay utility bills, etc. Not to hang out, other than at the farmers market.
Better designed building that doesn't feel so cramped and haphazard.
Building layout/good signage. Open/natural light. Architecturally pleasing. Easily accessible by foot, bike, car.
Safe, easy to navigate, efficient
universal designs. meeting places (multiple sized spaces). gender neutral bathrooms. Lots of natural light. Zero waste and green, sustainable building.
Better parking, outside seating, a small park
I love the new Brookview Community Center. Spaces are attractive, flexible, and accessible. Any new facilities should meet these standards.
Friendly staff that want to help, other city halls have been open, GV is a no
Clear entries with signage, planted landscapes, public places to sit outside (aka signals the public is welcome here)
Clear navigation directions and location of rooms/offices in the front lobby. Small tables for up to four people for informal conversations while waiting for another meeting.
Municipal services should come to where people are instead of force people to come to them. So if you build a new whole-block development that is people-centered, and services are simply integrated into the fabric, it gets you a long way toward the more tactical things like benches and green space and signage. But let's reconsider how the question is worded - specifically about 'public buildings'. Perhaps 'public service locations' so that the thinking isn't so boxed-in to thinking that the buildings are "CITY" buildings. Maybe technically there is a city or county ownership, but we can open up to more inclusive design thinking when we're not limited to that structure. I think that's actually your answer - the thing that makes these spaces work is that they're *not* obviously municipal.
More architectural interest
It should have been in Brookview. One large mixed use building.
Community Meeting Rooms that could be reserved for a nominal fee.
Places where the community can gather for events

The people. Who cares what you do to the outer appearance if the employees are rude and unwelcoming.
Having a "reception" area to help guide people to where they need to go.
Public gathering spaces, diverse art, clear signage, someone at the front door.
After 9/11, municipal buildings closed to the public except during the day. Thankfully, the new Brookview has meeting rooms which has really been wonderful. People come to municipal buildings for a reason. No need to make it inviting or approachable. It should be welcoming - like no crabby, unfriendly people in front office. That's a hiring issue with the city.
Accessibility
Need to improve the fire stations and increase storage and training areas for police and fire.
Maybe staffing a greeting person who can give you information.
Have a more open layout, more parking, updated and modern building with updated and modern features.
Welcoming entrance next to high traffic pedestrian areas. Clearly marked entrances and office signs.
Modern, location, connection with the community.
A workou/health facility free or low cost to residents.
Modern architecture
They just need to be functional. Public works doesn't need to be downtown, for example. Police and Fire need to be where they can respond best. City Hall needs to be welcoming, as in with a nice lobby and maybe a help desk.
Better plaza and hangout area. Spaces to sit and have lunch, have a coffee meeting, work remotely for an hour or two but be near a downtown area. With municipal building nearby, the environment would be busy but also quiet and reserved unlike some other public areas near a lot of shops, cafes, and overall more activity and traffic (foot and car)
facing the street or obvious entrance
multiple entrances, natural lighting, restroom access
Appearance, location, function, and accessibility.
Having a centrally located receptionist to field questions and give directions to visitors
Architecturally interesting. Mid century like why people like living in golden valley. The current architecture and design is very boring and does not feel true to the heart of this City.
sustainability - an example of how we can reduce the affects of climate change
less institutional and more relaxed, like a lobby of a hotel. Just an easy comfortable feel. Simple signage, design the building intuitively.
Appealing design that is public-forward; user-friendly and accessible spaces with clear sightlines and spaces; fewer stairs for public spaces.
Easy access - until COVID is gone, that can't happen. When times are better, it needs to feel like a friendly place, versus a "just" a government building.
1. street-facing, not parking-lot facing
2. a front desk with a receptionist who can direct you to where you need to go, preferably on the main floor
Natural light, modern smart spaces
Ease of direct access to various departments- real people
More meeting spaces for local non-profits, flex office spaces for community groups (community band, music festival, are examples)
Visibility, mature trees

What are the most important aspects of a public building? (Provide a ranking of each with the level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important)

Based on an average of 207 answers, the highest ranked item is *Ease of access and circulation* and the lowest ranked item is *Representing the City's mission and values*.

Item	1	2	3	4	5	Weighted Avg
Ease of access and circulation	82	61	32	18	11	2.09
Clear wayfinding and signage	79	59	39	18	9	2.11
Visible and recognizable facility	46	49	42	42	25	2.76
Safety and security	65	53	48	25	14	2.37
Representing the City's mission and values	35	33	34	35	65	3.31

Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list them below.

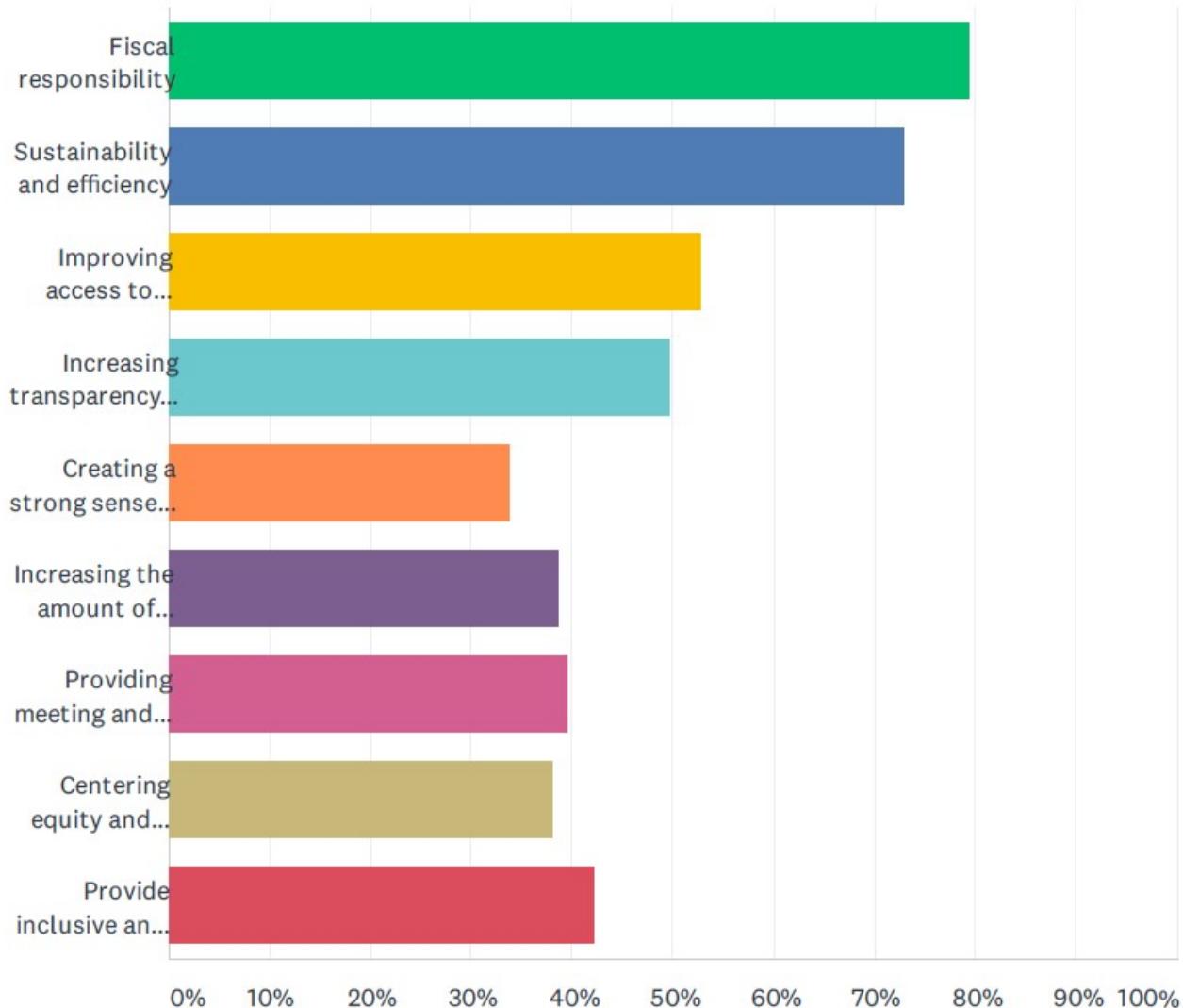
This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Respondent labels all about as 5, and writes "the most important information is missing" and refers to attached document
Value for our taxes
No
all are important but visible and recognizable is tops along with aesthetics
nope.
Parking and light pollution
Places to sit
Yes, environmental resiliency and sustainability.
Cost effective
Having a "greeter"/information desk staffed with a person (paid or volunteer)
No
Being greeted right away or soon upon entering.
does not seem that visibility from wtka avenue is of import
Self service functions where possible
Golden Valley history and present initiatives
Cheap to run
Online access to resources, and processing of applications/permits, etc.
Green space!
Building's sustainability and use of renewable energy.
No
Accessibility
A place where I am able to come to transact business that quite frankly I am forced to do with the city.

sustainable, energy efficient
The buildings should be attractive and located in an area that is easily accessible by car, bus, and foot.
More languages offered. Hire non-white employees
I didn't rank Safety and Mission since they are assumed to be true.
These aspects should be completed my integrated into any new facility, they are all critical to success.
Parking nearby
No
n/a
Access to other amenities (non-city) that could be useful: coffee shop, basic convenience store, cafe, etc. Something that someone can get a couple things done at once.
Online presence
sustainability
meeting rooms!!!
Sustainable initiatives and energy efficiency

What priorities should be included in long-range planning for Golden Valley municipal facilities? (Check all that apply)

Of 215 responses, 171 (79.53 percent) said *fiscal responsibility*, 157 (73.03 percent) said *sustainability and efficiency*, 114 (53.02 percent) said *improving access to services*, 107 (49.77 percent) said *increasing transparency about government*, 91 (42.33 percent) said *provide inclusive and equitable facilities for the public and for Golden Valley staff*, 85 (39.53 percent) said *providing meeting and gathering spaces for community use*, 83 (38.60 percent) said *increasing the amount of outdoor public space*, 82 (38.14 percent) said *centering equity and inclusion for access and services for residents*, and 73 (33.95 percent) said *creating a strong sense of civic identity*.



Do you have any other priorities that you think are missing from the question above?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

See attached document

Avoid apartment buildings
I'm missing the differentiation between the last two
Bike parking spaces at school bus stops
Nope
Reducing the police department's budget.
GV needs an identifiable hub; signage; city logo/colors; we're very sprawled out; create a center and work out like Edina, Hopkins is a great example as is Robb for that matter tho none of the them incorporate municipal bldgs with mixed use,
Light pollution
Stop wasting our tax dollars
Again, feel these options are poorly written and confusing. I want to better understand what local govt is doing and take more seriously resident concerns. Surveys are a start but more listening/discussions that are taken seriously would be appreciated.
No
These are all important goals
Outdoor spaces need to be thoughtfully programmed. Much money can be spent in creating a space that won't actually be used. The fountain space is used today because of Starbucks and DQ being located there, giving customers and outdoor space to enjoy their treat. I don't think anyone would sit there otherwise. I would love to see more effort and attention put into the connection to the Luce line entrance. I think we missed an opportunity by allowing the storage company to fence the lot next to the trail. How nice it would have been to use that parking lot for a food truck destination eatery for bikers using the trails.
Lowering taxes.
Ease of online access
Stop with the buzzwords. We know you'll jack up taxes in the name of "equity"
No
Where is there need expressed in any of the above. Where is pressing need that is driving this initiative?
Redeveloping City Hall is an tremendous opportunity to lead in the region/state with a net zero or net negative building.
Integrating native landscaping and being wildlife friendly (pollinators/birds especially)
Forward looking for technological, online communication needs
No
Replacement of fire stations
n/a
Community fitness/health center
Work process efficiency
Not missing but the Black and multiracial communities should be central to all aspects of development from subcontracting to potential visitors. Also, keep in mind GV's location to Minneapolis and the outer suburbs. There is a great opportunity for welcoming a great mix of people and visitors.
Continued public awareness of municipal services. basically self- promotion but need to keep reminding people how things work. Keep working on engaging people!!
Public meeting space is critical if city hall combines with the library.
Improving services

What do you appreciate most about Golden Valley?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Brush pick-up. Prompt snow plowing. Responsive people in all departments - good people. New, unneeded facilities will not improve the people.
Location relative to downtown Minneapolis and other western suburbs
This is a tough one. It used to be low taxes and wide streets, now there is nothing.
It has been a safe place
Open-minded, helpful, and charitable residents. Though not particularly diverse, the overall spirit is inclusive
Size and convenience to businesses
Brookview facility. Parks. Winter snow plow services.
Location
Green spaces
Visible attention from leadership about inclusion and diversity. Walkability of downtown.
Neighborhoods
Home town feeling
The proximity to everything! The small community and great amenities.
City staff and people that live here. Small community feel even though we are in a major metro area.
My neighbors. And that the city council listened when we had concerns about street resurfacing. They actually listened, which is hard to come by these days. Bravo.
The community feel. The area around City Hall, small town feeling with the church, post office, an area of retail offerings. In addition, the housing located across Winnetka Av.
The open communication from the city on issues.
Great services at a reasonable cost
Maintenance of the city streets and nice neighborhoods.
Location
Location, plowing services, water reasonable property taxes
Police department
Location to Metro
welcoming community, parks and open spaces, and strong civic identity
open space, dedication to maintenance of parks, trails. Mix of old & new architecture; proximity to downtown Mpls. responsive local government peeps.
The people. Including all of the current city staff, and departments
Location with access to 3 freeways; good city government and road maintenance; lots of city parks; variety of neighborhoods and well-maintained housing stock. Nice mix of businesses. Opportunities are available for new development.
Location location location.
Small home town access.
Small town feel, great neighbors and neighborhood
Ability to walk to shopping and services
City employees
The feeling of a small older community while being a 1st tier suburb, however the feeling GV has had since it's inception is becoming less and less within just the past 10 years or so with the splitting of lots, allowing storage facilities & other businesses that most residents do not use on prime real estate.
Quality of life, green spaces, environmental commitment, proximity to downtown,

Location and quirkiness
I like the parks and outdoor spaces when the weather is nice.
D'amicos. No seriously. Their patio is what GV should strive to have in a variety of places.
Size of the city and mix of land use.
the size of our city makes it feel like a community.
I love the "downtown" area and access to all the parks and green spaces/trails
I value the diversity of residents the beauty of neighborhoods. Closeness to places I want to go. I struggle with lack of downtown center and tend to do other places but have a personal want to support my own town.
nothing now cant wait to move out
Safety
Parks
Location, historic community, well established, nice homes, low crime
Friendly staff
The people, green spaces, Basset Creek.
It's location and size.
the safety and security our police department provides to us
location, diversity of population
Quality of life, including access to green spaces. Good government. Diversity.
It is a very comfortable and approachable city. We have long standing businesses and institutions, and have not submitted to overdevelopment and overcrowding. There is a wide range of housing options, and incredible connectivity to both the city and the suburbs. We seem to have the best of both worlds.
The homey feel.
Larger yards- more suburban feel, curvy streets where they exist
caring community
Parks, trails, lit sizes, and proximity to Theo Wirth.
The Mayor, City Council and all connected to making Golden Valley a Great Place to be Safe and a Reputable living Community
Spacious lots, distance to city
The community and leadership that cares about its residents
Sense of community despite being a larger suburb
Location and dedication to equity.
It's peaceful.
Diversity
Feeling of small community in a large metro.
Diversity, parks, great neighborhoods.
We love living here. Great unique neighborhoods and fantastic park system.
I like it the way it is! The one thing that I did not like is taking away the pool at Brookview and. Ever replaced it! I love that we have Kuipers!
Safety
I love the stylish architecture and established green spaces.
I appreciate the seemingly high level of community involvement, but would like to see more. I appreciate the current housing density level and the green spaces around the city.
The people....the neighborhoods. Flat out, it's great to live here due to all the great people. Also, it seems that my tax dollar actually goes to services that I can see (Parks, plowing, safety, etc.)
The small town feel, surrounded by huge cities.

Small town feel, strong sense of community
Small town feel
There's actually a police force that does their job. Nice community and low cost of living.
Established neighborhoods and unique houses
It's focus on residents and creating a strong sense of community.
Brookview Park area and Theodore Wirth. I also like having Minneapolis in my "backyard." I do not like the ridiculously high taxes.
Sense of community, central location
Location, proximity to city while still having lots with woods and green space.
Proximity to downtown and other suburbs
The inclusive community. Looking for ways to improve and maintain public areas
Small town feel. Great outside spaces and community events.
It is a nice community and safe place to live. Its central location, close proximity to Minneapolis, City lakes, recreational opportunities, and area shopping make it a good place to live.
It is quiet and safe and seems fiscally responsible at the moment.
It's access to green space and the metro trails, proximity to Mpls.
Green space
Family friendly, filled with parks and close to downtown
Values of inclusiveness and professionalism of government staff, green spaces, location.
The people
Small town feel
Location location location
Many neighborhood parks - and amenities in those parks - ice rinks, ball fields, paths, etc. Community feeling, welcoming, growing diversity of the community.
It's the biggest secret in the Twin Cities, close to everything with a lot to offer. Shh don't tell anyone.
Neighborhood feeling, even in downtown area
Safe, peaceful place to live
Upfront about values, services reflect the values. We care about people, land, equity
Safe, clean place to live
Close to Minneapolis
City employees are the best!
The 'homey', welcoming feel. Feels great to walk around. Love the trees. Lots of friendly people. It's a smaller city that doesn't use that as an excuse for not seeking excellence and looking towards the future. (Doesn't cling to the past)
The feeling of civic responsibility and the friendliness of people living in G.V. The good public services provide, snow, street cleaning, etc.
Neighborhood feel even though we are so close to Minneapolis
Forward thinking leadership.
The parks
The small town feel - we don't have a lot of big box stores, neighborhoods have spacious city lots, houses don't look like newer cookie cutter developments, minimal mass housing complexes.
Not much right now. I would like the library reopened. I do enjoy the area by Patina but sad that Dairy Queen is gone. No great spots for treats with the family.
Small community
The parks, neighborhoods, and proximity to downtown.

It's clean, quiet and our 'downtown' area is great! Also walkability
Proximity to downtown with suburban feel.
Small town feel, great staff at City Hall and Brookview.
Neighborhoods, parks and location relative to surrounding cities.
Long term stability, low density
Cleanliness, timely response from police and fire, city layout.
The size and that it is a safe, well kept community.
I appreciate how well run the city government is. I never have an issue with response times for police/fire/plows etc... The parks system is awesome and very well maintained. I like that GV has the feel of both being in the city and a farther out suburb all at the same time.
Shared values and welcoming culture.
Quite neighborhood. Excellent police department.
Safety. Affordable. Diversity. Community and parks.
It seems like a fairly well-run suburb.
It's a friendly, safe, quiet city. Great parks. Good shopping. Very good City services: Fire, Police, Public Works
Location benefits of being next to Minneapolis and the outer suburbs. Both provide their own unique amenities but just sheer convenience of being a couple minutes from Minneapolis' border is really nice.
Not too large. Many parks and green spaces. Seems mostly inclusive with liberal and progressive values. Good mix of recreational, service, retail, employment opportunities around the City.
The small town feel, easy access to services - responsive staff. Many amenities a short distance away
People, Leadership
progressive city
proximity to downtown, residents community involvement, safety, small town feel
Location, leadership, quality of life and civic services.
Well maintained neighborhoods
Mid century homes and creative and intelligent people. Parks and free space. Theodore Wirth park and amenities.
active residents (they care about their community), location, amenities
I think Golden Valley is the best of suburban living with the access and pluses of urban life yet quieter and less dense with terrific parks and green spaces. Its welcoming of all types of households.
rural feel for being so urban. mature inner ring suburb with lots of history and engaged residents.
City services. We're the right size and provide what we need.
People have pride that they live in this city, and call the city out by name. I like the fact there are lots of homeowners, and most feel that they can voice their opinions to city council or staff and get something done.
Location
The friendliness of the staff
Great services by various departments
Until now, liked the safety and central location in the twin cities area
open and generous, walkable, space..., fiscally responsible
People
Older homes
Large lots with mature trees, parks

Please provide any other comments or suggestions you think would improve the current municipal facilities block (Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road).

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

None- Don't need improvements. Just asking this question implies that connecting is wrong now. It is fine as it is now!
See attached document
Update the GV shopping center and give it a catchier, less 1970s name. Also, we need a pharmacy/convenience drug store in there!
No apartments
Would love a real small town downtown area
Finish the intersection corners, not just 3/4. Maintain the existing planters that are aging.
Close them and create a centralized, easy access facilityGV
Make it more aesthetically pleasing. Add green space outside for gathering.
Remodeling of the SW corner.
Move a bike path on weekends to General Mills roads to cross Hwy 55 instead of Winnetka.
Moderate to high density housing, small businesses, and gathering amenities
Create an actual downtown feel. See earlier comments. Let's make a main street feel, not strip malls, mixed use and the norms of today's near sighted development.
Should somehow be integrated with the "downtown" area of GV
Its sufficient as is. Remodel when need be and in another 30 years, perhaps this should be discussed. Get maximum use out of buildings without having to have the newest of everything. Stick to the basics as the country is going to sadly enter the next Depression and higher taxes aren't going to help residents who will be cash limited. The more affluent residents may be able to afford the higher property taxes, but the entry level and mid house households will suffer.
More visibility from connecting streets
Move maintenance buildings to different location.
distinctive architectural style, open spaces with places to sit, trees
Improve parking; maybe add a roundabout? better signage. not what you asked but the strip mall (UPS, Ace side) is a mess. Needs updating and could be so much more than it is now. Gross.
Definitely agree the current block has grown too crowded and the Public Services departments should have their own, separate location. Also, the identity as a "downtown" should be more defined & developed. I like the landscaping and trellis/benches on the 4 corners and along Winnetka up to 10th; wish this could also be expanded. I spend a lot of time at the library and find it a shame that the lawn area on the west is so little used these days. It is attractive and a bit of a model for what could be done.
works fine
I like the area as is although the strip mall could use updating
A key point that I wish the City would always hold is what would make our residents and those who work in our City want to stay and visit vs what our City has become which is more and more a drive thru city.
Would LOVE to see more public transportation options on the weekend coming thru the neighborhoods - like the 755 bus. Don't need a ton of rides, but a few during peak hours (morning/evening) would be wonderful
Relocate service vehicles. Build a multi story multi use facility was greater presence
We've heard plans for a co-op or grocery store that is in the works for years. I would love that!
City staff gets paid too much for what they do, they don't listen to residents
None

Turn it into a fun and exciting area to come and visit. City campus doesn't need to be a part of it. Bring some fun development to downtown, not more residential.
Make it look prettier. Too many brown, black, and/or brick buildings in the area.
obviously, less empty buildings/stores. connection of public services to commercial services.
Many people use the Transit system - and covered spaces for transit benches would be awesome for weather - rain snow etc..
Bicycle access is very poor!
I really enjoy downtown Robbinsdale and I'd love to see that kind of aesthetic/vibe in Golden Valley. I also fully support affordable housing in any form (section 8 or any other system) being integrated into Golden Valley.
Better pedestrian crossing.
Leave our retro mall alone, and celebrate the history and uniqueness. Create a food truck eatery or other options for a more multi-cultural/ethnic food offerings. There are too many chain restaurants in Golden Valley to truly draw people to us. We also need a bakery like Honey and Rye Bakehouse in St Louis park. If we have a better selection of unique foods people will want to gather and spend time in our outdoor spaces, or ride the trails here.
Maybe more prominent signage would help! Also, maybe a park or plaza near City Hall would help residents engage and become more familiar with City Hall.
It's fine the way it is. If it's not broke, don't fix it.
Incentivize some small local chains to get here. It seems like a lot of the businesses are super niche or empty storefronts. Thinking Crisp & Green, AGRAculture, etc
Please stick to the decided on vision/ plan and do not have to the desires of potential developers. We need innovative use of space to attract people/investment, not more cookie cutter apartment buildings.
Let builders build, not on our dime, and let private business make downtown thrive.
Encourage small businesses to take root here
Be mindful if cost. Most people might tell you that you need to "suck it up" for a while. Sorry that you've run out of space, but these are hard times.
I can see the crowded situation for staff and feel strongly we need to improve their situation.
Less chain restaurants. Less restaurants, bars and businesses that have been around forever and are only doing the minimum as far as upkeep inside and outside.
Avoid massive apartments. Encourage higher end condos. Build a community pool association.
Connect downtown to Brookview in a more intentional and inviting way.
Look at North Loop and Eastside areas for ideas. Look at Rockford, Michigan for ideas on creating a unique downtown that is embraced and loved by the community.
Please... PLEASE do not build yet ANOTHER apartment building. We don't need more apartments in the city.
Green space, planned events bringing people to that space, easily walkable restaurants and retail, a grocery store.
Have a Central Park like area for relaxing getting people together
Improve traffic flow/safety on Winnetka between 55 and Golden Valley Road.
The current facilities meet my needs as a citizen. I hope they meet the needs of the city employees.
Space for pop up art displays or community celebration meeting space. Ie book readings, community discussions during pride celebration, etc
Minneapolis city hall is five times older than Golden Valley's. All buildings have been remodeled several times since first constructed, the most recent less than 30 years ago. We just rebuilt Brook view (with the intention of adding to it since the cheaper option was chosen, not the \$40 million one favored by the mayor and his supporters) Now we have moved on the city hall campus. Is this really sustainable? Are there plans to reuse the materials being torn down? Rather than undertake this study why not look at making the buildings more sustainable. Why not look at heating and cooling using geothermal since you have the water tower right behind city hall, or are there plans to move that too? What kind of security would be needed for the water tower if the block were redeveloped privately?
Improved street access, better landscaping, improve community feel

Improve sidewalk widths north on Winnetka.
Local businesses, not chains
Creating environmentally friendly / 'green' buildings
Stop calling it downtown because it isn't. Could say city campus but it's not downtown.
Spend as little as possible. Many people have lost their jobs. Is this the appropriate time.
Business, including government service delivery, has changed dramatically in the past 7 months. We must be cognizant of new service models that rely on increased use of technology to continue to provide services to residents. In many cases, these can/should be sustained moving forward. In the context of space planning, the thinking going into this project may need to be reconsidered now. Bigger is not necessarily better.
Switch Winnetka back to a four lane road. Too many 'Sunday drivers' going under the speed limit, even when weather and road conditions are optimal.
All fire stations should be pull-through to minimize noise pollution & street wear & tear.
I don't see any issues with it currently. One side is for city hall and the other is for police. It makes sense as it is. Moving it around will confuse residents.
Move public works to more of an industrial area where they and their vehicles are not interfering with the downtown area. Create more parking. Build a more modern Police Department with the resources and facilities needed for the department.
Total overhaul.
Offer McDonald's a place that's better so the City can use the whole block.
Bright and welcoming landscape architecture and overall landscaping. Encourage people to spend time in and around by bringing a more airy atmosphere.
Its clear that asphalt and parking area dominates the land. The area needs to be designed for the most optimal land usage while creating a long lasting centralized area with a mix of city services, future housing, and public space.
Too hard to navigate!
move maintenance facilities out of downtown
I like the idea that public works buildings could be further out, perhaps in a more industrial area of GV
Outdated, need to move public works. Huge opportunity to profit from sales to private developers, and use that profit to finance updates.
City Hall seems to be hidden...need to find ways to make it more prominent
Outdoor space, a more cohesive approach to visually bringing it all together.
public gathering space, pedestrian/biking access, creating a sense of GV identity
public safety vehicle access separate from public traffic spaces
The GV mall isn't going away. Turn the current municipal facilities block into an amazing mix of residential / commercial / services which competes with that mall and encourage it to redevelop.
None at this time.
Have a receptionist by the main door, and THEN direct people to the DMV area.
Think about our debt
More connected trails
Get public works out of downtown, improve traffic on winnetka.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of having Golden Valley municipal buildings as part of Downtown Golden Valley?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

None. Already paid for, already there, quite serviceable as is.
Disadvantages: The land may be too valuable for municipal use
Advantages: Head towards the water tower
None
City Hall belongs downtown
Easy to run multiple errands if needed, such as voting/paying bills, post office, bank, and shopping.
Convenience and accessibility
Only advantages, ease of finding these facilities
No disadvantages. It's only an advantage to have things downtown.
GV does not have a real downtown. There is not an area that folks easily would recognize as 'Downtown' The City managers must be kidding if they think GV has a downtown.
Convenient!
Disadvantage: Less space for retail/restaurants/public/green space.
Advantage: Easily accessible. Makes it feel more like a small community having everything in one area.
City hall should be downtown but no need for public facilities truck etc. to be there.
It fosters a sense of community.
Accessibility! Good ole one stop shopping!
Make the building taller. Have private business inside the building like Eden Prairie.
I feel that the downtown should have a library and City Hall. Anything related to public works should be off site. Police and fire should be close to the downtown but balance against emergency response and public safety
Don't see any advantages of having muni buildings in the town square unless you provide it as a centerpiece like a central courthouse.
I can do shopping or dining along with city business in the same area.
Golden Valley is set up as a downtown City Hall so relocating would be costly which also means someone else has to move to purchase property to build at a new location. Golden Valley isn't a night time destination city that's vibrant. It's more of a daytime city with huge transitional employment amongst Brookview and Theodore Wirth Park to enjoy. Take back some of the control of Wirth Park or at least have Golden Valley's name represented there as most people think it entirely sits in Minneapolis. Yes, they run it, but we own it.
One central location is convenient
convenience, sense of cohesive downtown;
maintenance and storage facilities not normally used by the public are better off-campus to allow for open spaces
advantage: it's a destination; brings people to downtown fairly regularly so lots of expansion opps for mixed retail; disadvantage: maybe municipal areas need more space than city center allows and those needs should be a priority.
The central location is great due to the road access, that said having the maintenance buildings in the current location doesn't fit the more industrial setting that is needed for the heavy equipment
They are easy to find when all together but downtown shouldn't include the Public Works departments, in particular. They definitely need their own and separate space. Also agree with the concept of a downtown with more public space and a citizen friendly atmosphere. Public Safety should be in a separate, although close-to-hand area.
no opinion.

I would agree with moving road equipment to another more accommodating sight.
I don't see any disadvantages. I like that it is close to the post office
Good point - that campus area could be completely redeveloped with commercial / residential, sort of like the Edina Centennial Lakes area, with a REAL creek. Put City Hall elsewhere - Like they did in Minnetonka.
I think where there at is great. Right in the center of town.
I don't see any aside from it possibly not being more centrally located for the city, it does seem to fall on the south side of GV, but it is easily accessible. Would the increased bus route alleviate lack of accessibility?
Opportunities for more dynamic usability
Adds to the sense of a 'downtown' area by having offices and buildings for all, unlike commercial space.
advantages- everything is centrally located. not sure what the disadvantages are.
easy to find
Traffic
It is fine as is, completely accessible and easy to use.
I think the space could be utilized better to bring more people into the city and spend money. The civic center could be located somewhere else.
Advantages: Convenience
Disadvantages: More parking, more crowding, more impervious surfaces, more traffic.
I think it's more advantageous than not.
I see no disadvantages.
Limits development for enhanced retail / dining
It will be more similar to other cities.
It has never had a "downtown" vibe to me....i feel that is missing. Local restaurants and bars- antique stores. Think Anoka or Robbinsdale
I like that the advantages of GV Municipal buildings are downtown and so easy to get to where you need access to
One stop for shopping, post office, and City services
I don't know that there is a down side. I'd be interested to hear other opinions about disadvantages, but none that come to mind for me.
Too congested, would spoil aesthetics.
Advantages - easily accessible, one-stop trip
Disadvantages - prime real estate not on the tax rolls, downtown feels disjointed due to civic campus being behind the downtown which seems to face MN-55
The library and City hall being downtown is wonderful for access. Splitting the operations portion of the municipal work and equipment makes sense. Why use all that space in our center to house large road equipment?
I think many of us that live near Downtown Golden Valley LOVE how close the City Hall is. It is so easy to drop off utility bills, vote, access the DMV and more. I wouldn't want to drive more than a few minutes farther for this (I currently live within a 1 min drive from these facilities, and actually live close enough that I can walk, which is awesome!)
Having city staff in a highly visible location help foster connectivity with the community, as well as increased accountability.
Take up room that could be given to more small businesses
Draws people in
Public works does not need to be downtown. I like having a police and fire presence nearby. I like walking to city hall for services. Although I appreciate the Brookview facility, I can only get there by car.

They require more parking. They take up valuable space and cater to employees. I can't really say that I visit municipal buildings on a regular basis, maybe once per year. So those buildings aren't going to increase my trips to downtown GV.
Centrally located within the city is a good thing. Maybe a bit of an eye sore to have public works buildings/equipment in downtown GV? Perhaps that is a safety issue, too.
Important part of the city identity, city government should be at the center of any city's downtown.
Not very walkable.
I think it is important to have these facilities in a centralized location as they help to create a downtown GV. More improvements and businesses could be added to the area to help create more of a downtown. See the combination of retail and residential like that built on Excelsior Ave in St Louis Park.
None
Shows a strong community government commitment to supporting local businesses and assist staff to understand the needs of the core of the community
you have a water tower in the middle of the block! That is one of the reasons the city campus is there. Do you have any idea what land sells for in Golden Valley? Where does the city have land to move all these facilities to? Apparently GV tax payers have deep pocket. What is the benefit to residents for this?
All public works, government and public safety workers close to each other makes for easy communication.
City Hall anchors downtown and assist with building the area's identity. However, the current configuration is not an efficient use of land, dedicating too much of the block to surface parking.
Ease of access
Being an active citizen involves participating in civic activities- services (private and public) should be together
Parking can be tough
Facilities that need lots of land or large roadways aren't well suited to a downtown area. Especially if they have minimal public interaction.
The only disadvantage is that it takes up space that could be used for other kinds of development. Given the reality that people who live in Golden Valley do not do all their shopping here, and do not necessarily work here, I think the municipal buildings, (not including operations for trucks etc.) should be located downtown.
I agree with study recommendations...move Public Works out of downtown area and streamline Police and Fire operations.
The area is divided by many privately owned property and they can do basically what they want. Downtown is not necessarily city buildings
Advantage - can hit most of the city's retailers and the City Hall in one stop.
Disadvantage, takes up spaces where more shops and restaurants could be. The library makes the most sense to stay downtown. Advantage-Ease of getting to things.
Advantage - helps define a "downtown" for the city
It creates a center point for the city. Brings people to businesses in the area.
No disadvantages
Accessibility and mutually bringing traffic/business in.
I love being able to walk to city hall in good weather and go to restaurants after to meet with others. I love having post office and city hall near each other too.
Question whether what may be one of the most valuable pieces of property (property taxes) is used for municipal purposes.
They have always been here, it is a great location for them.
In my mind, Golden Valley does not have a "downtown." I consider that 2 block square from Highway 55 to GV Road, and Winnetka to Kare 11 Station to be "downtown"
Having the municipal buildings part of downtown makes everything somewhat centralized. However, having them downtown restricts space and can interfere with activity off of the municipal campus.

Advantage: if you need something from City Hall you know you will find it in that one location, you don't have to look around for other facility locations
Can't think of any disadvantages.
Brings more people to the area. Support local businesses. Since of community.
Advantage is easy access. Disadvantages is the City Works traffic.
I don't see disadvantages to them being a part of Downtown. They are crucial to the operations and thus should be, or at least wouldn't be a problem to be Downtown where the activity will be.
Centralized location and easily accessible to most residents of the City. Not the best use of location or space for services other than police/fire/city hall. All other services could be elsewhere in the City.
Easy access but that area could be better utilized for private development - need more restaurants and a grocery store!
city hall and public safety are only buildings that need to be in downtown
advantage is consolidated access to departments. disadvantage is junky look and storage feel - outgrown the inefficient buildings
Access, image, collaboration.
It becomes a part of the fabric of the downtown community
+Creating a downtown through activity
+access to services
+easy to find
Plus for city hall downtown: access to city services and meetings; visible representation of government as a part of civic life. Disadvantages: prime real estate off the tax roll.
old fashioned, city government is not a center point of people's lives so doesn't literally have to be center of city.
That said, city municipal buildings shouldn't be on the periphery either. Fine with having them city center so long as the city is vibrant after 5 pm. Otherwise it is not using a valuable resource efficiently.
Downtown Golden Valley is still ill-defined. The municipal buildings (like City Hall) need to be centrally located. That's the important piece for me as I live near the city limits.
Advantage: High visibility on a prime corner of the city. Also, appreciate the fact that Bassett Creek runs near the area. Let's tout that amenity and not bury it with sewer pipe.
Disadvantage: Working vehicles like heavy trucks are using the same prime real estate as resident-facing service areas.
Public works type functions should not be downtown. City hall, police and possibly fire should be near the downtown
Easy to get to...
Nice to have things together
City hall is fine but the others could move to a more industrial area and save downtown for dining, retail.

After watching the video and participating in this survey, do you have any additional questions about the Municipal Facilities Study?

This question was open-ended and collected no statistical data. See answers below.

Of course, anything could be made more glorious to show how great the City Manager is doing, What is wrong with the current place - nothing. Whatever could be delayed - make do for once!
Boy do I ever! See attached document
Will adding street lighting in dark sections of road be addresses, especially between Boone Ave and the GM technology center on Plymouth Ave!

Put businesses ahead of new apartment buildings
No
No
No
I would like to hear more about the potential for a total remodel of Scheid if there is consideration for a fire station in the park. What do we gain?
Its seems as if the Maintenance needs are the greatest. Relocate that near 10th where the salt and sand is.
Our debt is too high to undertake any of this
not yet
No, totally on board with all of it. Do think we need lots of community engagement esp w/potential closure of one fire station.
No, but thought it was well done.
Leave Golden Valley a small town! We just spent a lot of money fixing and updating the Library. There is nothing the matter with City Hall or the Library. People enter the City Hall building at the front of the building where the parking lot is. All your fancy signs on Winnetka are fine, everyone knows it's City Hall ... I agree the Maintenance machines and facility should be moved to another location/ out of the downtown area - that makes sense. Police & Fire could expand and use Maintenance Equipment area / building, and is then cost effective. Out downtown doesn't have to look like all new goofy fake brick construction. It looks great the way it is.
I don't think we need a another big public space. There is already a large and great park near by, golf course, tennis courts etc. could use another non chain restaurant
Last comment: Any redevelopment to GV shopping Center should remain ONE story. We don't want GV to become a "Jungle of tall buildings" as happened in St. Louis Park; (has not happened in Minnetonka)
no.
no
No
Off topic but, the lawn bowling area at Brookview should be looked at to dome in the winter/off months. There is a huge income opportunity there that the city is woefully missing.
I guess what are the pros and cons to various options? I see what the need is, but at this point I'm just trusting our city officials to make the best decisions as they understand the pros/cons best. But I would love to know more.
When will Golden Valley have light rail access?
No
Be more direct with requests and the reasons why. Be okay with ruffling a few feathers from those who want things to stay the same. If GV opts not to evolve sooner rather than later, we will miss out our optimal location to Minneapolis.
No
What is the need for any of this? What is the cost of this? Is there an upper limit to the cost? A dollar amount that the city council will not go beyond? How much debt does the city still have on the books? The tax increment district finally closed less than ten years ago and now we want to do another? When do the taxpayers begin to see the financial benefit of having this TIF? What is the taxpayers return on investment? How will COVID impact the valuation of commercial properties and rental properties and the City's tax revenues?
I want to know what the staff of safety personnel support -
Why are new facilities necessary? I see areas of improvements but I don't see starting over with new grand buildings.

I didn't know that volunteer firefighters are no longer signing up. We have always been divided by highways. Fire station at Laurel was added to be able to reach areas south of highway 55. This all sounds very expensive. Do we begin to think of merging cities fire departments?
Not sure.
No. These changes should take place sooner than later.
no
If the city chooses to build new buildings please make the at least 50 year buildings and allow space on the property for expansion if needed in the future. Don't make them adequately for today's needs thing more long term.
who is the target for the residential/commercial buildings proposed? Is this another mass of high rent apartments? Will this end up feeling like the space near Cub foods in West End? Yuck.
I would like to know if studies have been done to utilize the existing facilities (e.g. remodeling the interiors of the buildings, building new buildings to link existing facilities)
Yes, will subscribe to email updates.
Not at this time. I would note that some people may not fill out a 30 question survey. Most folks who put surveys together would agree this survey may be too long for some people to complete.
What is the timing? 5 years, 10 years, 25 years? Is Hennepin County on board with consolidating library with city hall?
Why a two fire station model? Is it actually faster?
No

Phase II: Virtual Community Forum

Using a virtual community forum with a moderator/panelist format, City staff presented operational and space challenges to be addressed in coming years for Fire, Police, Public Works, and City Hall, followed by an audience Q & A via the City's Call Center. The forum was presented March 4, 2021 in two sessions: noon-1:30 pm and 6:30-8 pm. It was broadcast on Cable Channel 16 **and** livestreamed on CCXMedia.org and on Facebook. Attendees could watch either event via Cisco Webex or monitor on Webex by phone.

The goal was to continue dialogue with the community around the reasons for the City's Facilities Study, raise awareness about current problems and future needs, and provide opportunity for community members to ask questions and interact with staff.

Panelists included the City fire chief, police chief, physical development director, and public works director. It was moderated by the City's consultant.

The forum drew approximately 50 participants and garnered 21 questions (see Appendix B for details).

Information about the forum was published in the Nov/Dec 2020 and Jan/Feb 2021 issues of CityNews and multiple times on the City website newsfeed. The City also sent a postcard promoting the event to all postal customers in the community. The City further promoted the forum four times on Facebook and Twitter and four times on NextDoor between Feb 18, 2021 and March 5, 2021. See Appendix C for reach and engagement details for each post. City staff also created a Communications Toolkit with sample social media posts Task Force members could use on their own.

Phase III: Interactive Online Survey

To help evaluate proposed concepts for both the Facilities Study and the Downtown Study, the City invited community members to share thoughts and feedback using an interactive survey tool. The priorities and goals in the survey were developed with input from earlier community engagement efforts, insights from the Facilities Study Task Force, and guidance of the Facilities Study Steering Committee.

The multi-step survey asked respondents to answer questions and/or leave feedback in an open comment survey box after reviewing or reading specific items or navigating to the interactive mapping tool. Specific items for review or reading included:

- listed project priorities
- existing conditions and site preparations diagrams (to understand what will need to occur on the current civic campus site before the proposed concepts can take place)
- concept previews
- priorities and critical factors for both Fire Station #2 and the Public Works sites
- the Phase II study recap and illustrative concept for the Southwest Quadrant
- current vision and guiding principles for the Phase III Downtown Study
- downtown proposed circulation diagrams
- proposed street section options

The interactive online survey was active from April 30, 2021–May 23, 2021, was limited to one response per IP address, and had 296 total visits with 59 unique users (see Appendix C for complete summary).

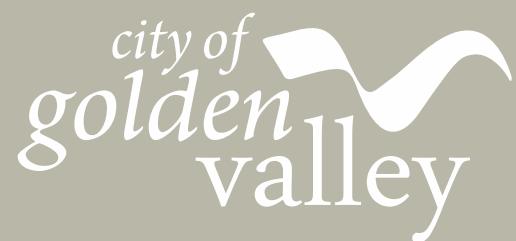
Information about the interactive online survey was published multiple times on the City website newsfeed. The City further promoted the forum four times on Facebook and Twitter and four times on NextDoor between May 3, 2021 and May 18, 2021. See Appendix D for reach and engagement details for each post.

