

# City of Waltham

Jeannette A. McCarthy Mayor

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TO:

The Waltham City Council

RE: New Moody Street Fire Station Update

Dear Councillors:

As you are aware, a new Moody Street Fire Station is the Chief of Fire's stated priority. The following is an update:

- 1. A "second issue" RFP went out for the design of a new Moody Street Fire Station. The site view was 11/21/2017 and bids are due 12/6/2017. The "first issue" resulted in no award due to technical problems according to the City's Purchasing Agent.
- 2. Also, recently the Fire Chief asked me to explore the feasibility of taking down the existing Moody Street Fire Station, because he was advised by a third party that the building could come down. I have sent an opinion request to the Law Department and have received the enclosed answer. I will be forwarding a formal request to the Waltham Historical Commission for its answer. Naturally, it will be at a public meeting.
- 3. The former Young Building's occupancy is down to 3 tenants. Once those tenants are relocated and the WATCH/HUD obligation paid, I will respectfully request to demolish the building, and transfer that land to the Fire Department.

Sincerely.

a. Mc Gg Jeannette A. McCarthy

JAM/ccb **Enclosures** 

CC:

Chief Ciccone William Forte

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October 31st 2017

Honorable Mayor,

As we progress towards a new Moody St Fire Station project I would like to request to explore the feasibility of taking down the current Station. In my plans to use the current building for training and storage I was under the assumption that the building was deemed "untouchable" by the Historic Commission and would have to remain standing. Recently I have heard that this might not be entirely accurate and I feel that to be thorough it should be explored.

Although leaving it is a workable plan, the ideal would be to use both lots to build a station complex with more room for parking and future growth.

I respectfully request that this query be put forth to the Historic Commission for an opinion.

Respectfully, Paul

Paul J. Ciccone

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Memo to: Honorable Jeannette A. McCarthy, Mayor

From: Law Department

Re: Historic status of Moody Street fire station - Op. #212/2017

Date: October 31, 2017

I write in response to your request of this date that this office research the historic status of the above-referenced fire station at 533 Moody Street. A search of the records of the Massachusetts Historical Commission discloses that the building, which was constructed in 1890, is included on the National Register both as an individual building and as part of a multiple resource area (significant for its contribution to architecture, commerce, community planning, industry, religion and social history). By virtue of its inclusion on the National Register, the building is also included on the State Register of Historic Places.

If you have any questions or require anything further, please contact this office.

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