

Minutes of Architecture & Design Subcommittee

of the Library/Community Center Committee

meeting on October 10, 2012 @ Senior Center

Members present: Jim Alexander Kathy Dieck Kris Keogh Ken Krahn
Shirley Mook Dick Pokorny Donna Rozar Becky Spencer
Also present: Joanne Ampe Lori Belongia David Drews Jean Doty Dori Knopf

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Motion to approve minutes of March 8, 2012 & April 4, 2012 & September 5, 2012 made by Pokorny, seconded by Krahn. Motion approved.

No public comments.

Work session followed.

David Drews, of Zimmerman Architects, distributed revised plans for the Library & Community Center project. There were 2 alternatives for the main floor of the New Library, 1a & 2a. (See under "New Library – 1st floor" below.) His presentation was accompanied with discussion on the following topics:

Idea & site:

1. East/west axis good; presence along Veterans Parkway.
2. Set-back from Veterans Parkway: should be somewhat further away than Thomas/Royal Tokyo but not so far back as to compromise possibility of more parking spaces in SW corner should that be advisable. May need variance. Concern for blending with bike path/green space.
3. Reviewed feasibility of leaving Senior Center as is during construction of New Library; close but would work.
4. Adequate parking. [The L&C3 advised that parking **should not compromise building design.**]
5. Adequate handicap parking, number & location.
6. Designated parking for Lib. & CC staff questioned.

Functional requirements and Spatial relationships:

1. (See below with 1st & 2nd floors of New Library and remodel for new Community Center.)
2. Major HVAC equipment on roof; shield adequately from view; major equipment not within building mass as such.

Structure & Form/Massing:

1. Form/massing of new Library not set yet.
2. Form/massing of Link not set yet.

New Library: (Spatial and functional relationships)

1. 1st floor:
 - a. Subcom chose plan "1a" – with Childrens area along west side (rather than south side).
 - b. Open staircase good; good location of elevator (public & staff); good location of emergency exit.
 - c. General layout of functions/functional needs good; circulation good.
 - d. Good location of Patron Service Center.
 - e. Genealogy NOT "open to above" - too noisy; visible to staff; secure; as visually "open" as possible.
 - f. Children's area needs family RR; next to "work room" as that also needs water available.
 - g. General adult reading area along south good.
 - h. Relationship of staff to receiving area good.

2. 2nd floor:
- a. Teen area should be located either in SW or NW corner.
 - b. Study Rooms should be located along exterior wall; windows; good line of site for staff.
 - c. Staff area should be located in NE corner – in place of Teen and 3 Study Rooms.
(Staff gains some square footage this way. ☺)
 - d. Question about terrace along south side; how usable for patrons?
3. General:
- a. Need to look at storage needs in New Library; amount & location.
 - b. Question having “open to above/below” – re: cost & possible future infill s.f.

Link: (Spatial and functional relationships)

- 1. Circulation from NE parking to NE handicap entry and to existing on grade.
- 2. Ramping between NE entry to existing building and entry from SW parking.

Existing Building (new “Community Center”: (Spatial and functional relationships) (includes “Senior Center”)

- 1. (See “Link” above)
- 2. Handicap entry off NE parking good; discussed drop-off & loading requirements at north end.
- 3. Possible need by ADRC for dedicated handicap RR; question location; varify number of offices.
- 4. Future Library storage needs on lower level.
- 5. Question location of Kitchen.
- 6. How Meeting Rooms could be separated; upper glass gabled areas.
- 7. Possibility of de-centralized Senior Center activity areas; possible lower level use?
- 8. Desire to keep existing main floor as visually “open” as. (See 6 above on Meeting Rooms.)

Façade: Not discussed.

Materials: Not discussed,

Aesthetics, overall: Not discussed.

Subcom recommended that Lori show next set of revised plans to the Library staff for their direct feedback.

Next meeting will be the last week in October, date & location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Dieck, Secretary