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APPENDIX A

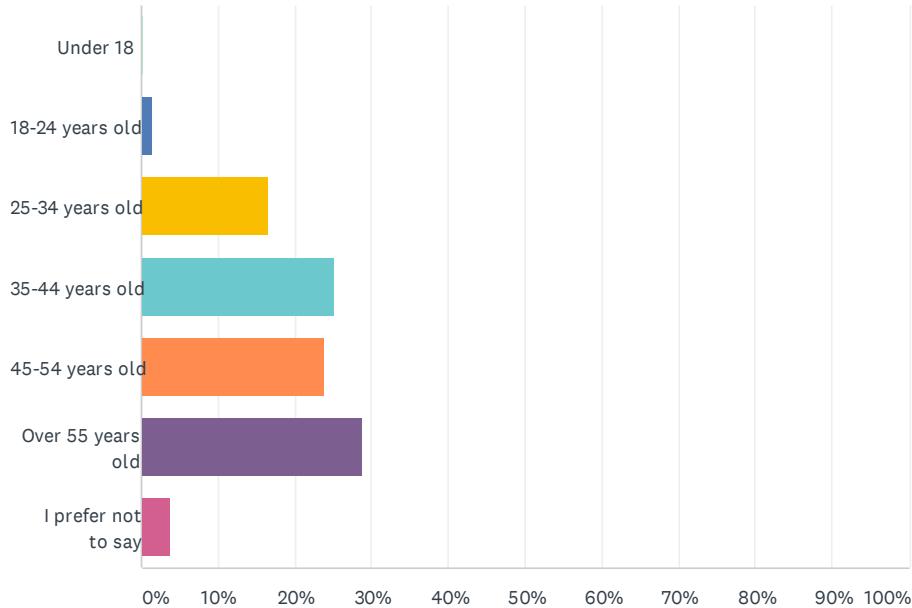
Phase I

Complete Survey Results



Q1 What is your age?

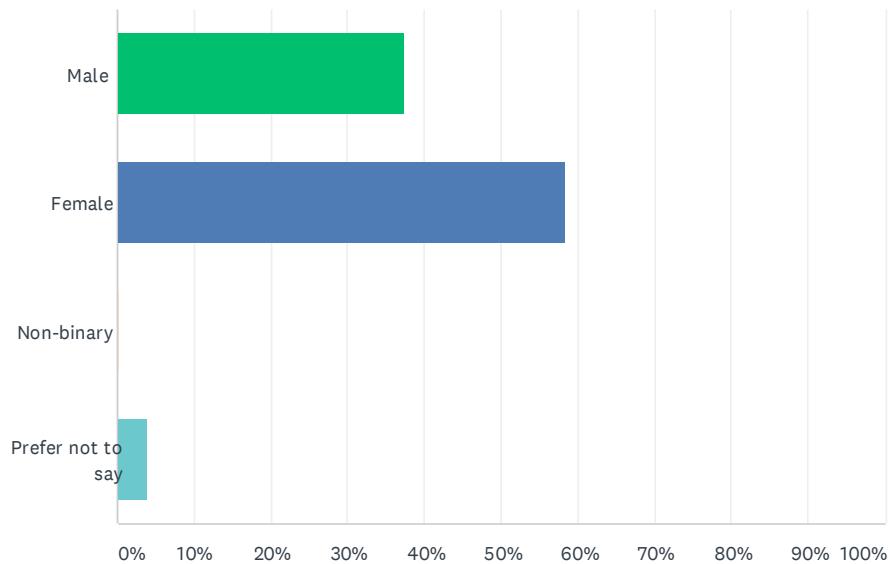
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Under 18	0.31% 1
18-24 years old	1.53% 5
25-34 years old	16.56% 54
35-44 years old	25.15% 82
45-54 years old	23.93% 78
Over 55 years old	28.83% 94
I prefer not to say	3.68% 12
TOTAL	326

Q2 What is your gender?

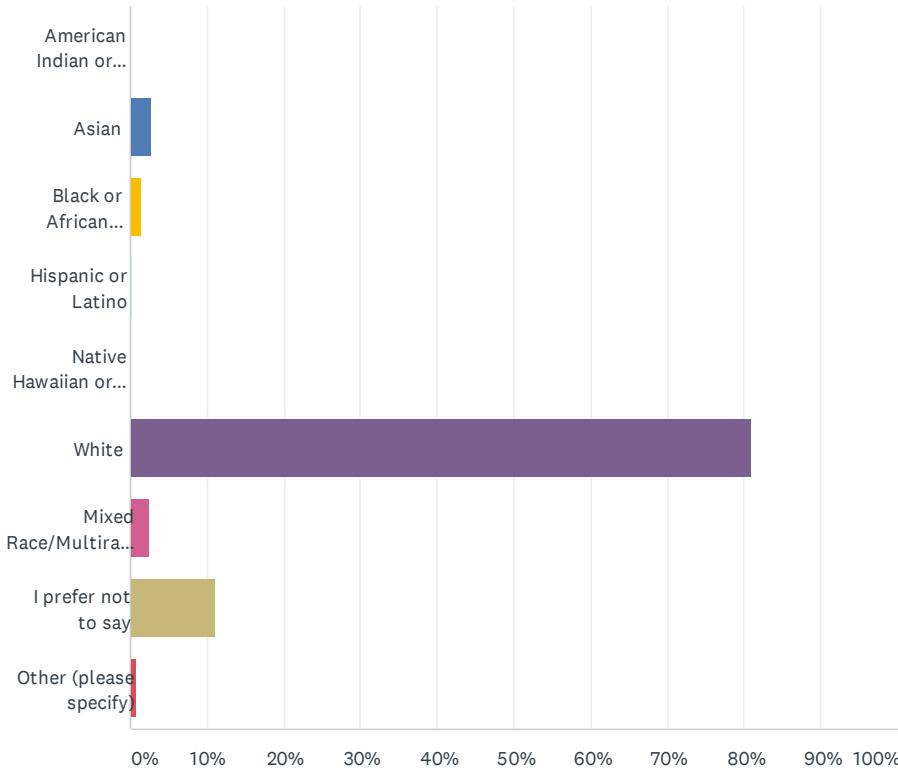
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	37.35%	121
Female	58.33%	189
Non-binary	0.31%	1
Prefer not to say	4.01%	13
TOTAL		324

Q3 What is your racial identity?

Answered: 325 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.00%
Asian	2.77%
Black or African American	1.54%
Hispanic or Latino	0.31%
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0.00%
White	80.92%
Mixed Race/Multiracial	2.46%
I prefer not to say	11.08%
Other (please specify)	0.92%
TOTAL	325

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Rather than identifying that the the survey responder is a resident taxpayers, questions 1-6 are totally irrelevant. (See our attachment containing suggestions)	1/26/2021 8:02 AM
2	human	12/28/2020 3:04 PM
3	Mediteranian and White	12/15/2020 8:49 PM

Q4 What is your ethnicity and/or country of origin?

Answered: 173 Skipped: 157

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2	USA	1/26/2021 8:09 AM
3	US born of Eastern European descent	1/25/2021 1:41 PM
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5	USA	1/23/2021 5:54 PM
6	Scottish	1/23/2021 4:16 PM
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16	USA	1/20/2021 2:35 PM
17	Scottish/British/German/Swiss	1/19/2021 8:57 PM
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37	USA	1/5/2021 2:39 PM

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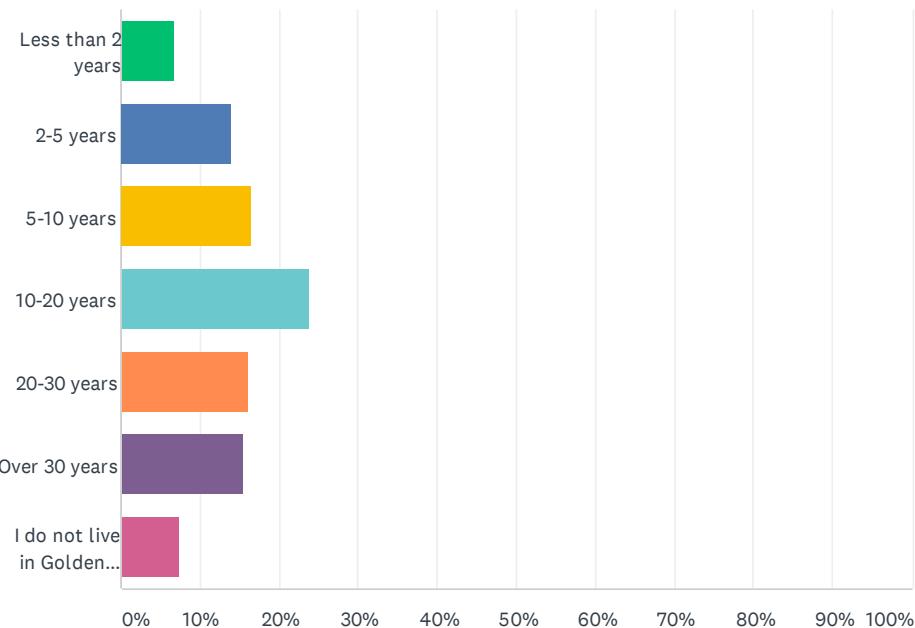
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Q5 Are you a current resident of Golden Valley? If so, approximately how long have you lived in Golden Valley?

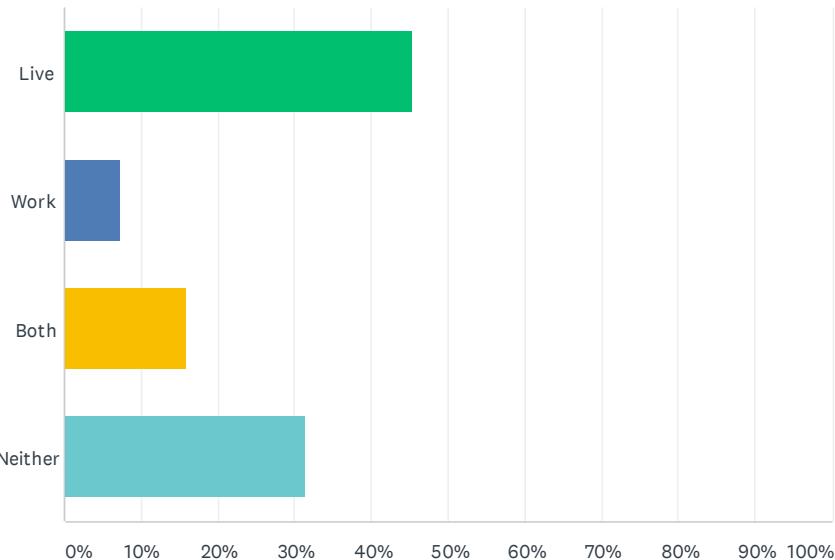
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 2 years	6.71%
2-5 years	14.02%
5-10 years	16.46%
10-20 years	23.78%
20-30 years	16.16%
Over 30 years	15.55%
I do not live in Golden Valley	7.32%
TOTAL	328

Q6 Do you live or work in or near Downtown Golden Valley? This area is generally defined by the intersection of Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road.

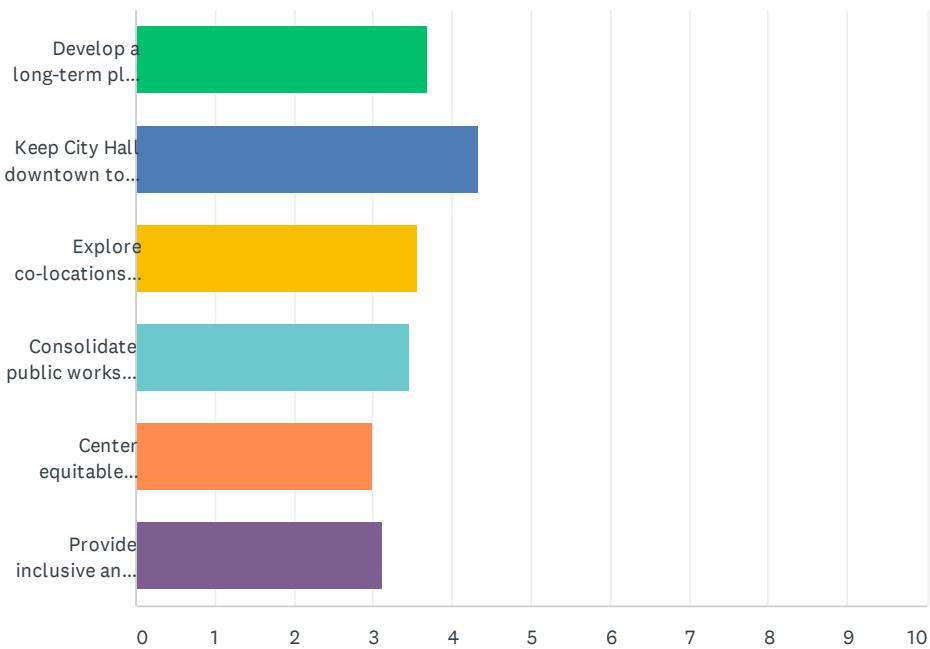
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Live	45.43%
Work	7.32%
Both	15.85%
Neither	31.40%
TOTAL	328

Q7 Vision (Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important)

Answered: 232 Skipped: 98



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Develop a long-term plan for developing new facilities, relocating Public Works, and to potentially open a portion of the current site to private investment.	23.04% 50	19.82% 43	16.59% 36	5.07% 11	13.36% 29	22.12% 48	217	3.68
Keep City Hall downtown to support civic, social, and business activity.	38.22% 86	15.56% 35	15.56% 35	12.00% 27	10.22% 23	8.44% 19	225	4.34
Explore co-locations for efficiency, value, and impact.	11.11% 24	16.67% 36	20.83% 45	29.17% 63	13.43% 29	8.80% 19	216	3.56
Consolidate public works into a single location, off-site from the Civic Campus to improve efficiency, accommodate contemporary vehicles and equipment, and facilitate service efficiency.	12.73% 28	17.73% 39	15.00% 33	25.91% 57	14.09% 31	14.55% 32	220	3.45
Center equitable access to City resources and services.	8.22% 18	11.42% 25	17.81% 39	15.07% 33	30.14% 66	17.35% 38	219	3.00
Provide inclusive and equitable facilities for the public and for Golden Valley staff.	9.78% 22	19.56% 44	15.56% 35	11.56% 26	15.56% 35	28.00% 63	225	3.12

Q8 Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

Answered: 65 Skipped: 265

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Present location is fine, already consolidated. How often, anyway, do fire trucks close GV roads while crossing? Danger? No!	1/26/2021 8:17 AM
2	Respondent labels all above as 6+ on their written survey. Refers to attached document for comments.	1/26/2021 8:04 AM
3	Enhance the beauty and look of Bassett Creek where it traverses downtown GV, add setbacks, greenway	1/26/2021 7:57 AM
4	A larger waiting area with more seating at the DMV (addressed generally in the video, but not specifically) along with an "express" window for quicker needs line renewing tabs A more humane holding space for wandering pets caught by or turned in to GV police, within the station itself. The current one on 10th is appalling.	1/25/2021 1:55 PM
5	We don't need apartment buildings. Businesses and improved public facilities only.	1/24/2021 10:09 PM
6	If moved, compensate owners of property where new location will be at 2X 'market value' to be fair to them.	1/23/2021 1:35 AM
7	A revamping of the DT strip mall	1/14/2021 6:52 PM
8	Efficient emergency services	1/11/2021 7:51 PM
9	Move the post office operations offsite also. We only need the counter walk up area.. Inaddition,I believe we need to create a gathering place and retail downtown for our community to promote development of restaurants,bars, and other retail. The so called "downtown" area of GV faces Hwy 55.	1/11/2021 5:34 PM
10	I wish to keep all city- like services in the "downtown" - post office - city hall - police-fire-library. update and upgrade the strip mall "Golden Valley Shopping Center".	1/11/2021 12:50 PM
11	All of these priorities are important. I hope Golden Valley will also have a warm, welcoming (non-industrial) visual appeal.	1/10/2021 7:36 PM
12	The economic situation in this country is going to get worse. These building are sufficient.	1/9/2021 9:43 PM
13	Do not move fire station #3	1/9/2021 9:34 AM
14	no	1/8/2021 8:00 PM
15	Eco friendly which is maybe this is included in the plan.	1/8/2021 10:19 AM
16	Common Sense cost efficient plan instead of what "feels good."	1/5/2021 2:30 AM
17	How about keeping things as is? Our taxes are high enough and still paying for Brookview.	1/2/2021 8:52 AM
18	Yes, please include environment and human health resiliency and sustainability.	1/1/2021 10:29 AM
19	The current location makes sense and is easily accessible by all residents. While I appreciate all city employees, I don't feel location is an issue and companies generally don't relocate based on this. There are already existing options for including a nice green/gathering space at the existing footprint	12/31/2020 12:42 PM
20	I value having a centralized location for services and having it updated for function, and beauty. I prefer to optimize current locations (build up? Lower Parking garage vs lot, landscape/hard scale updates, etc.). Moving it would have a big (possibly negative) impact on the community- depending on where it goes. For example, I am vehemently opposed to leveraging Scheid park for a new city center and parking lot. The green space and services (sledding hill, baseball diamonds, hockey rink, tennis courts, playground) are also a critical part of the community and should not be forgotten.	12/31/2020 9:26 AM
21	Encourage redevelopment of the HUGE eyesore that is the Golden Valley Plaza.	12/29/2020 4:42 PM
22	tear it all down build more high rise apartments	12/29/2020 9:46 AM
23	No	12/29/2020 8:43 AM
24	no	12/28/2020 2:56 PM
25	Commitment to sustainability	12/28/2020 1:14 PM

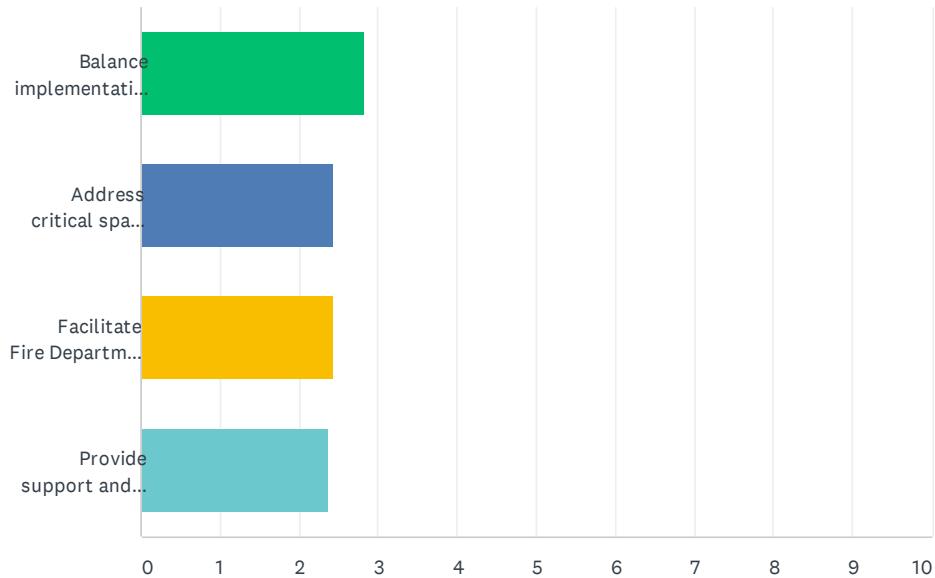
26	T	12/28/2020 11:01 AM
27	No	12/28/2020 9:36 AM
28	Develop a comprehensive traffic plan and road reconstruction that will facilitate ease of use and the increased car/ pedestrian use that comes with creating a "downtown". The current layout of winnetka/ rhode island and 55 will become a mess with further increase in usage.	12/28/2020 9:30 AM
29	Keep the current city resource area for community use: gathering, walking, farmer's market, art crawl, sitting and reading or visiting with others. Do make commerical. The three shopping centers provide plenty of commercial space.	12/27/2020 2:06 PM
30	I envision a walkable downtown (defined as: I can walk or bike there easily from my home) where I want to spend time with my family on a regular basis. The current state of GV downtown is lacking in almost every way. It's hard to say what was lacking in the open house video, but the focus on improving the downtown area for residents seems to have gotten lost in the mix. I agree new facilities are needed, but found the arguments in favor of those to be a stretch. Why not be more direct with the request to improve, consolidate and build new facilities to make them more efficient? And then do it. Downtown has so much potential, but needs a major overhaul that focuses on creating spaces and places that residents want to enjoy. Look at the North Loop or Eastside neighborhoods of downtown for ideas instead of the West End. Look at connecting Brookview to downtown. Currently, Brookview has so much more to offer residents then downtown with its green space and community gathering areas inside and equally important, outside.	12/27/2020 1:43 PM
31	We need a grocery store in the downtown area.	12/27/2020 12:41 PM
32	Prioritize creation and preservation of green spaces throughout the city. Do not allow permits for further development of large apartment complexes in highly congested areas.	12/27/2020 12:19 PM
33	A nice central downtown hub.	12/27/2020 11:17 AM
34	No	12/27/2020 11:06 AM
35	Some of these rank equitably. Make city hall accessible. Stop spending money on studies to move the FD.	12/27/2020 11:00 AM
36	Utilize Brookview investment for some city services	12/27/2020 10:34 AM
37	Opportunity to bring in new businesses, shops and restaurants. Our "downtown" is lacking in character and resources.	12/27/2020 10:15 AM
38	Strong planning coordination with surrounding cities and public state agencies to provide efficient and equitable use of space snd setvues. No planning in just a city focused bubble.	12/27/2020 8:59 AM
39	This exercise is to provide elected officials with notches in their belt and to make work for city staff. I would to know how many city residents have asked for new facilities.	12/26/2020 4:13 PM
40	Ensure a safe and secure Police Department. Ensure they have secured parking for squad cars and personal vehicles.	12/23/2020 8:11 PM
41	I think there should always be a long-term plan for city facilities. I think it is important to keep costs as low as possible while making sure the facilities meet the community's needs.	12/23/2020 7:23 PM
42	Fire stations	12/23/2020 6:35 PM
43	Take advantage of any freed up land to create denser housing. Integrate native plants / landscaping to help our pollinators and celebrate our natural ecology	12/23/2020 6:01 PM
44	multi-use considerations. Public use of meeting/training rooms if available. In downtown area place for bands/dance/theater to practice and perform. Possible contracting by city with companies to allow use of facilities by organizations in Golden Valley.	12/23/2020 5:05 PM
45	Honestly, I don't see a great reason to keep any of the city services campus in downtown. It's a waste of prime real estate. Goals missing: Economic development in downtown; Create a compelling reason for light rail to travel thru downtown; Create cultural and public events spaces in downtown; Continue to build a modern brand and identity for GV; Celebrate the iconic GV water tower with development integration; Integrate a new library facility (helps with all the above); parter with mcdonalds to relocate/integrate within the development; Create a hub for cyclists, walkers, etc via the adjacent Luce Line trail. Your priorities list seems VERY	12/22/2020 11:16 PM

focussed on internals, which are important and a good catalyst for change, but these are not true "vision" items. It looks like you've skipped to tactics and missed actual vision and strategy. Think bigger folks, this is a once in 100-years situation.

46	Grouping of vision components creates challenges for complete response.	12/18/2020 8:34 AM
47	What do you mean in question #7: Center equitable access to City resources and services. This is not clear. #8 Missing: should city hall and services move to the center of Golden Valley-- to Douglas or should it stay in downtown to provide more foot traffic for businesses?	12/16/2020 9:53 PM
48	A cultural gathering place should be prioritized.	12/16/2020 5:14 PM
49	New buildings for police, fire, city hall and public works	12/16/2020 4:07 PM
50	Fire stations need to be improved / replaced to accomodate the new scheduling and response requirements.	12/16/2020 2:18 PM
51	Financing	12/16/2020 10:41 AM
52	n/a	12/16/2020 8:05 AM
53	Accountability for transparency in spending of tax dollars and funding the initiative.	12/15/2020 8:55 PM
54	Explore sharing more services with surrounding communities also the recent pandemic has shown that a number of administrative functions can happen remotely without having employees in a physical office	12/15/2020 8:48 PM
55	N/A	12/15/2020 1:29 PM
56	Create an identifiable downtown for city activities, festivals, etc.	12/14/2020 10:04 PM
57	Explore how to provide modern, efficient and economic public safety to the community.	12/14/2020 8:56 PM
58	develop a funding plan with good/better/best facilities proposals. Disagree that exploring co-locations is a vision. it is a task or at most an objective.	12/14/2020 8:54 PM
59	Work to have city and county facilities (e.g., library) near each other and not split up by private enterprises, such as McDonald's.	12/14/2020 2:42 PM
60	Consult with a company that can guide city government to teach the tools of LEAN management. Saves lots of money	12/13/2020 9:52 PM
61	outside gathering place	12/12/2020 10:59 AM
62	Determine locations of new fire and police facilities	12/12/2020 1:08 AM
63	Keep it as it is...Where is all the money for this coming from? Citizens?? We already have high taxes!	12/11/2020 6:32 PM
64	Minimize residential impact and reduction green spaces. GV has an established downtown and many industrial areas that can be utilized. Please do not revisit the use of Sheid Park for this endeavor.	12/11/2020 6:24 PM
65	Walkable	12/11/2020 6:21 PM

Q9 Operations (Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 4 being the least important)

Answered: 223 Skipped: 107



	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Balance implementation with debt management.	44.50% 97	16.97% 37	14.68% 32	23.85% 52	218	2.82
Address critical space deficiencies and accommodate projected evolutions of operations and service delivery.	20.56% 44	27.57% 59	25.70% 55	26.17% 56	214	2.43
Facilitate Fire Department transition from three-station paid on-call model to a two-station duty crew model for 24/7 service to address facility, operational, and safety deficiencies.	19.53% 42	25.58% 55	32.09% 69	22.79% 49	215	2.42
Provide support and training spaces to enhance Police Department processing, operations, preparedness, and community outreach.	16.44% 36	30.14% 66	26.94% 59	26.48% 58	219	2.37

Q10 Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

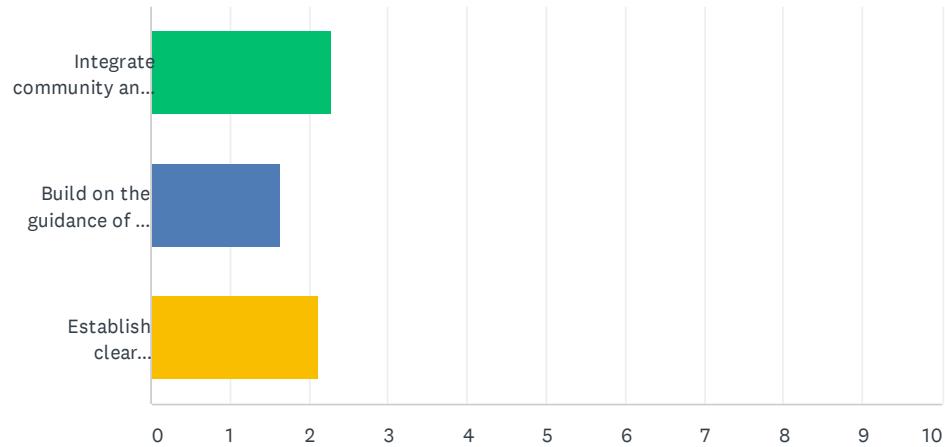
Answered: 39 Skipped: 291

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Is this all the city management can do, is develop buzz words, pretend huge, costly changes are necessary, sew distractions with the present - all to justify its own existence? At high salary?!?!	1/26/2021 8:17 AM
2	Respondent labels all above as 4+ and refers to attached comments	1/26/2021 8:04 AM
3	Say what you mean in plain, understandable English	1/26/2021 7:57 AM
4	More GV police officers and firefighters	1/22/2021 6:57 PM
5	No	1/14/2021 6:52 PM
6	The city should prioritize moving funds away from the police department gradually, and towards investment into public services instead. The police department should not take up as large of a percentage of the city budget as it currently does.	1/13/2021 5:10 PM
7	Try to keep the 3 station on-call model for fire if possible or combine services with other communities.	1/12/2021 9:48 AM
8	Keep police force FULLY STAFFED with ARMED SWORN Police Officers - additional Training added to their budget as well. Also have FULL TIME Property/Code Enforcement - this has been lagging and properties (especially rentals) are showing wear and tear and are not being maintained. And more GV homes in general are showing disrepair. More police presence for cars driving around with expired tabs and keep our city clean. Keep our Fire Dept in Community Center... as with all City Services.	1/11/2021 12:50 PM
9	As long as those impacted are included in planning and in setting priorities, the list looks inclusive.	1/10/2021 7:36 PM
10	no	1/8/2021 8:00 PM
11	I'm assuming that by addressing critical space deficiencies that would include the Police Department needs.	1/8/2021 10:19 AM
12	Stop raising taxes!	1/2/2021 8:52 AM
13	While I feel the fire dept is functioning well from my experience, the PD does not do enough to address homeowner crimes like the high incidence I see on Next-door of theft... unsure if that's due to victim reporting or lack of resources	12/31/2020 12:42 PM
14	Location, beauty/integrated with nature, maximize multipurpose use (eg, location for training, community gatherings, mtg, etc.). Of course I want out fire centers to be safe but it isn't clear what the 3->2 model solves. What does gender equity mean, adding a bathroom or changing room?	12/31/2020 9:26 AM
15	Create policy and training for a more community centered police force, that is innovative and non militant.	12/29/2020 4:42 PM
16	City staff makes too much money	12/29/2020 9:46 AM
17	No	12/29/2020 8:43 AM
18	Destroying a neighborhood park (shied park)for a new fire Station location	12/28/2020 8:30 PM
19	Yes debt management is important, but clearly from the video not addressing these issues will create more financial issues than it will solve.	12/28/2020 11:31 AM
20	Debt at this time is the cheapest it has been in decades. While not advocating to go crazy, it is a good time to take on some for projects rather than delaying simply due to money.	12/28/2020 9:38 AM
21	Provide more funding for police and fire.	12/28/2020 9:36 AM
22	Better training for police, fire and all GV staff and local businesses would be helpful. I worry for my hispanic children.	12/27/2020 1:43 PM
23	Hire mental health specialists to support our police department in response to crises and in public outreach	12/27/2020 12:19 PM
24	No	12/27/2020 11:06 AM

25	Again, stop trying to throw money to slice a perceived problem. Use existing spaces (like brookview community center) for training space. Keep a PAID FD. Fix up the GV Rd.fire station instead of forcing all of us to keep going to city hall to tell you that.	12/27/2020 11:00 AM
26	Assure Gokden Valley is a key decision maker for any mass transit planning through our city. How does it fit best into City plans	12/27/2020 8:59 AM
27	Why do you make us pick from choices that I would rank as four. Not important at all.	12/26/2020 4:13 PM
28	I want to know if the fire department personnel agree with the idea of 24/7 service.	12/24/2020 7:02 AM
29	Difficult to rank them. The balance implementation and debt management goes without saying and should be ranked seperately.	12/23/2020 5:05 PM
30	Wow, this is so narrow. How does anyone who doesn't work in the machine understand the nuances of this.	12/22/2020 11:16 PM
31	#9 is very difficult to rank. Word work better with a 1-10 rank for importance of each	12/16/2020 9:53 PM
32	Not sure.	12/16/2020 5:14 PM
33	n/a	12/16/2020 8:05 AM
34	Have the fire department and police department take a closer look at a shared services approach and possibly reducing building size or needs	12/15/2020 8:48 PM
35	Increase visibility of police department to the public. I think it would be good to see a design of that building and those around it that is welcoming and almost encouraging of folks to see what's going on in the inside. Important in these times.	12/15/2020 4:07 PM
36	NA	12/15/2020 1:29 PM
37	Make city services more accessible and user-friendly for the public and staff	12/14/2020 8:56 PM
38	Improving or maintaining service levels. Meet professional standards	12/12/2020 1:08 AM
39	Public needs to know what has been spent in this location since the 1990's, tax increment and all renovation cost that have been done as well. We could not afford doing the fire department until 2026 financially and now we are thinking about doing everything over. What is wrong with this picture? What ever happened to our debt reduction plan? Also, we just finished Brookview 3 years ago. That was something we really could not afford than, but we made it happen. Now, let's just add the entire city campus...Did we get a blank check? Nice idea, but people need to afford to live too. Crystal's Public Works building cost 12 million a few years ago alone.	12/11/2020 6:32 PM

Q11 Project Process (Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 3 being the least important)

Answered: 212 Skipped: 118



	1	2	3	TOTAL	SCORE
Integrate community and stakeholder outreach to inform project goals and priorities.	45.32% 92	36.45% 74	18.23% 37	203	2.27
Build on the guidance of the Downtown Study for development of the NE Quadrant.	17.56% 36	27.80% 57	54.63% 112	205	1.63
Establish clear thresholds for phased investment and implementation, prioritized for near-term critical issues and aligned with the long-term vision.	37.50% 78	35.58% 74	26.92% 56	208	2.11

Q12 Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

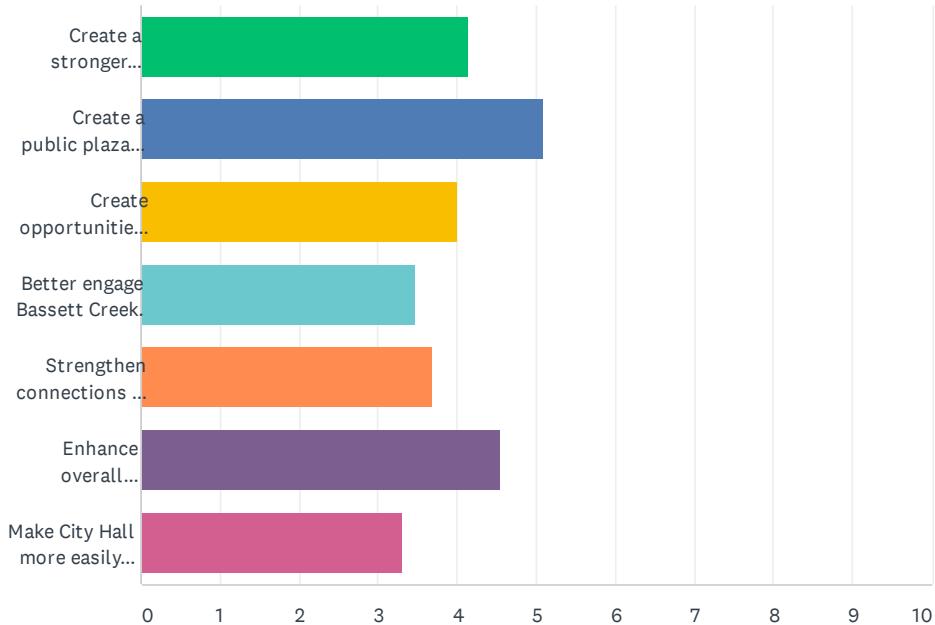
Answered: 29 Skipped: 301

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	(Responder has labeled the last option also as a 3)	1/26/2021 8:17 AM
2	Respondent labels all above as 3+ and refers to attached comments	1/26/2021 8:04 AM
3	Enhance and protect the creek, allow downtown housing with convenient areas to downtown businesses.	1/26/2021 7:57 AM
4	Give the residences detailed best case and worst case cost projections and impact on taxes.	1/16/2021 4:10 PM
5	No	1/14/2021 6:52 PM
6	So interesting the wording in the above. Just learned of this survey on the LAST day you could do it..... so there needs to me MORE notifications to residents of the city as to what is happening.	1/11/2021 12:50 PM
7	No, but I am concerned about the possibility of private investment in the NE Quadrant.	1/10/2021 7:36 PM
8	no	1/8/2021 8:00 PM
9	emphasize community engagement/input	1/8/2021 10:57 AM
10	I think this is unnecessary. We are still paying for brookview. The current city facilities are fine. Why spend more of our money when unneeded.	1/2/2021 8:52 AM
11	I DO feel strongly that the amount of excessive street parking is an eyesore and an issue. There are NO houses in the Hampshire Park area, yet there is always street parking that becomes a nuisance when neighbors don't obey the parking laws, either parking in a no parking zone or during snow emergencies. Why doesn't GV discourage this by requiring permits for overnight street parking? Milwaukee does this and not only does it prioritize those who park on the street but also generates revenue for the city.	12/31/2020 12:42 PM
12	I heard rumors of a gun range. In my mind, a gun range has absolutely zero place in a community center/ city hall and services center. I am 10000% against a gun range in our community.	12/31/2020 9:26 AM
13	dont waste more taxpayers dollars	12/29/2020 9:46 AM
14	No	12/29/2020 8:43 AM
15	Keep a strict budget	12/28/2020 9:36 AM
16	Sometimes the squeaky wheels in the community don't get it right. Gather community members who are forward thinking, who bring diverse experiences and expertise to assist. I've observed a GV mindset that favors keeping everything the same and doing business as usual. As a newer GV resident, I purchased a home in this area because I see what GV could become with forward thinking leadership. More green space! More environmentally friendly buildings! Let people tear down and rebuild homes that are old and outdated. There needs to be fewer chain restaurants and long-time restaurants/bars and businesses that have barely maintained their spaces inside or outside — those are the places dominating downtown or nearby right now. I also don't think the city buildings offer much for residents except for quick purposeful visits (e.g., voting). I would like to see fire and police combined and see potential of having them close by downtown. Priority should be on connecting Brookview to downtown and avoiding monstrosities like the West End. I'd love to see a park association with a giant pool, outdoor rec and picnic spaces. GV is missing a community pool and ice cream shop. I'd love to see both of those at Lions Park. Current NE quadrant plans are already likely outdated.	12/27/2020 1:43 PM
17	This survey does not feel inclusive simply from the language used. It is not accessible to the average citizen, not factoring in those with home languages other than English. It seems likely to gather feedback from a small demographic of residents.	12/27/2020 12:19 PM
18	No	12/27/2020 11:06 AM
19	Yes. Stop trying to spend money on making another urban-sprawl location, ie "downtown". Having a quiet community is just fine.	12/27/2020 11:00 AM
20	I have seen the city engage in enough of these processes to know the city will do what it wants. The last process that was truly driven by the public was the heart of the city process that was done maybe 25 years ago.	12/26/2020 4:13 PM

21	Comment. There was opportunity for community and stakeholder outreach for the Downtown Study, so while integraing community etc. I put it third.	12/23/2020 5:05 PM
22	Could you have any *more* consultant-speak in these? I mean what on EARTH are you expecting non-city workers to say to these statements? Good grief.	12/22/2020 11:16 PM
23	Financial implications of any of the different plans. Plan choices do not give any cost range estimates.	12/16/2020 5:14 PM
24	n/a	12/16/2020 8:05 AM
25	NA	12/15/2020 1:29 PM
26	Develop and identify quantifiable metrics so residents can understand decisions.	12/14/2020 8:54 PM
27	Build on guidance all recent studies	12/12/2020 1:08 AM
28	3 on all of them.	12/11/2020 6:32 PM
29	Appreciate community involvement and input considerations.	12/11/2020 6:24 PM

Q13 The recent Downtown Study for Golden Valley identified a number of initiatives for the broader downtown, and particularly the Municipal Campus area. Of these initiatives listed below, please rank order which are the most important to achieve with this Facilities Study. (Provide a ranking of 1-7 for each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 7 being the least important)

Answered: 222 Skipped: 108



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Create a stronger north/south pedestrian connection.	13.94% 29	14.42% 30	15.87% 33	15.38% 32	17.31% 36	14.90% 31	8.17% 17	208	4.15
Create a public plaza, park, or public gathering space for daily use and events.	26.54% 56	22.75% 48	16.11% 34	17.06% 36	7.58% 16	3.79% 8	6.16% 13	211	5.08
Create opportunities for new private development (eg, commercial, retail, residential development).	18.43% 40	15.21% 33	10.14% 22	12.90% 28	10.14% 22	12.90% 28	20.28% 44	217	3.99
Better engage Bassett Creek.	4.25% 9	7.55% 16	17.45% 37	17.45% 37	23.58% 50	14.62% 31	15.09% 32	212	3.47
Strengthen connections to the Luce Line Trail.	8.57% 18	10.95% 23	14.76% 31	15.24% 32	15.71% 33	26.19% 55	8.57% 18	210	3.69
Enhance overall pedestrian and bike connectivity and safety.	18.81% 41	21.56% 47	15.14% 33	9.63% 21	17.43% 38	8.72% 19	8.72% 19	218	4.54
Make City Hall more easily accessible.	11.57% 25	8.80% 19	12.04% 26	11.57% 25	7.87% 17	17.59% 38	30.56% 66	216	3.30

Q14 Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

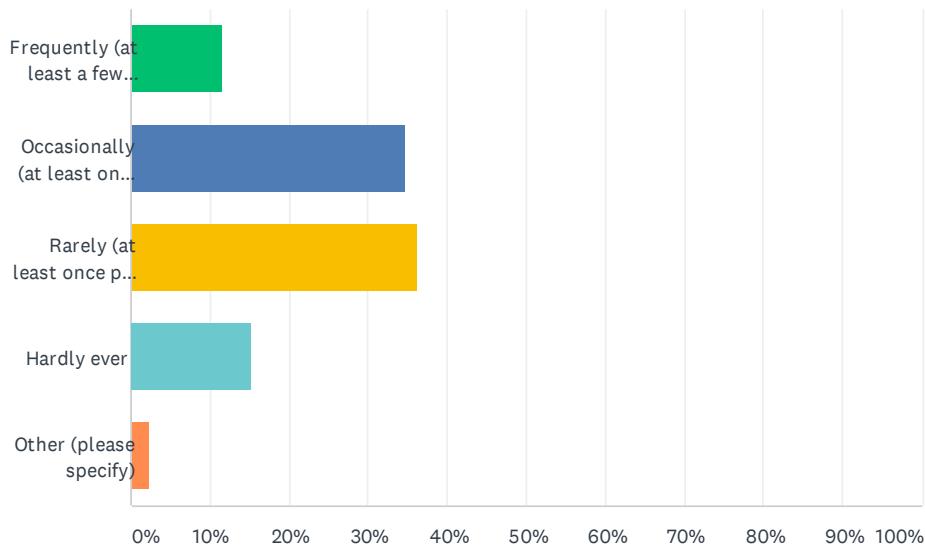
Answered: 39 Skipped: 291

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Respondent labels all above as 7+ and refers to attached comments	1/26/2021 8:04 AM
2	In addition to general public gathering space downtown, It would be great to have an off-leash public dog park, as well as a small central skating rink (with rental, as a source of revenue) that is NOT used for hockey. Interested Local businesses could sell hot food/drinks.	1/25/2021 2:03 PM
3	No more apartment buildings	1/24/2021 10:09 PM
4	Five of the above items basically say the same thing: Make a park. That's fine but when I want to visit city hall, I want a short walk from my car to the door. Many municipal designs have grand entrances set at long distances from parking. Don't make that mistake.	1/16/2021 4:15 PM
5	Nope	1/14/2021 8:24 PM
6	I feel City Hall is already accessible --- Walkability and bikability safety is important. Keeping our city clean is important and I don't exactly know what you mean about "engage Bassett Creek" ----make a bridge you could walk over and enjoy the creek?? that would be nice!	1/11/2021 12:54 PM
7	visually inviting from Hwy. 55	1/8/2021 8:05 PM
8	not supportive for any in Item 13	1/7/2021 3:06 PM
9	Community garden space	1/2/2021 2:34 PM
10	Comment: Indeed, we have a beautiful creek flowing through the city, but it is hidden!	1/2/2021 10:19 AM
11	All is unneeded. Our spaces are adequate.	1/2/2021 8:54 AM
12	The options are not clear on engaging Bassett Creek, Luce Line Trail or private development... I feel this is a loaded question and not written well for the survey.	12/31/2020 12:45 PM
13	Why do we think City Hall isn't accessible? Its ugly, but its accessible.	12/29/2020 4:43 PM
14	leave as is	12/29/2020 9:46 AM
15	No	12/29/2020 8:45 AM
16	Better stormwater infrastructure for all the impervious surfaces in downtown Golden Valley.	12/28/2020 9:55 PM
17	"CityHall" needs to be defined to do a better ranking in this question, and previous.	12/28/2020 7:30 PM
18	- Establish guidelines for retail property appearances. - Continue to support native planting	12/28/2020 1:16 PM
19	Keep Down in the Valley shopping center as is.	12/28/2020 10:43 AM
20	Put dog bags on trails and add a dog park in the city	12/28/2020 9:38 AM
21	We need to deal with highway 55 being such a barrier and the lights being so slow	12/28/2020 9:37 AM
22	More small businesses	12/28/2020 9:33 AM
23	A connection from Brookview Park to downtown. First, downtown needs to become more desirable.	12/27/2020 1:45 PM
24	Less need for residential and more for restaurants, retail, etc. Prioritize a grocery store in the downtown area.	12/27/2020 12:21 PM
25	No	12/27/2020 11:08 AM
26	Safe pedestrian and bike areas are vital. Better public transport options. Accessible city hall.	12/27/2020 11:02 AM
27	Strong safe interconnection between downtown, Brookview and Theo worth park. Seek additional funding and options for overpass near 55 and parkway.	12/27/2020 9:03 AM
28	Where the cost of each of these alternatives? I would say they if the choices given is a list of deficiencies look to the city. This entire area was developed by THE CITY! The entire downtown area was created by the city (with the exception of the old shopping center). The city owned all of this land at one point in time, through the use of eminent domain. What confidence should any taxpayer have that it will be different this time and that downtown will work better?	12/26/2020 4:19 PM
29	Protect Bassett creek as critical habitat and water resource. Celebrate it while leaving it as	12/23/2020 6:03 PM

	natural as possible	
30	Economic development in downtown; Create a compelling reason for light rail to travel thru downtown; Create cultural and public events spaces in downtown; Continue to build a modern brand and identity for GV; Celebrate the iconic GV water tower with development integration; Integrate a new library facility (helps with all the above); parter with mcdonalds to relocate/integrate within the development; Create a hub for cyclists, walkers, etc via the adjacent Luce Line trail.	12/22/2020 11:17 PM
31	Create stronger west/east pedestrian connection, so people can easily walk to library or city hall or businesses from either east or west side.	12/16/2020 9:57 PM
32	No	12/16/2020 5:19 PM
33	n/a	12/16/2020 8:05 AM
34	I'd rank City Hall item higher if 'accessible' was replaced with 'welcoming' or something that encourages time spent there that would be enjoyable.	12/15/2020 4:44 PM
35	NA	12/15/2020 1:29 PM
36	Commercial that is valuable to the community. Co-op, market, more full tome farmers market.	12/14/2020 10:26 PM
37	creating opportunities doesn't have to be separate locations. Really like the idea of replacing downtown city hall area with mixed use and make it iconic city center.	12/14/2020 8:57 PM
38	Develop off-Winnetka bike lanes between Golden Valley Road and 10th Avenue North.	12/14/2020 2:43 PM
39	We did not have the funds to improve all of our bike trails, but somehow we have the money to do all of this. Nice, but again where is the money coming from?	12/11/2020 6:35 PM

Q15 How often do you visit City Hall?

