



**CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 23, 2023**

SUBJECT: Consideration of a resolution to create a Public Safety Building Needs Committee.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: City Manager

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

City Council has previously discussed issues pertaining to the aging and antiquated Public Safety buildings in the City of Novi, including the Police Station and Fire Stations One, Two, and Three. A Public Safety Building Needs Committee would help the City Council make a plan for the funding, location, and facility requirements to bring the City's Public Safety Buildings into the current century, better meeting the needs of both residents and City staff. This resolution accommodates the creation of a temporary task force and Mayoral appointments to carry out the task force's objectives and goals.

The Mayoral appointments to the Committee would consist of the following seven voting members:

- Bob Gatt, Mayor
- Dave Staudt, Mayor Pro-Tem
- Justin Fischer, Councilmember
- Scott Olson, Resident
- Ted Zuchlewski, Resident
- David Landry, Resident, and former Mayor
- David Molloy, Resident, and former Public Safety Director/ Chief of Police

Interim City Manager Victor Cardenas will appoint any necessary staff liaison/consultants to the Committee, include:

- Victor Cardenas, Interim City Manager
- Eric Zinser, Public Safety Director/ Chief of Police
- Jeff Johnson, Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to adopt the attached resolution and Mayoral appointments to the resulting Committee or task force.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE

**City of Novi
County of Oakland, Michigan**

Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall of said City on January 23, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT: Councilmembers _____

ABSENT: Councilmembers _____

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember _____ and supported by Councilmember _____.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, City Council has over the last several years, discussed issues pertaining to the inadequacy of the existing public safety buildings, including the lack of space for additional women's locker rooms in the City, and the overall aged state of the Police Station, Fire Stations One, Two, and Three. All of those facilities are in need of modernization, whether through a renovation of existing facilities or full redevelopment.

WHEREAS, in order to further explore the issues surrounding the adequacy of current facilities and the possibilities for addressing them, Council desires to create a temporary task force having the specific purposes, objectives, membership, and duties set forth in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Novi Public Safety Building Needs Committee is hereby established. This Committee is established for the purposes and with the objectives of:
 - a) Studying and reporting to City Council any available options and the necessary undertakings in order to renovate or rebuild the City Public Safety buildings.
 - b) Identifying potential obstacles or issues, both positive and negative, involved with doing so.
 - c) Investigating projected costs of architectural, engineering and construction services and materials to the City, as well as possible sources of funding or financing.
2. The Public Safety Building Needs Committee shall consist of seven (7) voting members, including three (3) City Council members, and four (4) members of the

public. One (1) or more members of City staff will also be assigned as consultant/liaison. The Councilmembers and the members of the public shall be appointed by the Mayor; the staff member(s) shall be appointed by the City Manager.

3. The Committee shall have the ability and is encouraged to seek information and input from all possible sources, including members of the public (both residents and businesses within the City of Novi), members of Public Safety Administration, Police, and Fire Departments, and other technical/subject matter experts. The Committee may request, or the City Manager may assign, additional staff resources in connection with the undertaking of its duties.
4. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public, in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act. The Committee shall, at its first meeting following adoption of this resolution, choose a chairperson and secretary from among its members, and shall meet regularly as necessary to complete its task within the time frame established under this Resolution, and shall keep a record of its meetings, information, findings, and determinations.

AYES:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi at a regular meeting held this 23rd day of January 2023.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk
City of Novi