



## MEETING MINUTES

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<b>Marshfield Library and Community Center Public Meet and Greet Meeting</b>	<b>110077.00</b>	<b>September 15, 2011</b>

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### Public Meet and Greet

The purpose of the meeting was to provide the greater Marshfield community an opportunity to express their ideas for the new Library and Community Center. The last portion of the event, was a visual listening exercise, that provided the group with the ability to identify architectural styles that they felt would be appropriate in Marshfield. Below are comments and concerns that members of the community expressed.

1. A goal of the new facility is that it should look to the future.
2. Involve a lot of people. Do not let this be the last public session.
3. The new Library and Community Center should reinforce and bolster Downtown activities.
4. Can the Community Center include a café or restaurant? This could be an additional draw into the center of the City.
5. Do not design a building that is too fancy. The building should have the "classic" Marshfield character. It should feel "homey" and not extravagant. It should also not be "Plain Jane".
6. The building needs to be highly accessible. It should also be multi-generational – comfortable for everyone.
7. The building needs to attract more seniors, how can this be accomplished? Many seniors are opposed to change. We need to help them feel more comfortable about the new facility.
8. The City just finished building a new fire station, is this really the best time to build a new Library and Community Center?
9. For the entire complex to be a success, parking must be addressed. There is a parking shortage already.

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10. Circulation within the parking lot needs to improve. Provide better handicap accessibility. Provide a better book drop off area.
  11. The Community Center needs a better and bigger kitchen than the one in the Senior Center.
  12. Provide larger, better restrooms for the public.
  13. An important feature of the facility is that it should include many multi-purpose spaces.
  14. The building should integrate proven green technologies that do not cost more than the projected savings of the system.
  15. The building should include systems and technologies that are built to last. The building should not be considered a 25 year facility.
  16. Meeting space is needed by everyone. Provide multiple rooms of different sizes and capacities. An auditorium should be considered.
  17. There should be a covered drop off canopy at the main entrance.
  18. Can an indoor walking path be included in the design? An outdoor activity area and garden should also be considered.
  19. The Community Center needs a space where everyone can simply “hang out”, without the feeling that you are intruding or disturbing people. This must be a community welcome center.

Toward the end of the meeting, a visual listening exercise was conducted. The goal was to help identify what character or architectural style the Marshfield community felt would be appropriate in Marshfield. On the following pages are a result of the session.

Respectfully,  
**Zimmerman Architectural Studios, Inc.**



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