

REPAINTING THE PSB

Item 9e on the June KFPD agenda was to discuss the possible repainting of the PSB. The meeting ended before a discussion took place. This is to provide some background and clarity to the purpose of a repainting.

Julie and I were appointed as an ad hoc committee to look at this, and I obtained a bid from a local painter. GM Tim Barry requested a color scheme from our project architect and several of those options were included in the June agenda with no estimate of cost or the primary purpose of repainting.

Several months ago, the neighbors of the house north of the PSB contacted us to express several concerns. First, when the PSB was remodeled the 400 sq. ft. of outside sitting area was enclosed which eliminated sunlight to the neighbor's house. Second, the PSB was repainted in a very dark color which further reduced light to their house. As stated in the attached letter from this neighbor, they are requesting that the PSB be repainted a lighter color.

We obtained a color scheme and a bid from Gate View Painting, a local painter who has painted other El Cerrito fire stations. This proposal is to paint the two sides and front, but not the back. This repainting will require a primer bonding coat and two finish coats. It will require scaffolds and take one week to complete. The labor and material costs are \$16,440.

When this was presented two months ago our GM, Tim Barry, requested getting a color scheme from our architect, Marjang. Marjang came back with several color concepts, copies attached, but no price. These colors consist of a white and a soft green, but will not blend that well with the bright red fire truck doors which cannot be repainted, only replaced.

It is therefore recommended that we either accept the bid from Gate View Painting for three sides, or ask him for a bid for just the side facing the adjacent house to the north. The start date would occur when the fire department occupied the PSB and painting would not interfere with operations.

Jim Watt

Subject: New paint color on the Public Safety Building (PSB)

To the KFPD Board of Directors,

No other property has been more impacted by the PSB renovation than our property, not only by the on going construction but more importantly by the enclosure of the deck. The original design was considerate to our house by reducing the bulk of the building as it met our property. This not only visually looked sensitive but it also let more light and sun to shine in our direction.

Now that the deck has been enclosed we have less light and sun shining on our property making the interior of our house darker. Adding insult to injury the new dark paint color has further reduced the light shining in our house. We didn't realize how much light was reflecting from the PSB wall facing our house until the color was changed.

I urge the KFPD Board to repaint the Building to a lighter color, the previous color was light and inviting, this current color is uninviting and makes the building heavier to the eye. When the copper fascia eventually turns a bronze color it will match the existing color which will make the building even heavier.

The Building needs a lighter color not only for our sake but for the perception of a welcoming public building.

Regards,
The neighbors at 213 Arlington Ave.





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