Permanent Building Committee Walpole Town Hall - Main Meeting Room February 23, 2016 Minutes

PRESENT: Jack Conroy, Bernie Goba, David Wildnauer, Jack Fisher, Phil Wild

ALSO PRESENT: Bryan Jarvis (Compass), Greg Carell (Carell Group), Meg Carell (Carell Group), Deputy Chief Mackenzie, Lt. Zanghetti, Don Anderson, Thomas Gregory

Mr. Conroy convened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Police Station Schematic Design Presentation

Mr. Carell presented his firm's work to date on the schematic design for the new police station on South Street. Mr. Carell first presented the floor plan which meets the police department's programming needs. The building is now at 14,400 square feet. Next presented were the preliminary site plan as well as front and side elevations.

There was an extended discussion about the orientation of the building along South Street. The Carell Group's first presentation showed the building aligned perpendicular to the street with the sally port sited at the rear of the building and police personnel parking sited primarily on the easterly side of the building. Mr. Goba stated his preference that the building be oriented parallel to and fronting on South Street. Mr. Carell showed an alternate site plan which reflected this preference siting the sally port to the easterly side of the building and moving the police parking to the rear of the building. It was explained that this alternate orientation retains the original floor layout but is a mirror image of the first orientation. Mr. Wildnauer stated that he prefers the original orientation of the building emphasizing the municipal campus nature of a site which will have two separate departments operating in close proximity. There was a discussion about possibly canting the building and/or possibly siting the building closer to the existing retaining wall on the easterly side to maximize the full use of the site. Mr. Conroy stated his concern for the condition of the retaining wall asked that the Town verify its original construction by referencing any as-builts which might be on file in the Building Inspector's office.

On a **motion** by Mr. Goba, **second** by Mr. Wild, the Committee **voted** (4-1, Mr. Wildnauer in the negative) to approve of the building orientation of the police station parallel to and fronting on South Street as shown by the Carell Group.

There was a discussion about the proposed exterior features of the building. Mr. Goba explained his preference that the building should not have a flat roof, stating that he wants the building's appearance to be complementary to the neighborhood. He asked Mr. Carell to give some thought to how this might be accomplished.

Mr. Carell explained that the schematic design estimate will be received next Monday.

There was consensus that the Committee would next meet on Tuesday, March 8th at 6:30 PM.

There was no other business. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Gregory Assistant Town Administrator