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Request for Proposal – Fitchburg City Hall

Feasibility Study to Take Fresh Approach at 718 Main St.

FITCHBURG – December 14, 2016 – Next week, under direction of Mayor Stephen L. DiNatale, the City of Fitchburg will advertise a Request for Proposal to conduct a feasibility study for a City Hall to be located at 718 Main Street.

The comprehensive study will consider the existing building and site, including parking constraints, space programming, conceptual design options, and cost estimates. It will also propose a full range of options, such as maintaining architectural details, renovation and expansion, razing the current structure, and new construction.

“Within the past year, the City of Fitchburg has taken several steps to prepare 718 Main Street for future development as a City Hall, whether that be renovation or new construction,” said Mayor DiNatale. “It is important that the City continues our focus to bring City Hall back to our Main Street, and this feasibility study will provide us with the answers to several unresolved questions.” Recently a hazardous material test was conducted in December, followed by a public auction of city surplus property.

The most current feasibility study was performed in 2003 by Kaffe Kang Associates, and identified a general condition of disrepair and inaccessibility of the building. The new feasibility study will utilize

information gathered in prior surveys and studies, and to take a fresh approach with the 718 Main Street site, which is the City's preferred site for a permanent City Hall municipal headquarters.

The Request for Proposal will be administered by the Chief Procurement Officer, Mary Delaney, to be advertised on December 21, 2016, and hopes to have a selected applicant by mid-January.

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