

## MILTON FIRE STATIONS – Info Session #1 (Headquarters)

14 May 2019 – Milton Public Library, 2-4pm

Present:	Brian Walsh	Chair, Fire Station Building Committee (FSBC)
	Dan Clark	Fire Station Building Committee (FSBC)
	Alicia Monks	Daedalus Projects, Inc (DPI)
	Jeff Shaw	Context Architecture (CTX)
	Elizabeth Apeldoorn	Context Architecture (CTX)
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Dan introduced purpose of the information sessions and the FSBC's progress to date. Alicia presented project schedule. Jeff presented firm's fire station projects highlighting the design process, historic preservation, and general aspects and considerations for fire station design. Projects included Westford Fire Station, Arlington's Fire Headquarters and Highland Substation and Andover Ballardvale Fire Station.

Comments/questions from the public:

- New headquarters station should keep the neighborhood in mind.
- Will project be a new detached building or an addition to the existing station? Jeff noted that at this stage in the project all options are being explored.
- Changing the primary fire truck exit onto Walnut Street is not desired.
- Parking is an issue since the majority of public accessing the area is via car due to a lack of public transit accessibility.
- Concern was expressed for how the site will be affected during the actual construction period.
- Taking away the existing park for the use of the new fire station will be strongly opposed.
- Consider where the 'front' of the building is. Possibility of having two 'fronts', one for public and one for emergency response.
- Additional bays included to potential ambulance use was well received.
- Square footage increase? Jeff noted that yes, new building will be potentially 2-3 times that of the existing headquarters building.
- Number of bays? Jeff noted this is not yet determined.

The Fire Station Building Committee thanked the attendees for their feedback and noted that an additional information session will be planned, tentatively in September/early October.

