



# **BALLARDVALE FIRE STATION**

**September 4, 2018**

- Overview presentation on Ballardvale Fire Station
- Engage stakeholders: Ballardvale Historic District Commission, Preservation Commission, Permanent Town Building Advisory Committee, Andover Fire Rescue personnel
- Comprehensive public information and engagement process

# CURRENT SITE AND EXISTING CONDITIONS



- Built over 125 years ago
- Existing wooden facility is in poor condition
- Not designed for 21<sup>st</sup> century fire apparatus



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- Does not meet building, safety, or accessibility codes
- Built at a time when fire apparatus was drawn by horse
- No separate gender living facilities available for Fire Rescue staff



- Ballardvale Fire Station is too small to house both a fire engine and an ambulance
  - Nearly 30% of all ambulance calls in Andover are in the Ballardvale service area
- The station services large commercial areas on Dascomb Road and Frontage Road
- Current configuration does not provide for proper turning radius and lacks signalization

# WHY THIS SITE?



- High density residential neighborhood
- Consistent with existing use of the site
- Proximity to future development
  - Projected development has shifted
- Established as part of the fabric of the Ballardvale community

# WHY THIS SITE?



- This site has successfully been through the facility master planning process and is ready for the next phase
  - ✓ Feasibility
  - ✓ Preliminary Design
  - Construction

# TOWN MEETING HISTORY



Year	Article	Description	Results
2009	34	Appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the purpose of planning, engineering and design of the replacement of the Ballardvale Fire Station	Approved - \$100,000
2014	25	Appropriate \$200,000 or a lesser amount to acquire 8,000 square feet of land for a proposed addition to the station	Approved
2014	26	Appropriate \$200,000 for the preparation of plans and specifications including drawings and bid documents for the construction of an addition to and the renovation of the present Ballardvale Fire Station	Approved
2017	53	Appropriate the sum of \$300,000 for the purposes of purchasing professional services related to the design of the Ballardvale Fire Station	Approved



# PROJECT FUNDING



The total project cost is estimated to be \$8,000,000, not including land acquisition costs. The project has been built into the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and is scheduled for FY2020.

<b>Available Funds</b>	
Engineering & Design (2009) Article 34	\$65,545.20
Land Acquisition for an Addition (2014) Article 25	\$199,150.00
Design Services (2014) Article 26	\$135,566.80
Design Services (2017) Article 53	\$300,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$700,262.00</b>

# NEXT STEPS



- Engage the neighborhood, Ballardvale Historic District Commission, Preservation Commission, Permanent Town Building Advisory Committee
- Schedule tours of Ballardvale Fire Station
- Host public information sessions