Answered: 224 Skipped: 106

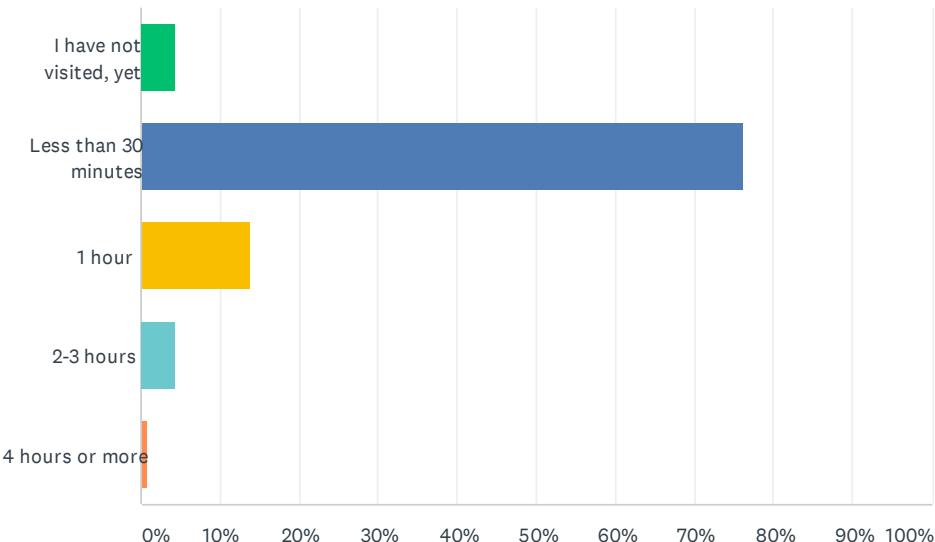


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Frequently (at least a few times each month)	11.61%
Occasionally (at least once every few months)	34.82%
Rarely (at least once per year)	36.16%
Hardly ever	15.18%
Other (please specify)	2.23%
TOTAL	224

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant jibberish"	1/26/2021 8:05 AM
2	Car tabs - voting - questions -	1/11/2021 12:56 PM
3	Hardly ever and that is okay.	12/27/2020 1:46 PM
4	Maybe once a month	12/23/2020 5:12 PM
5	Hardly. But prior to COVID, started to attend more Council and Planning meetings.	12/15/2020 4:46 PM

Q16 How much time do you spend at City Hall when you visit?

Answered: 223 Skipped: 107

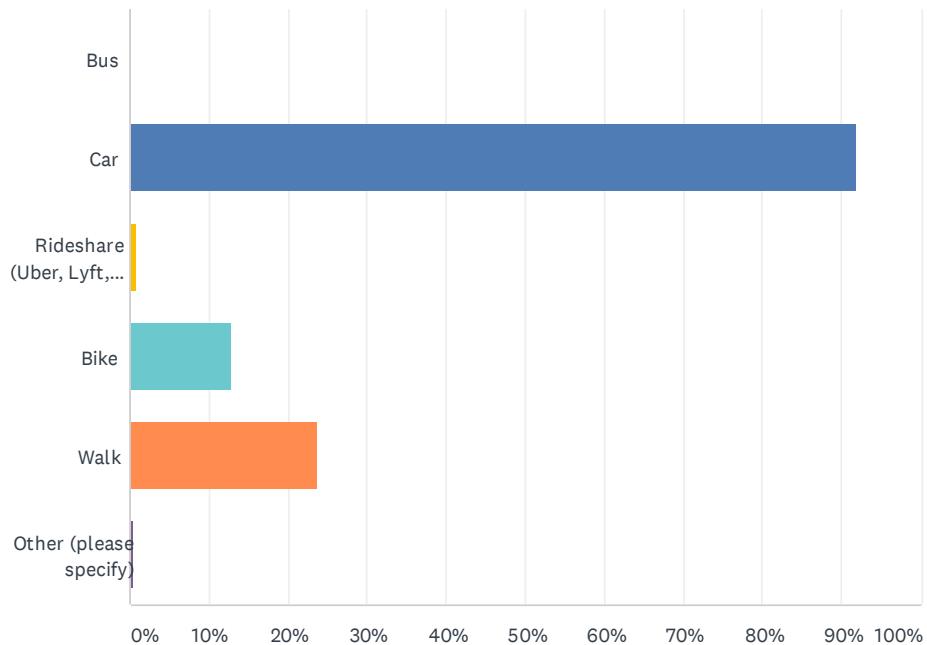


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I have not visited, yet	4.48%
Less than 30 minutes	76.23%
1 hour	13.90%
2-3 hours	4.48%
4 hours or more	0.90%
TOTAL	223

Q17 How do you travel to City Hall? (check all that apply)

Answered: 220 Skipped: 110

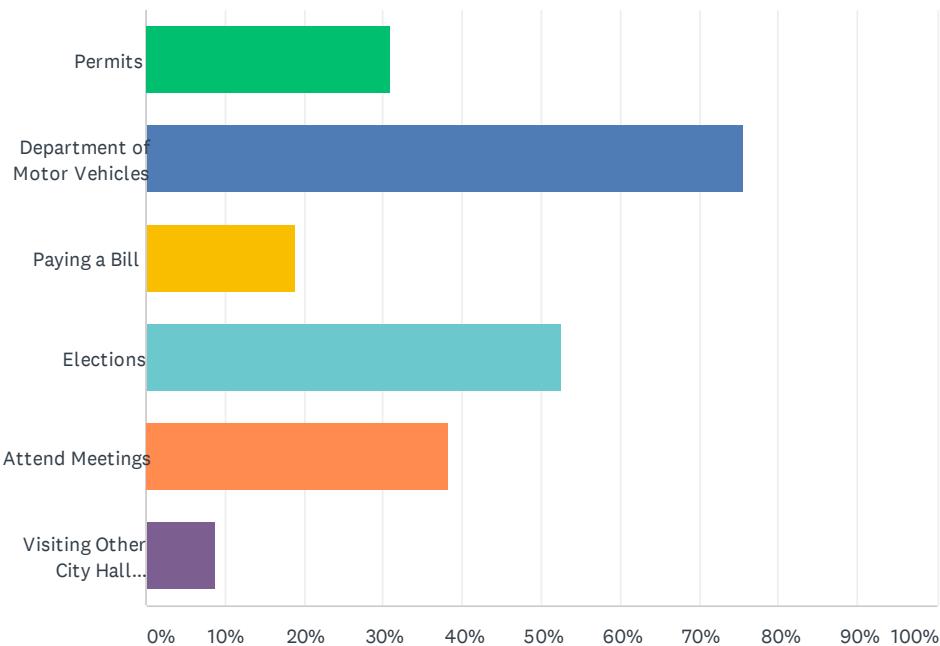


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Bus	0.00% 0
Car	91.82% 202
Rideshare (Uber, Lyft, Metro Mobility or similar)	0.91% 2
Bike	12.73% 28
Walk	23.64% 52
Other (please specify)	0.45% 1
Total Respondents: 220	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant jibberish"	1/26/2021 8:05 AM

Q18 Why do you visit City Hall? (check all that apply)

Answered: 217 Skipped: 113



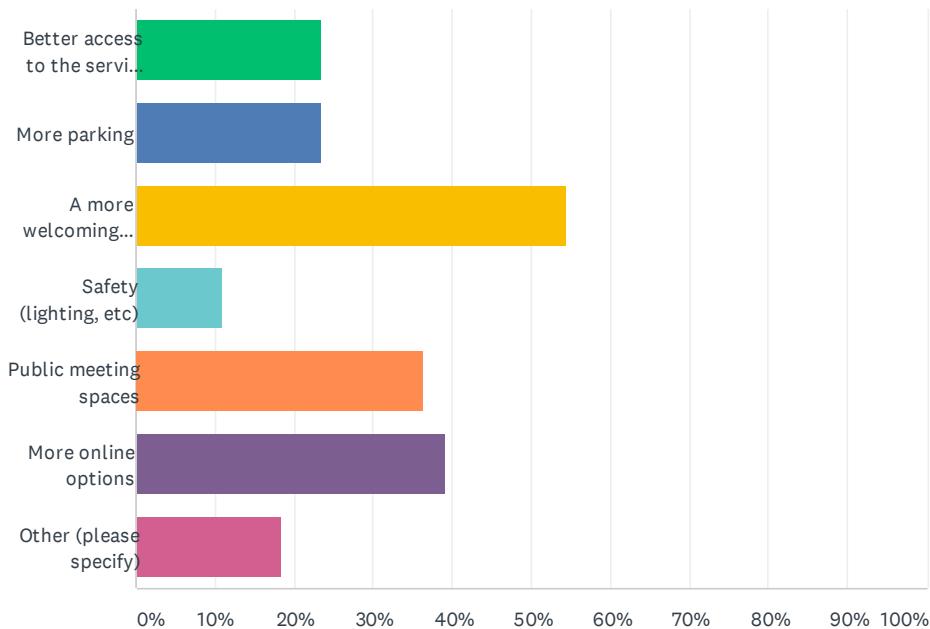
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Permits	30.88% 67
Department of Motor Vehicles	75.58% 164
Paying a Bill	18.89% 41
Elections	52.53% 114
Attend Meetings	38.25% 83
Visiting Other City Hall Departments (please specify)	8.76% 19
Total Respondents: 217	

#	VISITING OTHER CITY HALL DEPARTMENTS (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant gibberish"	1/26/2021 8:05 AM
2	Did not specify	1/26/2021 7:58 AM
3	Fire/Police	1/19/2021 9:14 PM
4	City Hall is critical to properly serve the community	1/11/2021 7:55 PM
5	Public safety	1/10/2021 11:20 PM
6	Planning, Inspections	1/10/2021 11:15 PM
7	City Works Dept.	1/9/2021 4:28 AM
8	Borrowing equipment i.e. Buckthorn removal wrench	1/1/2021 10:33 AM
9	Homeowner concerns upon move in	12/31/2020 12:46 PM
10	Public hearings	12/28/2020 4:17 PM
11	Voting	12/28/2020 11:32 AM
12	Farmers market	12/26/2020 4:22 PM
13	Fire	12/23/2020 7:52 PM

14	questions regarding yard, or trees, etc.	12/23/2020 5:12 PM
15	Other	12/16/2020 11:05 PM
16	Planning	12/16/2020 10:02 PM
17	Police and Fire	12/16/2020 2:19 PM
18	Fire Department	12/16/2020 9:48 AM
19	Visit the police department	12/15/2020 12:59 AM

Q19 What features would you like to see improved at City Hall? (check all that apply)

Answered: 184 Skipped: 146

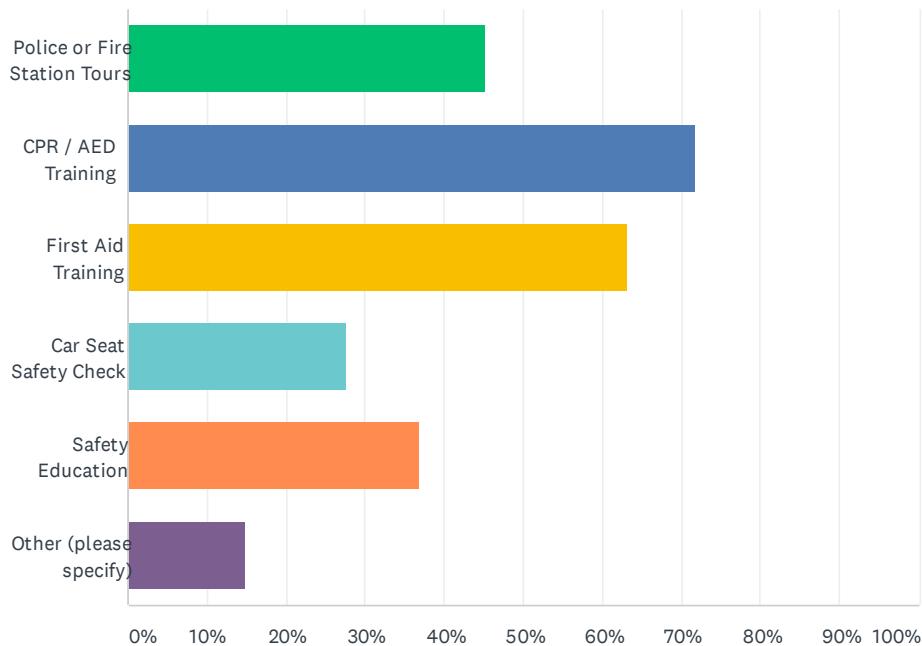


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Better access to the services I need	23.37%	43
More parking	23.37%	43
A more welcoming environment oriented to residents and customers	54.35%	100
Safety (lighting, etc)	10.87%	20
Public meeting spaces	36.41%	67
More online options	39.13%	72
Other (please specify)	18.48%	34
Total Respondents: 184		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Plenty welcoming already	1/26/2021 8:18 AM
2	Respondent has crossed out the question and writes "these questions sound like some kind of joke, this is totally irrelevant gibberish"	1/26/2021 8:05 AM
3	also to do passport and more services	1/11/2021 12:56 PM
4	More logical layout so I can find Departments	1/10/2021 11:15 PM
5	No improvement needed	1/9/2021 9:38 AM
6	Better signage to find what we need	1/8/2021 3:31 PM
7	more cohesive layout	1/8/2021 11:00 AM
8	it is fine if people ca not find that is too badheir way ar	1/7/2021 6:11 PM
9	hold the line on the budget.	1/7/2021 3:07 PM
10	Nothing.	1/5/2021 2:33 AM
11	None. It's fine the way it is.	1/2/2021 8:54 AM
12	Scheduling appointments so I don't have to wait in line, esp during covid; better waiting area for the clerk area	12/31/2020 12:46 PM
13	Integration with the library? Separated from the police.	12/29/2020 4:44 PM
14	leave as is	12/29/2020 9:47 AM
15	None it's fine as is.	12/28/2020 10:19 PM
16	an integrated space; not just as for current uses. library, gym?	12/28/2020 7:31 PM
17	Features work ok today	12/28/2020 4:17 PM
18	Visiting City Hall is not really an issue for me as I don't need to go there often. But clearly for how the city functions it is important to improve the flow.	12/28/2020 11:35 AM
19	Better interior organization and a clearer site map upon entry. Maybe dont have the dmv as the very first thing everyone encounters.	12/28/2020 9:34 AM
20	Full service DMV	12/27/2020 12:11 PM
21	Better signage	12/27/2020 4:17 AM
22	Nothing, it works fine especially since it has been closed for nine months! Where is the need. Why can't GVPD university be conducted at Brook view?	12/26/2020 4:22 PM
23	Better conference room and building flow.	12/26/2020 8:38 AM
24	separate large maintenance vehicles from public spaces	12/24/2020 7:07 AM
25	The website could have a more consolidated listing of available facilities and how to contact staff. Especially if people can't use the email browser connected to the emails given.	12/23/2020 5:12 PM
26	Co-locate with services I use regularly like restaurants, retail, etc. City Hall doesn't need to be its own building.	12/22/2020 11:20 PM
27	Nothing	12/19/2020 10:26 PM
28	Improved physical accessibility	12/18/2020 8:39 AM
29	Better and easier pedestrian access.	12/17/2020 11:52 PM
30	Before 9/11, city hall was used for public meeting spaces, but ended for security reasons. I enjoy city hall and find it easily accessible. I have heard from those using walkers that the bathrooms are not very accessible for the handicapped. For security of city council in meetings, it is safer to keep council chambers not immediately visible to those entering. No need to encourage crazies with guns.	12/16/2020 10:02 PM
31	I have no issues to whine about.	12/16/2020 3:30 PM
32	I've been to city hall and none of these are issues and do not need improvement.	12/16/2020 1:30 PM
33	Better DMV, more rooo	12/11/2020 8:01 PM
34	Council chamber upgrade. We have just about redone all of city hall. how many times are going to ask our community to pay for city hall upgrades or starting over?	12/11/2020 6:39 PM

Q20 Golden Valley's Public Safety Department includes the Police and Fire Departments. These departments both offer a range of community outreach, education, and training opportunities within the classroom, in the field, and out in the community that are open to all Golden Valley residents. Thinking about what might bring you into a Public Safety building for an outreach or learning event, what types of classes or information sessions would you find most useful?

Answered: 195 Skipped: 135

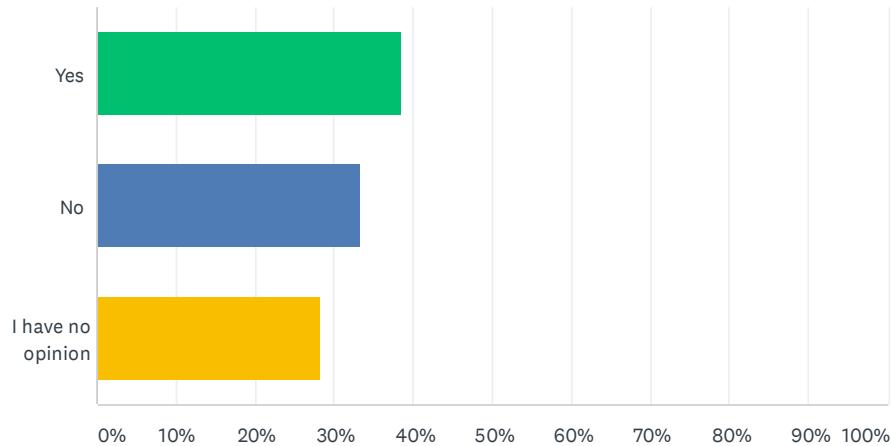


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Police or Fire Station Tours	45.13% 88
CPR / AED Training	71.79% 140
First Aid Training	63.08% 123
Car Seat Safety Check	27.69% 54
Safety Education	36.92% 72
Other (please specify)	14.87% 29
Total Respondents: 195	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	None. Totally uninterested except for the face that I have to pay for it, we can live without this!	1/26/2021 8:07 AM
2	Volunteer opportunity, mental health trainings	1/25/2021 2:11 PM
3	Sr. Drivers Safety course	1/23/2021 1:42 AM
4	Self defense training	1/22/2021 9:23 PM
5	The police should limit community outreach and focus instead on reducing their services in exchange for preventative investment in community services and socioeconomic equity, rather than perpetrating a culture of control and fear.	1/13/2021 5:15 PM
6	Fire Prevention and personal safety training	1/11/2021 7:59 PM
7	Police Explorer Program	1/9/2021 10:38 PM
8	Meetings with staff	1/9/2021 9:41 AM
9	We have done many programs with Scouts. It was great	1/5/2021 2:40 AM
10	None. I wouldn't attend any of these offerings	1/2/2021 9:00 AM
11	Why can't these classes/info sessions not be done at either Davis or Brookview Community Center?	1/1/2021 10:45 AM
12	Crime issues, sexual predator released into the neighborhood	12/31/2020 12:52 PM
13	I am afraid of police and would not attend any events if police were the focus. I would attend if paramedics or firefighters or others were teaching.	12/30/2020 5:45 PM
14	Public Health tutorials - these are often done at the library or Hopkins ECFE - since Hopkins ECFE is so far away, it might be more central to residents to have them in GV.	12/29/2020 4:47 PM
15	Gun Safety	12/29/2020 1:55 PM
16	Neighborhood Watch meetings	12/28/2020 8:55 PM
17	I am a health care professional so I get CPR training etc through my work, but I could see sending my family members.	12/28/2020 11:43 AM
18	Community engagement meeting the policemen/ women who patrol our streets. Establishing trust and Racial equality/safety.	12/28/2020 11:38 AM
19	Public Narcan Training	12/28/2020 10:17 AM
20	Firearm safety, conceal and carry permit	12/23/2020 6:41 PM
21	Not much - all of these could be done at Brookview or the Library so those space investments can be used more widely and for more than they are now. .	12/22/2020 11:33 PM
22	Before 9/11, police station was also used for public meeting spaces. Has safety changed?	12/16/2020 10:11 PM
23	Community diversity discussions	12/15/2020 9:01 PM
24	not interested in participating in public safety outreach	12/15/2020 12:09 PM
25	firearm safety training, self defense	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
26	Citizens Academy	12/14/2020 2:57 PM
27	Fire and police academies to learn more about being a police officer and firefighter	12/12/2020 1:25 AM
28	How do citizens best support and use police and fire services	12/11/2020 10:11 PM
29	Drop off medicine bottles, meeting or ????	12/11/2020 6:42 PM

Q21 The recent Downtown Study suggested the potential for integrating the Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin County Library with a municipal building, such as City Hall, to make it easier for residents to connect with multiple resources at a single location. Would you find it useful for the Golden Valley Library to share space with or be adjacent to City Hall?

Answered: 216 Skipped: 114



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	38.43% 83
No	33.33% 72
I have no opinion	28.24% 61
TOTAL	216

Q22 What do you think could be potential benefits of having the Golden Valley Library share space with, or be adjacent to City Hall?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 212

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	None, they are already close by. Again, hugs cost expenditure to do this for little, or no, gain. Another item to glorify ideas of the City Manager to justify his existence and high salary!	1/26/2021 8:23 AM
2	None	1/26/2021 8:07 AM
3	Isn't it already?	1/25/2021 2:11 PM
4	Makes a great deal of sense. Similar to how Plymouth DMV and library are adjacent, convenient	1/24/2021 10:14 PM
5	Sounds like city hall wants to expand and engulf the perfect community library.	1/24/2021 11:00 AM
6	When the staff are asked dumb questions, they can send folks to the library to educate themselves	1/23/2021 4:26 PM
7	Reduce areas of tax exempt properties	1/23/2021 1:42 AM
8	Increased traffic to the library	1/22/2021 7:35 PM
9	Easier one stop for those that take public transportation or have transportation difficulties.	1/22/2021 1:23 PM
10	No.	1/20/2021 2:39 PM
11	Parking will become an issue, just like Ridgedale.	1/16/2021 4:23 PM
12	Same building, same parking area and maybe a larger library?	1/14/2021 8:31 PM

13	One Giant office building with many levels that can have all gov. services in one building for Admin functions. That includes Park & Rec.	1/12/2021 9:51 AM
14	More welcoming	1/11/2021 7:59 PM
15	To me THEY ARE ALREADY integrated! They are literally right next to one another! Strange question.	1/11/2021 1:01 PM
16	Zero benefit	1/11/2021 12:49 PM
17	I think it is a potential security risk by adding more people not affiliated with city hall business under the same roof. Also, libraries will become extinct like book stores will.	1/9/2021 10:38 PM
18	adjacent but not share	1/9/2021 4:36 AM
19	having to park only once when combining errands; nice place to sit indoors and enjoy Bassett Creek while waiting or reading	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
20	So many people of all backgrounds use the library. If going through the same doors brings people into both the library and city hall, city hall becomes "demystified" and "our house" as residents.	1/8/2021 3:35 PM
21	Better use of parking along with more shared public space	1/8/2021 10:27 AM
22	Cost reductions (utilities, etc.); expanded & more convenient community meeting spaces.	1/7/2021 4:35 PM
23	sounds like spending money unnecessarily.	1/7/2021 3:09 PM
24	Reimagined, more modern buildings and spaces	1/5/2021 9:20 PM
25	Nothing. It close enough for a quick walk. No problem the booking at it is!	1/5/2021 2:40 AM
26	Cost sharing	1/2/2021 2:39 PM
27	It's fine where it is. How much does changing cost?	1/2/2021 10:25 AM
28	We love the current library. Why change what isn't broken? It seems like you are reaching for a way to spend our money. How many people that go to the library then go use the city facilities? I'm pretty sure it's rarely.	1/2/2021 9:00 AM
29	It would make it a more "impressive" location for both spaces also create more traffic for both spaces to draw upon that perhaps they wouldn't have on their own. This is also something that other neighboring City's have done and it seems to be very beneficial for all parties.	1/1/2021 10:45 AM
30	A one stop shop would increase use of the library facilities	12/31/2020 12:52 PM
31	Could share meeting rooms if needed?	12/31/2020 9:32 AM
32	Ridgedale and Brookdale are examples of multi use facilities. Edina /Southdale also. Better idea to share /combine	12/30/2020 9:59 PM
33	If they were close together it might be easier to visit both when needed, and it would make Golden Valley feel a bit more like it had a centralized downtown than it currently does.	12/30/2020 5:45 PM
34	Its common public space, great for visibility, great for continuity of services. Why would you not?	12/29/2020 4:47 PM
35	Shared resources	12/29/2020 1:55 PM
36	Not sure. seems like it would be quite expensive to relocate one or the other and the library recently went through a remodel.	12/29/2020 11:52 AM
37	none	12/29/2020 9:49 AM
38	None	12/29/2020 8:48 AM
39	Absolutely none. Waste of my tax dollars.	12/28/2020 10:23 PM
40	This is a leading question, assuming that there are only benefits to this shared space and no negatives. I do not think there will be many benefits with shared space other than convenience (for adults). As for children, from my own experiences, I enjoyed seeing and having that building accessible as a standalone building. It felt like safe space as a kid. I think GV Library as it is now is great. Having it shared with City Hall takes away from its importance. Having it be adjacent is a little better than having it being shared.	12/28/2020 10:06 PM
41	Easier access	12/28/2020 9:17 PM
42	To have everything more connected.	12/28/2020 8:55 PM
43	makes "City Hall" more of a public space, less of a task-driven location.	12/28/2020 7:35 PM

44	Shared spaces, better access, and more welcoming.	12/28/2020 4:30 PM
45	I don't see how this would be worth the investment- u less space could be consolidated and the land could be developed to increase tax base	12/28/2020 4:23 PM
46	shared meeting spaces strengthen community building and associations	12/28/2020 3:13 PM
47	None.	12/28/2020 2:42 PM
48	NA	12/28/2020 1:20 PM
49	If it's helpful for others I'm for it. I don't see a down side. I do plan to use the library often with my daughter once we can go again so I would like the library itself to be well maintained and well funded.	12/28/2020 11:43 AM
50	Cost-sharing, leased space, shared parking, reduced footprint	12/28/2020 11:40 AM
51	The existing library functions and has a welcoming cozy experience for our community members from youngest to oldest. Recreating a mixed use library/city office like Ridgedale took away from the feel and use of their library. The space has a stark feel to it, more like a corporate office building and is not a place you want to spend time in like the Golden Valley community library.	12/28/2020 11:06 AM
52	This would seem to create the possibility of modernizing both facilities and allowing both buildings (future one building?) to take advantages of advancements in construction, green building, etc along with possible efficiencies from reduced overhead from sharing between facilities)	12/28/2020 9:47 AM
53	Anything that saves money.	12/28/2020 9:41 AM
54	The current proximity of the library to city hall and area transit is sufficient	12/28/2020 9:40 AM
55	Could be more convenient for some, but they are already right next to each other so I don't see how city hall is "hard to access"	12/28/2020 9:38 AM
56	Love the idea	12/28/2020 9:19 AM
57	Share a parking lot and a wall?	12/27/2020 11:01 PM
58	Shared meeting and parking space. However current parking at the library is insufficient for the library; must be expanded if city hall is co-located.	12/27/2020 2:16 PM
59	The library could be part of any number of buildings. Ideally, it would be more easily accessible and a place where kids/adults can walk or bike to.	12/27/2020 1:52 PM
60	Increased awareness about its existence and resources it can offer.	12/27/2020 12:27 PM
61	It is already plenty close. It would be a waste of taxpayer money to move this all 50 yards either way.	12/27/2020 12:15 PM
62	Fewer buildings to maintain. City officials more visible. Meeting spaces can be utilized for both public and city	12/27/2020 12:09 PM
63	Acess to multiple services in one location	12/27/2020 12:00 PM
64	Just ensure the children's section isn't minimized.	12/27/2020 11:21 AM
65	More drawbacks than benefits. I do not recommend this option.	12/27/2020 11:19 AM
66	The current configuration is fine. Don't see a need to combine the two.	12/27/2020 11:14 AM
67	I personally prefer it separate. One is more business oriented (city hall) one is more family and child oriented for me. I'd hate to lose the family features of the library in prioritization of efficiency	12/27/2020 10:20 AM
68	Winter ease of access, more program education opportunities, city feel to the library	12/27/2020 9:12 AM
69	I don't see a benefit	12/27/2020 7:07 AM
70	Once in a lifetime it might be more convenient .	12/27/2020 4:24 AM
71	I guess that everything old is new again. The library was located within city hall! Now someone thinks they should again be in the same building. This really makes no sense if you are trying to improve access to buildings. Why don't we close Winnetka Avenue and build city hall in the extra space we get from closing the street ala Kmart in Minneapolis on Nicollet Avenue. how much is the city council planning to raise taxes to pay for all of this. I would be willing to buy everyone SIM City. It will be cheaper.	12/26/2020 4:35 PM
72	Better awareness and community connection - shared spaces for training, etc	12/26/2020 11:34 AM
73	Opportunity to increase density downtown and reduce the need for so much surface parking.	12/26/2020 8:47 AM

74	By combining the two, there's more opportunity for more useable/open land space for other amenities.	12/24/2020 3:47 PM
75	Not a good use of tax payer dollars here	12/24/2020 8:21 AM
76	share resources. this is a great idea.	12/24/2020 7:10 AM
77	More interaction with city services	12/23/2020 7:59 PM
78	It would consolidate the space and be a potentially good option if the facilities are moved to another location or if new facilities are built. It should only be considered if the city can get a great price for the land those facilities currently occupy and new facilities can be built in a cost-effective way.	12/23/2020 7:37 PM
79	A parking nightmare	12/23/2020 6:41 PM
80	More efficient land usage	12/23/2020 6:10 PM
81	Would be a more efficient use of space if creating meeting or room for training for use by organizations located in Golden Valley. Could also house a child care program for G.V. staff and people working in the downtown area.	12/23/2020 5:24 PM
82	See comments above about co-location options, but don't stop at city+library. It would be FANTASTIC to bring the two together, no doubt. Just don't limit the thinking.	12/22/2020 11:33 PM
83	I am a frequent library user, I will go now matter where it is located	12/22/2020 5:58 PM
84	Cost savings in terms of initial buildout and ongoing energy and maintenance costs.	12/21/2020 4:18 PM
85	Shared parking and green space. Need to know if library is agreeable to share space before more time is spent working on this option	12/21/2020 2:31 PM
86	More foot traffic into the City Hall	12/21/2020 9:59 AM
87	Patron convenience	12/18/2020 8:46 AM
88	Building efficiency.	12/17/2020 8:16 PM
89	"One-stop shopping"	12/17/2020 12:37 AM
90	Reduced cost, more accessibility	12/16/2020 11:09 PM
91	I love GV library as it is, no stairs or elevator needed to get into it. It has a different feeling and isn't enhanced with other public noisier activities in it.	12/16/2020 10:11 PM
92	Exposure to services of one when visiting the other.	12/16/2020 5:27 PM
93	One less building to maintain, shared cost between Hennepin county and the city	12/16/2020 2:22 PM
94	No benefits. The two facilities are not related.	12/16/2020 1:33 PM
95	I don't think most people would make a trip to the DMV and library at the same time but from a shared facility perspective it would make sense. Maybe it would drive more traffic to both as a result.	12/16/2020 9:57 AM
96	A sense of community and shared services.	12/16/2020 8:09 AM
97	Opportunity to combine using the library and city hall. More usage and exposure to the library.	12/15/2020 9:01 PM
98	I like the idea of them sharing a space.	12/15/2020 8:52 PM
99	Biggest benefit would be in case Police and/or Fire needs that lot.	12/15/2020 6:21 PM
100	Encourages younger generation to spend time at the library and take interest in City or municipal activities. It is always good to mix uses and see different entities or groups sharing a space or are near one another. It also improves communication.	12/15/2020 4:52 PM
101	More use and access for families. Children could be at library while parents attend to things in City Hall	12/15/2020 1:38 PM
102	NA	12/15/2020 1:32 PM
103	Shared indoor public meeting and gathering space	12/15/2020 12:09 PM
104	Consolidated resources - adjacent sounds better than connected. I do not like the idea of a large combo building like the Ridgdale library example.	12/15/2020 10:43 AM
105	Better use of valuable space and an great location. Library is under-used in its current form.	12/15/2020 9:57 AM
106	"One stop shopping"	12/15/2020 1:04 AM
107	possible cost saving	12/14/2020 10:08 PM

108	public meeting spaces that can be used day and night; open up the quadrant to new uses.	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
109	more efficient use of facilities. the library isn't that large and doesn't need its own space.	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
110	I don't think sharing is a good plan. The county doesn't seem to value the Golden Valley library compared to other sites. Sharing facilities doesn't help resolve that issue with the county.	12/14/2020 5:34 PM
111	Assuming you can work it out with Hennepin County, it would make for more efficient parking, snow plowing, lawn maintenance, etc. Also, it would integrate the fact that Golden Valley is its own community with its own amenities, and not merely a suburb with two school districts.	12/14/2020 2:57 PM
112	Would spend more enjoyable time there	12/13/2020 10:00 PM
113	Two different uses	12/12/2020 11:03 AM
114	Convenient and positive interface between these two entities	12/12/2020 1:25 AM
115	This is an historic building and should not be thought of as disposable...	12/11/2020 7:19 PM
116	None	12/11/2020 6:42 PM
117	Encouraging more use for both facilities.	12/11/2020 6:36 PM
118	I just want a convenient nice library. I don't care how it's connected.	12/11/2020 6:26 PM

Q23 As Golden Valley considers long-range planning for its municipal buildings, we would like to learn more about your expectations for public buildings. In your own words, what features would make a municipal building approachable, welcoming, and inviting?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 210

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Just fine as is, the people - THE PEOPLE - make !!! What are you gonna do, how are you going to make the people more welcoming, etc. They already are - don't need a new building to do this?	1/26/2021 8:23 AM
2	The lower the cost the better it is for everyone	1/26/2021 8:07 AM
3	Space, ample seating, natural lighting, obvious signage, good customer service	1/25/2021 2:11 PM
4	Having nice landscaping and keeping walkways clear of snow and ice	1/23/2021 6:09 PM
5	Include a GV historical section	1/23/2021 4:26 PM
6	If it ain't broke, don't fix it.	1/23/2021 11:23 AM
7	Art from the community. History exhibits. All rotating.	1/23/2021 10:16 AM
8	Easy in / Easy out for things like licences drivers exams bill payment. Free parking & or drive through access for simple items as those.	1/23/2021 1:42 AM
9	Local artist work featured. Diversity of employees.	1/22/2021 9:23 PM
10	Public space, coffee shops, similar design to Minnetonka Municipal building	1/22/2021 7:35 PM
11	ADA Compliant, walkways well maintained	1/22/2021 4:14 PM
12	The less your public cathedrals cost, the lower your property taxes, the more inviting your community becomes.	1/20/2021 9:36 PM
13	A clear layout with directions to departments	1/16/2021 4:23 PM
14	1st and foremost parking. More departments on the ground floor.	1/14/2021 8:31 PM
15	Entries that are open and bright with a modern look	1/11/2021 7:59 PM
16	Lighting - sidewalks - landscaping - hours of operation	1/11/2021 1:01 PM
17	Pay debt before construction	1/11/2021 12:49 PM
18	Make motor vehicle dept. waiting area a more comfortable and pleasing place to wait.	1/10/2021 11:19 PM
19	Seems fine now.	1/9/2021 10:38 PM
20	DMV should have a separate entrance.	1/9/2021 4:36 AM
21	outside light, open space, benches and chairs, greenery, vending machines or a coffee shop	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
22	Modern architecture. Windows. Color. Good signage. Excellent disability accessibility features.	1/8/2021 3:35 PM
23	parking, parking, parking. colorful directional signage/arrows? easy layout.	1/8/2021 11:18 AM
24	EV charging stations, Public bathrooms for outdoor events ie farmers market, or concerts.	1/8/2021 10:27 AM
25	Convenient elevators and directional signage that is placed where clearly visible & is easy to read. Good lighting for older eyes. Buildings designed to reduce long hallways.	1/7/2021 4:35 PM
26	Nothing wrong as it for me.	1/7/2021 3:09 PM
27	Better spaces for council meetings, community meetings. Less crowded areas for city services.	1/5/2021 9:20 PM
28	It's fine the way it is. Have never had a problem finding departments,ie; DMV, City Council Meetings, or Voting.	1/5/2021 2:40 AM
29	Getting my license tabs has always been a very efficient experience. It's the staff that makes a building/business approachable, welcoming and inviting.	1/2/2021 11:37 PM
30	Open space, art, staffing to reduce lines, places to sit	1/2/2021 2:39 PM
31	Sidewalks, larger entrance	1/2/2021 10:25 AM
32	They are fine the way they are. We use the city building once a year to visit the dmv. Not sure that warrants new building.	1/2/2021 9:00 AM

33	Environmental sustainability & resiliency.	1/1/2021 10:45 AM
34	More open & inviting reception area w/ a help desk to direct me accordingly (could be staffed by a volunteer)	12/31/2020 12:52 PM
35	Windows, more modern, landscaping, easy parking	12/31/2020 9:32 AM
36	Lack of armed police presence, ease of accessibility for those with disabilities, clear directions when entering buildings so it's simple to find where we need to go.	12/30/2020 5:45 PM
37	Integrated farmers market, windows, BBB counter.	12/29/2020 4:47 PM
38	Clear signage both outside and inside, to find the right room/division quickly. Have 3D tour of buildings online, as well as all forms online - to speed transaction time. Comprehensive menu of resources available at each location.	12/29/2020 1:55 PM
39	more of a lobby/atrium type setting (like Ridgedale building). Maybe a little cafe/coffee shop.	12/29/2020 11:52 AM
40	It would be nice to have an outdoor space for events	12/29/2020 11:34 AM
41	leave as is	12/29/2020 9:49 AM
42	Wayfinding	12/29/2020 8:48 AM
43	Our current building is fine.	12/28/2020 10:23 PM
44	Better colors or more natural lighting. But most of all, the people inside the buildings. They are the most important factor to making a building approachable, welcoming, and inviting. A building could be the most beautiful one in the world, but if it's populated with grumpy, unwelcoming people, then none of its aesthetics matter.	12/28/2020 10:06 PM
45	Easy access.	12/28/2020 8:55 PM
46	more friendly staff that seem like they want to help	12/28/2020 7:48 PM
47	may i say it - more welcoming staff at the dmv would help! could we have a full dmv? make it a citizens' building; library, gym, meeting rooms, fireplace room.	12/28/2020 7:35 PM
48	Shorter distance from parking lot to facility.	12/28/2020 4:30 PM
49	I dont think the buildings draw people in- the reason you go there does- and with more moving online, less physical presence is needed and more technical resources are	12/28/2020 4:23 PM
50	safe, easy to navigate, offers services to the community that can be easily accessed in the building	12/28/2020 3:13 PM
51	more accommodations for people that use MetroMobility..a place to be seated for being dropped off or picked up that is disability friendly.	12/28/2020 2:05 PM
52	Well maintained landscaping and building structure, open entryway, clear signs and a help desk, music	12/28/2020 1:20 PM
53	Multi purpose, access	12/28/2020 11:53 AM
54	Better seating and waiting area for motor vehicle department.	12/28/2020 11:43 AM
55	Easy to navigate, clear signage, clear as to what building serves what purpose. Aesthetics that are timeless and will age well- stay away from ultra trendy materials/designs that will look dated in 10 years.	12/28/2020 11:43 AM
56	Spacious, well-lit, one primary main entrance with way finding to different departments	12/28/2020 11:40 AM
57	Wheelchair access to all floors, multi cultural language signs, check in/ information desk to point people in the right direction. Online checking/ appointment making to expedite time spent on site	12/28/2020 11:38 AM
58	The existing city halls is a bit challenging to find the services you are looking for, mostly because you enter into a space that feels like a small basement room and have to go upstairs for most services. I will say that if I am visiting for DMV services, that is very convenient and efficient in GV. I dread going to Ridgedale of Brooklyn park for their expanded services, as the wait times are much longer and impersonal.	12/28/2020 11:06 AM

