

Tax Payer Calls For A New Plan For The Animal Shelter

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To the Editor:

What is the reasoning behind Henrici-Gorman-Fitch being against a brand new police-fire-animal shelter on Putnam Avenue? The location is perfect, and the land is ready to be built on. The town desperately needs all three facilities.

It is the most cost effective approach, and it would take the least amount of time to build the desperately needed complex. There's good access and plenty of parking.

Why are Henrici-Gorman-Fitch so much against a brand new, functional complex that they are simply refusing to provide a cost comparison study for taxpayers? They are pushing their agenda of demolishing two historical buildings and build a monster addition with a parking structure next to our Memorial Town Hall. They will take on three projects, instead of one comprehensive complex. We'll never see the end of cost overruns, and the day of a completed new police, fire and animalshelter will never come.

They claim to save \$1 million on land sale but not hesitating to spend at least 5 million extra on a parking structure in the center of town. They'll put jail cells next to Town Hall. Don't we still remember the mismanagement of the new middle school? Did we forget the shameful saving attempt on dog dumping? This ignorant behavior, again, will not serve the police, fire, animal lovers or taxpayers. It looks like, sounds like the bad dog dumping policy. History will repeat itself once again in Hamden, and the price tag is ours for incompetent planning and spending. Visit hamdendailynews.com and sign the petition against the project at the center of town.

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