

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE 2025

MONROE, IA



WHY A NEW PD & CITY HALL? IT'S TIME!

The City of Monroe is currently in need of a new police department and city hall to better serve its growing population and address the increasing demands on local government services. The current facilities are undersized, in need of extensive upkeep and repairs, and preventing city staff from operating efficiently and effectively. A new police department is crucial to ensure public safety, provide adequate space for law enforcement operations, and incorporate updated technology and resources necessary to combat crime and serve the community more effectively. Additionally, a larger city hall would streamline administrative processes, improve communication between departments, and enhance the delivery of essential services to residents.

Furthermore, the current infrastructure limits the city's ability to accommodate future growth and adapt to evolving community needs. Investing in a new city hall and police station would not only improve operational capacity but also demonstrate Monroe's commitment to safety and efficient governance. Upgraded facilities would foster a sense of pride within the community, attract new residents, employees, and businesses, and support economic development. In sum, the proposed police department and city hall project is essential for Monroe to continue to thrive as a safe, organized, and forward-thinking community.



Our city buildings are outdated, overcrowded, and no longer meet the needs of our growing community. A new combined City Hall and Police Department will improve safety, provide necessary space and privacy, ensure accessibility, and support better public service. It's not just a smart investment—it's a critical step forward for Monroe's future.

OUR WHY.



SAFETY FIRST

Our current city facilities for the Police Department and City Hall lack many basic needs and host several deficiencies which can lead to safety issues, including:

- » Basic security features for a safe building for staff and the community
- » A leaking roof, damaged ceiling and need for a new roof and gutter replacement
- » ADA accessibility does not meet current building standards
- » Uneven and damaged surfaces within current parking lot in addition to lack of parking spaces
- » Building insulation, ventilation, heating and cooling are all inadequate for existing spaces

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

- » The proposed new building will include a generator to ensure we're always operational – no matter the emergency.
- » Combining City Hall and the Police Department into one central location becomes a more efficient, more visible way to better serve our residents.
- » The proposed new project will relieve our current offices in both buildings providing adequate privacy for our citizens, additional storage for our records, business operations and staff.
- » The new facility will meet all current building codes, ADA standards and serve our community members with the proper accessibility and safety.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - TO PROTECT AND SERVE

- » In 2024, the Monroe PD responded to 1,955 calls for service.
- » They currently operate out of one room with shared storage and other facilities with the Fire Department.
- » Our proposed new facility will allow the PD to operate with the dedicated spaces they need including interview rooms, evidence storage room, privacy and meeting space.
- » This new facility ensures they have the tools and space needed to protect and serve our community.

SMART INVESTMENT

- » New Building (5,620 sq ft): Est. \$1.45 million.
- » Remodel (5,100 sq ft): Est. \$1.3 million – but costs can rise due to building unknowns.
- » Do it right, do it now. Delaying only increases the cost.

AFFORDABLE FOR TAXPAYERS

- » Estimated impact: \$61.58/year for a \$100,000 home (Only \$5/month!).
- » Could be even lower with Local Option Sales Tax or TIF support.

ECONOMIC GROWTH

- » A modern facility boosts curb appeal, promotes economic development, and helps grow our population and tax base.
- » Gives our Fire Department their own space, supporting all first responders.

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 4TH!