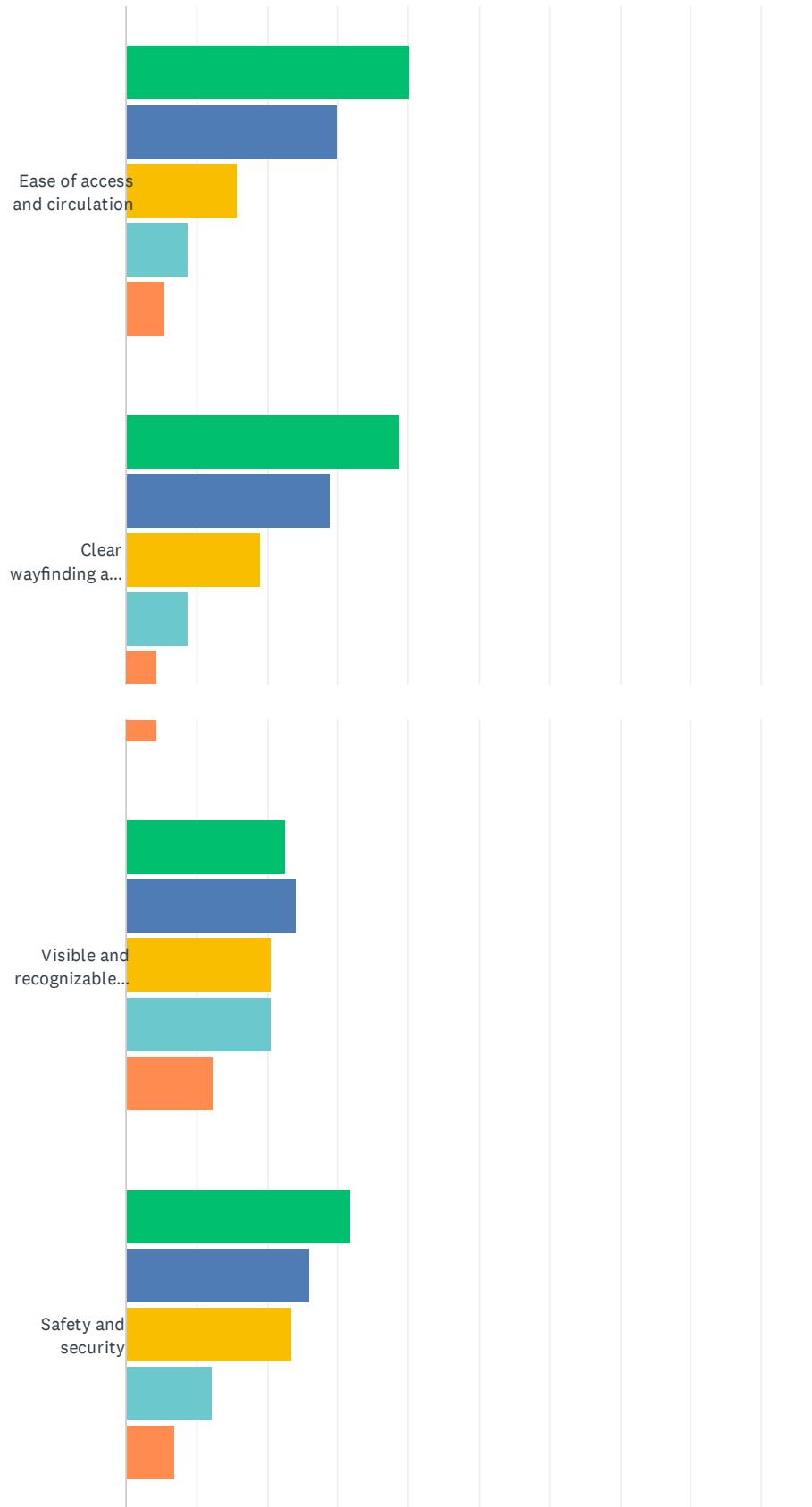
59	Cool architecture fitting of Golden Valley - think midcentury modern, one level (handicap accessible!) with green space that could be used by the public, and inside spaces that could be used by the public for free (Crystal city hall has this).	12/28/2020 9:47 AM
60	No public building is not already any of those things. We need to make our public buildings useful for the purpose of having it, and save on project costs every chance we get.	12/28/2020 9:41 AM
61	Having a directory/information desk (staffed) as the first point of contact	12/28/2020 9:40 AM
62	A pool, more things that engage the youth in our city	12/28/2020 9:38 AM
63	I don't really know why I would go to a municipal building - I prefer to do everything online.	12/28/2020 9:19 AM
64	I really have no need to go to these buildings. The DMV is useless, I have to go to a different city for renewals anyway. A better online experience serves the community best.	12/28/2020 9:15 AM
65	A layout that makes sense	12/27/2020 11:01 PM
66	Minnetonka City Hall is a great example of welcoming, inviting, useful and easy to use. Parking is sufficient, halls are wide, city council meeting room is open to the front door, other meeting spaces are along the corridors, easy to access restrooms and a reserved senior meeting area with lots of windows.	12/27/2020 2:16 PM
67	I feel like parking is relevant for city buildings, but I'd like to see way less blacktop space in downtown. I'd almost lean towards putting City Hall, etc. elsewhere to prevent having so many empty parking lots.	12/27/2020 1:52 PM
68	Accessible both physically and in language, more inclusive of services in one place - one stop shop - but with adequate space and staffing to continue to run efficiently.	12/27/2020 12:27 PM
69	Open, accessible, and usable to the public	12/27/2020 12:15 PM
70	More open visually to public. Handicapped accessible Brighter space maybe area featuring local artist, independent businesses, unique to the community	12/27/2020 12:09 PM
71	I have rarely had a need for visiting city hall other than for voting, here (in the past year) or when I lived in Hopkins (10+ yrs)I think an investment in 1) more advertising of what services are available to residents at city hall 2) modernize the city website for residents to be able to do as much as possible virtually. Many prefer to do things virtually, even before the pandemic, and it is often difficult for working people to access services in person during business hours.	12/27/2020 12:03 PM
72	Handicap accessible, art that reflects GV residents, child friendly	12/27/2020 12:00 PM
73	Accessible to all, clean and bright. All services in one place.	12/27/2020 11:21 AM
74	I think the buildings should be functional. There is nothing wrong with the current facilities. They are nice and seem, to the public, to function appropriately for my needs. . .	12/27/2020 11:14 AM
75	Accessibility	12/27/2020 11:05 AM
76	Tours, public outreach events, more visibility	12/27/2020 10:20 AM
77	Clear signage and directory	12/27/2020 10:20 AM
78	Good lighting, safety features to protect workers, landscaping for visiting resting places along a path to facility, one level for city services,	12/27/2020 9:12 AM
79	A good building directory at the entrance and directional signs on each floor.	12/27/2020 4:24 AM
80	it does not have to be inviting. I go there to take care of city services that I need; absentee voting, voter registration, pay utility bills, etc. Not to hang out, other than at the farmers market.	12/26/2020 4:35 PM
81	Better designed building that doesn't feel so cramped and haphazard.	12/26/2020 8:47 AM
82	Building layout/good signage. Open/natural light. Architecturally pleasing. Easily accessible by foot, bike, car.	12/24/2020 3:47 PM
83	Safe, easy to navigate, efficient	12/24/2020 8:21 AM
84	universal designs. meeting places (multiple sized spaces). gender neutral bathrooms. Lots of natural light. Zero waste and green, sustainable building.	12/24/2020 7:10 AM

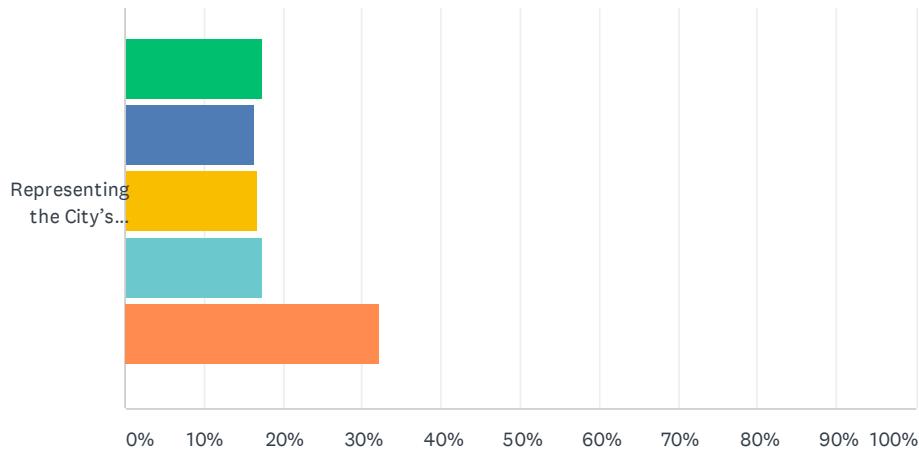
85	Better parking, outside seating, a small park	12/23/2020 7:59 PM
86	I love the new Brookview Community Center. Spaces are attractive, flexible, and accessible. Any new facilities should meet these standards.	12/23/2020 7:37 PM
87	Friendly staff that want to help, other city halls have been open, GV is a no	12/23/2020 6:41 PM
88	Clear entries with signage, planted landscapes, public places to sit outside (aka signals the public is welcome here)	12/23/2020 6:10 PM
89	Clear navigation directions and location of rooms/offices in the front lobby. Small tables for up to four people for informal conversations while waiting for another meeting.	12/23/2020 5:24 PM
90	Municipal services should come to where people are instead of force people to come to them. So if you build a new whole-block development that is people-centered, and services are simply integrated into the fabric, it gets you a long way toward the more tactical things like benches and green space and signage. But let's reconsider how the question is worded - specifically about 'public buildings'. Perhaps 'public service locations' so that the thinking isn't so boxed-in to thinking that the buildings are "CITY" buildings. Maybe technically there is a city or county ownership, but we can open up to more inclusive design thinking when we're not limited to that structure. I think that's actually your answer - the thing that makes these spaces work is that they're *not* obviously municipal.	12/22/2020 11:33 PM
91	More architectural interest	12/22/2020 5:58 PM
92	It should have been in Brookview. One large mixed use building.	12/21/2020 2:31 PM
93	Community Meeting Rooms that could be reserved for a nominal fee. Places where the community can gather for events	12/21/2020 9:59 AM
94	The people. Who cares what you do to the outer appearance if the employees are rude and unwelcoming.	12/19/2020 10:28 PM
95	Having a "reception" area to help guide people to where they need to go.	12/17/2020 8:16 PM
96	Public gathering spaces, diverse art, clear signage, someone at the front door.	12/16/2020 11:09 PM
97	After 9/11, municipal buildings closed to the public except during the day. Thankfully, the new Brookview has meeting rooms which has really been wonderful. People come to municipal buildings for a reason. No need to make it inviting or approachable. It should be welcoming - like no crabby, unfriendly people in front office. That's a hiring issue with the city.	12/16/2020 10:11 PM
98	Accessibility	12/16/2020 5:27 PM
99	Need to improve the fire stations and increase storage and training areas for police and fire.	12/16/2020 2:22 PM
100	Maybe staffing a greeting person who can give you information.	12/16/2020 1:33 PM
101	Have a more open layout, more parking, updated and modern building with updated and modern features.	12/16/2020 11:08 AM
102	Welcoming entrance next to high traffic pedestrian areas. Clearly marked entrances and office signs.	12/16/2020 8:09 AM
103	Modern, location, connection with the community. A workou/health facility free or low cost to residents.	12/15/2020 9:01 PM
104	Modern architecture	12/15/2020 8:56 PM
105	They just need to be functional. Public works doesn't need to be downtown, for example. Police and Fire need to be where they can respond best. City Hall needs to be welcoming, as in with a nice lobby and maybe a help desk.	12/15/2020 6:21 PM
106	Better plaza and hangout area. Spaces to sit and have lunch, have a coffee meeting, work remotely for an hour or two but be near a downtown area. With municipal building nearby, the environment would be busy but also quiet and reserved unlike some other public areas near a lot of shops, cafes, and overall more activity and traffic (foot and car)	12/15/2020 4:52 PM
107	facing the street or obvious entrance	12/15/2020 1:38 PM
108	multiple entrances, natural lighting, restroom access	12/15/2020 10:43 AM

109	Appearance, location, function, and accessibility.	12/15/2020 9:57 AM
110	Having a centrally located receptionist to field questions and give directions to visitors	12/15/2020 1:04 AM
111	Architecturally interesting. Mid century like why people like living in golden valley. The current architecture and design is very boring and does not feel true to the heart of this City.	12/14/2020 10:30 PM
112	sustainability - an example of how we can reduce the affects of climate change	12/14/2020 10:08 PM
113	Appealing design that is public-forward; user-friendly and accessible spaces with clear sightlines and spaces; fewer stairs for public spaces.	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
114	less institutional and more relaxed, like a lobby of a hotel. Just an easy comfortable feel. Simple signage, design the building intuitively.	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
115	Easy access - until COVID is gone, that can't happen. When times are better, it needs to feel like a friendly place, versus a "just" a government building.	12/14/2020 5:34 PM
116	1. street-facing, not parking-lot facing 2. a front desk with a receptionist who can direct you to where you need to go, preferably on the main floor	12/14/2020 2:57 PM
117	Natural light, modern smart spaces	12/13/2020 10:00 PM
118	Ease of direct access to various departments- real people	12/12/2020 1:25 AM
119	More meeting spaces for local non-profits, flex office spaces for community groups (community band, music festival, are examples)	12/11/2020 10:11 PM
120	Visibility, mature trees	12/11/2020 6:29 PM

Q24 What are the most important aspects of a public building? (Provide a ranking of each with the level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important)

Answered: 207 Skipped: 123





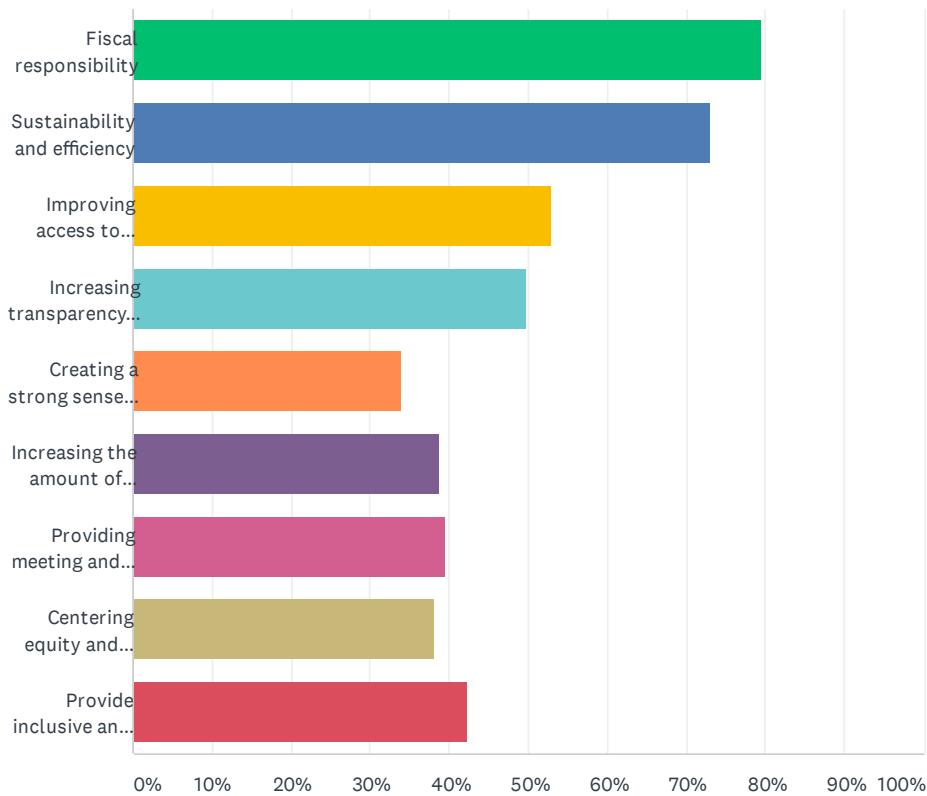
	1 (MOST IMPORTANT)	2	3	4	5 (LEAST IMPORTANT)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Ease of access and circulation	40.20% 82	29.90% 61	15.69% 32	8.82% 18	5.39% 11	204	2.09
Clear wayfinding and signage	38.73% 79	28.92% 59	19.12% 39	8.82% 18	4.41% 9	204	2.11
Visible and recognizable facility	22.55% 46	24.02% 49	20.59% 42	20.59% 42	12.25% 25	204	2.76
Safety and security	31.71% 65	25.85% 53	23.41% 48	12.20% 25	6.83% 14	205	2.37
Representing the City's mission and values	17.33% 35	16.34% 33	16.83% 34	17.33% 35	32.18% 65	202	3.31

#	DO YOU FEEL LIKE THERE IS ANYTHING MISSING FROM THE LIST ABOVE THAT YOU THINK HAS A HIGH LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE? PLEASE LIST THEM BELOW	DATE
1	Respondent labels all about as 5, and writes "the most important information is missing" and refers to attached document	1/26/2021 8:07 AM
2	Value for our taxes	1/16/2021 4:23 PM
3	No	1/14/2021 8:31 PM
4	all are important but visible and recognizable is tops along with aesthetics	1/8/2021 11:18 AM
5	nope.	1/7/2021 3:09 PM
6	Parking and light pollution	1/5/2021 2:40 AM
7	Places to sit	1/2/2021 2:39 PM
8	Yes, environmental resiliency and sustainability.	1/1/2021 10:45 AM
9	Cost effective	12/30/2020 9:59 PM
10	Having a "greeter"/information desk staffed with a person (paid or volunteer)	12/29/2020 11:52 AM
11	No	12/29/2020 8:48 AM
12	Being greeted right away or soon upon entering.	12/28/2020 10:06 PM
13	does not seem that visibility from wtka avenue is of import	12/28/2020 7:35 PM
14	Self service functions where possible	12/28/2020 4:23 PM
15	Golden Valley history and present initiatives	12/28/2020 1:20 PM
16	Cheap to run	12/28/2020 9:41 AM
17	Online access to resources, and processing of applications/permits, etc.	12/28/2020 9:19 AM
18	Green space!	12/27/2020 1:52 PM
19	Building's sustainability and use of renewable energy.	12/27/2020 12:03 PM

20	No	12/27/2020 11:14 AM
21	Accessibility	12/27/2020 11:05 AM
22	A place where I am able to come to transact business that quite frankly I am forced to do with the city.	12/26/2020 4:35 PM
23	sustainable, energy efficient	12/24/2020 7:10 AM
24	The buildings should be attractive and located in an area that is easily accessible by car, bus, and foot.	12/23/2020 7:37 PM
25	More languages offered. Hire non-white employees	12/23/2020 6:41 PM
26	I didn't rank Safety and Mission since they are assumed to be true.	12/23/2020 5:24 PM
27	These aspects should be completed my integrated into any new facility, they are all critical to success.	12/18/2020 8:46 AM
28	Parking nearby	12/16/2020 10:11 PM
29	No	12/16/2020 5:27 PM
30	n/a	12/16/2020 8:09 AM
31	Access to other amenities (non-city) that could be useful: coffee shop, basic convenience store, cafe, etc. Something that someone can get a couple things done at once.	12/15/2020 4:52 PM
32	Online presence	12/14/2020 10:17 PM
33	sustainability	12/14/2020 10:08 PM
34	meeting rooms!!!	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
35	Sustainable initiatives and energy efficiency	12/11/2020 6:29 PM

Q25 What priorities should be included in long-range planning for Golden Valley municipal facilities? (check all that apply)

Answered: 215 Skipped: 115



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Fiscal responsibility	79.53%	171
Sustainability and efficiency	73.02%	157
Improving access to services	53.02%	114
Increasing transparency about government	49.77%	107
Creating a strong sense of civic identity	33.95%	73
Increasing the amount of outdoor public space	38.60%	83
Providing meeting and gathering spaces for community use	39.53%	85
Centering equity and inclusion for access and services for residents	38.14%	82
Provide inclusive and equitable facilities for the public and for Golden Valley staff.	42.33%	91
Total Respondents: 215		

Q26 Do you have any other priorities that you think are missing from the question above?

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	See attached document	1/26/2021 8:07 AM
2	Avoid apartment buildings	1/24/2021 10:14 PM
3	I'm missing the differentiation between the last two	1/23/2021 6:09 PM
4	Bike parking spaces at school bus stops	1/22/2021 9:23 PM

5	Nope	1/14/2021 8:31 PM
6	Reducing the police department's budget.	1/13/2021 5:15 PM
7	GV needs an identifiable hub; signage; city logo/colors; we're very sprawled out; create a center and work out like Edina, Hopkins is a great example as is Robb for that matter tho none of the them incorporate municipal bldgs with mixed use,	1/8/2021 11:18 AM
8	Light pollution	1/5/2021 2:40 AM
9	Stop wasting our tax dollars	1/2/2021 9:00 AM
10	Again, feel these options are poorly written and confusing. I want to better understand what local govt is doing and take more seriously resident concerns. Surveys are a start but more listening/discussions that are taken seriously would be appreciated.	12/31/2020 12:52 PM
11	No	12/29/2020 8:48 AM
12	These are all important goals	12/28/2020 11:13 AM
13	Outdoor spaces need to be thoughtfully programmed. Much money can be spent in creating a space that won't actually be used. The fountain space is used today because of Starbucks and DQ being located there, giving customers and outdoor space to enjoy their treat. I don't think anyone would sit there otherwise. I would love to see more effort and attention put into the connection to the Luce line entrance. I think we missed an opportunity by allowing the storage company to fence the lot next to the trail. How nice it would have been to use that parking lot for a food truck destination eatery for bikers using the trails.	12/28/2020 11:06 AM
14	Lowering taxes.	12/28/2020 9:41 AM
15	Ease of online access	12/28/2020 9:19 AM
16	Stop with the buzzwords. We know you'll jack up taxes in the name of "equity"	12/28/2020 9:15 AM
17	No	12/27/2020 11:14 AM
18	Where is there need expressed in any of the above. Where is pressing need that is driving this initiative?	12/26/2020 4:35 PM
19	Redeveloping City Hall is an tremendous opportunity to lead in the region/state with a net zero or net negative building.	12/26/2020 8:47 AM
20	Integrating native landscaping and being wildlife friendly (pollinators/birds especially)	12/23/2020 6:10 PM
21	Forward looking for technological, online communication needs	12/23/2020 5:24 PM
22	No	12/16/2020 5:27 PM
23	Replacement of fire stations	12/16/2020 2:22 PM
24	n/a	12/16/2020 8:09 AM
25	Community fitness/health center	12/15/2020 9:01 PM
26	Work process efficiency	12/15/2020 8:56 PM
27	Not missing but the Black and multiracial communities should be central to all aspects of development from subcontracting to potential visitors. Also, keep in mind GV's location to Minneapolis and the outer suburbs. There is a great opportunity for welcoming a great mix of people and visitors.	12/15/2020 4:52 PM
28	Continued public awareness of municipal services. basically self- promotion but need to keep reminding people how things work. Keep working on engaging people!!	12/14/2020 9:03 PM
29	Public meeting space is critical if city hall combines with the library.	12/14/2020 2:57 PM
30	Improving services	12/12/2020 1:25 AM

Q27 What do you appreciate most about Golden Valley?

Answered: 143 Skipped: 187

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Brush pick-up. Prompt snow plowing. Responsive people in all departments - good people. New, unneeded facilities will not improve the people.	1/26/2021 8:28 AM
2	Location relative to downtown Minneapolis and other western suburbs	1/26/2021 8:12 AM
3	This is a tough one. It used to be low taxes and wide streets, now there is nothing.	1/26/2021 8:09 AM
4	It has been a safe place	1/26/2021 8:00 AM
5	Open-minded, helpful, and charitable residents. Though not particularly diverse, the overall spirit is inclusive	1/25/2021 2:19 PM
6	Size and convenience to businesses	1/24/2021 10:15 PM
7	Brookview facility. Parks. Winter snow plow services.	1/24/2021 4:35 PM
8	Location	1/23/2021 6:11 PM
9	Green spaces	1/23/2021 4:27 PM
10	Visible attention from leadership about inclusion and diversity. Walkability of downtown.	1/23/2021 10:18 AM
11	Neighborhoods	1/23/2021 1:45 AM
12	Home town feeling	1/22/2021 8:35 PM
13	The proximity to everything! The small community and great amenities.	1/22/2021 7:37 PM
14	City staff and people that live here. Small community feel even though we are in a major metro area.	1/22/2021 1:25 PM
15	My neighbors. And that the city council listened when we had concerns about street resurfacing. They actually listened, which is hard to come by these days. Bravo.	1/16/2021 4:28 PM
16	The community feel. The area around City Hall, small town feeling with the church, post office, an area of retail offerings. In addition, the housing located across Winnetka Av.	1/14/2021 8:40 PM
17	The open communication from the city on issues.	1/12/2021 9:52 AM
18	Great services at a reasonable cost	1/11/2021 8:06 PM
19	Maintenance of the city streets and nice neighborhoods.	1/10/2021 11:22 PM
20	Location	1/9/2021 11:03 PM
21	Location, plowing services, water reasonable property taxes	1/9/2021 9:47 AM
22	Police department	1/9/2021 9:44 AM
23	Location to Metro	1/9/2021 4:38 AM
24	welcoming community, parks and open spaces, and strong civic identity	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
25	open space, dedication to maintenance of parks, trails. Mix of old & new architecture; proximity to downtown Mpls. responsive local government peeps.	1/8/2021 11:28 AM
26	The people. Including all of the current city staff, and departments	1/8/2021 10:37 AM
27	Location with access to 3 freeways; good city government and road maintenance; lots of city parks; variety of neighborhoods and well-maintained housing stock. Nice mix of businesses. Opportunities are available for new development.	1/7/2021 5:01 PM
28	Location location location.	1/7/2021 3:11 PM
29	Small home town access.	1/5/2021 2:52 AM
30	Small town feel, great neighbors and neighborhood	1/2/2021 2:45 PM
31	Ability to walk to shopping and services	1/2/2021 10:32 AM
32	City employees	1/2/2021 9:02 AM

33	The feeling of a small older community while being a 1st tier suburb, however the feeling GV has had since it's inception is becoming less and less within just the past 10 years or so with the splitting of lots, allowing storage facilities & other businesses that most residents do not use on prime real estate.	1/1/2021 10:52 AM
34	Quality of life, green spaces, environmental commitment, proximity to downtown,	12/31/2020 1:05 PM
35	Location and quirkiness	12/30/2020 10:05 PM
36	I like the parks and outdoor spaces when the weather is nice.	12/30/2020 5:45 PM
37	D'amicos. No seriously. Their patio is what GV should strive to have in a variety of places.	12/29/2020 4:47 PM
38	Size of the city and mix of land use.	12/29/2020 1:57 PM
39	the size of our city makes it feel like a community. I love the "downtown" area and access to all the parks and green spaces/trails	12/29/2020 11:54 AM
40	I value the diversity of residents the beauty of neighborhoods. Closeness to places I want to go. I struggle with lack of downtown center and tend to do other places but have a personal want to support my own town.	12/29/2020 11:37 AM
41	nothing now cant wait to move out	12/29/2020 9:50 AM
42	Safety	12/29/2020 8:49 AM
43	Parks	12/28/2020 10:57 PM
44	Location, historic community, well established, nice homes, low crime	12/28/2020 10:37 PM
45	Friendly staff	12/28/2020 10:36 PM
46	The people, green spaces, Basset Creek.	12/28/2020 10:09 PM
47	It's location and size.	12/28/2020 9:09 PM
48	the safety and security our police department provides to us	12/28/2020 7:49 PM
49	location, diversity of population	12/28/2020 7:37 PM
50	Quality of life, including access to green spaces. Good government. Diversity.	12/28/2020 5:42 PM
51	It is a very comfortable and approachable city. We have long standing businesses and institutions, and have not submitted to overdevelopment and overcrowding. There is a wide range of housing options, and incredible connectivity to both the city and the suburbs. We seem to have the best of both worlds.	12/28/2020 5:22 PM
52	The homey feel.	12/28/2020 4:32 PM
53	Larger yards- more suburban feel, curvy streets where they exist	12/28/2020 4:27 PM
54	caring community	12/28/2020 3:14 PM
55	Parks, trails, lit sizes, and proximity to Theo Wirth.	12/28/2020 2:42 PM
56	The Mayor, City Council and all connected to making Golden Valley a Great Place to be Safe and a Reputable living Community	12/28/2020 2:08 PM
57	Spacious lots, distance to city	12/28/2020 1:56 PM
58	The community and leadership that cares about its residents	12/28/2020 1:22 PM
59	Sense of community despite being a larger suburb	12/28/2020 12:06 PM
60	Location and dedication to equity.	12/28/2020 11:49 AM
61	It's peaceful.	12/28/2020 11:44 AM
62	Diversity	12/28/2020 11:39 AM
63	Feeling of small community in a large metro.	12/28/2020 11:24 AM
64	Diversity, parks, great neighborhoods.	12/28/2020 11:14 AM

65	We love living here. Great unique neighborhoods and fantastic park system.	12/28/2020 10:13 AM
66	I like it the way it is! The one thing that I did not like is taking away the pool at Brookview and. Ever replaced it! I love that we have Kuipers!	12/28/2020 9:57 AM
67	Safety	12/28/2020 9:53 AM
68	I love the stylish architecture and established green spaces.	12/28/2020 9:48 AM
69	I appreciate the seemingly high level of community involvement, but would like to see more. I appreciate the current housing density level and the green spaces around the city.	12/28/2020 9:45 AM
70	The people....the neighborhoods. Flat out, it's great to live here due to all the great people. Also, it seems that my tax dollar actually goes to services that I can see (Parks, plowing, safety, etc.)	12/28/2020 9:44 AM
71	The small town feel, surrounded by huge cities.	12/28/2020 9:42 AM
72	Small town feel	12/28/2020 9:39 AM
73	Small town feel, strong sense of community	12/28/2020 9:39 AM
74	There's actually a police force that does their job. Nice community and low cost of living.	12/28/2020 9:18 AM
75	Established neighborhoods and unique houses	12/27/2020 11:02 PM
76	It's focus on residents and creating a strong sense of community.	12/27/2020 2:20 PM
77	Brookview Park area and Theodore Wirth. I also like having Minneapolis in my "backyard." I do not like the ridiculously high taxes.	12/27/2020 2:04 PM
78	Sense of community, central location	12/27/2020 12:58 PM
79	Location, proximity to city while still having lots with woods and green space.	12/27/2020 12:29 PM
80	Proximity to downtown and other suburbs	12/27/2020 12:15 PM
81	The inclusive community. Looking for ways to improve and maintain public areas	12/27/2020 12:11 PM
82	Small town feel. Great outside spaces and community events.	12/27/2020 11:23 AM
83	It is a nice community and safe place to live. Its central location, close proximity to Minneapolis, City lakes, recreational opportunities, and area shopping make it a good place to live.	12/27/2020 11:21 AM
84	It is quiet and safe and seems fiscally responsible at the moment.	12/27/2020 11:19 AM
85	It's access to green space and the metro trails, proximity to Mpls.	12/27/2020 11:06 AM
86	Green space	12/27/2020 10:26 AM
87	Family friendly, filled with parks and close to downtown	12/27/2020 10:20 AM
88	Values of inclusiveness and professionalism of government staff, green spaces, location.	12/27/2020 9:19 AM
89	The people	12/27/2020 7:08 AM
90	Small town feel	12/27/2020 4:25 AM
91	Location location location	12/26/2020 4:53 PM
92	Many neighborhood parks - and amenities in those parks - ice rinks, ball fields, paths, etc. Community feeling, welcoming, growing diversity of the community.	12/26/2020 11:36 AM
93	It's the biggest secret in the Twin Cities, close to everything with a lot to offer. Shh don't tell anyone.	12/26/2020 9:05 AM
94	Neighborhood feeling, even in downtown area	12/25/2020 8:38 PM
95	Safe, peaceful place to live	12/24/2020 8:22 AM
96	Upfront about values, services reflect the values. We care about people, land, equity	12/24/2020 7:12 AM
97	Safe, clean place to live	12/23/2020 8:00 PM

98	Close to Minneapolis	12/23/2020 6:42 PM
99	City employees are the best!	12/23/2020 6:25 PM
100	The 'homey', welcoming feel. Feels great to walk around. Love the trees. Lots of friendly people. It's a smaller city that doesn't use that as an excuse for not seeking excellence and looking towards the future. (Doesn't cling to the past)	12/23/2020 6:18 PM
101	The feeling of civic responsibility and the friendliness of people living in G.V. The good public services provide, snow, street cleaning, etc.	12/23/2020 5:33 PM
102	Neighborhood feel even though we are so close to Minneapolis	12/22/2020 3:44 PM
103	Forward thinking leadership.	12/21/2020 4:21 PM
104	The parks	12/21/2020 2:37 PM
105	The small town feel - we don't have a lot of big box stores, neighborhoods have spacious city lots, houses don't look like newer cookie cutter developments, minimal mass housing complexes.	12/21/2020 10:02 AM
106	Not much right now. I would like the library reopened. I do enjoy the area by Patina but sad that Dairy Queen is gone. No great spots for treats with the family.	12/19/2020 10:34 PM
107	Small community	12/18/2020 8:55 AM
108	The parks, neighborhoods, and proximity to downtown.	12/17/2020 8:19 PM
109	It's clean, quiet and our 'downtown' area is great! Also walkability	12/17/2020 11:16 AM
110	Proximity to downtown with suburban feel.	12/17/2020 12:41 AM
111	Small town feel, great staff at City Hall and Brookview.	12/16/2020 10:17 PM
112	Neighborhoods, parks and location relative to surrounding cities.	12/16/2020 5:32 PM
113	Long term stability, low density	12/16/2020 2:23 PM
114	Cleanliness, timely response from police and fire, city layout.	12/16/2020 1:38 PM
115	The size and that it is a safe, well kept community.	12/16/2020 11:11 AM
116	I appreciate how well run the city government is. I never have an issue with response times for police/fire/plows etc... The parks system is awesome and very well maintained. I like that GV has the feel of both being in the city and a farther out suburb all at the same time.	12/16/2020 10:01 AM
117	Shared values and welcoming culture.	12/16/2020 8:10 AM
118	Quite neighborhood. Excellent police department.	12/15/2020 9:03 PM
119	Safety. Affordable. Diversity. Community and parks.	12/15/2020 9:02 PM
120	It seems like a fairly well-run suburb.	12/15/2020 8:54 PM
121	It's a friendly, safe, quiet city. Great parks. Good shopping. Very good City services: Fire, Police, Public Works	12/15/2020 6:26 PM
122	Location benefits of being next to Minneapolis and the outer suburbs. Both provide their own unique amenities but just sheer convenience of being a couple minutes from Minneapolis' border is really nice.	12/15/2020 4:55 PM
123	Not too large. Many parks and green spaces. Seems mostly inclusive with liberal and progressive values. Good mix of recreational, service, retail, employment opportunities around the City.	12/15/2020 2:42 PM
124	The small town feel, easy access to services - responsive staff. Many amenities a short distance away	12/15/2020 1:40 PM
125	People, Leadership	12/15/2020 1:33 PM
126	progressive city	12/15/2020 12:11 PM
127	proximity to downtown, residents community involvement, safety, small town feel	12/15/2020 10:55 AM

128	Location, leadership, quality of life and civic services.	12/15/2020 9:59 AM
129	Well maintained neighborhoods	12/15/2020 1:10 AM
130	Mid century homes and creative and intelligent people. Parks and free space. Theodore Wirth park and amenities.	12/14/2020 10:32 PM
131	active residents (they care about their community), location, amentities	12/14/2020 10:11 PM
132	I think Golden Valley is the best of suburban living with the access and pluses of urban life yet quieter and less dense with terrific parks and green spaces. Its welcoming of all types of households.	12/14/2020 9:17 PM
133	rural feel for being so urban. mature inner ring suburb with lots of history and engaged residents.	12/14/2020 9:08 PM
134	City services. We're the right size and provide what we need.	12/14/2020 5:37 PM
135	People have pride that they live in this city, and call the city out by name. I like the fact there are lots of homeowners, and most feel that they can voice their opinions to city council or staff and get something done.	12/14/2020 3:02 PM
136	Location	12/13/2020 10:02 PM
137	The friendliness of the staff	12/12/2020 11:03 AM
138	Great services by various departments	12/12/2020 1:33 AM
139	Until now, liked the safety and central location in the twin cities area	12/11/2020 10:13 PM
140	open and generous, walkable, space..., fiscally responsible	12/11/2020 7:20 PM
141	People	12/11/2020 6:43 PM
142	Older homes	12/11/2020 6:30 PM
143	Large lots with mature trees, parks	12/11/2020 6:29 PM

Q28 Please provide any other comments or suggestions you think would improve the current municipal facilities block (Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road)

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1	None- Don't need improvements. Just asking this question implies that connecting is wrong now. It is fine as it is now!	1/26/2021 8:28 AM
2	See attached document	1/26/2021 8:09 AM
3	Update the GV shopping center and give it a catchier, less 1970s name. Also, we need a pharmacy/convenience drug store in there!	1/25/2021 2:19 PM
4	No apartments	1/24/2021 10:15 PM
5	Would love a real small town downtown area	1/23/2021 4:27 PM
6	Finish the intersection corners, not just 3/4. Maintain the existing planters that are aging.	1/23/2021 10:18 AM
7	Close them and create a centralized, easy access facilityGV	1/23/2021 1:45 AM
8	Make it more aesthetically pleasing. Add green space outside for gathering.	1/20/2021 2:41 PM
9	Remodeling of the SW corner.	1/14/2021 8:40 PM
10	Move a bike path on weekends to General Mills roads to cross Hwy 55 instead of Winnetka.	1/12/2021 9:52 AM
11	Moderate to high density housing, small businesses, and gathering amenities	1/11/2021 8:06 PM
12	Create an actual downtown feel. See earlier comments. Let's make a main street feel, not strip malls, mixed use and the norms of today's near sighted development.	1/11/2021 5:43 PM
13	Should somehow be integrated with the "downtown" area of GV	1/10/2021 11:22 PM
14	Its sufficient as is. Remodel when need be and in another 30 years, perhaps this should be discussed. Get maximum use out of buildings without having to have the newest of everything. Stick to the basics as the country is going to sadly enter the next Depression and higher taxes aren't going to help residents who will be cash limited. The more affluent residents may be able to afford the higher property taxes, but the entry level and mid house households will suffer.	1/9/2021 11:03 PM
15	More visibility from connecting streets	1/9/2021 9:47 AM
16	Move maintenance buildings to different location.	1/9/2021 4:38 AM
17	distinctive architectural style, open spaces with places to sit, trees	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
18	Improve parking; maybe add a roundabout? better signage. not what you asked but the strip mall (UPS, Ace side) is a mess. Needs updating and could be so much more than it is now. Gross.	1/8/2021 11:28 AM
19	Definitely agree the current block has grown too crowded and the Public Services departments should have their own, separate location. Also, the identity as a " downtown" should be more defined & developed. I like the landscaping and trellis/benches on the 4 corners and along Winnetka up to 10th; wish this could also be expanded. I spend a lot of time at the library and find it a shame that the lawn area on the west is so little used these days. It is attractive and a bit of a model for what could be done.	1/7/2021 5:01 PM
20	works fine	1/7/2021 3:11 PM
21	I like the area as is although the strip mall could use updating	1/2/2021 2:45 PM
22	A key point that I wish the City would always hold is what would make our residents and those who work in our City want to stay and visit vs what our City has become which is more and more a drive thru city.	1/1/2021 10:52 AM
23	Would LOVE to see more public transportation options on the weekend coming thru the neighborhoods - like the 755 bus. Don't need a ton of rides, but a few during peak hours (morning/evening) would be wonderful	12/31/2020 1:05 PM
24	Relocate service vehicles. Build a multi story multi use facility was greater presence	12/30/2020 10:05 PM
25	We've heard plans for a co-op or grocery store that is in the works for years. I would love that!	12/29/2020 11:54 AM
26	City staff gets paid too much for what they do, they don't listen to residents	12/29/2020 9:50 AM
27	None	12/29/2020 8:49 AM

28	Turn it into a fun and exciting area to come and visit. City campus doesn't need to be a part of it. Bring some fun development to downtown, not more residential.	12/28/2020 10:36 PM
29	Make it look prettier. Too many brown, black, and/or brick buildings in the area.	12/28/2020 10:09 PM
30	obviously, less empty buildings/stores. connection of public services to commercial services.	12/28/2020 7:37 PM
31	Many people use the Transit system - and covered spaces for transit benches would be awesome for weather - rain snow etc..	12/28/2020 2:08 PM
32	Bicycle access is very poor!	12/28/2020 12:06 PM
33	I really enjoy downtown Robbinsdale and I'd love to see that kind of aesthetic/vibe in Golden Valley. I also fully support affordable housing in any form (section 8 or any other system) being integrated into Golden Valley.	12/28/2020 11:49 AM
34	Better pedestrian crossing.	12/28/2020 11:44 AM
35	Leave our retro mall alone, and celebrate the history and uniqueness. Create a food truck eatery or other options for a more multi-cultural/ethnic food offerings. There are too many chain restaurants in Golden Valley to truly draw people to us. We also need a bakery like Honey and Rye Bakehouse in St Louis park. If we have a better selection of unique foods people will want to gather and spend time in our outdoor spaces, or ride the trails here.	12/28/2020 11:24 AM
36	Maybe more prominent signage would help! Also, maybe a park or plaza near City Hall would help residents engage and become more familiar with City Hall.	12/28/2020 11:05 AM
37	It's fine the way it is. If it's not broke, don't fix it.	12/28/2020 10:13 AM
38	Incentivize some small local chains to get here. It seems like a lot of the businesses are super niche or empty storefronts. Thinking Crisp & Green, AGRAculture, etc	12/28/2020 9:48 AM
39	Please stick to the decided on vision/ plan and do not have to the desires of potential developers. We need innovative use of space to attract people/ investment, not more cookie cutter apartment buildings.	12/28/2020 9:45 AM
40	Let builders build, not on our dime, and let private business make downtown thrive.	12/28/2020 9:42 AM
41	Encourage small businesses to take root here	12/28/2020 9:39 AM
42	Be mindful of cost. Most people might tell you that you need to "suck it up" for a while. Sorry that you've run out of space, but these are hard times.	12/28/2020 9:18 AM
43	I can see the crowded situation for staff and feel strongly we need to improve their situation.	12/27/2020 2:20 PM
44	Less chain restaurants. Less restaurants, bars and businesses that have been around forever and are only doing the minimum as far as upkeep inside and outside. Avoid massive apartments. Encourage higher end condos. Build a community pool association. Connect downtown to Brookview in a more intentional and inviting way. Look at North Loop and Eastside areas for ideas. Look at Rockford, Michigan for ideas on creating a unique downtown that is embraced and loved by the community.	12/27/2020 2:04 PM
45	Please... PLEASE do not build yet ANOTHER apartment building. We don't need more apartments in the city.	12/27/2020 12:58 PM
46	Green space, planned events bringing people to that space, easily walkable restaurants and retail, a grocery store.	12/27/2020 12:29 PM
47	Have a Central Park like area for relaxing getting people together	12/27/2020 12:11 PM
48	Improve traffic flow/safety on Winnetka between 55 and Golden Valley Road.	12/27/2020 12:08 PM
49	The current facilities meet my needs as a citizen. I hope they meet the needs of the city employees.	12/27/2020 11:21 AM
50	Space for pop up art displays or community celebration meeting space. Ie book readings, community discussions during pride celebration, etc	12/27/2020 9:19 AM
51	Minneapolis city hall is five times older than Golden Valley's. All buildings have been remodeled several times since first constructed, the most recent less than 30 years ago. We just rebuilt Brook view (with the intention of adding to it since the cheaper option was chosen, not the \$40 million one favored by the mayor and his supporters) Now we have moved on to the city hall campus. Is this really sustainable? Are there plans to reuse the materials being torn down? Rather than undertake this study why not look at making the buildings more sustainable. Why not look at heating and cooling using geothermal since you have the water tower right behind city hall, or are there plans to move that too? What kind of security would be needed for the water tower if the block were redeveloped privately?	12/26/2020 4:53 PM

52	Improved street access, better landscaping, improve community feel	12/26/2020 11:36 AM
53	Improve sidewalk widths north on Winnetka.	12/26/2020 9:05 AM
54	Local businesses, not chains	12/23/2020 6:42 PM
55	Creating environmentally friendly / 'green' buildings	12/23/2020 6:18 PM
56	Stop calling it downtown because it isn't. Could say city campus but it's not downtown.	12/21/2020 2:37 PM
57	Spend as little as possible. Many people have lost their jobs. Is this the appropriate time.	12/19/2020 10:34 PM
58	Business, including government service delivery, has changed dramatically in the past 7 months. We must be cognizant of new service models that rely on increased use of technology to continue to provide services to residents. In many cases, these can/should be sustained moving forward. In the context of space planning, the thinking going into this project may need to be reconsidered now. Bigger is not necessarily better.	12/18/2020 8:55 AM
59	Switch Winnetka back to a four lane road. Too many 'Sunday drivers' going under the speed limit, even when weather and road conditions are optimal.	12/17/2020 11:16 AM
60	All fire stations should be pull-through to minimize noise pollution & street wear & tear.	12/17/2020 12:41 AM
61	I don't see any issues with it currently. One side is for city hall and the other is for police. It makes sense as it is. Moving it around will confuse residents.	12/16/2020 1:38 PM
62	Move public works to more of an industrial area where they and their vehicles are not interfering with the downtown area. Create more parking. Build a more modern Police Department with the resources and facilities needed for the department.	12/16/2020 11:11 AM
63	Total overhaul.	12/16/2020 8:10 AM
64	Offer McDonald's a place that's better so the City can use the whole block.	12/15/2020 6:26 PM
65	Bright and welcoming landscape architecture and overall landscaping. Encourage people to spend time in and around by bringing a more airy atmosphere.	12/15/2020 4:55 PM
66	Its clear that asphalt and parking area dominates the land. The area needs to be designed for the most optimal land usage while creating a long lasting centralized area with a mix of city services, future housing, and public space.	12/15/2020 2:42 PM
67	Too hard to navigate!	12/15/2020 1:40 PM
68	move maintenance facilities out of downtown	12/15/2020 12:11 PM
69	I like the idea that public works buildings could be further out, perhaps in a more industrial area of GV	12/15/2020 10:55 AM
70	Outdated, need to move public works. Huge opportunity to profit from sales to private developers, and use that profit to finance updates.	12/15/2020 9:59 AM
71	City Hall seems to be hidden...need to find ways to make it more prominent	12/15/2020 1:10 AM
72	Outdoor space, a more cohesive approach to visually bringing it all together.	12/14/2020 10:32 PM
73	public gathering space, pedestrian/biking access, creating a sense of GV identity	12/14/2020 10:11 PM
74	public safety vehicle access separate from public traffic spaces	12/14/2020 9:17 PM
75	The GV mall isn't going away. Turn the current municipal facilities block into an amazing mix of residential / commercial / services which competes with that mall and encourage it to redevelop.	12/14/2020 9:08 PM
76	None at this time.	12/14/2020 5:37 PM
77	Have a receptionist by the main door, and THEN direct people to the DMV area.	12/14/2020 3:02 PM
78	Think about our debt	12/11/2020 6:43 PM
79	More connected trails	12/11/2020 6:30 PM
80	Get public works out of downtown, improve traffic on winnetka.	12/11/2020 6:29 PM

Q29 What are the advantages and disadvantages of having Golden Valley municipal buildings as part of Downtown Golden Valley?

