

New Police Department Timeline to Date

1999 – Facility Needs Assessment – Current facility in need of many improvements.

2001 – NPD 5-year plan - Current facility deemed inadequate.

2008 – Space needs assessment completed.

2015 - Municipal Buildings Strategic Plan Advisory Committee – recommended not renovating current facility based on cost and other factors.

April 2017 – Voters approve \$300k for new Police Department design process.

August 2017 – Design firm selection begins.

December 18, 2017 – Board of Selectmen (“BOS”) approves Capital Improvement Plan (“CIP”) amending language related to \$4m in 2018/2019 for adding flexibility to purchase land with the following description “To be used for eventual police facility site. Either for demolition and remediation of building on chosen site or the purchase of land and existing building. Along with any infrastructure improvements. Any excess funds can be used for Fairfield Hills demolition/remediation/infrastructure.”

December 28, 2017 – Board of Finance (“BOF”) approves CIP with aforementioned changes.

January 17, 2018 – Legislative Council (“LC”) approves CIP with aforementioned changes.

February 5, 2018 – BOS votes (3-0) to hire Kaestle Boos (“KB”) as design firm.

February 2018 – KB begins update of space needs assessment.

March 19, 2018 – BOS votes (3-0) to authorize First Selectman (“FS”) to send Letter of Intent to owner of 191 South Main / 61 Pecks Lane.

March 2018 – KB begins site review and concept design process. Sites to be reviewed are 3 Main Street (current site), Fairfield Hills and 191 South Main.

June 26, 2018 – KB presents site review to BOS and recommends 191 South Main as preferred location. BOS approves (3-0) 191 South Main as site for new Police Department. BOS authorizes (3-0) FS to negotiate and enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement for 191 South Main and 61 Pecks Lane pursuant to Section 8-05 of the Newtown Charter.

July 16, 2018 – FS reports to BOF that BOS made site selection. In addition, FS notes timing to get project on to November ballot.

July 17, 2018 – 191 South Main Building Tour.

July 18, 2018 - FS reports to LC that BOS made site selection. In addition, FS notes timing to get project on to November ballot.

August 2, 2018 – Planning and Zoning (P&Z) amends zone for 191 South Main to include Municipal Buildings.

August 3, 2018 – FS posts to website/social media and sends important meeting dates for project via email to public signed up for News/Announcements.

August 3, 2018 – The Newtown Bee runs story with upcoming meeting dates for project.

August 6, 2018 – BOS (3-0) makes mandatory referral to P&Z under CGS 8-24 and Section 8-05 of Charter.

August 16, 2018 – P&Z approves (5-0) project as part of CGS 8-24 and Section 8-05 of Charter.

August 20, 2018 – Following joint meeting of BOS, BOF and LC the BOS amends CIP (3-0), which includes a reduction in amount previously planned for and approves (2-1) 14.8m appropriation for purchase of 191 South Main and 61 Pecks Lane and for development and construction of new police facility.

August 21, 2018 – Town Bond Counsel, Robinson and Cole, responds to questions related to Amending CIP and reconciling Sections 6-35 and 8-05 of the Charter.

August 21, 2018 – BOF amends (5-0) Capital Improvement Plan and approves (5-0) 14.8m appropriation for purchase of 191 South Main and 61 Pecks Lane and for development and construction of new police facility.

August 24, 2018 – Finance Director sends Financial Impact Statement to LC Chairman pursuant to 8-05 of the Charter.

August 28, 2018 – FS sends property appraisal to LC Chairman pursuant to 8-05 of the Charter.

August 29, 2018 - LC amends Capital Improvement Plan (12-0) and approves (12-0) 14.8m appropriation for purchase of 191 South Main and 61 Pecks Lane and for development and construction of new police facility. LC directs BOS to set referendum on the aforementioned.

September 4, 2018 – BOS sets referendum date as November 6, 2018 from 6a – 8p. The ballot question is as follows: “Shall the \$14,800,000 appropriation and bond authorization for the construction and development of a new police station, including the acquisition of buildings and land at 191 South Main Street and 61 Peck’s Lane be approved?”