



35 Woodfin Renovation

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Overview and Request

Overview:

- The 35 Woodfin Renovation is a continuation of the implementation of the Comprehensive Facilities Plan that was approved in June of 2021.
- The project includes two major components: Forward Facing Department Relocation and the Backup 911 Center.
- General Services issued RFQs for the Forward Facing Renovation March 4,2024 and the Backup 911 October 21,2022
- General Services Received Bids for the Forward Facing Renovation July 8,2024 and the Backup 911 April 16,2024 with Ryse Construction being the lowest responsive responsible bidder on each project

Request:

- This action is to establish a project in the Capital Projects Fund with a budget of \$3,814,670 to relocate the 911 Backup Center from its current location to 35 Woodfin. The new capital project will be funded by reallocating budget from the existing FY23 Solar on Schools & Public Buildings project and FY24, 35 Woodfin Renovation for Forward Facing Facility project.
 - Approve Budget amendments
 - Recommend executing two Construction Contracts with Ryse Construction
 - Approve new capital project and close out FY22 911 Backup Center Project



35 Woodfin Renovation - Overview

Overview:

- Building from the Comprehensive Facility plan and consists of two projects:
 - Renovating 35 Woodfin to house 8 Buncombe County Departments
 - Establishing a new backup 911 Center.
- Departments to be located at 35 Woodfin include: Tax Assessment, Tax Collections, Board of Elections, Permits & Inspections, Planning, Air Quality, Environmental Health, and The Family Justice Center.
- Family Justice Center will maintain its existing footprint with enhanced security measures and an adjoining secure reception area. Plans are in place so there will be no disruption of service during construction.

Benefits:

- Combining these services in one central location allows ease of access for citizens seeking services.
- Centralizing these services allows us to most efficiently and effectively utilize our space while vacating multiples county buildings.
- In efforts to maintain the safety and security of survivors at the Family Justice Center the construction will include a remodeled lobby with enhanced security measures.



Backup 911 Relocation

- **Overview:**
 - Our Current Backup 911 Center is located in the City of Asheville Municipal Building.
 - This building will be undergoing extensive renovations and repairs and a new location is needed.
- **Benefits:**
 - Relocating the backup center to 35 Woodfin will create redundant systems to maintain our Public Safety Answering Point.
 - Many of the expenditures for the backup 911 center will qualify for reimbursement from the state.



Estimated Project Costs and Funding Sources

Exhibit A: Account Description	Increase (Decrease)	
	Revenues	Expenditures
FY25 35 Woodfin 911 Backup Center Renovation	\$ 3,814,670	\$ 3,814,670
FY23 Solar on Schools & Public Buildings	\$ (2,412,150)	\$ (2,412,150)
FY24 35 Woodfin Renovation for Forward Facing Facility	\$ (1,402,520)	\$ (1,402,520)
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -

Funding Notes:

- No new County funding required.
- Additional State funding will be utilized for Backup 911 center and determined on a reimbursable basis.
- 35 Woodfin bid meets core requirements including safety enhancements.



Floor Plan of Public Facing

- Amenities of the Building:
 - Dedicated work space by department
 - Touchdown/ flex space for flexible work staff
 - Multiple Conference rooms available to all county staff
 - Communal Breakrooms and Lounge Areas to promote collaboration
 - New wayfinding signage will be installed both interior and exterior
 - Enhanced security



Next Steps and Request

- **Next Steps**

- Contract Award: July 16, 2024
- Communication Plan: Ongoing internally & working with CAPE externally
- Construction Start / End (projected): July 2024 to February 2025
- Move Complete (projected): March 2025

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