

## Architects show plans

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Comments from previous meetings were incorporated into the concepts, he said. The concepts would be used to create a 3D computer model, Adomato said. The program can change the façade and features.

"We would like to look at for the next meeting, everything in the floor plan, so we'd start to draw all three concepts in floor plan," he said. "We'll start to see how the corridors function, how you enter into the fire department, how you enter into the police department, where the public comes in."

Adomato said he toured the Franklin Street School. He said if it the school becomes a library, a few parking spaces for the public safety building may be

needed for a library drop-off area.

A geotechnical investigation is under way at the firehouse to determine subsoils and whether or not the building would need piling, he said. An environmental investigation was conducted for only asbestos but will be expanded to include lead paint, according to Adomato.

He said a proper turning radius has been designed for ambulances, which would exit the new building toward the side of the Franklin Street School.

Options two and three received the most favorable comment from the committee. Option 2 has a combined fire and police station that would demolish the fire museum and incorporate it into the new public safety building, according to

Bender. Firetrucks would exit onto Franklin Street as they do today. The fire museum and police station would be on Washington Street, he said.

Between the entities would be a shared space and a fifth apparatus bay for the fire department. The training tower would be next to the museum, Bender said.

He said support areas, such as locker rooms and a kitchen, would be located on the second floor along with administrative offices. Option 1 shows 90 parking spaces where 64 spaces currently exist. Adomato said fewer spaces would exist on the final plan.

The basement would have shared mechanical space, shared archive space and a shared fitness area. Option 2A would have

a smaller basement with a mechanical room on the second floor.

Option 3 has the police and fire stations combined but would have more of an appearance of separate buildings, Bender said. The fire museum would be located between the police and fire sections, he said.

Police operations would be located on Washington Street with fire apparatus bays on Franklin Street. The training tower would be located on the rear of the building towards the Franklin Street School.

Bender said Option 3 does not include a drop-off area for a future library in the Franklin Street School. Ambulance bays would exit toward the school. The public safety building would have a shared lobby. The museum would be located

between the police and fire sections.

The second floor would contain administration offices for both departments and lockers, a bunk room and kitchen, according to Bender. The basement would house a mechanical room, archive storage and a fitness area, he said.

An elevator and stairs would access the basement.

Committee member Shaine Meier, a councilman, suggested the fire museum be moved to the front of the building toward Washington Street. Adomato said that would also create more parking. The lobby for the fire department would be located at the rear, facing a walkway from City Hall. The police department lobby would be located on Washington Street.

Bender described Option 3 as two separate buildings under one roof. Fire Chief Alex Coulter said he favored Option 2, while Police Chief Tony Marino said he preferred Option 3. Marino said moving the museum toward Washington Street could create two or three covered parking spaces. He said he preferred placing as many support options as possible on the second floor.

Committee member Rose Trafficante said the meeting resolved a lot of issues raised in earlier discussions.

Adomato said alternative energy for the building would be explored, in particular geothermal energy.

The committee's next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. May 28 in City Hall auditorium.

## 'Cop Stop' scheduled for Domino's in Villas

VILLAS — The Lower Township Police Department will be hosting a "Cop Stop" from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 25, at Domino's Pizza, 2200A Bayshore Road in Villas.

Officer Michael Nuscis will be present at that location to answer any questions or listen to comments citizens may have concerning the operations of the police department.

Literature on various community projects and law enforcement opportunities will also be available at that

time. The "Cop Stop" program is a setting in which police officers are available to interact with residents of the community in a relaxed atmosphere.

The Lower Township Police L.E.A.D. and community-policing vehicle will also be onsite.

Business owners who are interested in hosting such an event are encouraged to speak with Nuscis or call Lt. Donald Vanaman Jr. at (609) 886-1619, ext. 148, to discuss the program.

## Driver charged with DWI in low-speed golf car crash

CAPE MAY — An accident involving a low-speed vehicle resulted in two injuries and the driver being charged with driving while intoxicated.

The Cape May Police Department and Cape May Fire Department responded to a call May 14

reporting a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of Ocean Street and Columbia Avenue.

Investigation at the scene revealed that a Low Speed Vehicle (street-legal golf cart) was involved in the accident and both occupants were thrown

from the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle, John Altieri, was arrested at the scene for obstructing the administration of law and later charged with driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit to breath testing, reckless driving, uninsured vehicle, failure

to wear a seatbelt and a criminal charge of assault by auto.

The passenger of the vehicle, Christine Altieri, was airlifted to Atlantic-Care Regional Medical Center for treatment of injuries suffered in the accident.

## Cape May Pt. Beach Patrol seeking five new members

CAPE MAY POINT — The Cape May Point Beach Patrol will be holding a test for five positions for this summer.

The test is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 1, at the Borough Building, 415 Lighthouse Ave. next to

the Cape May Lighthouse.

A second test, if needed, would be held the following Saturday, June 8, at the same time and location.

Swimming and running are priorities. Qualified candidates must run a mile in less than 7.5 min-

utes, compete in a 500-meter open-water swim for placement and complete a 100-meter soft-sand sprint and a 200-meter run-swim-run. There also will be a personal interview. Those accepted must complete a 500-meter swim (22 laps of the Wildwood Crest pool) in less than 10 minutes.

Those who successfully

complete these tasks will undergo a 40-hour paid training and certification program in CPR, AED, first aid and AEO2. The schedule will be a five- to six-day workweek depending on age and need.

Candidates should bring running shoes, a towel, swimsuit and dry clothes to change into.

## Bicyclist dies in crash

WEST CAPE MAY — The Cape May Police Department and Cape May Fire Department responded to the intersection of Broadway and York Avenue in West Cape May on May 18 for a motor vehicle accident involving an NJ Transit bus and a bicyclist.

The cyclist, Eterpi Hines of Cranbury, died at Cape Regional Medi-

cal Center as the result of injuries suffered in the accident. The circumstances surrounding the accident are being investigated by Cape May police with the assistance of the county Prosecutor's Office, NJ Transit police and State Police. No more information was available. The investigation is currently on going.

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