



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – July 27, 2016 Agenda Item 6

Voting Session

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Detailed Design Development Based on the June 2016 Concept Design for Library Renovation

Recommended Council Action

Adopt ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a contract with The Lukmire Partnership for detailed design work.

Context with Key Issues

At their April 13, 2016 Work Session, the Council proposed that the architect be directed to revise the concept drawing being considered, with a view toward possible additional expansion and a more attractive exterior design. Council recommendations included possible additional expansion toward Philadelphia and Maple Avenues, enclosure of the area above the Police parking lot that was closest to the Community Center, and expansion of room for collections, especially for young adults.

Floor plans and drawings for two variations of a new concept design were submitted to the City Manager and Library Director on June 24, 2016. They were subsequently posted on the City website in the Project Directory.

At the July 13, 2016 Work Session, Greg Lukmire of The Lukmire Partnership presented the new concept design to the City Council for review and comment. The concept design was favorably received. At the meeting there were questions about cost and the amount of additional books and media resources that could be displayed in the larger area.

In order to get more detailed information on community design preferences, as well as information that would be needed for the preparation of grant applications and in determining the cost and implications of bond funding, more detailed design work is needed. Funding is available in the FY17 budget for that design work. Once greater financial information becomes available, a decision on whether to proceed with the Library project can be made, likely as part of the FY 18 budget process.

Council Priority

A Livable Community for all; Fiscally Sustainable Government; Environmentally Sustainable Community; Engaged, Responsive and Service-oriented Government

Environmental Impact of Action

Council is concerned with the preservation of City facilities, through economically and environmentally sustainable means. The Library building is more than 60 years old, with systems that are inefficient, failing, and out of compliance with current requirements and standards. The Library requires a plan of action to preserve its life as a City facility.

Fiscal Impact of Action

\$400,000 is included in the FY17 CIP – General Fund for detailed design development, engineering, and related preparation for Library renovation. An additional \$29,750 has been transferred from the FY16 CIP by Budget Amendment for this purpose.

Attachments and Links

- Draft Ordinance
- View the new concept designs and a virtual walkthrough on the Library Renovation Project Page <https://takomaparkmd.gov/initiatives/project-directory/library-renovation/> (Scroll down the project page to see the July 7, 2016 update.)

Introduced by:

Single Reading

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**ORDINANCE 2016-
PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDING TO DETAILED DESIGN DEVELOPMENT BASED
ON THE JUNE 2016 CONCEPT DESIGN FOR LIBRARY RENOVATION**

WHEREAS, the Lukmire Partnership introduced two variations of a new concept design for Library renovation on June 24, 2016, incorporating Council recommendations from their April 13, 2016 Work Session; and

WHEREAS, the concept design, with its two variations, was presented to the Council by The Lukmire Partnership at their July 13, 2016 Work Session; and

WHEREAS, the designs were posted on the City Web Site, and in the Library, along with a survey soliciting public comment; and

WHEREAS, \$429,750 is included in the FY 17 approved budget for Library detailed design development and associated work; and

WHEREAS, the Council is interested in moving forward on detailed design and cost estimating of the new concept design so that staff may pursue grant funding and identify options for bond funding in advance of the FY 18 budget process, during which a final decision on whether to move forward with Library renovation would take place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

Section 1. The concept designs for Library renovation, as presented to Council on July 13, 2016, are supported by Council as the basis of detailed design development.

Section 2. The City Manager shall proceed to contract with The Lukmire Partnership for further design development and associated work.

Section 2. This Ordinance becomes effective upon adoption.

Adopted this _____, 2016 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: