Fridley City Hall Fact Sheet

Fridley Public Works and City Hall buildings are over 60 years old and there is an urgent need to address major maintenance, safety, accessibility, environmental and related issues.

A Closer Look at the Problems

- Failing parking ramp.
- Poor air quality.
- Deteriorating walls.
- Windows need replacing.
- Deficient HVAC and electrical systems.
- Elevators, restrooms, stairwells and entrances are not up to code for handicap accessibility. You cannot turn a wheelchair around to face the buttons in the elevator.
- New laws require separate male and female areas in Police and Fire facilities, which there is not enough space for.
- Lack of space for operations and office equipment.
- Unsafe mechanics area.
- Vehicles and equipment stored outside and deteriorate faster.
- Chemical and material runoff from outdoor storage carries into Rice Creek.
- Lack of space needed to properly maintain vehicles and equipment.
- Failing parking ramp.
- Narrow police garage door.
- Fire office doubles as sleeping quarters.
- Larger equipment makes for unsafe quarters.

Best Value for Taxpayers

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<th>Building New at Columbia Arena</th>
<th>Remodeling Current Locations</th>
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<td>Cost = Approx. $50 million</td>
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<td>Longevity = 50+ years.</td>
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<td>Major maintenance repairs (such as roof) start around 40 years.</td>
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<td>Appearance: Opportunity to increase city pride and appearance, and make area more appealing to private developers.</td>
<td>Appearance: Functionality will be priority over community appearance.</td>
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<td>Public Works: Will be designed to blend into surrounding properties.</td>
<td>Public Works: May impact marketability to private developers.</td>
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<td>Relocation of Staff &amp; Services During Construction: Not needed. No disruption to services.</td>
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<td>Community Areas: Park, plaza and possibility for other common areas.</td>
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Public Feedback: Columbia Arena Site

- Fridley residents want to retain public park space.
- Private development will meet city housing needs and is necessary to make this site financially feasible.
- There is a desire for a symbol of community pride and distinction, and the inclusion of public areas.
- A civic presence provides the unique opportunity to pay tribute to the history of this location.

Want to learn more? Share your thoughts? Reach out to us! **Online, by phone or in person**—we are listening and happy to answer your questions.

Website: FridleyMN.gov/city-hall-update
Council Information Meeting: Oct. 25 at 6:30 p.m.
City Manager Direct Phone: (763) 572-3506