

Capital Improvements

PROJECT DETAIL SHEET

Fiscal Year: 2021

Department: DPW, Facilities Division

Project Title: Town Hall - Elevator Modernization

Requested Amount: \$ 400,000



Description: The 27 year old elevator at Town Hall experiences frequent breakdowns, occasionally trapping riders inside. Key components are old and difficult to procure. The elevator requires a complete modernization upgrade. In August 2019, the Town procured the services of our House Doctor architectural firm, CBI and their elevator sub-consultant Syska, to conduct a study of the elevator condition and outline the measures needed for modernization and compliance with latest codes. CBI's report, including a cost estimate for the modernization, is expected in October 2019. At that time the requested amount for this appropriation is likely to be lowered in accordance with the report. (Informal discussions with CBI/Syska have indicated that the modernization will trigger code upgrades of components peripheral to the elevator itself, including fire systems, ventilation exhaust, electrical and structural improvements). After completion, the elevator will be restored to a like-new operating condition with a projected functional life of 25 years minimum.

Project Overview: To pay contractor and consultant services to replace the aged, malfunctioning and unreliable electro-mechanical components of the Town Hall elevator, i.e. perform a full modernization of its operational components, including replacement of the elevator's "controller" which had previously been included in the capital plan for 2021.

Financial impact of this project on the department's operating budget: The frequent repair expenses that have been recently experienced will be eliminated, resulting in a savings of several thousand dollars, particularly during the first year when the elevator will be under warranty.