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1	None. Already paid for, already there, quite serviceable as is.	1/26/2021 8:28 AM
2	Disadvantages: The land may be too valuable for municipal use Advantages: Head towards the water tower	1/26/2021 8:12 AM
3	None	1/26/2021 8:09 AM
4	City Hall belongs downtown	1/26/2021 8:00 AM
5	Easy to run multiple errands if needed, such as voting/paying bills, post office, bank, and shopping.	1/25/2021 2:19 PM
6	Convenience and accessibility	1/24/2021 10:15 PM
7	Only advantages, ease of finding these facilities	1/23/2021 4:27 PM
8	No disadvantages. It's only an advantage to have things downtown.	1/23/2021 10:18 AM
9	GV does not have a real downtown. There is not an area that folks easily would recognize as 'Downtown' The City managers must be kidding if they think GV has a downtown.	1/23/2021 1:45 AM
10	Convenient!	1/22/2021 7:37 PM
11	Disadvantage: Less space for retail/restaurants/public/green space. Advantage: Easily accessible. Makes it feel more like a small community having everything in one area.	1/22/2021 1:25 PM
12	City hall should be downtown but no need for public facilities truck etc. to be there.	1/20/2021 2:41 PM
13	It fosters a sense of community.	1/16/2021 4:28 PM
14	Accessibility! Good ole one stop shopping!	1/14/2021 8:40 PM
15	Make the building taller. Have private business inside the building like Eden Prairie.	1/12/2021 9:52 AM
16	I feel that the downtown should have a library and City Hall. Anything related to public works should be off site. Police and fire should be close to the downtown but balance against emergency response and public safety	1/11/2021 8:06 PM
17	Don't see any advantages of having muni buildings in the town square unless you provide it as a centerpiece like a central courthouse.	1/11/2021 5:43 PM
18	I can do shopping or dining along with city business in the same area.	1/10/2021 11:22 PM
19	Golden Valley is set up as a downtown City Hall so relocating would be costly which also means someone else has to move to purchase property to build at a new location. Golden Valley isn't a nigh time destination city that's vibrant. Its more of a daytime city with huge transitional employment amongst Brookview and Theodore Wirth Park to enjoy. Take back some of the control of Wirth Park or at least have Golden Valley's name represented there as most people think it entirely sits in Minneapolis. Yes, they run it, but we own it.	1/9/2021 11:03 PM
20	One central location is convenient	1/9/2021 9:47 AM
21	convenience, sense of cohesive downtown; maintenance and storage facilities not normally used by the public are better off-campus to allow for open spaces	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
22	advantage: it's a destination; brings people to downtown fairly regularly so lots of expansion opps for mixed retail; disadvantage: maybe municipal areas need more space than city center allows and those needs should be a priority.	1/8/2021 11:28 AM
23	The central location is great due to the road access, that said having the maintenance buildings in the current location doesn't fit the more industrial setting that is needed for the heavy equipment	1/8/2021 10:37 AM
24	They are easy to find when all together but downtown shouldn't include the Public Works departments, in particular. They definitely need their own and separate space. Also agree with the concept of a downtown with more public space and a citizen friendly atmosphere. Public Safety should be in a separate, although close-to-hand area.	1/7/2021 5:01 PM
25	no opinion.	1/7/2021 3:11 PM

26	I would agree with moving road equipment to another more accommodating sight.	1/5/2021 2:52 AM
27	I don't see any disadvantages. I like that it is close to the post office	1/2/2021 2:45 PM
28	Good point - that campus area could be completely redeveloped with commercial / residential, sort of like the Edina Centennial Lakes area, with a REAL creek. Put City Hall elsewhere - Like they did in Minnetonka.	1/2/2021 10:32 AM
29	I think where there at is great. Right in the center of town.	1/2/2021 9:02 AM
30	I don't see any aside from it possibly not being more centrally located for the city, it does seem to fall on the south side of GV, but it is easily accessible. Would the increased bus route alleviate lack of accessibility?	12/31/2020 1:05 PM
31	Opportunities for more dynamic usability	12/30/2020 10:05 PM
32	Adds to the sense of a 'downtown' area by having offices and buildings for all, unlike commercial space.	12/29/2020 1:57 PM
33	advantages- everything is centrally located. not sure what the disadvantages are.	12/29/2020 11:54 AM
34	easy to find	12/29/2020 9:50 AM
35	Traffic	12/29/2020 8:49 AM
36	It is fine as is, completely accessible and easy to use.	12/28/2020 10:37 PM
37	I think the space could be utilized better to bring more people into the city and spend money. The civic center could be located somewhere else.	12/28/2020 10:36 PM
38	Advantages: Convenience Disadvantages: More parking, more crowding, more impervious surfaces, more traffic.	12/28/2020 10:09 PM
39	I think it's more advantageous than not.	12/28/2020 9:09 PM
40	I see no disadvantages.	12/28/2020 7:49 PM
41	Limits development for enhanced retail / dining	12/28/2020 5:22 PM
42	It will be more similar to other cities.	12/28/2020 4:32 PM
43	It has never had a "downtown" vibe to me....i feel that is missing. Local restaurants and bars- antique stores. Think Anoka or Robbinsdale	12/28/2020 4:27 PM
44	I like that the advantages of GV Municipal buildings are downtown and so easy to get to where you need access to	12/28/2020 2:08 PM
45	One stop for shopping, post office, and City services	12/28/2020 12:06 PM
46	I don't know that there is a down side. I'd be interested to hear other opinions about disadvantages, but none that come to mind for me.	12/28/2020 11:49 AM
47	Too congested, would spoil aesthetics.	12/28/2020 11:44 AM
48	Advantages - easily accessible, one-stop trip Disadvantages - prime real estate not on the tax rolls, downtown feels disjointed due to civic campus being behind the downtown which seems to face MN-55	12/28/2020 11:43 AM
49	The library and City hall being downtown is wonderful for access. Splitting the operations portion of the municipal work and equipment makes sense. Why use all that space in our center to house large road equipment?	12/28/2020 11:24 AM
50	I think many of us that live near Downtown Golden Valley LOVE how close the City Hall is. It is so easy to drop off utility bills, vote, access the DMV and more. I wouldn't want to drive more than a few minutes farther for this (I currently live within a 1 min drive from these facilities, and actually live close enough that I can walk, which is awesome!)	12/28/2020 11:05 AM
51	Having city staff in a highly visible location help foster connectivity with the community, as well as increased accountability.	12/28/2020 9:45 AM
52	Draws people in	12/28/2020 9:39 AM
53	Take up room that could be given to more small businesses	12/28/2020 9:39 AM

54	Public works does not need to be downtown. I like having a police and fire presence nearby. I like walking to city hall for services. Although I appreciate the Brookview facility, I can only get there by car.	12/27/2020 2:20 PM
55	They require more parking. They take up valuable space and cater to employees. I can't really say that I visit municipal buildings on a regular basis, maybe once per year. So those buildings aren't going to increase my trips to downtown GV.	12/27/2020 2:04 PM
56	Centrally located within the city is a good thing. Maybe a bit of an eye sore to have public works buildings/equipment in downtown GV? Perhaps that is a safety issue, too.	12/27/2020 12:58 PM
57	Important part of the city identity, city government should be at the center of any city's downtown.	12/27/2020 12:08 PM
58	Not very walkable.	12/27/2020 11:23 AM
59	I think it is important to have these facilities in a centralized location as they help to create a downtown GV. More improvements and businesses could be added to the area to help create more of a downtown. See the combination of retail and residential like that built on Excelsior Ave in St Louis Park.	12/27/2020 11:21 AM
60	None	12/27/2020 11:06 AM
61	Shows a strong community government commitment to supporting local businesses and assist staff to understand the needs of the core if the community	12/27/2020 9:19 AM
62	you have a water tower in the middle of the block! That is one of the reasons the city campus is there. Do you have any idea what land sells for in Golden Valley? Where does the city have land to move all these facilities to? Apparently GV tax payers have deep pocket. What is the benefit to residents for this?	12/26/2020 4:53 PM
63	All public works, government and public safety workers close to each other makes for easy communication.	12/26/2020 11:36 AM
64	City Hall anchors downtown and assist with building the area's identify. However, the current configuration is not an efficient use of land, dedicating too much of the block to surface parking.	12/26/2020 9:05 AM
65	Ease of access	12/25/2020 8:38 PM
66	Being an active citizen involves participating in civic activities- services (private and public) should be together	12/24/2020 7:12 AM
67	Parking can be tough	12/23/2020 8:00 PM
68	Facilities that need lots of land or large roadways aren't well suited to a downtown area. Especially if they have minimal public interaction.	12/23/2020 6:18 PM
69	The only disadvantage is that it takes up space that could be used for other kinds of development. Given the reality that people who live in Golden Valley do not do all their shopping here, and do not necessarily work here, I think the municipal buildings, (not including operations for trucks etc.) should be located downtown.	12/23/2020 5:33 PM
70	I agree with study recommendations...move Public Works out of downtown area and streamline Police and Fire operations.	12/21/2020 4:21 PM
71	The area is divided by many privately owned property and they can do basically what they want. Downtown is not necessarily city buildings	12/21/2020 2:37 PM
72	Advantage - can hit most of the cities retailers and the City Hall in one stop.	12/21/2020 10:02 AM
73	Disadvantage, takes up spaces where more shops and restaurants could be. The library makes the most sense to stay downtown. Advantage-Ease of getting to things.	12/19/2020 10:34 PM
74	Advantage - helps define a "downtown" for the city	12/18/2020 8:55 AM
75	It creates a center point for the city. Brings people to businesses in the area.	12/17/2020 8:19 PM
76	No disadvantages	12/17/2020 11:16 AM
77	Accessibility and mutually bringing traffic/business in.	12/17/2020 12:41 AM

78	I love being able to walk to city hall in good weather and go to restaurants after to meet with others. I love having post office and city hall near each other too.	12/16/2020 10:17 PM
79	Question whether what may be one of the most valuable pieces of property (property taxes) is used for municipal purposes.	12/16/2020 5:32 PM
80	They have always been here, it is a great location for them.	12/16/2020 2:23 PM
81	In my mind, Golden Valley does not have a "downtown." I consider that 2 block square from Highway 55 to GV Road, and Winnetka to Kare 11 Station to be "downtown"	12/16/2020 1:38 PM
82	Having the municipal buildings part of downtown makes everything somewhat centralized. However, having them downtown restricts space and can interfere with activity off of the municipal campus.	12/16/2020 11:11 AM
83	Advantage: if you need something from City Hall you know you will find it in that one location, you don't have to look around for other facility locations	12/16/2020 10:01 AM
84	Can't think of any disadvantages.	12/16/2020 8:10 AM
85	Brings more people to the area. Support local businesses. Since of community.	12/15/2020 9:02 PM
86	Advantage is easy access. Disadvantages is the City Works traffic.	12/15/2020 6:26 PM
87	I don't see disadvantages to them being a part of Downtown. They are crucial to the operations and thus should be, or at least wouldn't be a problem to be Downtown where the activity will be.	12/15/2020 4:55 PM
88	Centralized location and easily accessible to most residents of the City. Not the best use of location or space for services other than police/fire/city hall. All other services could be elsewhere in the City.	12/15/2020 2:42 PM
89	Easy access but that area could be better utilized for private development - need more restaurants and a grocery store!	12/15/2020 1:40 PM
90	city hall and public safety are only buildings that need to be in downtown	12/15/2020 12:11 PM
91	advantage is consolidated access to departments. disadvantage is junky look and storage feel - outgrown the inefficient buildings	12/15/2020 10:55 AM
92	Access, image, collaboration.	12/15/2020 9:59 AM
93	It becomes a part of the fabric of the downtown community	12/15/2020 1:10 AM
94	+Creating a downtown through activity +access to services +easy to find	12/14/2020 10:11 PM
95	Plus for city hall downtown: access to city services and meetings; visible representation of government as a part of civic life. Disadvantages: prime real estate off the tax roll.	12/14/2020 9:17 PM
96	old fashioned, city government is not a center point of people's lives so doesn't literally have to be center of city. That said, city municipal buildings shouldn't be on the periphery either. Fine with having them city center so long as the city is vibrant after 5 pm. Otherwise it is not using a valuable resource efficiently.	12/14/2020 9:08 PM
97	Downtown Golden Valley is still ill-defined. The municipal buildings (like City Hall) need to be centrally located. That's the important piece for me as I live near the city limits.	12/14/2020 5:37 PM
98	Advantage: High visibility on a prime corner of the city. Also, appreciate the fact that Bassett Creek runs near the area. Let's tout that amenity and not bury it with sewer pipe. Disadvantage: Working vehicles like heavy trucks are using the same prime real estate as resident-facing service areas.	12/14/2020 3:02 PM
99	Public works type functions should not be downtown. City hall, police and possibly fire should be near the downtown	12/12/2020 1:33 AM
100	Easy to get to...	12/11/2020 6:43 PM
101	Nice to have things together	12/11/2020 6:30 PM
102	City hall is fine but the others could move to a more industrial area and save downtown for dining, retail.	12/11/2020 6:29 PM

Q30 After watching the video and participating in this survey, do you have any additional questions about the Municipal Facilities Study? (link to video: <https://youtu.be/Y2zA6TNW0ZE>)

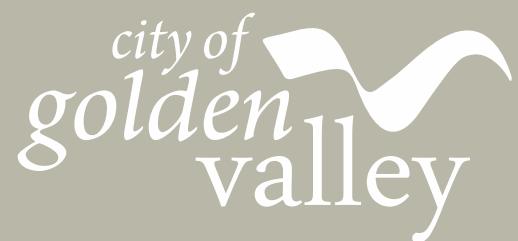
Answered: 40 Skipped: 290

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1	Of course, anything could be made more glorious to show how great the City Manager is doing, What is wrong with the current place - nothing. Whatever could be delayed - make do for once!	1/26/2021 8:28 AM
2	Boy do I ever! See attached document	1/26/2021 8:09 AM
3	Will adding street lighting in dark sections of road be addresses, especially between Boone Ave and the GM technology center on Plymouth Ave!	1/25/2021 2:19 PM
4	Put businesses ahead of new apartment buildings	1/24/2021 10:15 PM
5	No	1/23/2021 1:45 AM
6	No	1/14/2021 8:40 PM
7	No	1/12/2021 9:52 AM
8	I would like to hear more about the potential for a total remodel of Scheid if there is consideration for a fire station in the park. What do we gain?	1/11/2021 8:06 PM
9	Its seems as if the Maintenance needs are the greatest. Relocate that near 10th where the salt and sand is.	1/9/2021 11:03 PM
10	Our debt is too high to undertake any of this	1/9/2021 9:44 AM
11	not yet	1/8/2021 8:30 PM
12	No, totally on board with all of it. Do think we need lots of community engagement esp w/potential closure of one fire station.	1/8/2021 11:28 AM
13	No, but thought it was well done.	1/7/2021 5:01 PM
14	Leave Golden Valley a small town! We just spent a lot of money fixing and updating the Library. There is nothing the matter with City Hall or the Library. People enter the City Hall building at the front of the building where the parking lot is. All your fancy signs on Winnetka are fine, everyone knows it's City Hall ... I agree the Maintenance machines and facility should be moved to another location/ out of the downtown area - that makes sense. Police & Fire could expand and use Maintenance Equipment area / building, and is then cost effective. Out downtown doesn't have to look like all new goofy fake brick construction. It looks great the way it is.	1/5/2021 2:52 AM
15	I don't think we need a another big public space. There is already a large and great park near by, golf course, tennis courts etc. could use another non chain restaurant	1/2/2021 2:45 PM
16	Last comment: Any redevelopment to GV shopping Center should remain ONE story. We don't want GV to become a "Jungle of tall buildings" as happened in St. Louis Park; (has not happened in Minnetonka)	1/2/2021 10:32 AM
17	no.	12/29/2020 11:54 AM
18	no	12/29/2020 9:50 AM
19	No	12/28/2020 4:32 PM
20	Off topic but, the lawn bowling area at Brookview should be looked at to dome in the winter/off months. There is a huge income opportunity there that the city is woefully missing.	12/28/2020 1:56 PM
21	I guess what are the pros and cons to various options? I see what the need is, but at this point I'm just trusting our city officials to make the best decisions as they understand the pros/cons best. But I would love to know more.	12/28/2020 11:49 AM
22	When will Golden Valley have light rail access?	12/28/2020 11:24 AM
23	No	12/28/2020 9:53 AM
24	Be more direct with requests and the reasons why. Be okay with ruffling a few feathers from those who want things to stay the same. If GV opts not to evolve sooner rather than later, we will miss out our optimal location to Minneapolis.	12/27/2020 2:04 PM
25	No	12/27/2020 11:21 AM

26	What is the need for any of this? What is the cost of this? Is there an upper limit to the cost? A dollar amount that the city council will not go beyond? How much debt does the city still have on the books? The tax increment district finally closed less than ten years ago and now we want to do another? When do the taxpayers begin to see the financial benefit of having this TIF? What is the taxpayers return on investment? How will COVID impact the valuation of commercial properties and rental properties and the City's tax revenues?	12/26/2020 4:53 PM
27	I want to know what the staff of safety personnel support -	12/24/2020 7:12 AM
28	Why are new facilities necessary? I see areas of improvements but I don't see starting over with new grand buildings.	12/21/2020 2:37 PM
29	I didn't know that volunteer firefighters are no longer signing up. We have always been divided by highways. Fire station at Laurel was added to be able to reach areas south of highway 55. This all sounds very expensive. Do we begin to think of merging cities fire departments?	12/16/2020 10:17 PM
30	Not sure.	12/16/2020 5:32 PM
31	No. These changes should take place sooner than later.	12/16/2020 11:11 AM
32	no	12/16/2020 8:10 AM
33	If the city chooses to build new buildings please make the at least 50 year buildings and allow space on the property for expansion if needed in the future. Don't make them adequately for today's needs thing more long term.	12/15/2020 9:03 PM
34	who is the target for the residential/commercial buildings proposed? Is this another mass of high rent apartments? Will this end up feeling like the space near Cub foods in West End? Yuck.	12/15/2020 10:55 AM
35	I would like to know if studies have been done to utilize the existing facilities (e.g. remodeling the interiors of the buildings, building new buildings to link existing facilities)	12/15/2020 1:10 AM
36	Yes, will subscribe to email updates.	12/14/2020 9:08 PM
37	Not at this time. I would note that some people may not fill out a 30 question survey. Most folks who put surveys together would agree this survey may be too long for some people to complete.	12/14/2020 5:37 PM
38	What is the timing? 5 years, 10 years, 25 years? Is Hennepin County on board with consolidating library with city hall?	12/14/2020 3:02 PM
39	Why a two fire station model? Is it actually faster?	12/12/2020 1:33 AM
40	No	12/11/2020 6:30 PM

APPENDIX A

Phase I Paper Survey Results





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*Enhance the beauty & look of Burnett Creek where it traverses DT G.V.
→ set-backs; Greenway*

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Say what you mean in plain understandable English

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- ? Integrate community and stakeholder outreach to inform project goals and priorities. *: in plain language means ?*
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Enhance & protect Bassett Creek, allow downtown housing with convenient access to downtown businesses.

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- Create a stronger north/south pedestrian connection.
- Create a public plaza, park, or public gathering space for daily use and events.
- Create opportunities for new private development (eg, commercial, retail, residential development).
- Better engage Bassett Creek.
- Strengthen connections to the Luce Line Trail.
- Enhance overall pedestrian and bike connectivity and safety.
- Make City Hall more easily accessible.

14. Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list any items below.

City Hall

15. How often do you visit City Hall?

- Frequently (at least a few times each month)
- Occasionally (at least once every few months)
- Rarely (at least once per year)
- Hardly ever
- Other (please specify)

16. How much time do you spend at City Hall when you visit?

- I have not visited, yet
- Less than 30 minutes
- 1 hour
- 2-3 hours
- 4 hours or more

17. How do you travel to City Hall? (check all that apply)

- Bus
- Car
- Rideshare (Uber, Lyft, Metro Mobility or similar)
- Bike
- Walk
- Other (please specify)

18. Why do you visit City Hall? (check all that apply)

- Permits
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- Paying a Bill
- Elections
- Attend Meetings
- Visiting Other City Hall Departments (please specify)

19. What features would you like to see improved at City Hall? (check all that apply)

- Better access to the services I need
- More parking
- A more welcoming environment oriented to residents and customers
- Safety (lighting, etc)
- Public meeting spaces
- More online options
- Other (please specify)

Municipal Buildings

Public Safety

20. Golden Valley's Public Safety Department includes the Police and Fire Departments. These departments both offer a range of community outreach, education, and training opportunities within the classroom, in the field, and out in the community that are open to all Golden Valley residents.

Thinking about what might bring you into a Public Safety building for an outreach or learning event, what types of classes or information sessions would you find most useful?

- Police or Fire Station Tours
- CPR / AED Training
- First Aid Training
- Car Seat Safety Check
- Safety Education
- Other (please specify)

Library

21. The recent Downtown Study suggested the potential for integrating the Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin County Library with a municipal building, such as City Hall, to make it easier for residents to connect with multiple resources at a single location. Would you find it useful for the Golden Valley Library to share space with or be adjacent to City Hall?

Yes

No

I have no opinion

22. What do you think could be potential benefits of having the Golden Valley Library share space with, or be adjacent to City Hall?

General Questions

23. As Golden Valley considers long-range planning for its municipal buildings, we would like to learn more about your expectations for public buildings. In your own words, what features would make a municipal building approachable, welcoming, and inviting?

24. What are the most important aspects of a public building? (Provide a ranking of each with the level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important)

	1 (most important)	2	3	4	5 (least important)
Ease of access and circulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Clear wayfinding and signage	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Visible and recognizable facility	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety and security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Representing the City's mission and values	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Do you feel like there is anything missing from the list above that you think has a high level of importance? Please list them below

25. What priorities should be included in long-range planning for Golden Valley municipal facilities? (check all that apply)

- Fiscal responsibility
- Sustainability and efficiency
- Improving access to services
- Increasing transparency about government
- Creating a strong sense of civic identity
- Increasing the amount of outdoor public space
- Providing meeting and gathering spaces for community use
- Centering equity and inclusion for access and services for residents
- Provide inclusive and equitable facilities for the public and for Golden Valley staff.

26. Do you have any other priorities that you think are missing from the question above?

Community Character

27. What do you appreciate most about Golden Valley?

It has been a safe place

28. Please provide any other comments or suggestions you think would improve the current municipal facilities block (Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road)

29. What are the advantages and disadvantages of having Golden Valley municipal buildings as part of Downtown Golden Valley?

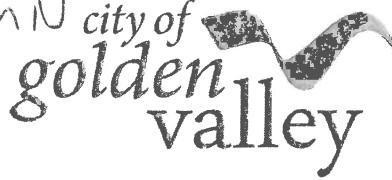
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Would you like to receive email updates? If yes, please visit: bit.ly/37VhN5H to sign-up. Thank you!

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this is totally
irrelevant
jibberish!

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we can live without this!

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No. What for?

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The most important information is missing
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Boy do I ever! See attached
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City of Golden Valley 2020/21 Facilities Study Survey

Comments by Phil & Mary Zins
2165 Zealand Ave. No.
Golden Valley, MN 55427
Submitted 1-19-21

Overall Comments:

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See survey document for our comments of the individual survey questions.

Sincerely,

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Phil and Mary Zins

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Is This all The City Manager can do, is develop bzg words, pretend huge, costly changes are necessary, sow dissatisfaction with The present - also to justify his own existence? AT high salary?!!

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- Attend Meetings
- Visiting Other City Hall Departments (please specify)

PLANNING DEPT

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT SOUNDS LIKE
SOMETHING YOU DO AT A GYM

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- More parking
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General Questions

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REASON TO GO TO OTHER CITY
BUILDINGS

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DOES ANYONE KNOW THERE IS A
LIGHTER READER BOARD SIGN IN THE JKA

25. What priorities should be included in long-range planning for Golden Valley municipal facilities? (check all that apply)

- Fiscal responsibility
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Community Character

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LOCATION - CLEAN - SAFE

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WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET
YOU ARE OUT OF SPACE HERE

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WHERE ELSE COULD YOU GO EXCEPT
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None - lots of luck pulling a
RABBIT OUT OF A HAT

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Demographic Questions (Optional)

The following demographic questions are optional and helps ensure that the City is connecting with all residents. If you prefer not to answer questions 1 - 4, please continue on to the next page of the survey.

1. What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-24 years old
- 25-34 years old
- 35-44 years old
- 45-54 years old
- Over 55 years old
- I prefer not to say

2. What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Prefer not to say

3. What is your racial identity?

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Mixed Race/Multiracial
- I prefer not to say
- Other (please specify)

4. What is your ethnicity and/or country of origin?

I AM A RESIDENT
OF THIS CITY, LONG
STANDING.

THESE QUESTIONS 1 THRU 6
ARE NOT RELEVANT TO
THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. IF
YOU NEED THIS TYPE OF
INFORMATION TRY THE
CENSUS BUREAU.

Overview

5. Are you a current resident of Golden Valley? If so, approximately how long have you lived in Golden Valley

- Less than 2 years
- 2-5 years
- 5-10 years
- 10-20 years
- 20-30 years
- Over 30 years
- I do not live in Golden Valley

6. Do you live or work in or near Downtown Golden Valley? This area is generally defined by the intersection of Winnetka Avenue and Golden Valley Road.

- Live
- Work
- Both
- Neither

Goals and Objectives

The following goals and objectives have been developed to help guide the planning process. Please rank each goal/objective in terms of level of significance. Please add any additional comments/ ideas you feel should be added to this municipal facilities planning process.

7. Vision (Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important)

- Develop a long-term plan for developing new facilities, relocating Public Works, and to potentially open a portion of the current site to private investment.
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- ___ Balance implementation with debt management. **COSTS?**
- ___ Address critical space deficiencies and accommodate projected evolutions of operations and service delivery. **COSTS?**
- ___ Facilitate Fire Department transition from three-station paid on-call model to a two-station duty crew model for 24/7 service to address facility, operational, and safety deficiencies.
- ___ Provide support and training spaces to enhance Police Department processing, operations, preparedness, and community outreach.

USE BROOKVIEW

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IF YOU'RE SET ON REMOVING THE FIRE STATION AND SELL THE PROPERTY GREAT. DO NOT REPLACE IT. WE CAN LIVE WITHOUT IT

11. Project Process (Provide a ranking of each in terms of level of importance, with 1 being the most important and 3 being the least important)

- ___ Integrate community and stakeholder outreach to inform project goals and priorities. **WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?**
- ___ Build on the guidance of the Downtown Study for development of the NE Quadrant.
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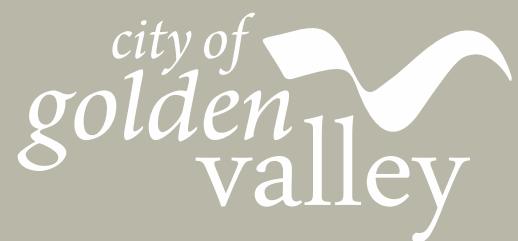
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APPENDIX B

Phase II

Community Forum Q & A



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Morning Session

Q. How does the racial justice movement after George Floyd's death affect space needs?

- We want welcome and transparent buildings.
- Interacting with the community is very important.
- People need to know how, what, and where police do things.
- Lots more training is occurring; we need to be able to train in-house and provide facilities for other departments to come and co-train.
- Hiring and recruiting will be affected by better spaces (for instance, there are only eight lockers in the Police Department for females).

Q. Are we talking about accessibility and considering access to all? Are you consulting with disability groups to ensure the designs work?

- This effort won't produce designs of the facilities but only provide a framework.
- There are known issues at City Hall that the City has been trying to correct.

Q. Are City Facilities going to relocate to General Mills nature reserve?

- City facilities are prioritized to stay downtown.
- The City has no plans to move its facilities to the nature reserve.

Q. Appreciate the rationale for space from departments. Why not use Brookview for public event spaces and training? Like the feel of the current campus.

- Brookview is so popular it books out six months in advance, so it's difficult for Police and Fire to get on the schedule.
- Keeping City Hall downtown is important as it drives traffic to other businesses.
- City Hall requires some space for public exterior events.

Q. Will Brookview revenues help offset costs of these new facilities?

- Costs are not set and will be provided at the end of the study.
- The City is looking at finances as a whole-impact model (for instance, how will two vs three fire stations affect long-term costs).

Q. Are we fully utilizing our schools?

- The City has relationships with Meadowbrook for facility use and has used Sandburg in the past.
- The City can contact school districts to make sure we aren't overbuilding.

Q. Is training outside Golden Valley available?

- One good training spot is in Cottage Grove.
- If offsite for eight hours, staff loses three-and-a-half to four hours in transport, setup, and lunch time.
- Some training will still need to be offsite, but much could be in-house and would save hours of staff time.

Q. Is there a timeline for this?

- Options will be available in four to six weeks.

Q. Is there a plan for Stations 2 and 3?

- Station 2 could be a park, but it might need to remain as a polling place. It also might have interim uses.
- Station 1 could be used for development or could remain an institutional use to support park activity.

Q. Besides park land, what other land does the City own that could be used for Public Works and Fire?

- Downtown site
- Yard at 10th Ave
- Looking to purchase property for this use

Evening Session

Q. In what order will the buildings be built?

- This is being explored throughout the process and is still under consideration, but there is a pressing need with the Fire Department. Consolidating Public Works offsite helps unlock the site for future development, so that starts to become more important. Final recommendations will include phasing of building demolition and construction.

Q. What happened to the discussion about relocating the second fire station to the Scheid Park area?

- Part of this process will include an analysis of site selection criteria—not picking a specific site at this time, but determining the needs for a site and the means by which potential future sites could be selected.
- Placing stations optimally will cover a good chunk of Golden Valley. The current situation actually does a better job of covering parts of neighboring cities. Being near Hwy 100 and other major arteries helps to keep response times down.

Q. After listening to the report on firefighting, health was mentioned. Are the materials used in firefighting dangerous?

- It's more about the synthetics, plastics, etc that get burned during a fire that are dangerous to the firefighters. Most of the actual firefighting materials are environmentally safe.
- Right now, firefighting gear is turned in the same space as the apparatus bay, which doesn't allow for clean/dirty zones after responding to a fire.

Q. There sounds like a big push for new facilities, but the City has a lot of debt now. What does this do the bond rating, and where is the money coming from?

- The Facilities Study Steering Committee includes the Finance Director, and debt management has always been one of the priorities for the project. The project's goal is to develop a long-term and comprehensive plan and create priorities about how to move through the project mindful of the City's debt.
- Part of the reason for the timeline is to help manage the City's debt. The debt has been reduced because of the Council's focus, and while there have been some significant investments in infrastructure, as those finish up over time, it allows the debt to come down and frees up space for spending on these projects.
- Part of this discussion is also taking into account the costs of not being able to recruit the best staff, use the best equipment, etc due to aging or dysfunctional facilities.

Q. How has the emphasis on training changed over time with the Police Department, and what role does that play in the future of policing?

- Police officers now deal with a much wider variety of training. The police do a lot more medical-type responses, and officers need to be trained to deal with those. Use of force and other State laws often change, so that requires a lot of training to help the police understand best practices. There's also technical training because the department is paperless.

Q. Are there preliminary plans for the use of Fire Department Stations 2 and 3, assuming the department does not retain one of those?

- With the increase of multi-family apartment buildings being built around Station 2, the Council has recognized the lack of green space and park land in the area, so the site could be converted for that use, with the building retained and renovated to be a polling place.
- At Station 3, there's a possibility for some housing, although there could be many other uses. There are no specific plans yet, however.
- Because both sites are undersized for fire stations, especially concerning circulation, they don't work with contemporary standards for best practice. Additionally, both sites are on the edges of the city, which means they sometimes serve other communities better than Golden Valley itself.

Q. How has the change in consolidating workspaces and departments in City Hall changed workflow, and what have the results been?

- From a service standpoint, a disjointed and less than cohesive departmental layout often meant that visitors may need to travel to different areas to get all their needs fulfilled.
- The departments can get more interaction, which provides for a better collaborative environment that invites more efficiency.

Q. What are some of the challenges, especially related to workflow, when it comes to Public Works service?

- Coming and going, there's a lot of careful maneuvering to get equipment in and out of the doors because of the size issues. Also, the low ceilings present challenges for some of the larger equipment.
- The wash bay for the equipment is in the drive aisle, so any other equipment that needs to move has to wait until the drive aisle is clear again.

Q. What is your response to someone who asks if the City could respond out of a single fire station?

- The standard for response times is to get to 90 percent of the city within a certain timeframe. That cannot be achieved with a single station, even if it's located in the center of the city. The department is currently ranked well with regard to response times.
- It adds response time for those firefighters who need to come in to the station for a structural fire.

Q> How does investment in physical facilities impact the City's ability to provide equitable services and spaces, both for visitors and staff?

- Several departments have needs to move towards more equitable facilities, especially with regards to gender.
- The City made the investments in complying with the accessibility code, including going beyond the requirements when something technically compliant still doesn't work. These ideas can be extended to the planning and design of future facilities.

Q. Are there any efficiencies that can be gained from having more employees working from home?

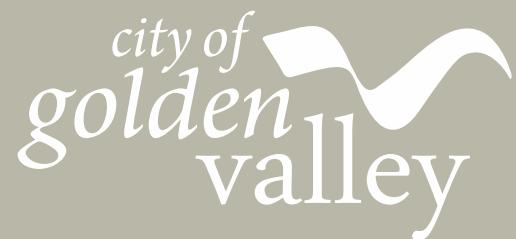
- The BKV team has recognized that while there are some efficiencies, there will continue to be evolutions in how workspaces will be used. For example, even if there is a reduction in permanent office space, there may still be collaborative and flexible spaces to allow some people to come in on occasion.
- It's not possible for all functions to be done remotely—Fire, Police, and Public Works for example—but some things, like customer service, can be more flexible and pushed online. This may offer some efficiencies, but it will be a balance between being present and also finding efficiencies where possible.
- One of the City's values in investing in its facilities is taking new ways of working, design, and construction, which may help the buildings evolve better over time than existing facilities do.

APPENDIX C

Phase III

Summary of Proposed Concepts

Engagement Opportunity



Summary of Proposed Concepts Engagement Opportunity

Responses from the online Social Pinpoint interactive map and survey

Involvement Summary

296

Total Visits

59

Unique Users

1:45

Average Time Spent (Minutes)

Step 1: Project Priorities Survey

Are there any items that you feel are missing? (11 responses)



- "Agree with the current project priorities."
- "The list is complete from my review."



 "Get post office to clean up yard and parking lot areas to increase patron parking. Employees are taking more and more of the existing parking spots."

"When we make land available for investment/redevelopment do we as citizens have a say in what is going to be built there? The last thing I want to see there is another storage or strip mall with spaces for liquor/vape shops."



- "Preservation and enhancement of Bassett Creek is definitely missing from the critical priorities and project-givens."
- "Use of solar on city buildings, more emphasis on sustainability."



- "Any thought of combining fire department with West Metro? The cost savings would be huge and the city response would not suffer."
- "Information about why the fire department would go to one station? Will response times increase? What is the operating cost of going to duty crews versus having the police department on call?"
- "Merge the fire department with the West Metro Fire Department to save taxpayers money and keep the response time the same."



"I think a critical priority that is missing is to create an actual main street, downtown-type feel somewhere in our 'downtown'. Rather than just bike and pedestrian access to downtown, there should be somewhere in the downtown area that is pleasant to be outside of a car. For example, if we had a town parade, where would it be? That type of environment."

Step 3: Conceptual Planning Scenarios

Option A

I like this

Ideas and suggestions

This concerns me



I like this		
#	Votes	Comment
A	+3	Like this addition to the downtown landscape of having naturalized water management.
B	+2	I like added greenspace and water.
C	+3	Good location and access.
D	-	Great idea.
E	+1	I like how the entire street is not tall buildings - it will create a more open feeling on Golden Valley Rd.
F	-	Recent housing has not been very affordable, it would be nice if this were affordable housing.

Ideas and suggestions		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	Going from the bike trail to the library is a pain. At minimum a crosswalk would be nice. Even better would be narrow these low volume streets and make it more comfortable to be walking and biking.
B	+1	Could this be made into a park area for users of the Luce Line Trail as well?
C	+2	Can all of the parking be more centralized and consolidated to allow for more room for greenspace around library and Bassett Creek and new pond?
D	+2/-2	Why not narrow Rhode Island in order to calm traffic, reduce noise, create a more neighborhood feel (slower traffic), and help residents of Calvary cross that street?
E	-	I like the idea of the Library and City Hall co-located.
F	-	I like the ground level retail. Can we have the retail sidewalk facing on GV road rather than auto oriented? Why should we even have setbacks in a downtown district?

This concerns me		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	Ease of pedestrian access isn't just sidewalks - having to walk through a parking lot or around 270 degrees of the building will mean it is unpleasant to use the pedestrian features added. If there is intended to be an entrance off the promenade then my mistake.
B	+1	Housing - cool! Please no retail for liquor/vapes.

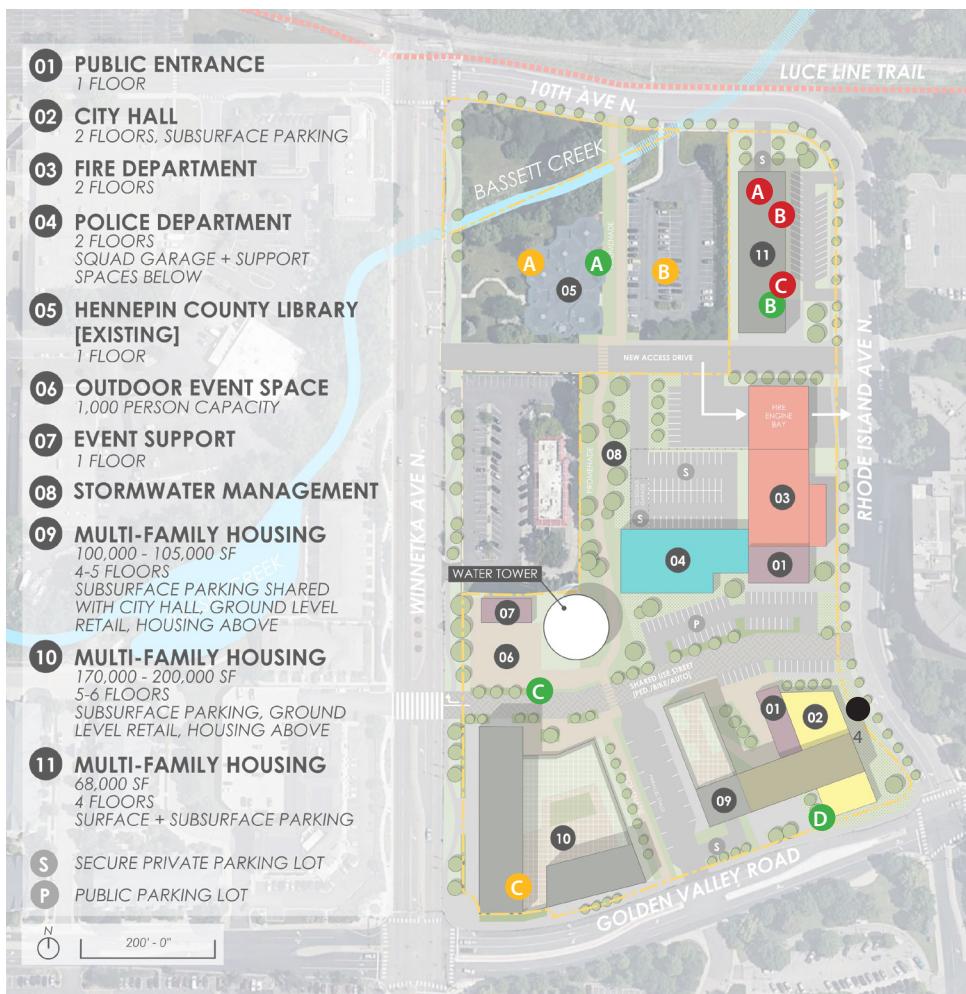
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Option B

I like this

Ideas and suggestions

This concerns me



I like this		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	I like this plan with library in current space but better use of the storage on the other side of the library parking lot.
B	-	Good spot for housing, I like the small surface parking lot. Would prefer no setback and internal parking.
C	-	Keeps open area for Farmers Market and other similar uses.
D	-	I like this concept where the entirety of Golden Valley Rd is not tall buildings - the City Hall would be a lower rooftop which would make things feel more open.

Ideas and suggestions		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	If this library is moving would love to see this left open as green space.
B	+1	Consolidate parking.
C	-	First floor retail? Restaurant with patio? A nice walk from the library to an ice cream shop? I hope our downtown becomes vibrant enough to support that.

This concerns me		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	Train noise!
B	-	Why does the mock up of affordable housing not include a swimming pool like market rate? This seems elitist.
C	-1	Seems to be trying to cram in a lot of housing into a small area with little surrounding green space.

(Step 3: Conceptual Planning Scenarios)

Option C

 I like this

Ideas and suggestions

This concerns me



I like this		
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	I Like this.
B	-	I like the idea of working the green space into the event area so it feels like a park.
C	+1	Keeps an open area for Farmers Market and other similar functions on the municipal campus.
D	-	It's short, but now we have a main street! Love it. Maybe include availability for food trucks to be here with more flexibility to test out the feasibility of more restaurant/retail that focuses on Golden Valley, not the lunch rush from 55.
E	-	Minimal setback and sidewalk activation please.

Ideas and suggestions		
#	Votes	
A	+1	For all four options, none has any type of business or commercial use. While it may conflict with the existing businesses nearby, the mixed use district does include those functions. Suggest they be included, perhaps in the legend.
B	+1	Does this include Affordable housing? Not clear per Option 1 which calls it out.

This concerns me		
#	Votes	Comment
A	+1	Seems to be disregarding the potential to highlight and enhance Bassett Creek. Can parking lots be consolidated?
B	-	If a full service DMV is a nice to have then it should be called out on this map to remind people that it isn't a priority. Good idea to include it, just suggest it be decoupled from main purpose.

(Step 3: Conceptual Planning Scenarios) ◀

Option D

I like this

Ideas and suggestions

This concerns me



		I like this
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	Great idea to highlight the creek! Could also be a place for a gazebo / outdoor concert series etc. Housing here is great too.
B	-	Really like this option! Would like it even more if we could tie the library to the green space.
C	-	Love the consolidation and limited surface parking. Access from the promenade is key. Access from Rhode island would be good too.
D	-	I like the height and limited setback.

