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Development Services 220 SE Green St. Lee's Summit, MO 64063

Re: Architectural Modification Statement

To Whom it May Concern:

The proposed Fire Station #4 design utilizes four-sided architecture by means of horizontal and vertical elements extending the architecture around the perimeter of the building. The design utilizes the same or similar materials on all four sides. Building height is approximately 33 feet to the highest point of the building (main entry roof). The unique architectural features of the fire station have been expressed in the building façade using changes in the exterior wall heights and shapes, different roof lines, offsets in the exterior façade, with verticality expressed at the main entry and reveals incorporated using recessed masonry soldier courses.

The proposed building materials utilized in the design of the fire station includes a combination of brick and stone masonry units with a rough textured finish; architectural metal panels used sparingly in an incidental role as trim and architectural accents; and fiber cement wall panels as an accent in the brick field and primary wall material surrounding the apparatus bays.

The proposed design is the result of collaboration with and vision of the Lee's Summit Fire Department. The design exceeds the intent for outmoded design parameters established to ensure attractive architecture. Whereas adjacent properties wholly reflect the traditional design and fashion of their era, the proposed design ties into those elements of tradition (masonry), however also uses progressive design elements (roof form) to bring a sense of modern feel, thus meeting today's expectations for attractive architecture. We should expect nothing less from local government facilities.

Residential design elements used throughout the existing local development is not conducive to the functional requirements of a fire station and the associated costs to accommodate the large spans at the apparatus bay. The use of roof materials similar to those existing buildings within the same zoning development does not align with the vision of the Fire Department and their desire to present "timeless" architecture.

Respectfully,

John Potter