



# Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Office of Community Planning and Development

Date: March 1, 2021

To: Zoning Commission

From: Michael Glidden CZEO CFM  
Director of Planning and Community Development

**Re:** Application #21-03- of the Simsbury Fire District, Owner/Applicant; for a Site Plan Amendment for the construction of a new training building, ceremonial flag burning area for the VFW and other site improvements at the property located at 251 Hopmeadow Street(Zone R-40)

## Description of Site Plan Amendment

The Fire District is seeking approval for the construction a new training building along with a ceremonial flag burning area. The proposed building and flag burning area will be to the north of the existing training building. Below is an aerial photograph illustrating the location:

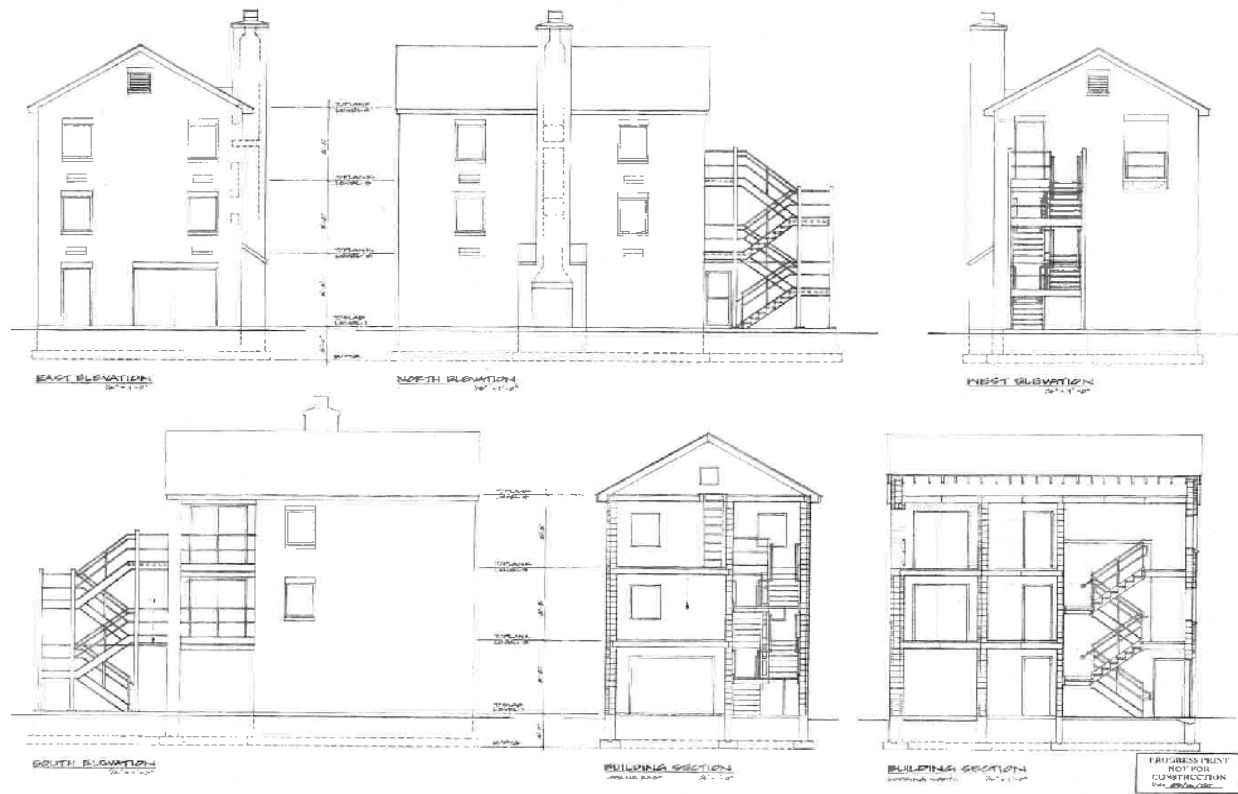


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The new training structure will provide staff the ability to adequately prepare for an incident in a townhouse/multi-family setting. The need for a new facility arose from the recent developments in Simsbury. Below is a copy of what the structure will look like:



The applicant previously secured an approval from the Conservation Commission for the construction activities adjacent to inland wetland soils. A copy of the approved permit has been included in the meeting packet information.

The applicant has provided a copy of a portion of the last approved site plan and map for the site.

### **Staff Comments**

The proposed location conforms to the applicable zoning setback standards and the Inland Wetland permits have been secured. The need for adequate training facilities for members of the Fire District is important. Staff supports the granting of approval for the project.

A motion in the affirmative has been provided to the commission for discussion purposes. Please refer to Attachment "A" for specific language. Staff and the applicant is available to answer any questions.

**Attachment “A”**  
**Simsbury Zoning Commission**  
**Monday March 1, 2021**

A motion to approve **Application #21-03-** of the Simsbury Fire District, Owner/Applicant; for a Site Plan Amendment for the construction of a new training building, ceremonial flag burning area for the VFW and other site improvements at the property located at 251 Hopmeadow Street(Zone R-40)

The site plan approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. An administrative zoning permit is required for proposed construction
2. The Zoning Commission authorizes staff to approve minor modifications to site grading, landscaping, drainage, or lighting on their behalf. Said requests are to be made in writing to staff prior to implementation.