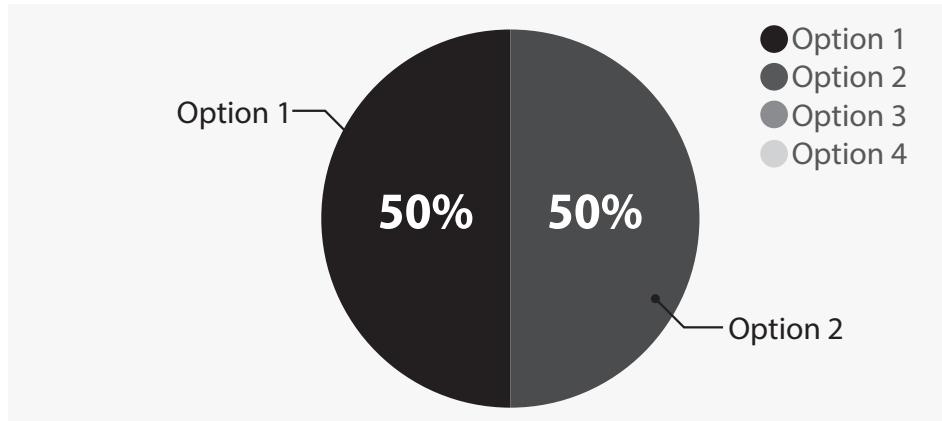
		Ideas and suggestions
#	Votes	Comment
A	-1	Would love to see this be more greenspace and native plantings rather than housing in this version.
B	-	If feasible, some retail facing the outdoor event space and shared-use street would be awesome.

		This concerns me
#	Votes	Comment
A	-	Train noise!
B	+1	I have no faith in Hennepin County regarding the Golden Valley library. I do not believe the county values this library, based on some of their actions around this library during the COVID pandemic. I don't want any co-location of the library with a city facility for these reasons.
C	+1	I don't like the idea of constructing a new library and tying it to City Hall. The current library has been both under construction and closed in recent years, and our city needs access. The green space around the current library is also important.
D	+1	This option seems really crowded for the amount of space. I like that it has subsurface parking. I do not like the library tucked away in City Hall. As a young parent, I used the library weekly. I liked the convenience of our current library without the hassle of navigating a large building like the one in Ridgedale. If the library is going to be as large as Ridgedale then it is worth combining.
E	-	Loading-up housing options along Golden Valley Road and Winnetka takes visibility away from City Hall. As more of the public will be coming to use City Hall, it shouldn't be tucked away at the northeast corner of the site.

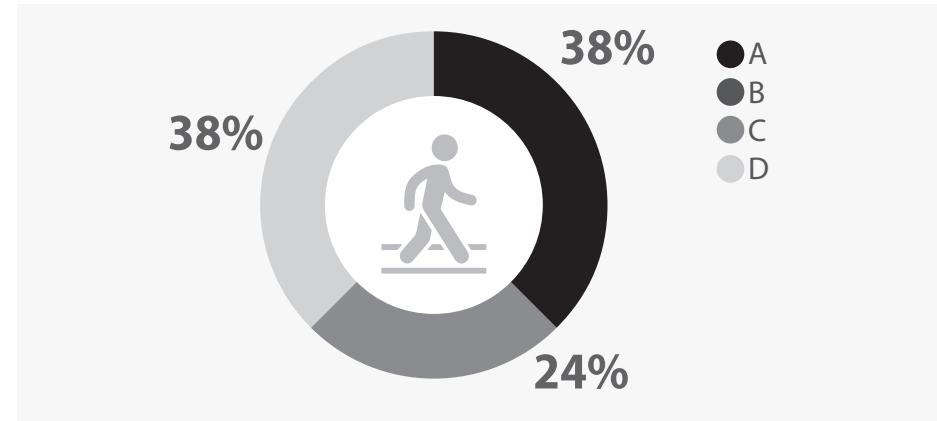
(Step 3: Conceptual Planning Scenarios)

Interactive Map Survey

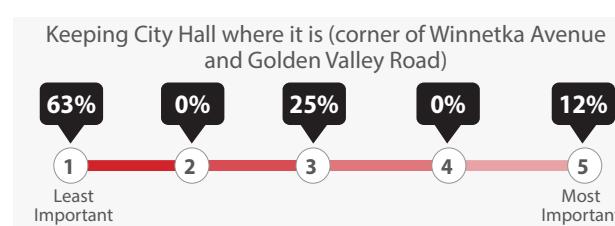
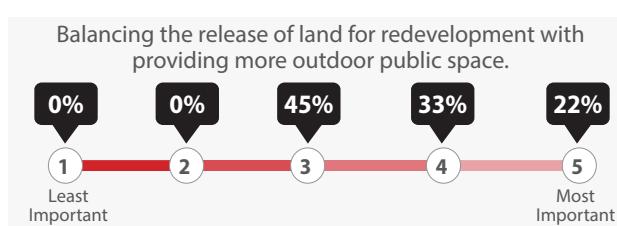
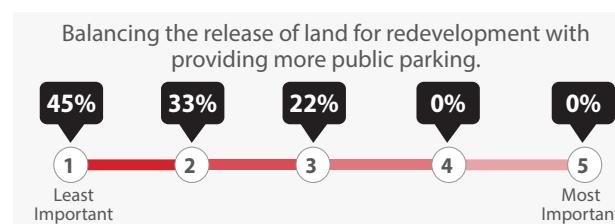
Which redevelopment scheme do you think best represents this project's priorities? (7 responses)



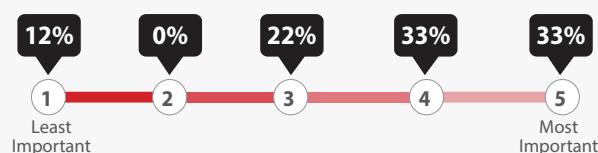
Which of the schemes feels most pedestrian-friendly to you? (8 responses)



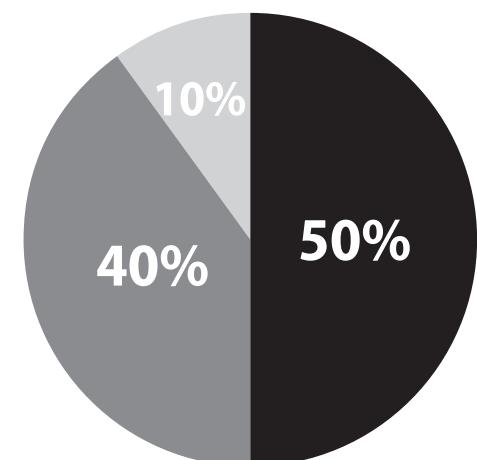
How would you rank the following to guide final planning? (10 responses)



Ensuring there is an iconic space for public events.



Is it important to be able to see City Hall from a major street? (10 responses)



- Very Important – Should be visible from Winnetka Avenue
- Somewhat Important – Would be nice to have it visible from Winnetka Avenue or Golden Valley Road
- Not Important At All

(Step 3: Conceptual Planning Scenarios) ◀

Interactive Map Survey

What other considerations should guide selection of a planning scheme? (7 responses)



- "Given the current housing market, is loading up the site with apartments (regardless of market mix) realistic? Cost to the Golden Valley taxpayer needs to be a primary consideration as this is a multi-year plan no matter what option is selected. As I'm in my late 60's, costs to the taxpayers will partially fall to another generation of Golden Valley residents."
- "I really dislike all the multi-family housing going up in GV. I moved here because of the small town, neighborhood feel, which is lost when renters move in."



- "Need to integrate greenspace, native plantings, and highlight/enhance Bassett Creek."
- "Option D is the only one that appears to maximize the Bassett Creek space. That might make the best spot for the outdoor event space. Is there consideration in the planning for maybe having the city take ownership of the vacant property at 55/Douglas Dr. N. for use for police and fire to free-up more space and increase green space and/or iconic outdoor space?"



"Keep all the Multi-Family housing together (9, 10, and 11). Create residential amenities with green space, seating areas, wet prairie, playground, underground parking, etc. Suggest moving it all to face current housing on east side of Rhode Island Ave. Create a park area and public event space along Winnetka - this will create a friendly and warm downtown and pedestrian-focused environment. Golden Valley Rd can remain city-focused with City Hall, police department and fire department (2, 3, and 4). With the post office across from these facilities, it offers a consumer friendly, government-focused concept. Keep lights and sirens away from current residential housing on the east side of Rhode Island. Alter current McDonalds entrance and exit to turn right only. Improve traffic flow and safety by closing-off the median to prevent turning left into McDonalds, or turning left when leaving it."



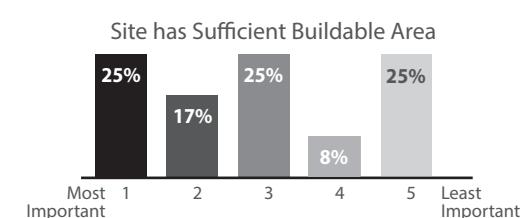
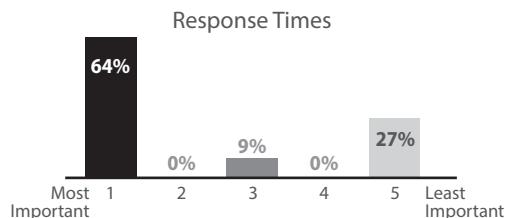
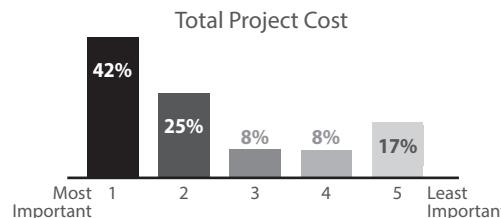
"We don't need a 1000 person venue which will disturb the surrounding neighbors during events (as happens now with events under the water tower)."



"Where is our city parade? Where can kids ride their bikes to get food with friends? If our town was in a TV show, where would all the opening scenes be shot?"

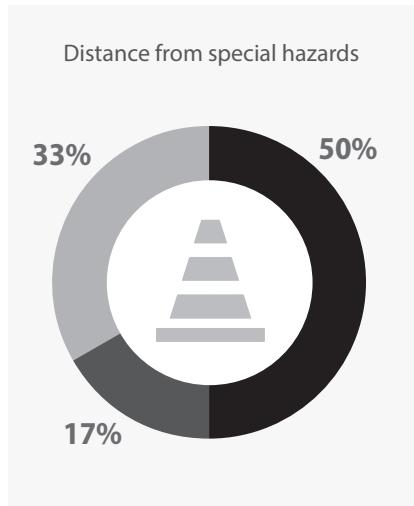
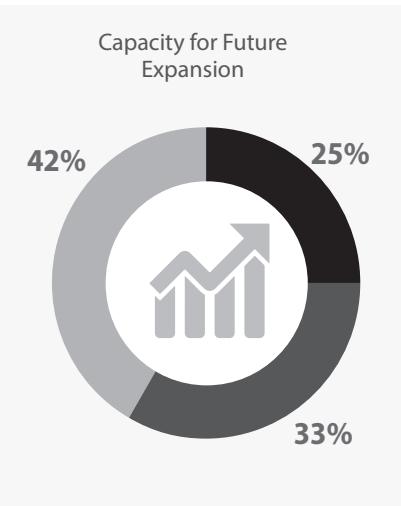
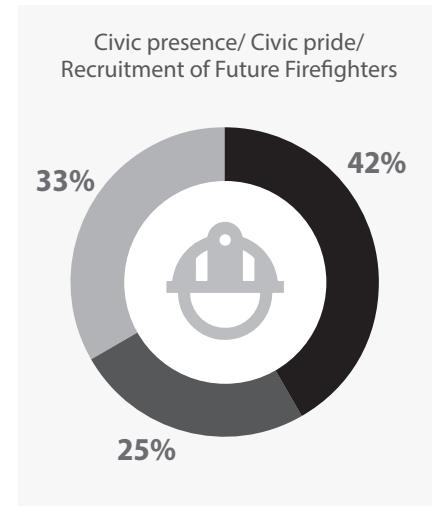
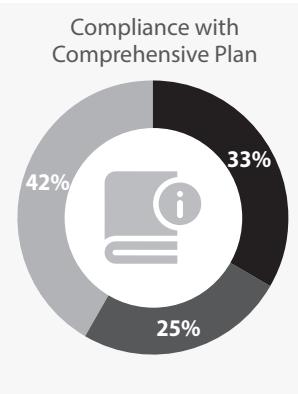
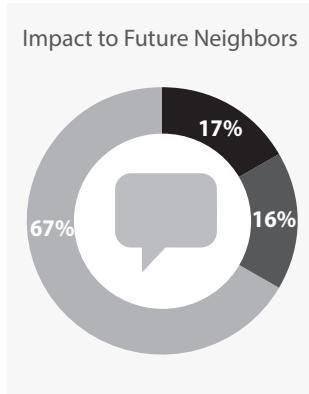
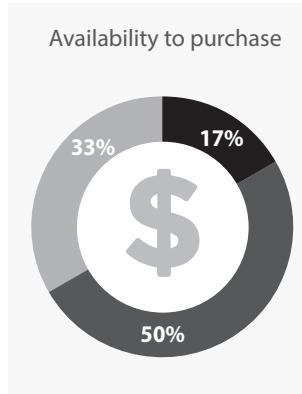
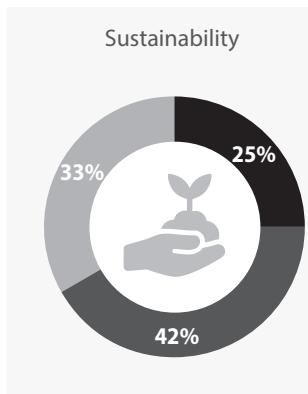
Step 4: Fire Station #2 Survey

The City has established three critical factors that need to be evaluated during the Site Selection process for Fire Station 2. Each prospective site will be graded on each factor. Please help us rank these three factors by telling us your opinion on the order of importance, with 1 being the most important and 5 being less important: (12 responses)



The City would like your opinion about some other factors that you may or may not consider important. (12 responses)

High Moderate Low



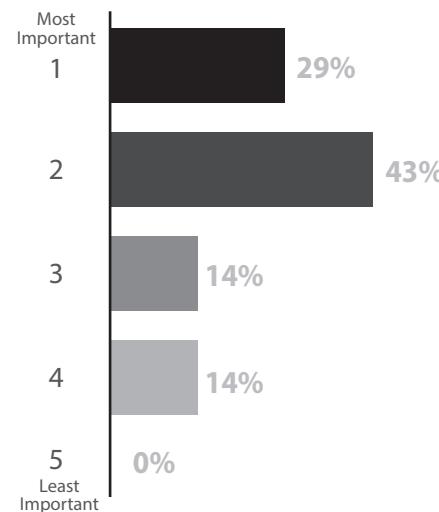
Other, please explain (6 responses)

- Combine department with West Metro Fire district and save the City millions of dollars.
- I hope that a regional approach to many City services has been addressed. Should we explore regional partnerships with our neighboring communities for these very expensive services? Fire fighting, peace officers, snow removal, public works? I realize that takes more coordination, but it might be worth looking into.
- May also want to look at where the higher volume of emergency calls come from.
- Moving the fire department to duty crew is a waste of money, and the department should be merged into a fire district.
- No need to add retail. Retail is somewhat of a dying space. Hopefully, we can avoid adding more storage units. There are plenty of commercial sites nearby waiting to be rented, and this area already has easy access to many types of retail. Do we really need a 24-7 staffed fire department? Perhaps share services with another city. We already have some of the highest city taxes in the metro, and adding to that would be burdensome.
- The location should also consider the routes in and out of the station (i.e. parks with kids or frequent events that congest the roads). The ability for firefighters to access the location should play a large role in the location (the closer the station is to residential the faster the response time).

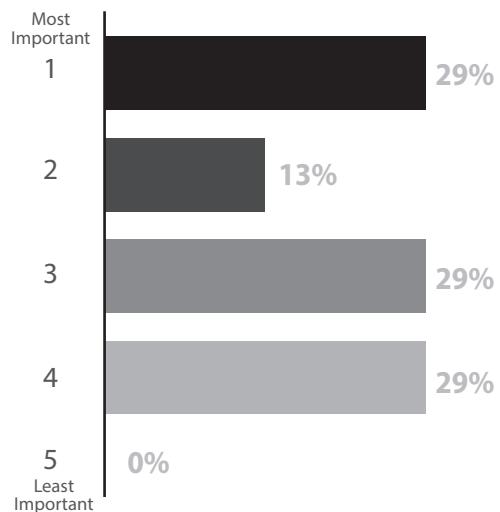
Step 4: Public Works Survey

The following factors have been identified as priorities that need to be evaluated during the site selection process for Public Works. Please help us rank these priorities by telling us your opinion on the order of importance, with 1 being the most important and 5 being less important: (7 responses)

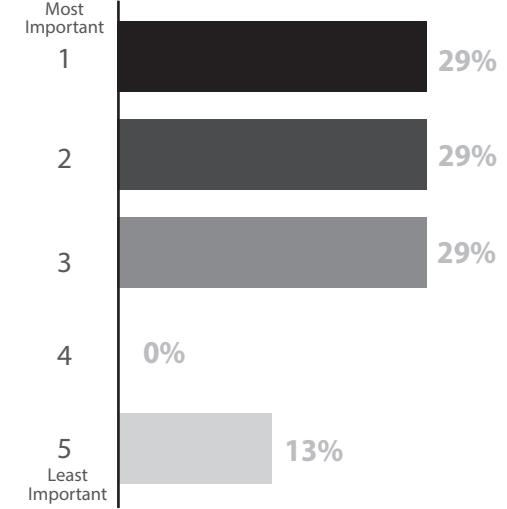
Size: Prioritize a total site size of 14 acres (minimum of 10 acres)



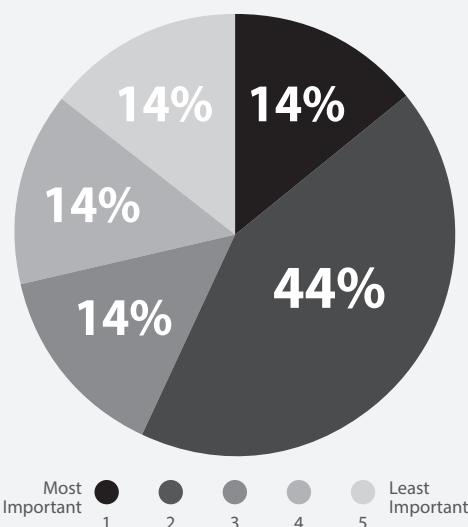
Number of Parcels/Properties: Prioritize acquisition of 5 sites or fewer



Zoning Compatibility: Prioritize location within Industrial and/or Commercial Zones Cost



Frontage/Access: Prioritize sites located on arterial or collector streets with controlled traffic access

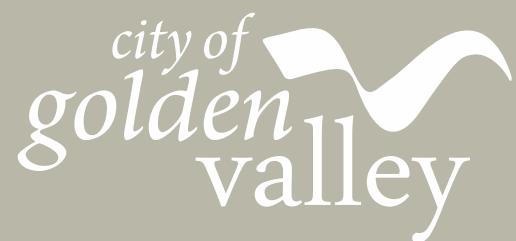


What other items would you add to this list? (1 response)

- Does it make sense to cluster more city services here? Is there capacity to locate a fire station with a public works building? There is synergy in amenities (parking, office space, break room, etc.).

APPENDIX D

Social Media Reach And Engagement



SOCIAL MEDIA REACH AND ENGAGEMENT

Reach = Number of people who saw the post

Engagement = Number of people who interacted with the post

Phase I: Facilities Study Survey

Dec 11, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	506	30	0	1	0
Twitter	203	3	1	0	0
Dec 16, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	515	20	7	2	0
Twitter	184	5	1	0	0
Dec 23, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	1100	236	8	3	0
Twitter	239	14	2	1	0
Dec 24, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	683	45	3	0	0
Twitter	239	39	3	0	0
Dec 25, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	632	17	2	0	0
Twitter	213	11	2	0	0
Dec 26, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	921	116	11	0	0
Twitter	256	22	4	0	0
Dec 27, 2020					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	2984	1110	9	8	0
Twitter	380	43	5	1	0
Jan 7, 2021					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	529	15	2	0	0
Twitter	258	1	0	1	0
Jan 20, 2021					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	589	19	0	3	0
Twitter	202	8	0	0	0

Jan 22, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	1227	166	14	2	0
Twitter	325	30	2	1	0

Phase II: *The Future Of City Facilities* Community Forum

Feb 18, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	508	10	3	0	0
Twitter	192	2	0	0	0

March 3, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	385	5	1	1	0
Twitter	194	6	0	0	0

March 4, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	597	25	5	1	1
Twitter	2307	51	2	3	0

Comments

NAME	COMMENT
Eric Brooks	LOVE the photo!

March 5, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	429	5	1	0	0
Twitter	204	4	2	0	0

Phase III: City Facilities and Downtown Study Proposed Concepts Engagement Opportunity

May 3, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	1216	81	3	2	0
Twitter	292	1	0	0	0

May 7, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	371	27	1	1	0
Twitter	372	10	0	0	0

May 14, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	669	36	3	0	0
Twitter	237	10	0	0	0

May 18, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	362	10	0	0	0
Twitter	218	2	0	0	0

City Facilities Tour

Aug 10, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	890	21	10	3	0
Twitter	207	0	0	0	0

Sept 7, 2021

PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	660	13	7	1	0
Twitter	155	10	3	3	0



07 BUDGET DETAIL

OPTION B

Revision Date: 07-Dec-21

Description	Remote Fire Station 2, Near Term City Hall Reno & PD Reno/Additions	New Public Works Facility	Demo Existing Facilities & Add Site Infrastructure	Public Safety	New City Hall & Below Grade Parking	Remarks
	2024	2030	2030	2040	2050	
Initial City Revenue						
Utility Rebates						
Other Income						
Interest Earnings						
Total Available Dollars	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Construction Costs						
Building Construction						
Building	\$5,336,385	\$22,084,886		\$20,302,292	\$10,307,624	
Site	\$394,774	\$4,403,860	\$2,960,000	\$4,993,168	\$1,200,000	
PD Renovations (10,220 GSF) & Additions (2,780 GSF)	\$2,283,600					
Design Contingency	8%	\$641,180.72	\$2,119,099.68	\$236,800.00	\$2,023,637	\$920,610
Construction Contingency	5%	\$432,797	\$1,430,392.28	\$159,840.00	\$1,365,955	\$621,412
Construction Escalation	3.5%/Year From 2021	\$954,317	\$9,462,045	\$1,057,342	\$19,075,559	\$13,245,390
Subtotal	\$10,043,054	\$39,500,283	\$4,413,982	\$47,760,611	\$26,295,036	
Soft Costs						
	25%	\$2,510,764	\$9,875,071	\$1,103,495	\$11,940,153	\$6,573,759
Architectural & Engineering Fees						In above
Construction Manager Fee						In above
Hazardous Material Removals						Allowance Included. To be Vetted with Future Study
Construction Manager Site Services						In above
Upgraded Xcel Service (Gas & Electric)						In above
Permitting						In above
Land Acquisition						Allowance Included. TBD Based on Location
SAC/WAC						In above
Construction Testing / Special inspections						In above
TAB & Commissioning						In above
Builders Risk Insurance						In above
Owner Soft Cost Contingency						In above
Subtotal	\$2,510,764	\$9,875,071	\$1,103,495	\$11,940,153	\$6,573,759	
Owner Costs						
FFE	3.50%	\$351,507	\$1,382,510	\$0	\$1,671,621	\$920,326
Technology		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 In FFE
Owner Moving Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 In above
AV Not Included in Plans		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 In above
Misc. Fixtures (Fridges/Kiosks/Scanners etc.)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 In above
Owner Cost Contingency	5%	\$17,575	\$69,125	\$0	\$83,581	\$46,016
Subtotal	\$369,082	\$1,451,635	\$0	\$1,755,202	\$966,343	
Total Project Costs		\$12,922,900	\$50,826,989	\$5,517,477	\$61,455,966	\$33,835,137
Project Balance Available over / (under)		\$12,922,900	\$50,826,989	\$5,517,477	\$61,455,966	\$33,835,137
						Grand Total
						\$164,558,470

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Dear Mr. Nevinski:

1. Introduction

Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors completed a fiscal impact analysis of the 2021 Municipal Facilities Master Plan. The purpose of the analysis is to provide policymakers financial information to assist with decision-making. Specifically, the analysis provides estimates and information of the following:

- Statutory authority and ability to finance the facility projects
- Estimated property tax levies and tax rates
- Impact on key debt ratios used by credit rating agencies

Financial projections beyond five to ten years are speculative and can be impacted by unforeseen events, such as service level and law changes at both the state and federal levels, macro-economic events, land-use and demographic changes, to name a few. Nonetheless, long-range financial planning is necessary to begin to understand the potential, broad impact of large capital improvements, with the understanding that assumptions need to be continually updated and refined.

2. Primary Assumptions

A financial impact analysis is highly dependent on assumptions. The primary assumptions in the analysis include:

- Estimated construction cost and timing of new facilities
- Repayment term of projects financed with bond proceeds and, to a lesser extent, interest rates
- Financing of existing capital improvement plan (CIP) using recent financing terms
- Estimated market value (tax capacity) changes from price appreciation and redevelopment
- Annual growth in General Fund and HRA levies

2.1 Facilities Cost and Financing Assumptions

The facilities projects, construction year and financing terms with the estimated annual debt service payment is shown in the table below.

Project	Fire Hall #2 and City Hall Renovation	New Public Works Facility	Demo Existing Facilities & Add Site Infrastructure	Public Safety	New City Hall & Below Grade Parking
Construction/Bond Issue Year	2024	2030	2030	2040	2050
Total Development Cost	\$9.2M	\$50.8M	\$5.5M	\$61.5M	\$33.8M
Repayment Term	30	30	30	30	30
Interest Rate	3.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Annual Payment	\$471,000	\$3,306,000	\$359,000	\$3,998,000	\$2,201,000

2.2 Existing Capital Improvement Plan Cost and Financing Assumptions

The table below shows the existing CIP, financing terms and the estimated annual debt service. Beginning in 2026 the City will finance a smaller street infrastructure program of approximately \$2.0 million with costs increasing 3.0% annually thereafter.

Construction/Bond Year	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Project Cost	\$3.95M	\$3.95M	\$3.95M	\$0.00M	\$2.00M
Percent Assessed	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Repayment Term	20	20	20	20	20
Interest Rate	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%
Annual Payment	\$203,000	\$212,000	\$212,000	\$0	\$118,000

2.3 Other Assumptions

Additional assumptions utilized in the analysis include:

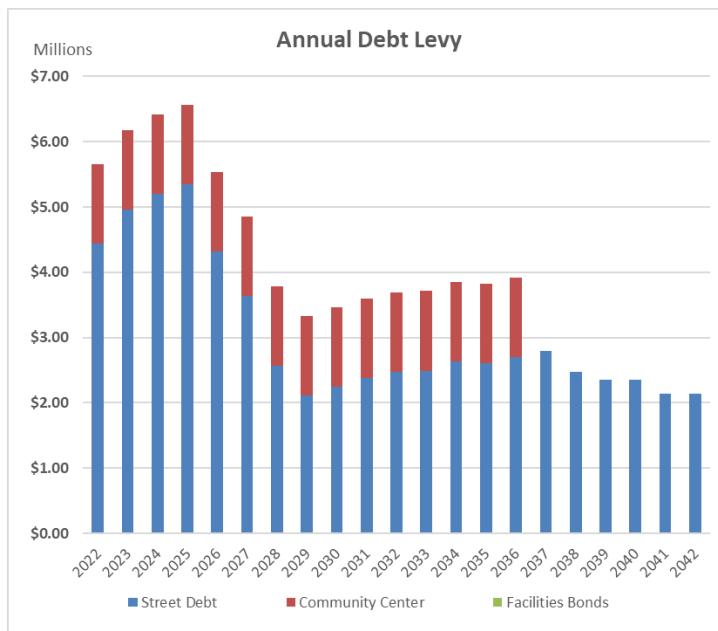
- Current debt service is paid off on schedule
- Annual market value growth from appreciation and redevelopment – 3.0%
- General Fund levy increase in 2022 of 13% and 3% annually thereafter
- HRA levy of \$191,000 in 2022 and increasing 3% annually thereafter
- Existing TIF Districts are decertified, with Highway 55 West District adding approximately \$640,000 of tax capacity in 2033.
- Current Police Station redeveloped in 2032 into apartments adding approximately \$600,000 of tax capacity in 2032.
- No local option sales tax (A 0.50% sales tax would generate approximately \$2.85 million annually in 2021.)

3.0 Fiscal Impact Analysis

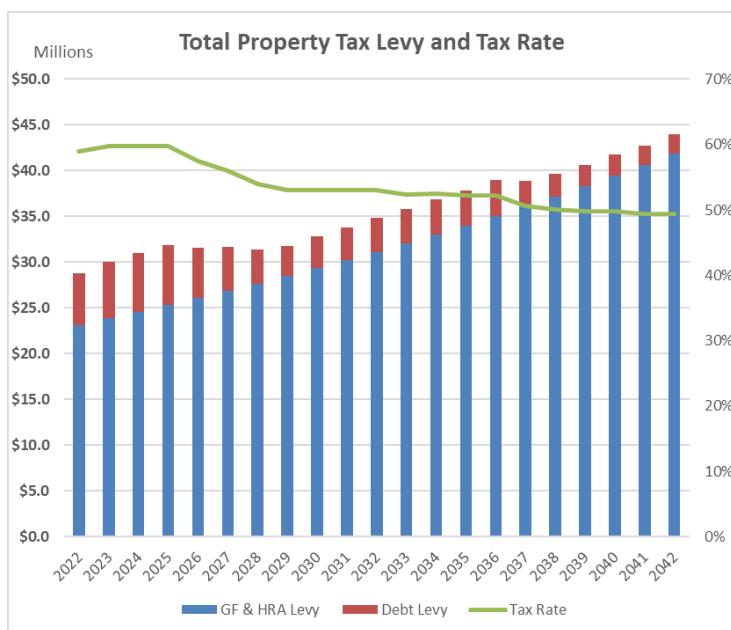
To better understand the fiscal impact of financing the Facilities Plan, we are providing two scenarios. The first is a Baseline Scenario that includes the current City CIP for street improvements and the other assumptions listed above, but *excludes the Facilities Plan*. The second scenario includes the Facilities Plan and is titled BKV Option B.

3.1 Baseline Scenario

As the table and graph below show, existing street debt increases over the next three years to \$5.3 million in 2025 before falling to \$2.1 million by 2029. The Brookview Community Center debt levy does not mature until 2036.

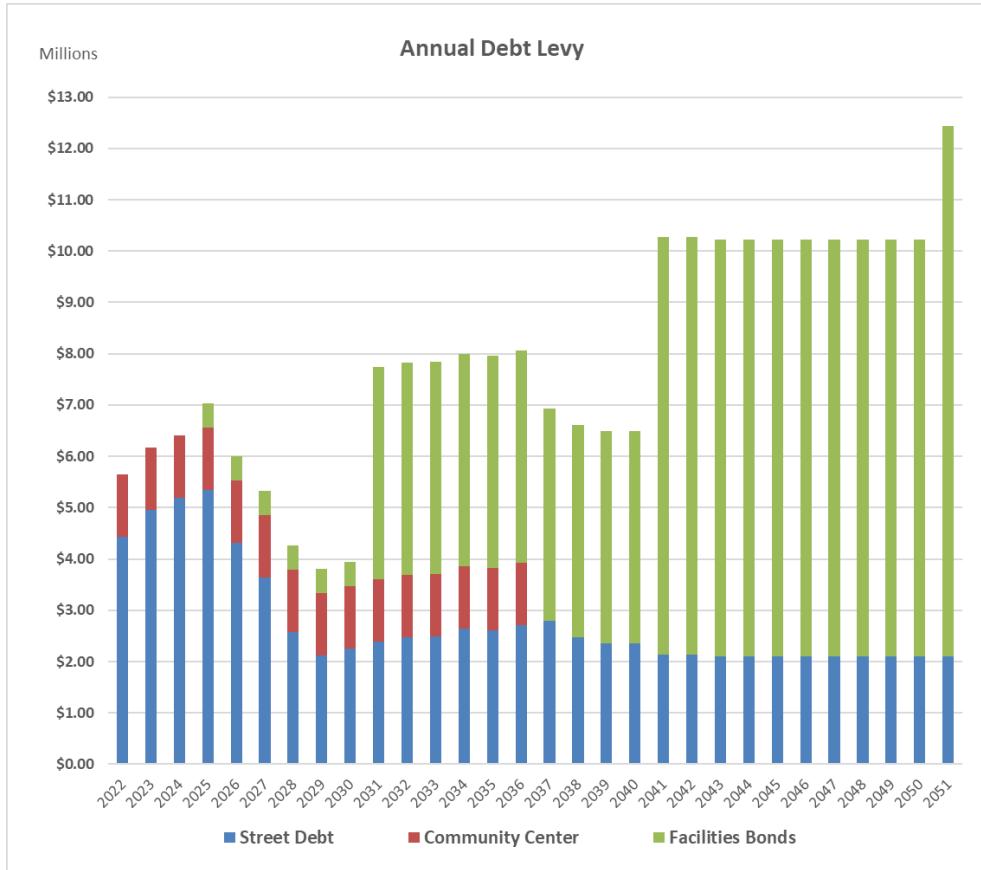


The projected property tax levy and tax rate includes the operating levies and market value changes. Given the assumptions in the Baseline Scenario, the City's property tax rate gradually declines as outstanding debt matures.

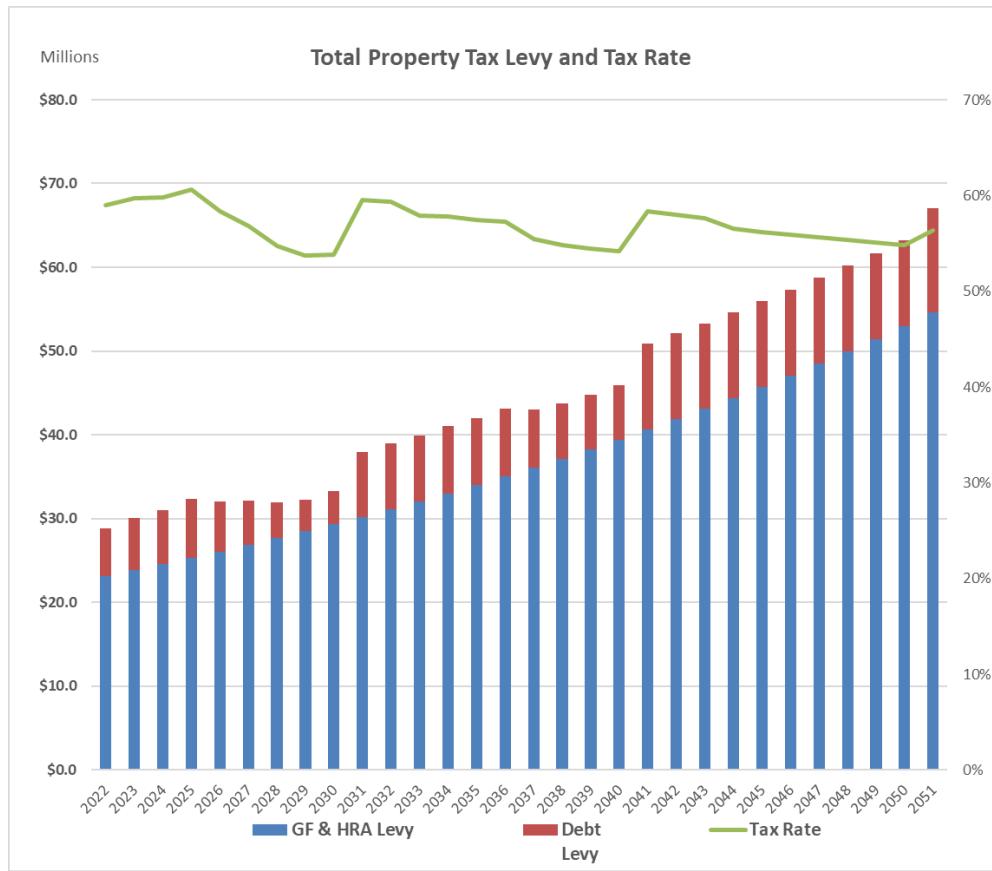


3.2 BKV Option B Scenario

The debt levy for the Facilities Plan begins in 2025 with the financing of Fire Hall #2 but almost doubles in 2032 following the financing of the Public Works Building. Once all the facilities are financed, the debt levy is expected to reach \$12.5 million.



Despite the increase in the debt levy to finance the Facilities Plan, the City's projected tax rate fluctuates between 55%-60% over the planning period.



4.0 Property Tax Impact

The impact on property owners in the distant future is difficult to determine given the number of factors that could change during the planning period. For reference purposes, the property tax impact for various properties in the table below is based on the City's 2021 taxable net tax capacity.

Annual Levy Increase	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$4,000,000
Taxable Net Tax Capacity	\$47,400,000	\$47,400,000	\$47,400,000	\$47,400,000
Current Tax Rate	55%	55%	55%	55%
Added Tax Rate	<u>2.1%</u>	<u>4.2%</u>	<u>6.3%</u>	<u>8.4%</u>
New Tax Rate	57.1%	59.2%	61.3%	63.4%
Residential Market Value				
\$350,000	\$73	\$145	\$218	\$291
\$500,000	\$105	\$211	\$316	\$422
\$750,000	\$171	\$343	\$514	\$686
\$1,000,000	\$237	\$475	\$712	\$949
Commercial Market Value				
\$1,000,000	\$406	\$812	\$1,218	\$1,624
Apartment Market Value				
\$1,000,000	\$264	\$527	\$791	\$1,055

5.0 Statutory Authority and Debt Limits

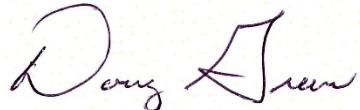
Minnesota state statutes authorizes municipalities to incur debt obligations and dictates the type of project, process and, in certain circumstances, a limit on the amount of debt a municipality can have outstanding.

Minnesota Statutes 475.58, Subdivision 3 allows cities in Minnesota to issue general obligation bonds for public facilities without holding a referendum. However, the statute allows for a petition period whereby if five percent of the electors in the most recent general election sign a petition, the City must hold a referendum prior to issuing bonds.

There are two relevant debt limits that apply to the Facilities Plan:

1. Statutory Debt Limit – The outstanding debt of a city cannot exceed three percent of the estimated market value of the City. However, not all outstanding debt is included in the calculation. The City's street debt is not included but the facilities debt is included. Even given the most conservative assumptions for market value changes during the planning period, the City would remain significantly under the statutory debt limit.
2. General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan (M.S. 475.58, Subdivision 3) Debt Limit – The statute dictates that the maximum annual debt service for debt obligations issued under this authority cannot exceed 0.16% of the estimated market value in any year. Given the current assumptions used in the analysis, the City would remain under the limit.

Sincerely,

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08 CIVIL REPORT



Civil Engineering Study of Golden Valley Civic Campus Concept Plans

This Report provides a high-level civil engineering overview of the Golden Valley Civic Campus Concept Plans. The intent is to provide succinct and useful design suggestions to reduce construction cost and introduce flexibility into the master plan.

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Executive Summary

This report contains a high level overview of standard civil engineering design considerations: site, grading, stormwater, water supply, sanitary, and erosion control design. The purpose of the overview is to provide a glimpse at the standard design approach and common constraints which present design challenges for each civil scope item. The Client should take away a high level understanding which allows them to navigate their next project steps with the civil engineering of the site in mind. They should be able to identify and avoid common pitfalls of development related to civil engineering, and have constructive phasing conversations as it pertains to the proposed designs.

In addition to an overview of civil engineering scope, this report provides a list of the common project partners who should be engaged prior to or congruently with civil engineering design of the site. Projects most often fail because due to unforeseen site challenges and the cost and timeline implications of designing around site constraints. Leveraging the proposed project team summarized herein will allow the client to identify site challenges early in the process, to have better informed conversations centered on phasing and design. Engaging these project partners towards the front end of the project allows the client to best understand scope, budget, and timeline, which is critical to development.

Per specific client request, Stantec has included an overview of both SB2030 B3 guidelines and Green Steps Cities, as they pertain to civil engineering. It is Stantec's understanding that the City of Golden Valley will be utilizing both of these standards to design and measure their project, so Stantec has provided both a high level overview of the design guidelines as well as specific project recommendations for individual implementation items. Some of these may not be feasible financially or fit within the project scope, but considering options up front allows the client to prudently select their specific approach with financial implications clearly understood.

Finally, after developing an understanding for the client of our standard civil engineering design approach, project partners, and the civil scope related to their specific project standards, this report contains specific recommendations which look closely at the two project designs through the civil engineering lens. These recommendations are not risk-proof commitments, but rather guidelines to explore as design progresses. Ensuring a competent and involved civil engineer is involved in project design is the best way to mitigate civil engineering risk, but absent of that, these recommendations should provide a path forward while the project remains in its preliminary planning phase.



Abbreviations

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
BCWMC	Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission
BMP	Best Management Practice
CF	Cubic Feet
DIP	Ductile Iron Pipe
FFE	Finished Floor Elevation
LiDAR	Light Detection and Ranging
MPCA	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
NE/NW/SE/SW	Northeast/Northwest/Southeast/Southwest
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
ROI	Return on Investment
ROW	Right of Way
TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load
VOL	Volume



1.0 CIVIL ENGINEERING SCOPE

1.1 SITE DESIGN

Site Design for each project is unique to the client and their needs. Many factors play into site design, from legal parameters such as property lines and easements, to local constraints, such as existing grades. In general, a site design should plan to account for existing conditions while simultaneously providing the best user experience to the constituents who will utilize the completed environment. Put another way, consideration should be given to ADA routes, snow removal/storage, design vehicles, and other less prevalent site users. Providing a resilient site design means planning for every user in all four seasons.

The concept site plans provided generally provide flexibility, especially as phasing goes, and a deeper review of existing conditions and rough grading is recommended to confirm the constructability of each option. As mentioned in section 1.2, a best practice to ensure constructability is to disconnect impervious surfaces to the extent possible, particularly on sites with steep grade challenges. An important item to consider will be how construction will be phased, as well as developing an understanding of the interim built environment constructed at the end of each phase.

1.2 GRADING DESIGN

Generally, the parcel slopes north-northeast with approximately 25 feet of drop from SE corner to NE corner, which calculates to roughly a 2 percent continually dropping slope from SE to NE. In general, this will support an accessible design, although certain localized improvements such as sidewalk ramps may be required based on local grading. Because grading must tie-in to existing at each project phase seam, adding additional project phases will make grading design more challenging, leading to more items such as ramps. Additionally, if balancing earthwork to reduce import or export is a project priority (it often is, but is more challenging to achieve on dense urban sites), additional project phases will make this dramatically more difficult to achieve.

It is recommended to perform a rough grading exercise once site survey is completed in order to set approximate finished floor elevations. Doing this exercise will allow a more nuanced understanding of where it is feasible to set phase limits.

The creek is at a much lower elevation, roughly five to ten feet lower than the NE corner of the site according to LiDAR, which should preclude the site from doing much if any floodplain mitigation. A topographic survey will clarify floodplain mitigation needs.



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There may be an opportunity to provide an at-grade stormwater swale through the promenade, however it would most likely require a pump to create positive slope, and there may not be significant stormwater quality benefit. In essence, it would be a brook-like site amenity, made possible only while water is in a nearby underground basin.

A “best practice” of site design is disconnecting impervious surfaces by providing a vegetated buffer between hardscape and storm sewer inlets. Beyond having a stormwater quality and rate control benefit, disconnected impervious surfaces provide the opportunity to utilize steeper grades in green space to best support development. To the site user, this will look like the pavements are “stepping down” across the site, i.e. a sidewalk may be lower than a parking lot, which may be lower than the building. Creating opportunities for grade adjustment such as this will generally reduce or eliminate the need for retaining walls. Green space grades at a slope of 5:1 or less are recommended for typical mowing equipment. A 3:1 slope is the maximum slope constructable which does not require permanent stabilization of some kind. Slopes steeper than 3:1 are feasible with additional stabilization but are not common in most projects. It is also preferred to have a minimum slope of five percent away from buildings to ensure water does not pond near the building. This can be challenging in tight urban environments, such as the subject site.

