



**Town of Ridgefield
Public Safety Facilities Committee
Minutes
APPROVED**

June 25, 2026, at 7PM

ANNEX, Large conference room, 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT

Please note – these minutes are not verbatim.

Committee Members Present: David Brickley, Pamela Dunaway, Wally Martinez, Adam Safir, Stephen Scalzo, Ed Tyrrell

Committee Members Absent: Denis Graves

Presenters in Attendance: None

Wally Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

1. Public Comment – None.

- 2. Discussion RE: Criteria for facilities scope and site selection** – Pamela Dunaway shared a list of proposed criteria with the committee. She hopes to achieve a list of positives and negatives for each scenario that can be discussed with the public. Several scenarios have a negative factor that could be offset by a positive one. Wally Martinez distinguished the list into four categories while Pamela Dunaway suggested five categories. Adam Safir added that some criteria such as response time may be more valuable to the community than other criteria. Wally Martinez added that any property considered should be identified to the community as well as any reasoning for disqualifying the property. Both Pamela Dunaway and Wally Martinez shared that a significant criterion is site suitability for expansion to ensure some level of future-proofing. The members discussed their perspectives for the process to narrow and combine criteria and determine viability of each property based on site acreage and building square footage before asking KBA to work with the police and fire departments for design input. Steve Scalzo suggested assigning a value of importance and cost to each criteria. David Brickley reviewed a theoretical cost breakdown for site preparation, site development, and building costs. The data serves as a basis for comparison of real numbers as they are estimated.

3. **Discussion RE: Timeline to finish line** – The committee discussed a potential September 15 deadline to present to the BOS. David Brickley estimated a 5% monthly annualized cost increase to any project.
4. **Next agenda items** – Will be shared with Ed Tyrrell.
5. **Adoption of meeting minutes** – *Adam Safir motioned to approve the minutes of June 18, 2026 as presented. David Brickley seconded. Motion carried 6-0 (Graves absent).*
6. **Executive Session to discuss privately owned real property** – *Ed Tyrrell motioned to go into executive session to review last week's executive session discussion for the benefit of Ed Tyrrell and David Brickley. Adam Safir seconded. Motion carried 6-0 (Graves absent).*
7. **General discussion** – None
8. **Adjournment** - *Ed Tyrrell motioned to adjourn the Public Safety Facilities Commission meeting at 8:35 PM. Stephen Scalzo seconded. Motion carried 6-0 (Graves absent).*

Respectfully submitted by,
Etna Monsalve