

## **Questions and comments concerning the NY Forward Village of Groton Projects**

1. Any record drawings (utility, survey, etc.) they can share?

-We looked through our office files and will take a deeper look through scanned and utility department files to see what can be located.

2. You had mentioned that you created your own sketches for what you would like to see for the various spaces, can you share those sketches?

- Attached are the rough sketches of the Fire House Market Square location and the Village Green and Stage. Our goal is to provide these areas with as ample parking while still maintaining very nice community areas.

3. Can you confirm if the existing railroad bridge abutments are on town property?

- Both abutments are on Village property.

4. Are the old buried railroad tracks on the 5 acre property remaining in place? Should we incorporate these into the trail design?

- The railroad tracks are on adjoining private property and will remain per the owner who is providing an easement on his property for the trail.

The approx. 5 acre lot is again being discussed for purchase and hope to have that in Village hands by the time we get to that location. There are some railroad ties on this property, and the Village will remove those when they clear the land.

5. If required for the work, will the Village handle DOT permitting / work within the DOT ROW?

- The Village will handle communication and permitting with DOT.

6. The grant budget for the Stage Pavilion project notes an irrigation system. Should we include this in the design? Or would a yard hydrant be sufficient?

- At this time – we do not have a water source for this area and may need to revamp the project to remove this to another activity item.

7. Does pavement on this property adjoining the town parcel remain? Any work associated with this parcel/business?

- This property was just sold in July, and we will need to see where the property lines lay and what we can do to work with them for the project.

8. Any coordination required for the driveway to this business?

- This is the newly refurbished Groton Hotel (another NY Forward Project)  
The owners are very agreeable to our project and will work with us in any way needed.

9. Is this alley/parcel part of the project scope?

- This alley way is Village property, and we will need a stairway/ramp from the Firehouse Market Square down to a sidewalk along the building to go to Main Street and the proposed Crosswalk the Village will put in.

10. Map in the RFP shows this as the boundary of dog park. Is this the edge of the proposed dog park? Or is the entire 5 acre parcel part of the project?

- the map outlines the area of the NY Forward boundaries. The Village will clear the entire lot and prepare the trail area. The dog park will be situated near the boundary line in that area where it is best fit. I have included a sample map for the full parcel.

We are building our team for these exciting projects. A few questions we are interested to hear back on include:

1. In reference to the M/WBE and SDVOB requirements, we are working on other DOS funded projects in NYS and have been provided flexibility with regard to the standard percentages of each type of minority contractor. Can you please provide some feedback relative to one or the other consultant providing some or all of the services to satisfy the 30% minimum requirements?

- Checking with NYS OSC

2. Will the selected design team be expected to estimate each project separately and hold the budget on each or will the combined projects be allowed to be constructed with the total project budget?

- Checking with NYS OSC

3. We assume the total project budget also includes the consulting fees, permits and testing services?

- Yes, the project budget is the total amount allowed.

4. When will the firehouse be demolished and what will the foundation be filled with?

- The Goal is to have the firehouse demolished in the January – March 2027 timeframe depending on weather. The foundation will be filled with bank run gravel.

Will this be subject to an inspection?

- The Village will coordinate inspection and will reach out to NY Forward consultants to see if there are any additional requirements

5. Can you elaborate on the size or capacity of the stage and types of uses anticipated?

- Dimensions in the RFP show 32x16 Covered Stage and planned uses can include concerts/plays & family activities.

6. Can you please elaborate on the capabilities of the Village DPW as it relates to the in-kind services that can be expected or assumed?

- Our DPW and Electric Departments are prepared to help with clearing lots, providing electric service to the sites to the meter level, handling DOT coordination, hauling material, assisting with logistics for construction, providing dump sites for spoils, providing labor to help install trails with rented equipment (rented equipment and all materials will need to be part of the project budget). Other labor items to be provided by the Village staff can include coordination with adjoining property owners, and other miscellaneous items that may arise.

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Power Systems Division

Firehouse

Project:

Village of Groton

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Sheet of

GFD Shed

Drive  
TO  
Main St

Crosswalk  
to sidewalk

Ramp

Stairs

Groton Library

Groton Hotel

25'

25'



Shed Roof venue 55' x 12'



Parking 16' x 8'



Bushes + Trees



Brick sidewalk



Brick wall  
with concrete  
Bench Top

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