It is important to coordinate the grade adjacent to buildings with the architect, as grade changing along the face of the building will lead to exposed foundations unless covered with façade or another finishing material.

1.3 STORMWATER DESIGN

Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission and City standards will require permanent stormwater management for new and reconstructed impervious area. Infiltration is the preferred engineering approach where feasible as it allows volume control in addition to rate control, and provides a more complete treatment of stormwater, enhancing local creek quality. The project location is not within a drinking water supply management area or wellhead protection area, where infiltration is either not allowed or subject to higher engineering review.

An possible additional cost to infiltration is infiltrometer testing, which is often required by watersheds to prove the sands used on site for infiltration are allowing water to percolate at or near the designed rate. This ensures basins will be designed to allow water to drawdown within 48 hours, and verifies that stormwater is not recharging the groundwater too quickly. Infiltrometer testing can typically be provided by a geotechnical engineer during construction, but it is recommended to check with the watershed on their preferred approach at the outset of design, if infiltration is selected as a site BMP.

Stormwater filtration is the second-best option from a treatment perspective, with a higher cost than infiltration but a generally similar design. In this scenario, water is still treated for contaminants by a sand



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section, similar to infiltration, but rather than letting it seep into the ground, it is collected via perforated underdrains and piped offsite.

A tertiary option which often includes higher capital costs but potentially easier maintenance would be a cartridge filter approach. Generally, this solution is only engaged where other options do not achieve desired treatment standards.

A wet pond is not typically a good solution for an urban site, as the space it requires occupies valuable, otherwise developable land. That said, wet ponds can be helpful if used as part of a treatment train, controlling their size and location to provide a site amenity while relying on other approaches such as infiltration to do most of the heavy lifting in terms of meeting regulations. Option C shows two conceptual wet ponds, which could provide some benefit but would not ultimately make a significant difference in the final design from a ROI perspective, unless the return is strictly viewed as an amenity.

Existing site conditions also have a significant effect on BMP selection. Understanding soil types, groundwater elevations, presence of soil or groundwater contamination, as well as preferred construction phasing are all critical to selecting the best BMP. See below for a bulleted summary of the constraints each of these conditions can create:

- Soil type: without knowing soil type (available information indicates soil in this area is primarily construction fill), a recommendation on whether or not infiltration is feasible cannot be made. Generally, infiltration is more practical/possible in poorly graded sands, while soils like silt, clay, or loam can present a spectrum of issues to work through. Soil borings are the best way to determine existing soil types.
- Groundwater: if high groundwater is present, this will limit the ability to infiltrate. State code requires a three-foot separation from the bottom of an infiltration basin to the top of the seasonally highest groundwater elevation. Soil borings usually are sufficient to satisfy this criterion, but in certain instances with sites with elevated groundwater longer term groundwater monitoring with piezometers may be required. With this site's existing topography, it is anticipated soil borings will be sufficient to satisfy the three-foot separation criterion.
- Flowing Groundwater: if an infiltration BMP is selected, understanding the direction groundwater is flowing may be critical, depending on the elevation. Infiltration can cause groundwater to mound where the infiltration is taking place, and if the groundwater is flowing in a direction towards a building with underground parking, it will be important to ensure the groundwater mound will not negatively impact the underground parking from a structural perspective.
- Soil contamination: It is highly recommended that environmental services are engaged on the front end of the project to better understand any need for environmental remediation, which would present a major cost item, additional outside regulation, and possibility of alignment with state or federal resources and therefore timeline. As it pertains to stormwater, if contamination is encountered, a 'do nothing' option tends to be the most selected as far as financials are



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considered. This could mean as little as not developing the contaminated area, or as much as prematurely ending the project. Removal of contaminated soil is certainly a possibility and could open up the opportunity to infiltrate on site, pending other parameters, but generally the presence of contamination eliminates the possibility of infiltration. An environmental engineer specializing in remediation would provide the best overview of your options.

- Construction phasing: Selecting a construction approach which is phased over multiple years can have a significant impact on the stormwater design. Unit costs for stormwater infrastructure and construction usually increase for smaller discrete systems relative to larger regional systems, and construction costs tend to rise over time. Thus, phased construction tends to have a higher cost than a single larger project, not to mention the effect of multiple iterations of mobilization and demobilization, and traffic impacts. As funding is finite, phasing may be inevitable, but the benefits of fewer phases can make a significant impact in total project cost.

1.4 WATER SUPPLY DESIGN

Typically, cities prefer looped watermain to provide design redundancy in the event of a break. This contributes additional cost, but the added resiliency is generally viewed as worth the cost. As far as materials, some cities require PVC, others DIP, and some do not have a standard. A review of Golden Valley's standard details did not indicate a preferred material. Future discussion with the City Engineer may determine a standard.

PVC historically is less expensive, although with the current market it may be prudent to discuss this with your contractor immediately prior to bidding, or to include allowances for alternate materials in bidding.

In addition to typically being more expensive, DIP tends to corrode in acidic soils, leading to more leaks and a shorter serviceable life. Understanding site soils is critical to this design parameter. It is possible to protect DIP in corrosive soils, however this is a cost add as well.

It is likely watermain is present surrounding the project parcels (within the ROWs of Winnetka Avenue North, Golden Valley Road, Rhode Island Avenue North, and/or 10th Avenue North), and reconstructing small portions of the applicable street may be preferred to installing a new watermain trunk servicing the redevelopment, from a cost perspective, particularly if the project is phased. The City will likely have input on this approach.

It is also assumed that each of the existing buildings have existing watermain services, which, depending on the existing service size and future demand, may be reused.

The project parcel has an existing water tower and the location and size of the watermains extending from the tower are currently unknown. It is imperative to understand the size and location of these watermains as any work impacting these lines will not only be costly but will have continuity of service



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implications. If possible, to keep costs down and best serve the residents of Golden Valley, Stantec recommends shaping the redevelopment to utilize the existing piping on site, and to allow the opportunity for access and maintenance in the future.

If city public works or engineering is aware of maintenance or serviceability concerns with the existing water tower or watermains extending from it, coordinating that maintenance with this construction may be a “value add” for the City to introduce into the project schedule.

1.5 SANITARY SEWER DESIGN

The location of existing sanitary sewer is unknown at this time, but it is likely that sanitary sewer is present within the public ROW adjacent to the project parcels. It is assumed that standard services sloped at two percent would be sufficient to serve each building. Obtaining survey to verify existing sanitary sewer should be done prior to rough grading design in order to provide sufficient information to set future FFEs.

The City Engineer will need to verify the increase in sanitary load from a denser redevelopment use is acceptable within the current city infrastructure, or plans should be made to update the sanitary sewer capacity and coordinate with MetCouncil. Upgrading the existing infrastructure would likely be a separate budgetary item from this project, but would have a significant impact on the City’s engineering budget.

1.6 EROSION CONTROL DESIGN

Regardless of phasing, an NPDES permit will be required due to disturbing over one acre of land due to the permit’s continual plan of development criteria. This permit requires erosion and sediment control design, and the creation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. If impervious area onsite increases by more than 1.0-acres from existing conditions, the NPDES permit will require permanent stormwater management as well (though Watershed and City standards will apply and are more stringent than State requirements). Acquiring the NPDES permit is typically the contractor’s responsibility and happens shortly before construction.

The site is adjacent to and drains to the reach of Bassett Creek between Medicine Lake and the Van White Diversion. That stretch of Bassett Creek is currently impaired for Aquatic Life and Aquatic Recreation, with TMDLs approved for chloride and fecal coliform, and an additional impairment listed for fishes bioassessments. The Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission is responsible for the caretaking and improvement of this creek and will require more strenuous erosion control measures adjacent to the creek. This will add a small cost to construction.



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The bigger takeaway from this item is that up front coordination with the watershed will be critical, and the standards the site is held to may differ based on whether Option B or C is selected, as C directly abuts the creek, while B terminates upgradient of the creek bank.



2.0 PROJECT PARTNERS

2.1 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

2.1.1 Soils

Collecting existing soil information is a critical component of preconstruction site due diligence. Understanding the existing soil types, stratifications, groundwater, and possible contamination is essential to selecting site construction methods and design approaches. This could or should be done at once on the front end of the project, and if possible, during seasonally high groundwater periods (usually in spring).

2.1.2 Pavement Design

Pavement designs are a significant driver of civil construction cost. Understanding the traffic loading where larger vehicles are regularly expected (public ROW, fire station pavements, any delivery locations) can help to establish an important cost early in design.

The requirement or dedication to reducing embodied energy of construction materials can be an important parameter to share with your geotechnical engineer. Reduction of embodied energy can be achieved in a variety of ways, from locally sourcing materials (often most cost effective anyways), to incorporating a recycled material standard, to engaging new age construction methods such as the use of warm mix asphalt. Your geotechnical engineer can walk you through the cost implications and benefits of these decisions.

Understanding the goal for pavement life is a design parameter often glossed over in design. Geotechnical engineers usually provide 20 year pavement designs, with the expectation that the pavement will be rehabilitated or reconstructed at that point in time. For a public venue, it is critical to understand the lifetimes of the materials used in construction to schedule maintenance appropriately as well as understand the budgetary impact of future reconstruction.

An additional design factor to consider is the need for pavement protection against salt or other substances which could shorten your pavement's expected life. Concrete in particular provides an opportunity to "future-proof" your pavement against some common wear and tear.

2.1.3 Dewatering

High groundwater, or groundwater that is relatively shallow beneath the existing ground surface, can cause significant price increases for all work done at or below the water table by the contractor. An early understanding of existing groundwater elevations can be helpful in avoiding additional fees or disputes with your contractor in the event dewatering is required but not in the budget. A geotechnical engineer can often provide groundwater information as part of their soil boring investigation of the site.



Project Partners

2.2 SURVEY

A good survey can make the civil design of the project dramatically more effective. For a project which will include phased construction, it will be critical to get a thorough topographical survey of all project parcels as well as a fringe extending slightly beyond the property lines.

Information such as ground shots, existing materials, existing location, size, and material of watermain, existing location, size, invert, and material of sanitary sewer, existing location, size, invert, and material of storm sewer, existing small utilities (i.e. communications or fiber optic lines), site features such as trees, retaining walls and at grade utility boxes or transformers, existing building corners with FFE known, and more is critical. If a seam between phases or between proposed work and existing adjacent infrastructure is known, extra survey in that area can cleanly inform the design, or a second survey may be warranted to affirm the connection points.

Additional features to include would be information such as property lines, easements, and other documents recorded against the subject parcels.

Working with a surveyor to write up the survey scope is recommended to ensure each project team member receives adequate design and legal information to complete their scope.

2.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

2.3.1 Contaminated Soil and Groundwater

Remediation of contaminated soil or groundwater can be one of the most expensive components of development, which many development agencies choose to attempt to mitigate by securing local, state, or federal grants to fund their mitigation. In the event contamination is discovered, this may be an avenue of interest to the City to keep taxpayer money utilized in the best format possible. The risk of moving in this direction is that funding may not be provided, or that the timeline for funding to be provided is so slow that the project experiences significant delay. It is recommended to complete a Phase 1 environmental study early in the due diligence process to ensure the site is free of contamination, or to get a handle on what contamination may be present. Understanding the existing conditions and costs associated with contaminated soil or water is key to understanding the total project cost.

2.3.2 Hazardous Materials used in Construction

Anytime building demolition occurs, there is the possibility that the buildings were constructed at a time when what are now considered hazardous materials were regularly used in construction. A hazardous materials survey of existing structures prior to demolition is recommended to understand existing conditions, such as the presence of asbestos or lead, and therefore project cost more thoroughly.



2.4 TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

A traffic engineer can help to create an understanding of existing and future traffic demand, and the impact of the proposed development on the change of level of service of each road over time. Since the project parcels are a cornerstone to the downtown area of Golden Valley, and the proposed use of the land will likely result in higher density, the City may wish to perform a traffic study to better understand the impacts of the project.

Reconstructing nearly an entire city block, as well as introducing new minor streets within the block offer the City the opportunity to construct complete streets. Complete streets decrease the reliance of the population on motorized personal transport (cars) and encourage multi-modal transportation options such as biking and transit use. Complete streets are often most effective in downtown locations where they help to provide a safe atmosphere and reduction of greenhouse gases, thereby reducing the heat island effect. It is likely introducing complete streets to this project would be beneficial to the city and should be discussed with a traffic engineer during the planning stage to determine ROW requirements.

2.5 LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Landscape architects work hand-in-hand with civil engineers to provide amenities to all the site users, from residents and pedestrians to local flora and fauna. Working with a landscape architect in coordination with civil engineering design is a best practice which fits this project well. Here is a short and non-exhaustive list of potential amenities which landscape design can introduce:

- Create a pollinator habitat
- Utilize local/hardy plant species
- Reduce the effect of a heat island by reducing impervious surface
- Define sense of place with outdoor wayfinding
- Community-centered amenities such as community gardens and educational signage

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2.6 SB2030 B3 GUIDELINES

The SB2030 B3 guidelines largely relate to the architectural design of the building, focusing on ways to reduce or eliminate the carbon footprint of new construction. As this project currently stands, construction prior to 2025 means the project is required to, at a minimum, deliver an 80 percent reduction in carbon footprint against the standards laid out in the guidelines. Construction between 2025 and 2030 must deliver a 90 percent reduction, and construction after 2030 must deliver a 100 percent reduction. As this



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is a phased project with a sizeable likelihood of starting some construction after 2030, it would be prudent to understand and incorporate the architectural design parameters necessary to achieve compliance.

These guidelines take a concentrated look at the concept of resiliency. Applying this concept to civil engineering results in a few best practices:

- Design stormwater solutions to focus on volume control by using infiltration and rainwater harvesting. It is possible, and common, for development to achieve rate control (reducing the volume per time at which stormwater leaves a site) but increase the total volume leaving the site by careful use of detention. This, on a large scale, contributes to swollen rivers and an increase in erosion and sedimentation, eventually leading to the destruction of natural habitat. Incorporating volume control, if feasible, can increase the resiliency of the local project, the broader ecosystem, and the groundwater supply.
- The use of future weather files to design stormwater can increase construction costs but allow for peace of mind that installed infrastructure is appropriately sized to handle stormwater well into the future.
- Harvesting and re-using rainwater or greywater are unique solutions which can provide non-potable water for site uses such as irrigation. In a downtown setting, it is critical that proper treatment of this water to remove harmful contaminants occurs to protect the health of the public.
- Construction out of the floodplain is a critical resiliency design factor. As flood levels rise due to larger storms, ensuring low openings of buildings and finished floor elevations are well above flood elevations is critical, from both an engineering and an insurance perspective. Part of the site is in the floodplain, but it is not anticipated to significantly impact the majority of the site.

2.7 GREEN STEPS CITIES

Green Steps Cities provides design guidelines and accomplishment thresholds to encourage cities to become multi-modal friendly and more accessible to all. Golden Valley is currently a "Step 4" city (Step 5 is the highest recognized level), which means they have made a concentrated effort since joining the organization in 2016. Many best design practices include project parameters which may be rewarded by the Green Steps Cities program, but a few suggestions which contribute are listed below:

- Add complete streets within the project footprint (Best Practice 11)
- Add complete streets along the project perimeter (Best Practice 11)
- Utilize recycled materials in accordance with Green Steps Cities and MnDOT requirements (Best Practice 15)
- Plant boulevard trees along new streets (Best Practice 16)
- Include a greenway or promenade which provides for a pleasant walkable experience in and around the city center (Best Practice 17)
- Provide EV charging stations (Best Practice 23)



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- Utilize wayfinding to educate the public on sustainability features incorporated into design (Best Practice 24)
- Install solar panels where helpful on public buildings to reduce reliance on the energy grid and/or provide a local boost to the energy grid (Best Practice 26)
- Incorporate community gardens into landscape design (Best Practice 27)
- Incorporate snow removal or storage into civil design to promote accessibility in all seasons (No best practice associated, but fits the scheme)



3.0 PROJECT SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 GENERAL

- Contract qualified project partners to supply survey, geotechnical investigation and engineering, environmental investigation, and traffic engineering prior to beginning civil engineering design. Contract a landscape architect to work with the civil engineer during design.
- Utilize the contractor's materials expertise to understand tradeoffs between materials selections, with cost, recycled parameters, and location of source in mind.
- Connect with the watershed early in the design to ensure stormwater regulation is clearly understood and agree on an approach using site data such as soil borings and phasing plan. Understand additional erosion control and possible permitting needs associated with a discharge to Bassett Creek.
- Ensure City Engineering has a clear idea of sanitary capacity and knows the proposed development would not adversely affect existing conditions, or has plans to increase available capacity.
- Understand the location of existing water mains from the existing water tower and adjust the master plan if necessary to avoid down time or replacement, or if replacement is necessary, include within the scope of the redevelopment project.
- Perform a rough grading plan to establish FFEs and better identify possible seams for phasing tie-ins. Ideally this is not performed until after site survey is complete.
- Understand design vehicles and design streets with them in mind (i.e. fire turning movements, delivery vehicles, trash removal, etc.).
- Incorporate snow removal or snow storage into civil design.
- Implement SB2030 B3 opportunities as discussed in report, if financially feasible/practical.
- Implement Green Steps Cities opportunities as discussed in report if financially feasible/practical.

3.2 OPTION B (CLIENT PREFERRED OPTION)

- Redevelop the northern portion of the site before the southern portion so that stormwater infrastructure may be built from downstream to upstream.



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Project Specific Recommendations

- Provide an underground infiltration or filtration system on the east or north side of building 11, with a piped connection to Bassett Creek. This system should support all impervious surface associated with Building 11, and possibly the access drive south of it. Construct this in Phase 1. A rough size for this system would be approximately 7,500 CF and the associated cost for this system (in 2021 dollars) would be \$120,000 if infiltration and \$150,000 if filtration.
- Provide an underground infiltration or filtration system beneath the secured police parking lot, with a piped connection to Bassett Creek. This system should support all impervious surface not supported by the smaller system near building 11. Construct this in phase 2. A rough size for this system would be approximately 60,000 CF and the associated cost for this system (in 2021 dollars) would be \$775,000 if infiltration and \$1,000,000 if filtration.
- Optionally, there would likely be an opportunity to provide a pumped connection from this underground system to the surface in order to provide a trickling stream running south to north along the promenade. This would increase the up front and long term cost associated with the design item but may make for a nice amenity.
- Please see Appendix A for a figure detailing the stormwater approach described above.

3.3 OPTION C (CLIENT ALTERNATE OPTION)

- Phase construction such that the parking lot adjacent to the library is built during phase 1, with an underground infiltration or filtration system to support the entire development. This leads to higher Phase 1 costs but reduces the total cost of storm infrastructure on the project. A rough size for this system would be approximately 66,000 CF and the associated cost for this system (in 2021 dollars) would be \$850,000 if infiltration and \$1,025,000 if filtration.
- Future phasing in this option would generally be flexible, provided any work happening on the south side before the northern side had a solution to move stormwater into the underground system.
- There is an existing sanitary sewer easement running through the library parking lot from SE to NW. It is likely this pipe would have an effect on the size of the underground storm system which could be put under the reconstructed parking lot. It is also possible that the sanitary pipe could be re-routed, although more information about the existing sanitary system in the area would need to be uncovered first to verify the possibility.
- Please see Appendix B for a figure detailing the stormwater approach described above.



4.0 REFERENCES

4.1 SUPPLIED BY BKV GROUP

- 4.1.1 Civic Campus Option B (Appendix C)
- 4.1.2 Civic Campus Option C (Appendix D)
- 4.1.3 Existing Easement Information (Appendix E)
- 4.1.4 Existing Floor Plan Information (Appendix F)

4.2 OPEN-SOURCE REFERENCES AVAILABLE

- 4.2.1 Lidar (<http://arcgis.dnr.state.mn.us/maps/mntopo/>)
- 4.2.2 Soils Information (<https://gis.hennepin.us/naturalresources/map/>)
- 4.2.3 FEMA Floodplain/Floodway
(<https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search?AddressQuery=golden%20valley%20mn#searchresultsanchor>)
- 4.2.4 Existing MPCA Water Impairments
(<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/impaired-waters-viewer-iwav>)
- 4.2.5 Drinking Water Protection Areas
(<https://mdh.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=5051b7d910234421b0728c40a1433baa>)



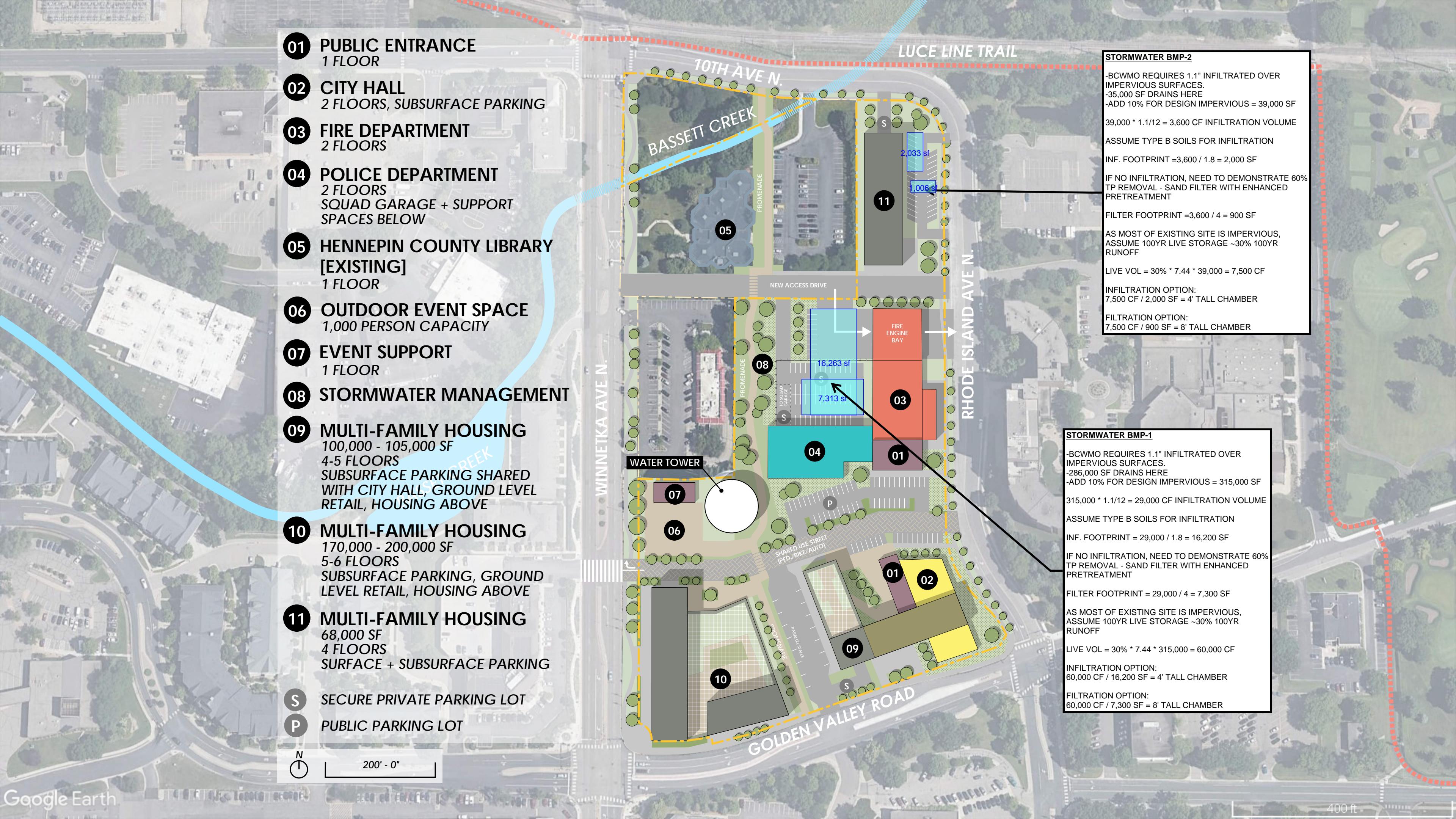
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Appendix A – STORMWATER DESIGN FOR OPTION B

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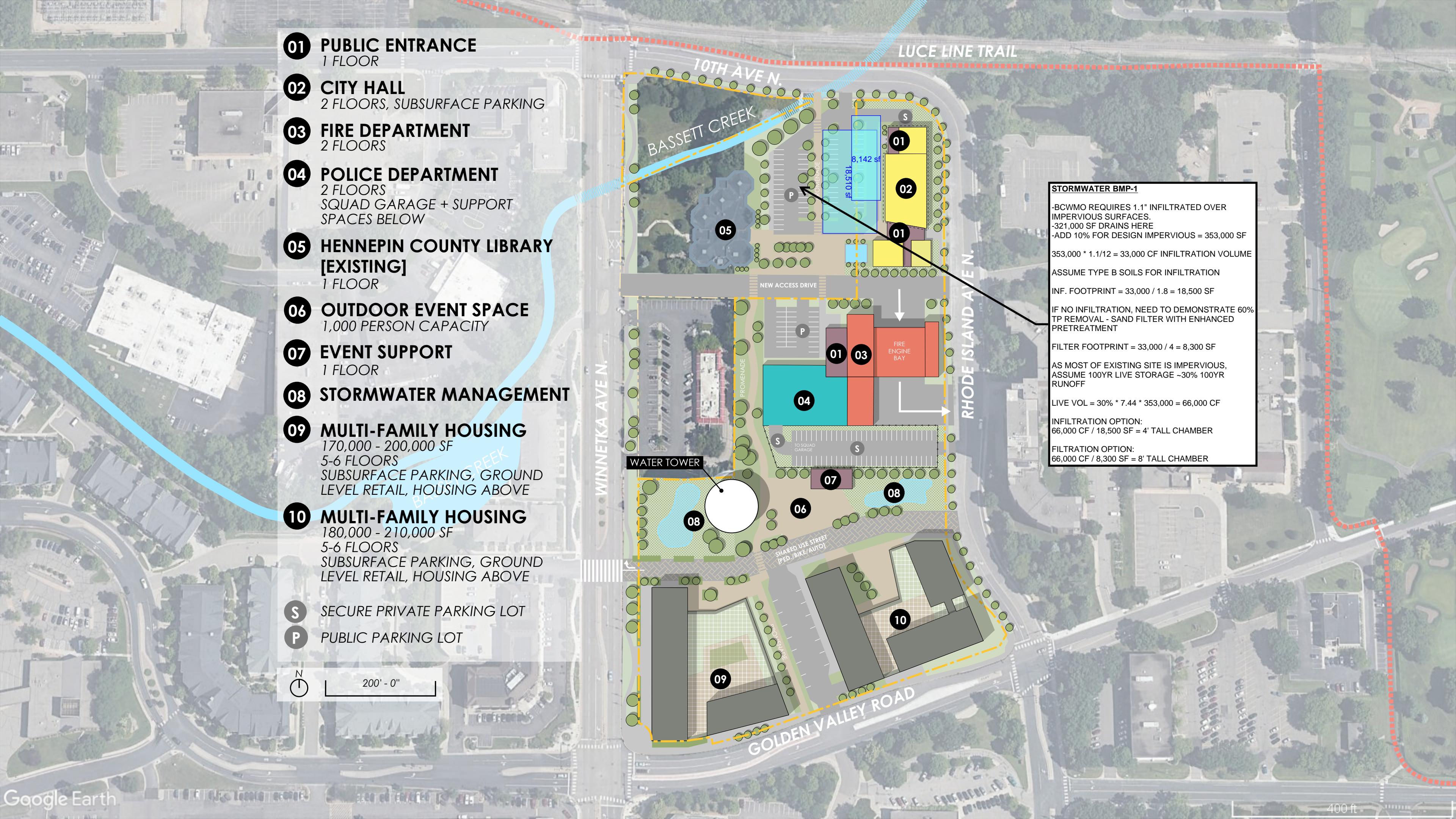


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Appendix B – STORMWATER DESIGN FOR OPTION C

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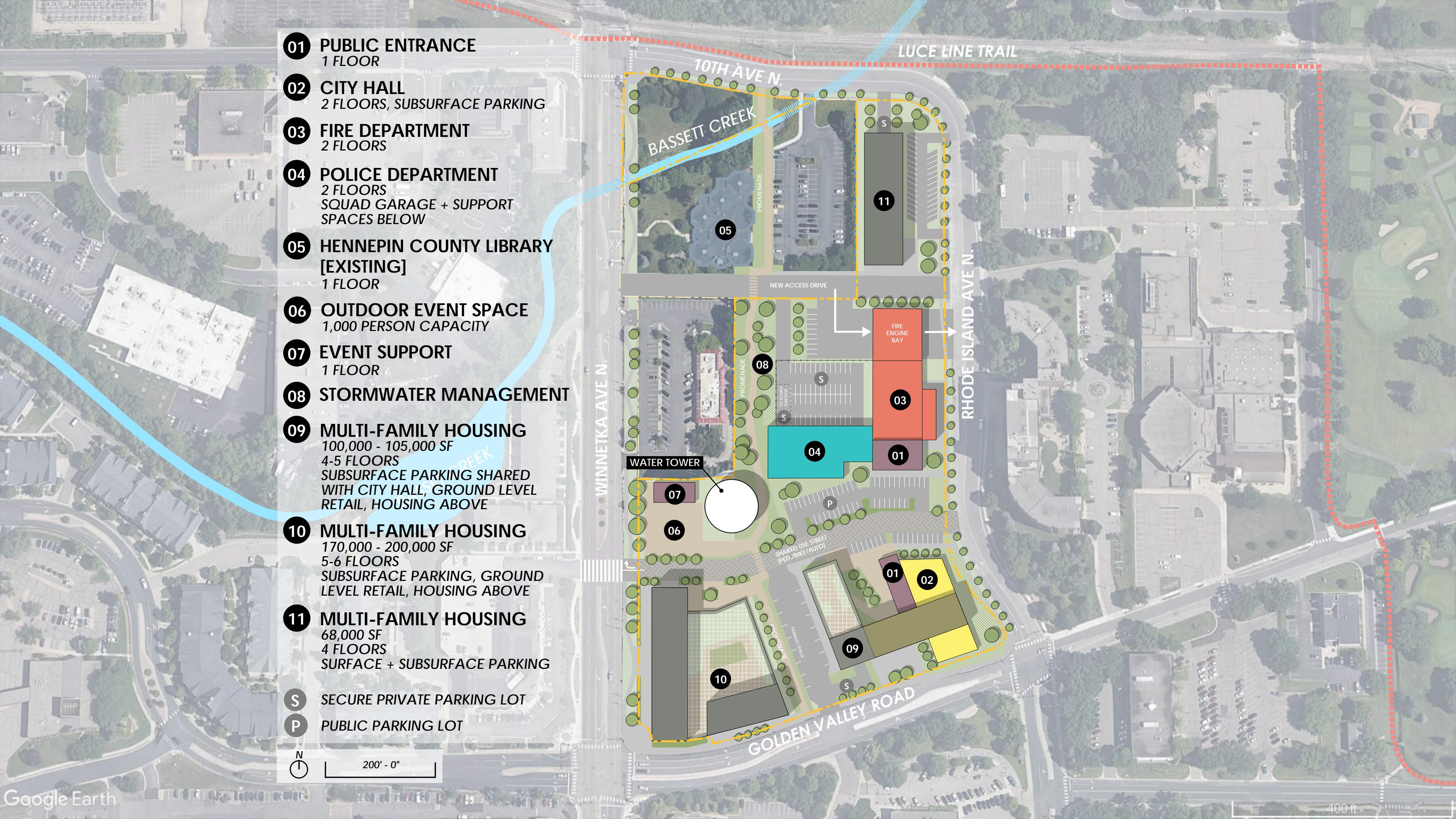


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Appendix C Civic Campus Option B

Appendix C CIVIC CAMPUS OPTION B



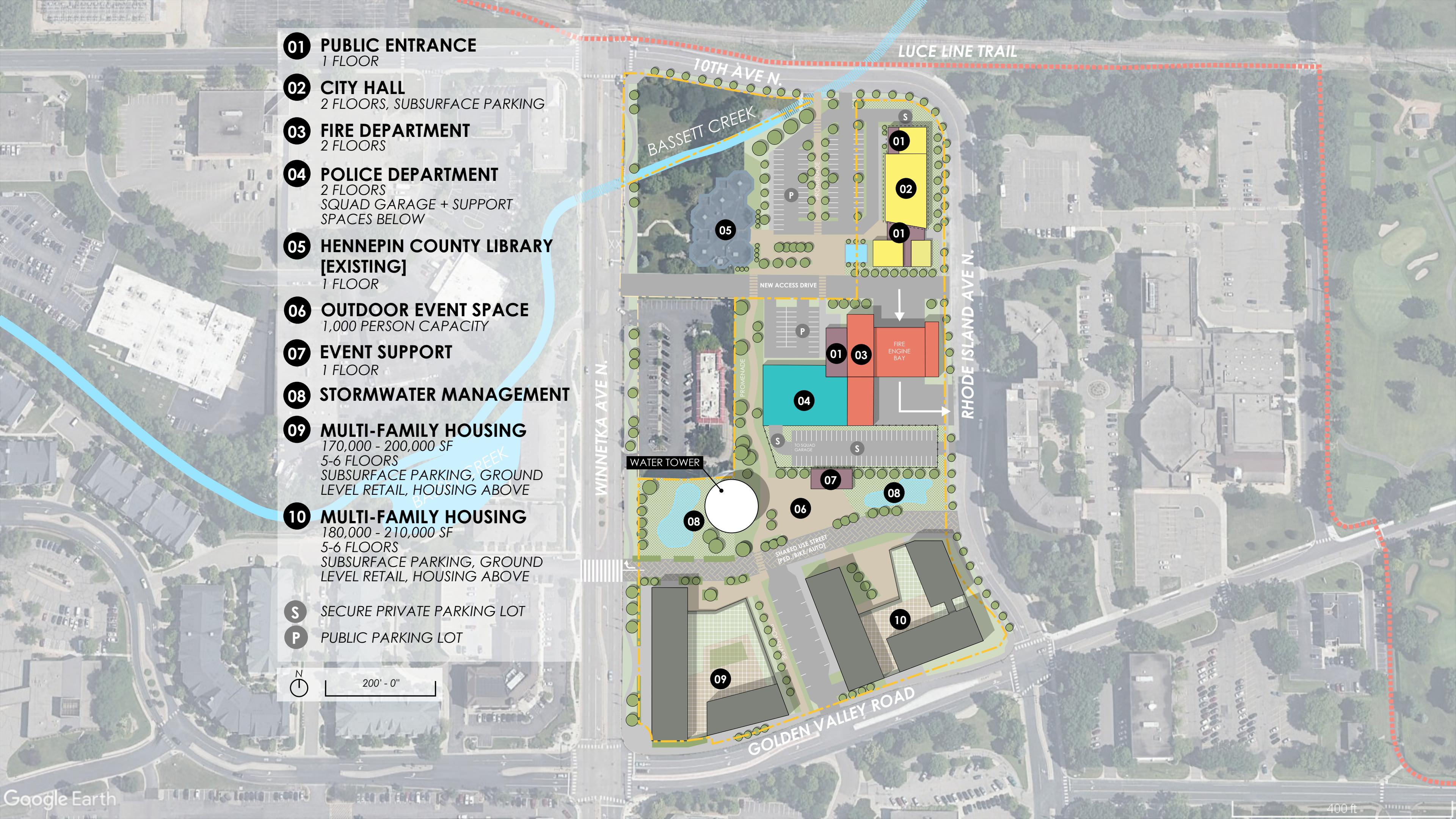


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Appendix D – Civic Campus Option C

Appendix D – CIVIC CAMPUS OPTION C





- 01 PUBLIC ENTRANCE**
1 FLOOR
- 02 CITY HALL**
2 FLOORS, SUBSURFACE PARKING
- 03 FIRE DEPARTMENT**
2 FLOORS
- 04 POLICE DEPARTMENT**
2 FLOORS
SQUAD GARAGE + SUPPORT SPACES BELOW
- 05 HENNEPIN COUNTY LIBRARY [EXISTING]**
1 FLOOR
- 06 OUTDOOR EVENT SPACE**
1,000 PERSON CAPACITY
- 07 EVENT SUPPORT**
1 FLOOR
- 08 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT**
- 09 MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING**
170,000 - 200,000 SF
5-6 FLOORS
SUBSURFACE PARKING, GROUND LEVEL RETAIL, HOUSING ABOVE
- 10 MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING**
180,000 - 210,000 SF
5-6 FLOORS
SUBSURFACE PARKING, GROUND LEVEL RETAIL, HOUSING ABOVE

S SECURE PRIVATE PARKING LOT

P PUBLIC PARKING LOT



200' - 0"

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Appendix E – Existing Easement Information

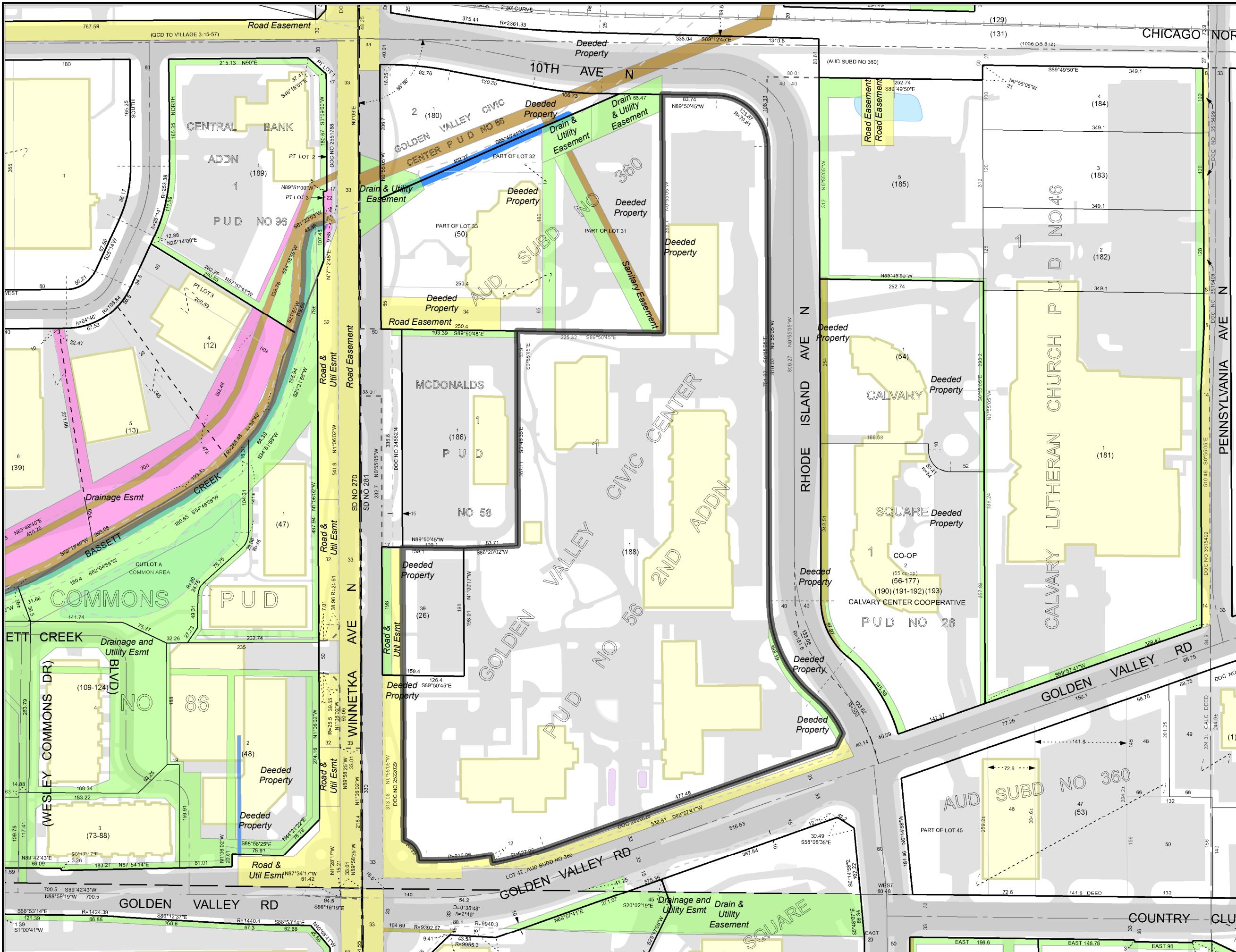
Appendix E – EXISTING EASEMENT INFORMATION





City Hall Campus

	Site
Easement	
	Utility, Drainage, etc.
	Street, etc.
	Trail, Drainage, Open Space, etc.
	Sanitary
	Water Main
	Traffic Control
	Drainage
	Drainage and Utility



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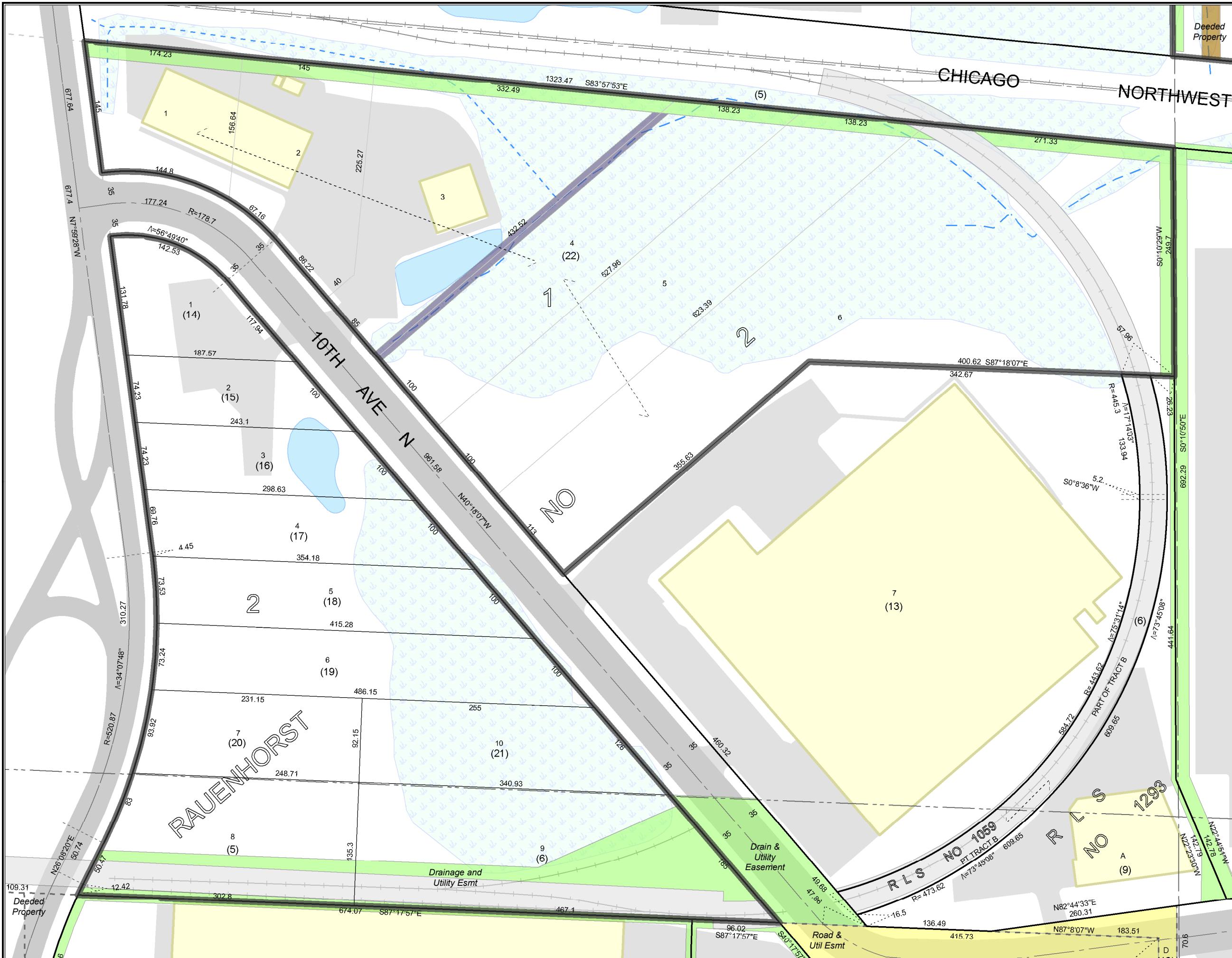


