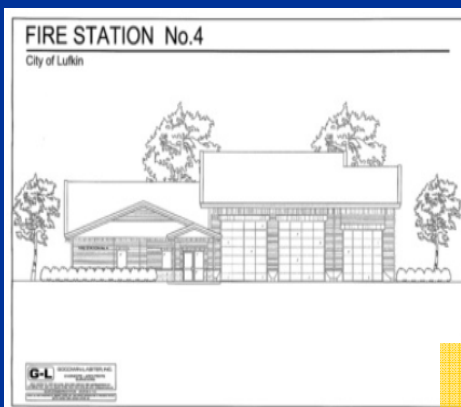


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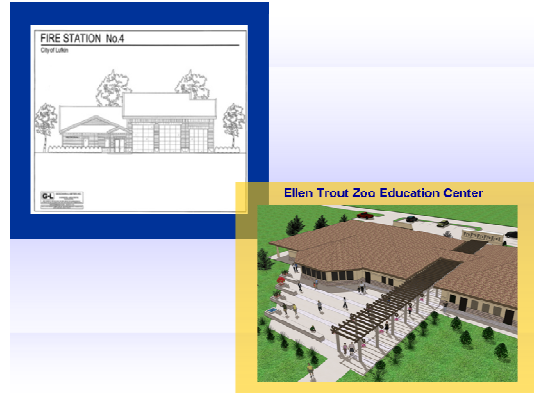
Architect's renderings of

*Fire Station No. 4
802 Trailwood Blvd.*

And

*Ellen Trout Zoo
Education Center
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The City of Lufkin established a Continuing Capital Improvements Program (CIP) in 1999, outlining equipment purchases and construction projects to be funded through bonds, operating revenues, grants and other funding mechanisms. Relocation of Fire Station #4 from 2815 South John Redditt, to a more efficient area was one of the objectives of the CIP long range plan. The purchase of a new aerial ladder truck in 2006 prompted the City to move forward with relocation of the fire station as none of the existing stations were large enough to house the new ladder truck. Property was purchased in March 2006, off Old Union Road and the design phase of the new Station #4 project was implemented. The new facility is projected to cost \$1,120,025. Construction began in May 2007 and will be completed in January 2008. The engineering and design of the new Education Center/Administration Complex at the Ellen Trout Zoo began in Fiscal 2007. Construction is expected to be complete in Summer of 2008. This facility is budgeted at \$1,700,000 and is being funded by the Zoo Building Fund, along with grants and contributions from the T.L.L. Temple Foundation and Friends of the Ellen Trout Zoo. The much needed class room will provide more room for the Zoo's Safari Classes as well as office space for the Zoo Administration.