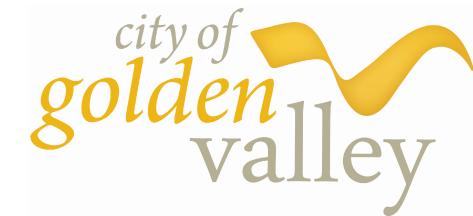
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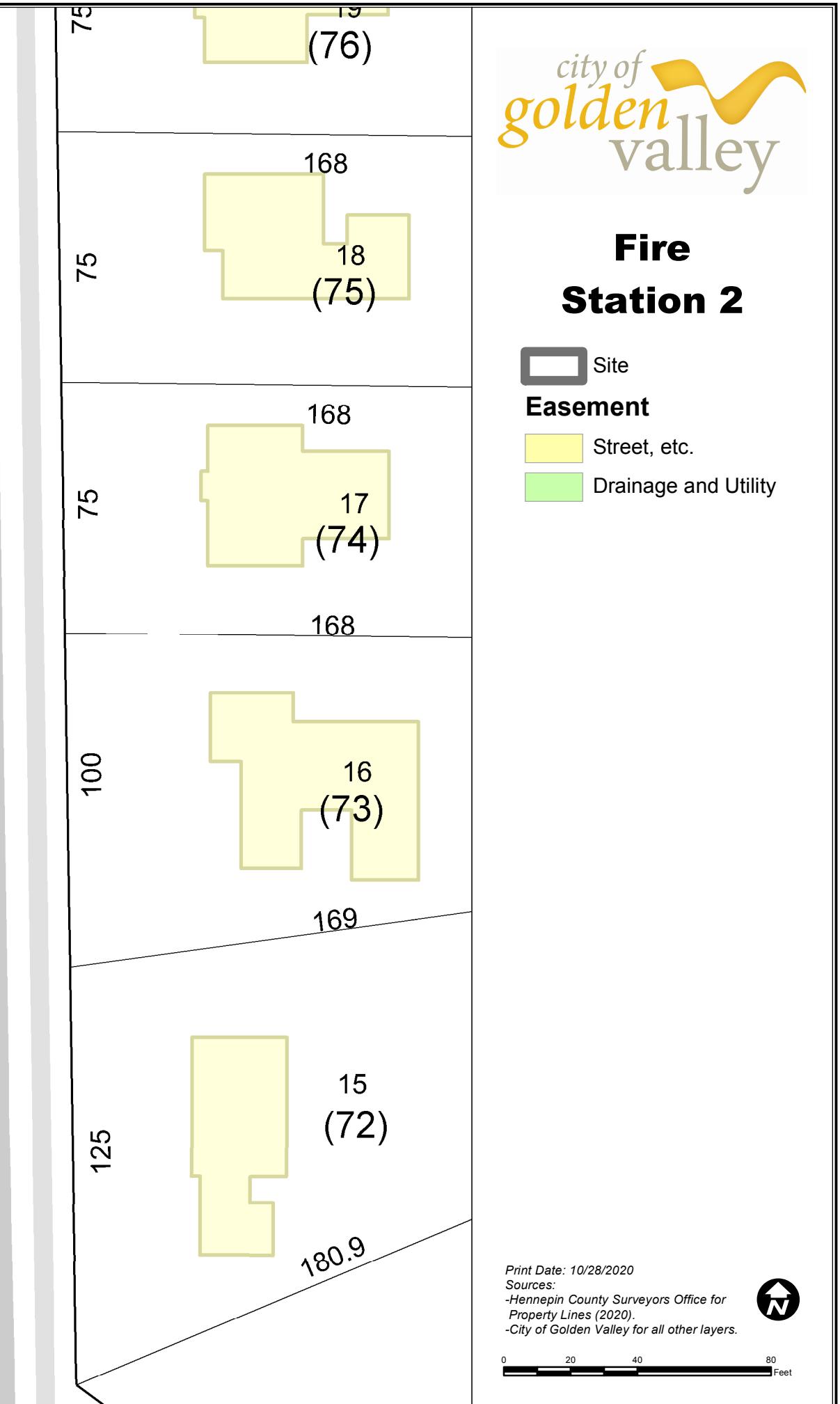
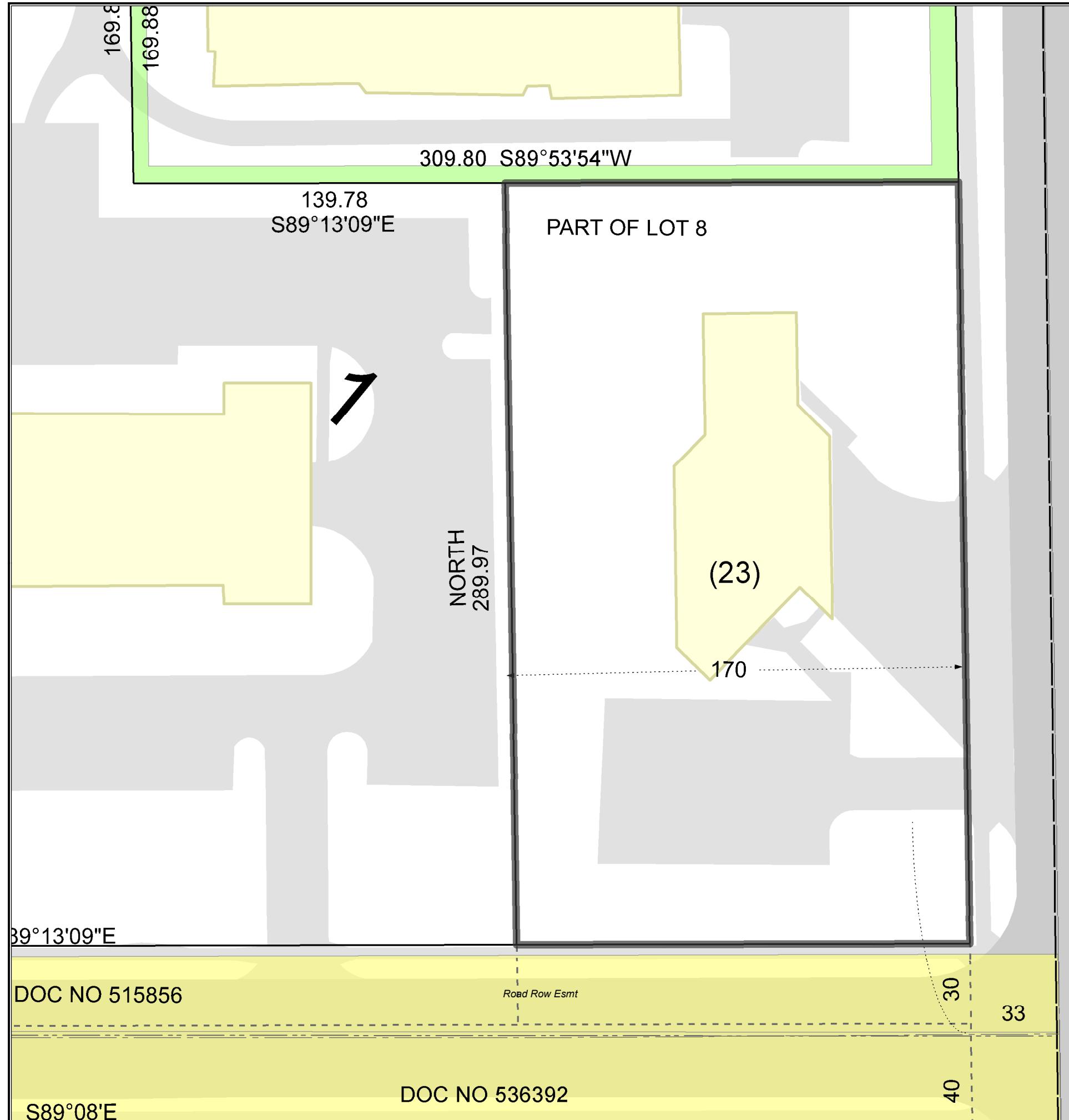
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Easement	
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	Street, etc.
	Railroad, etc.
	Sanitary
	Water Main
	Drainage and Utility
	Storm Sewer





Fire Station 2

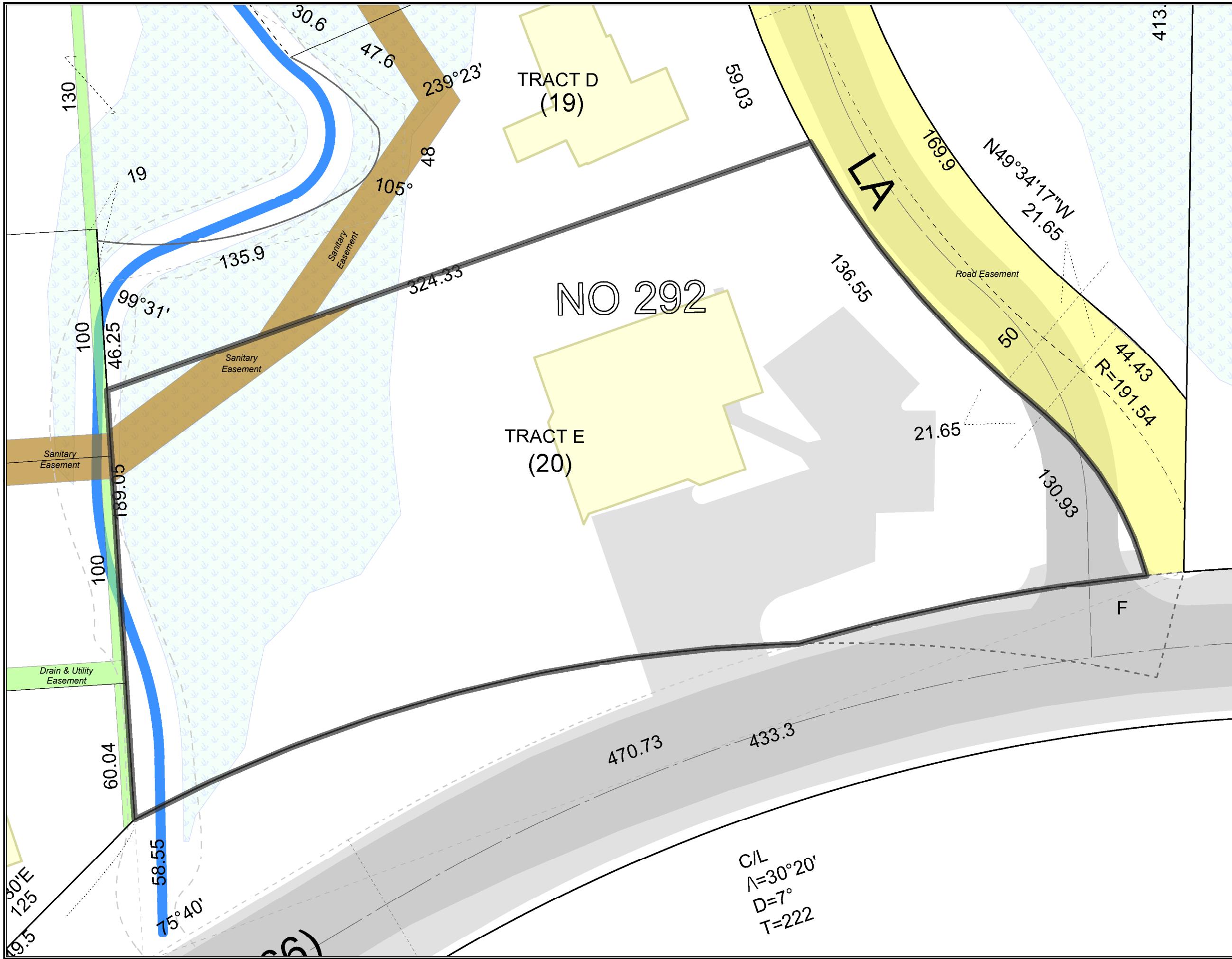
- Site
- Easement
 - Street, etc.
 - Drainage and Utility





Fire Station 3

	Site
Easement	
Utility, Drainage, etc.	
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Sanitary	
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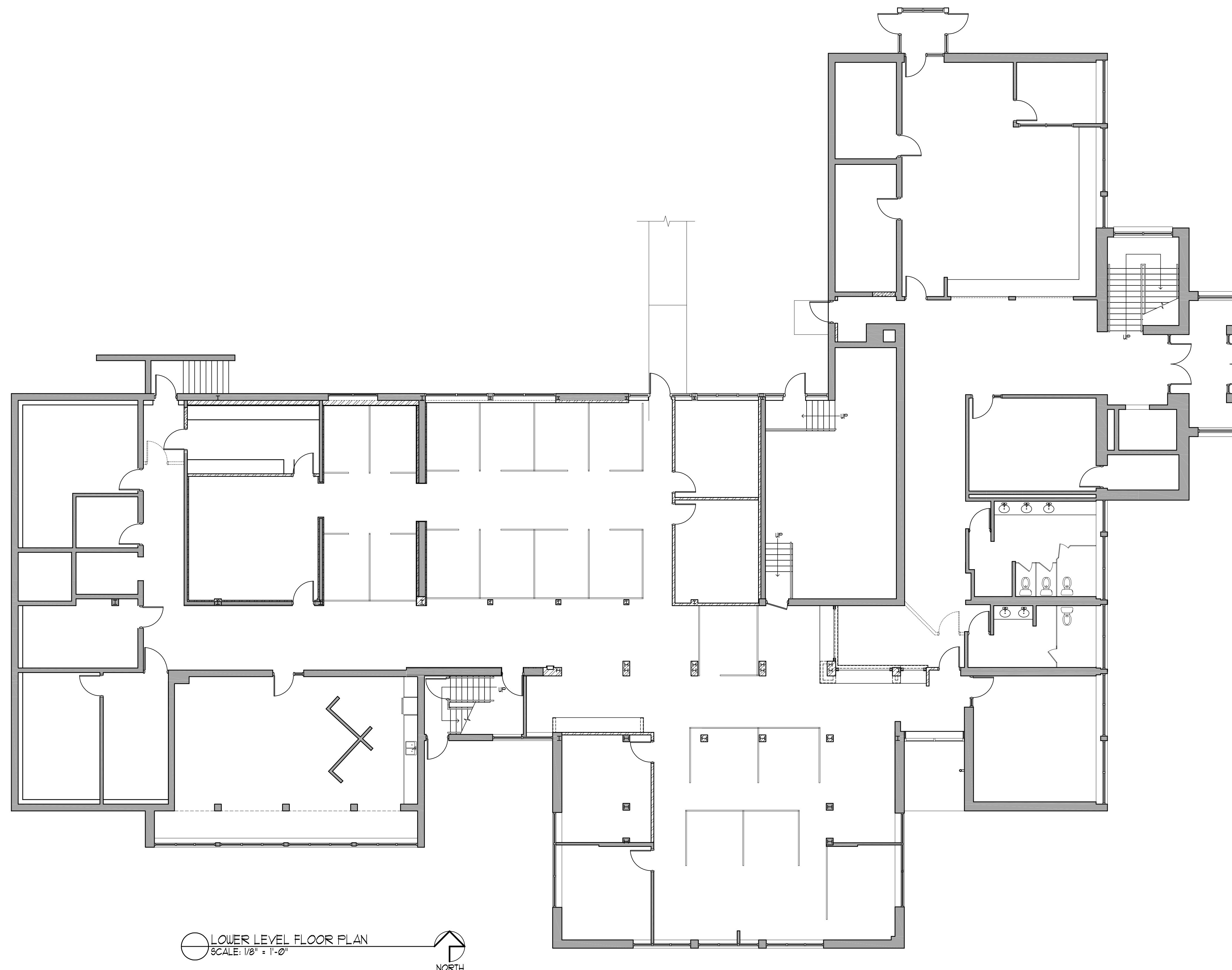


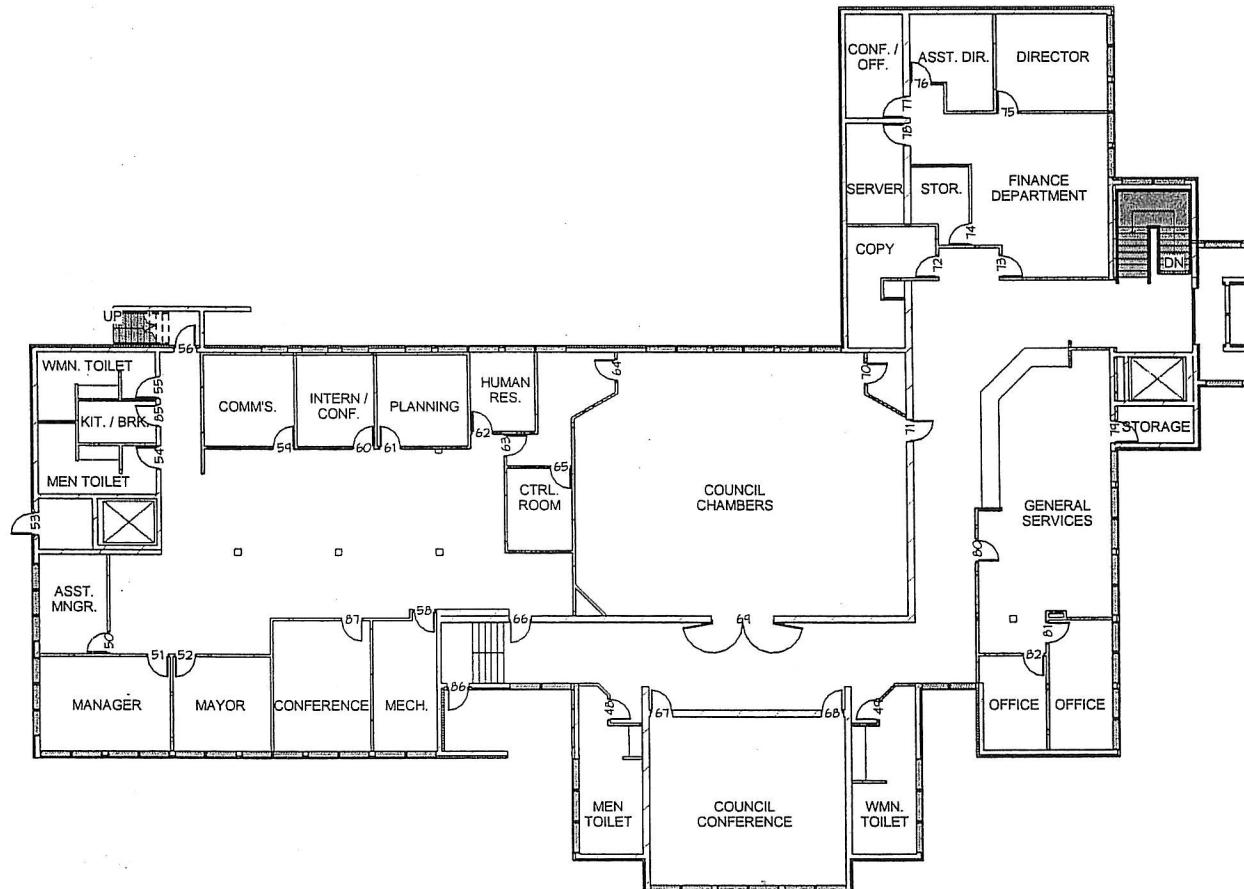
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Appendix F – Existing Floor Plan Information

Appendix F – EXISTING FLOOR PLAN INFORMATION

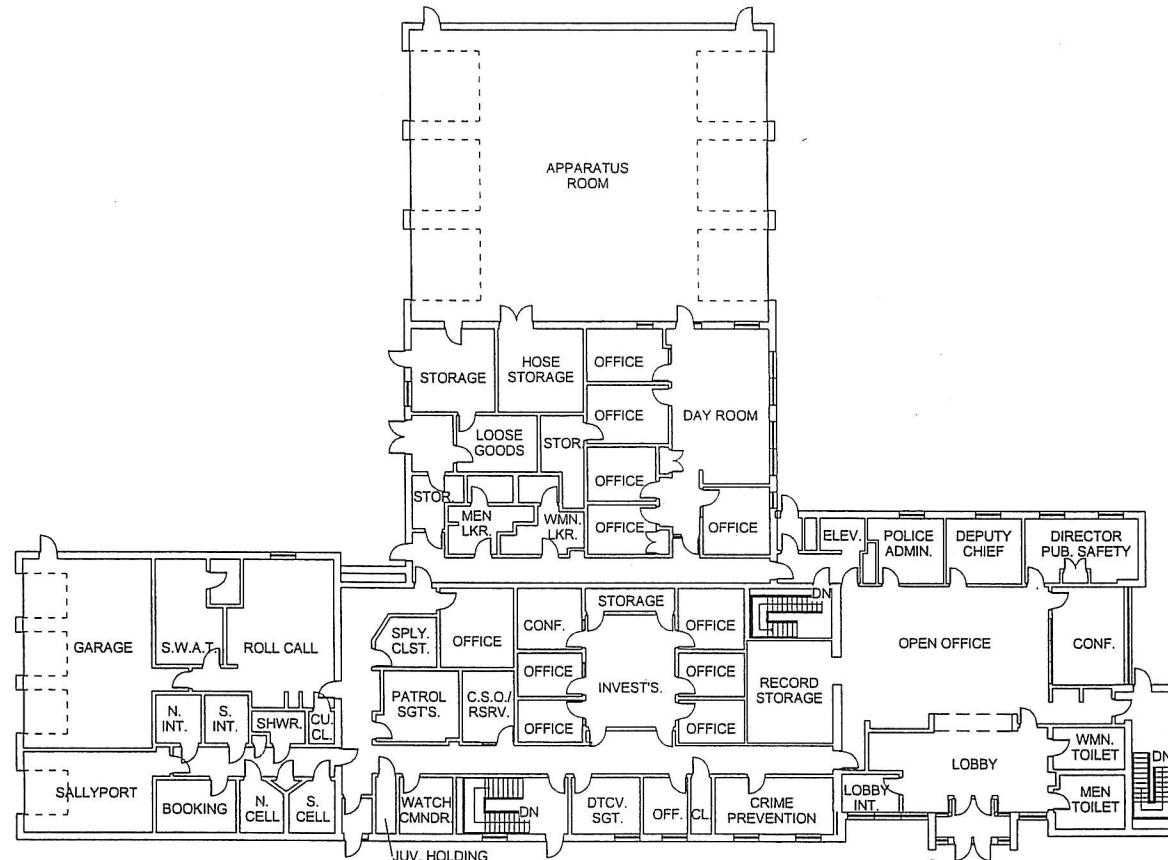






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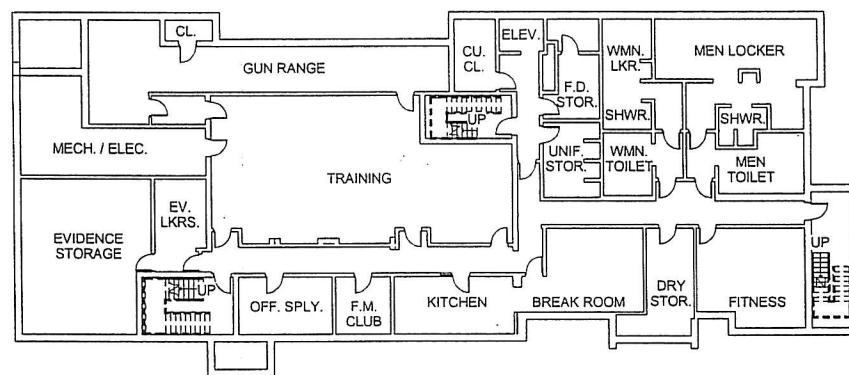
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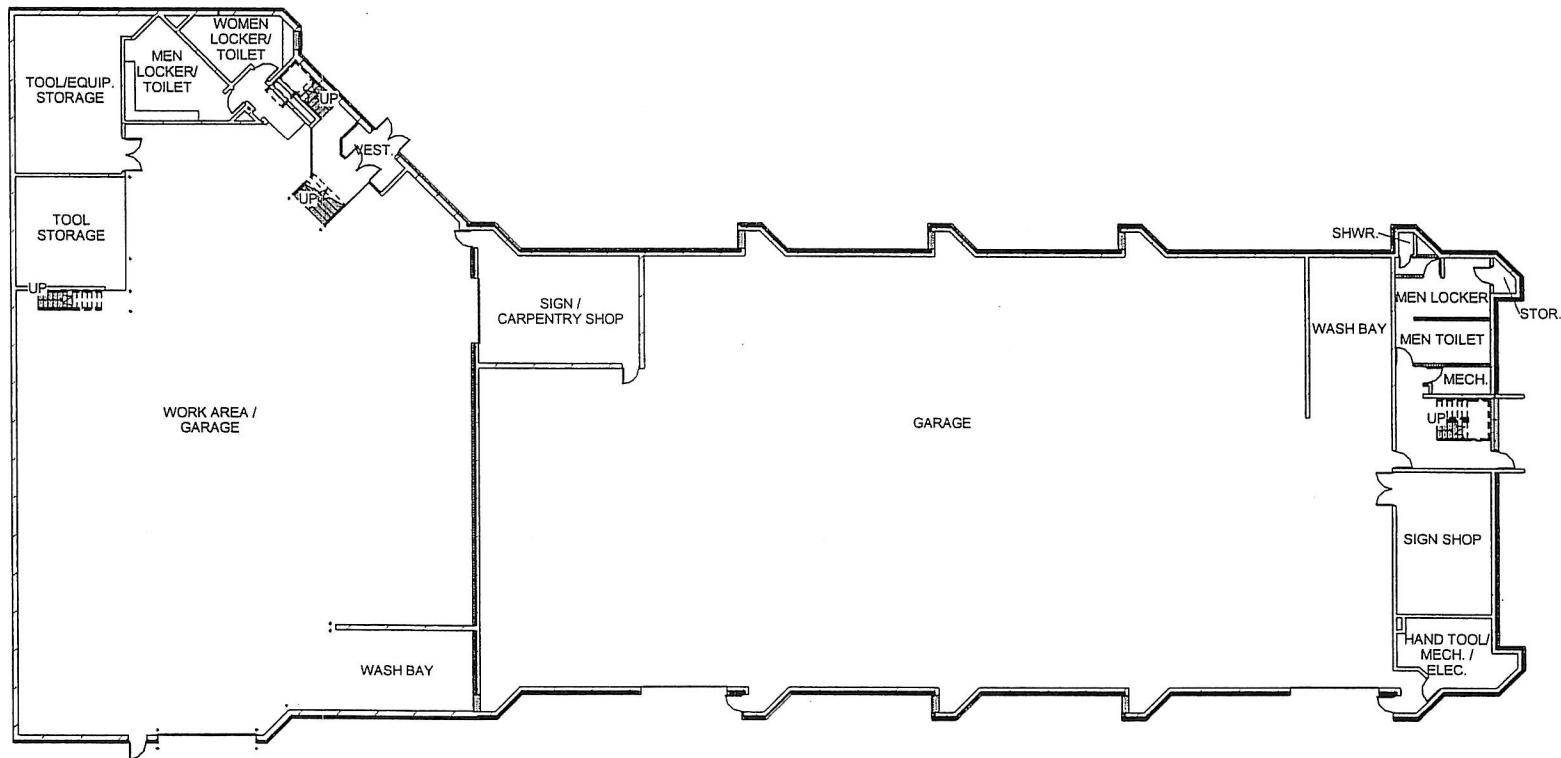


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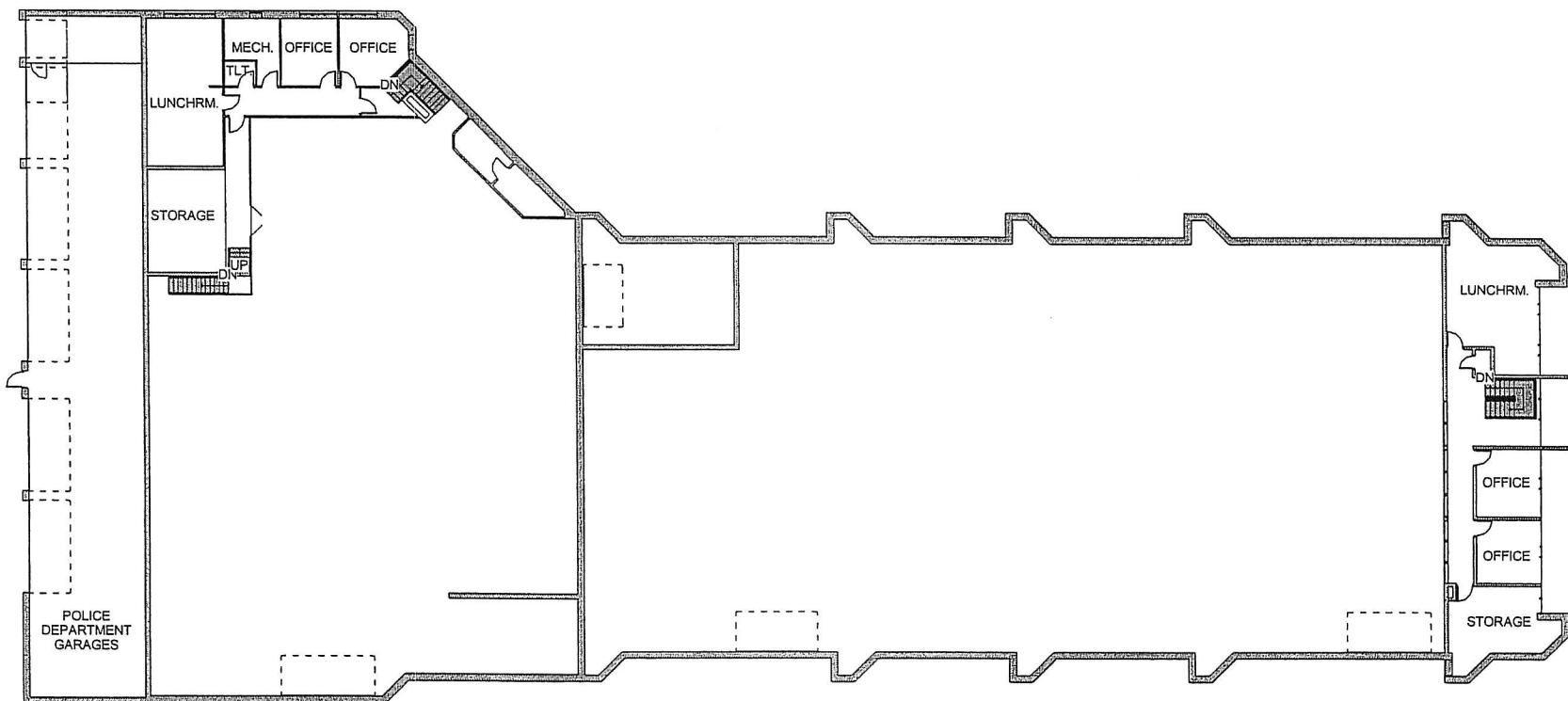
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Street Maintenance, Park Maintenance, and Police Department Garage

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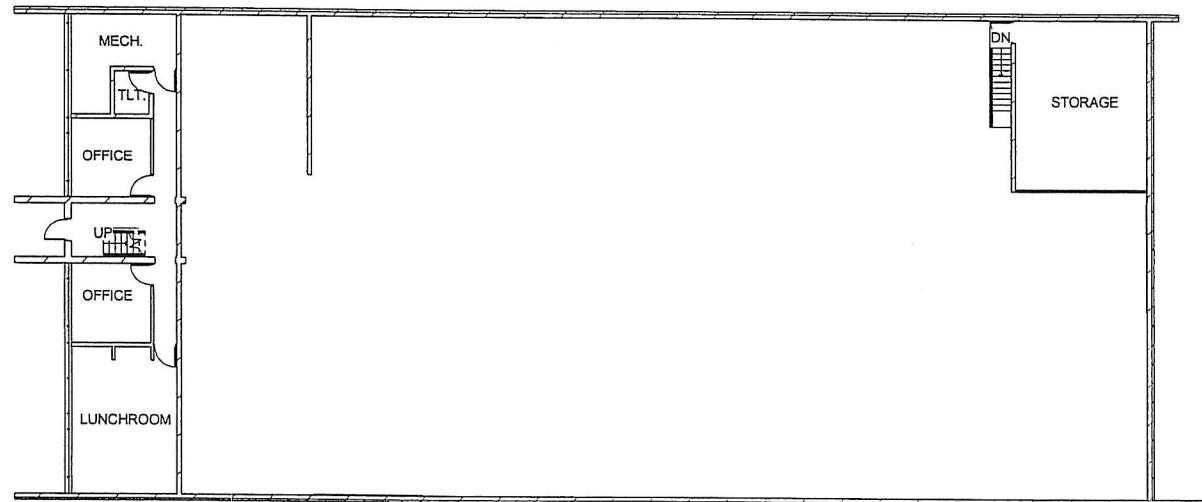
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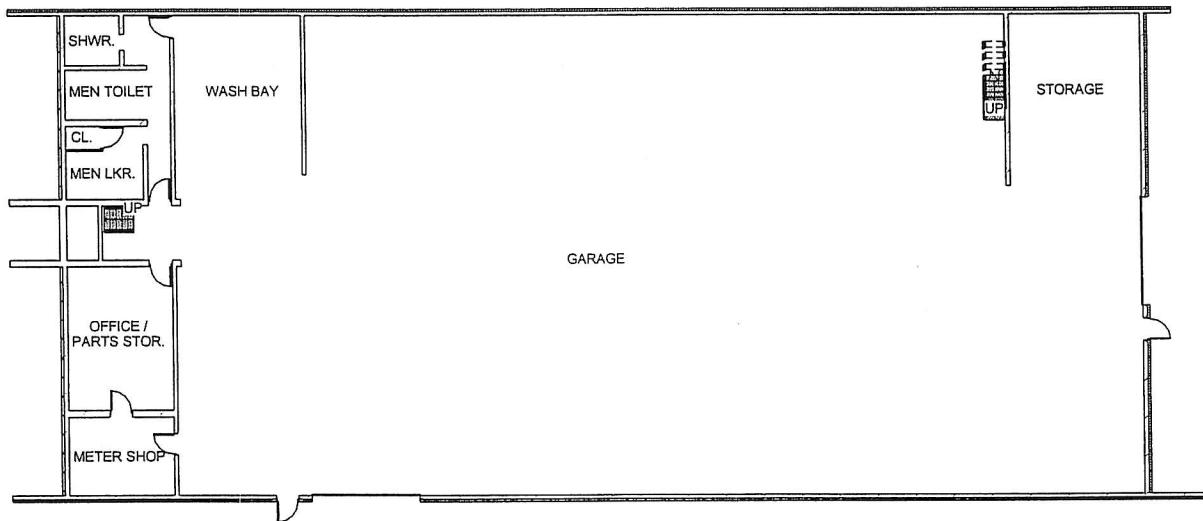
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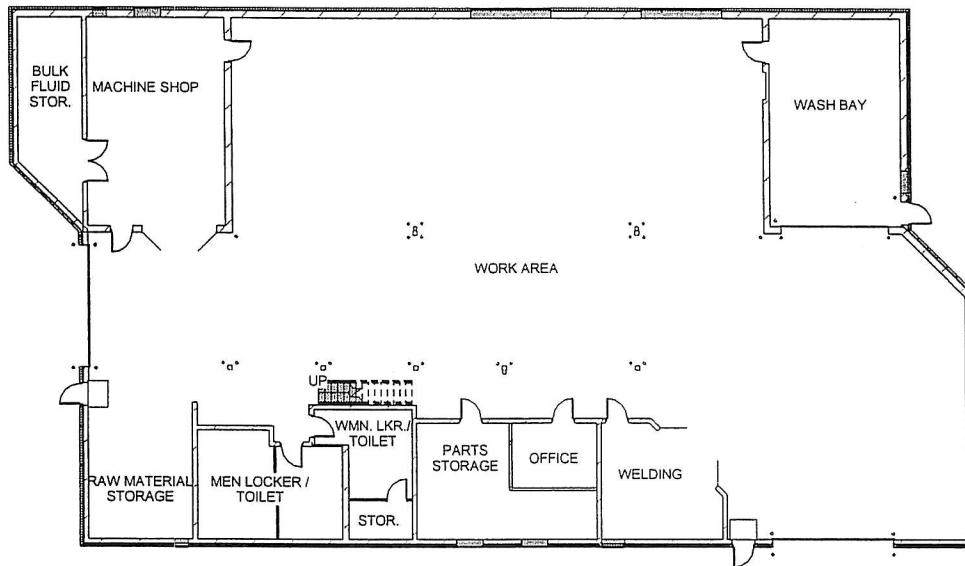


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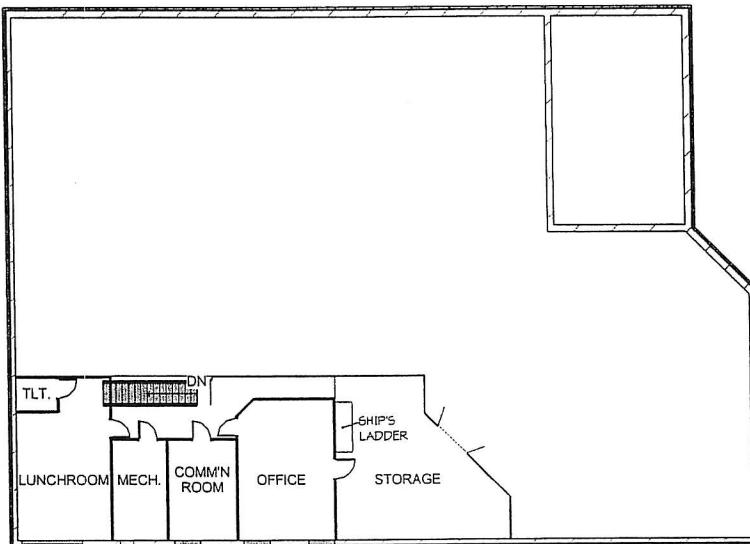
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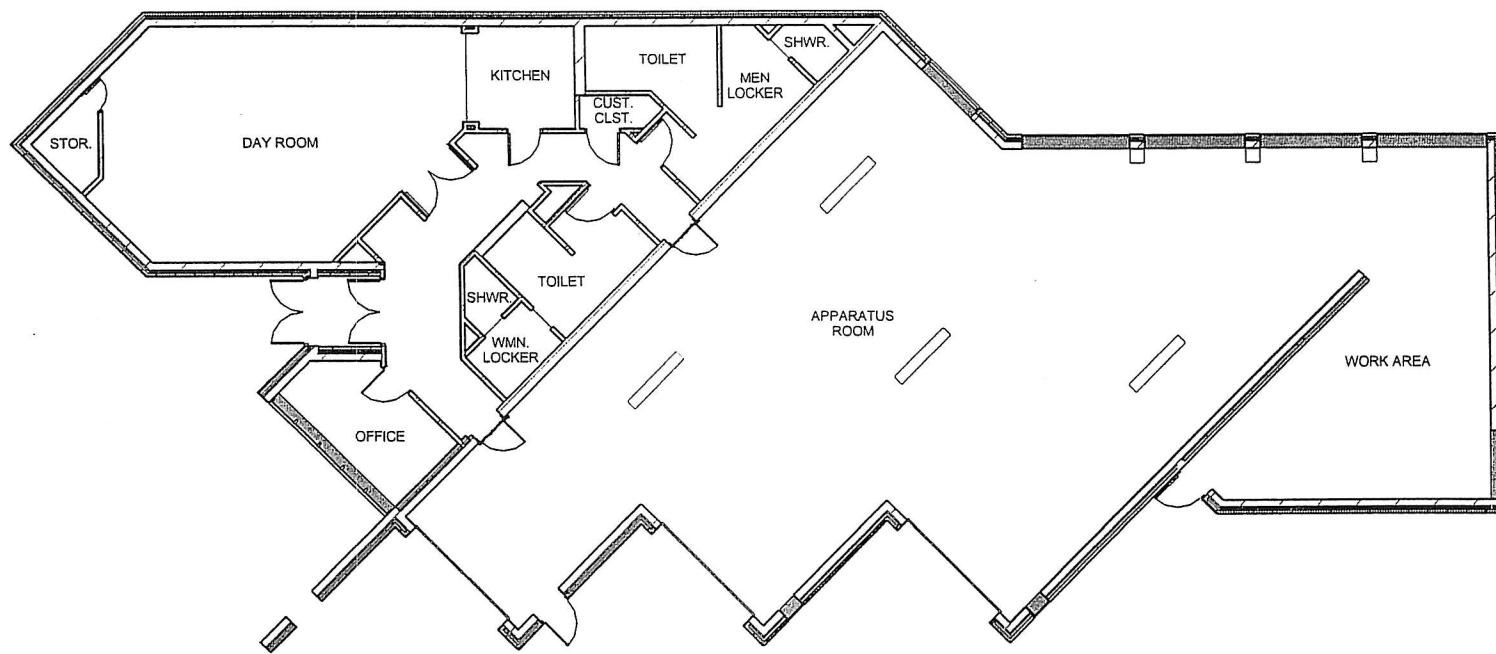
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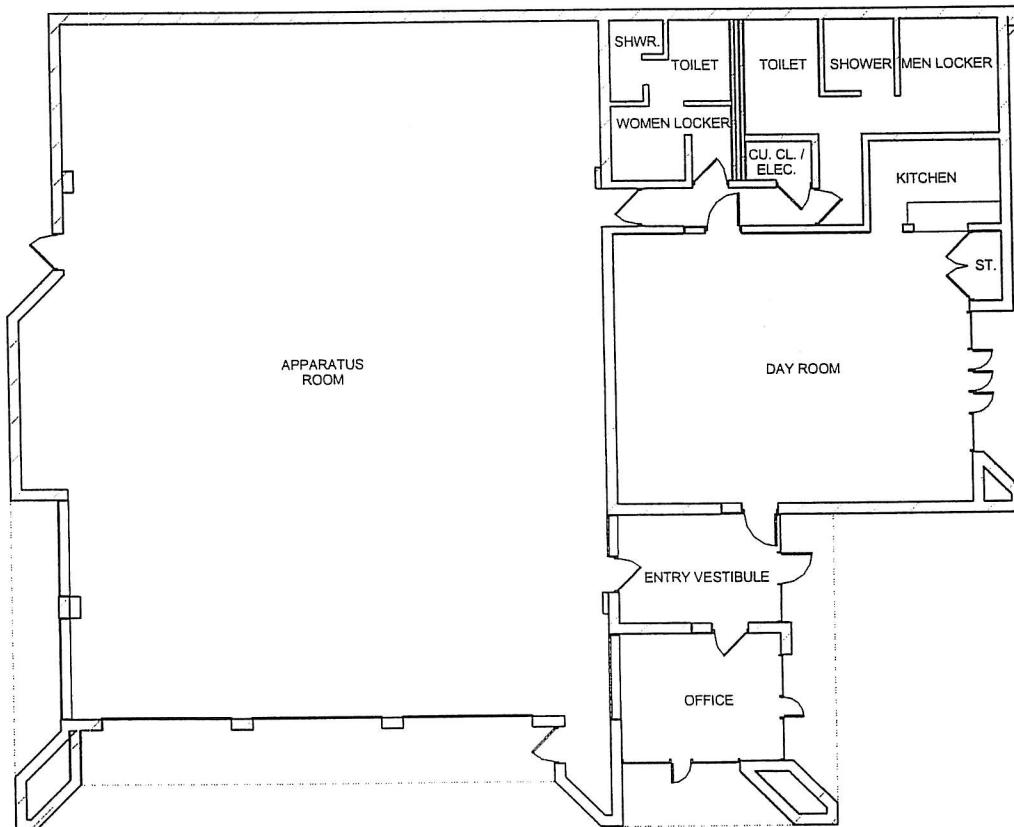
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