

Borough of Hanover / Library Work Group

Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2022

Councilman Reichart convened the meeting at 4PM

In Attendance:

Chairman Bill Reichart

Councilman Chuck Hegberg;

Councilman Tim Kress

Board of Governor Representative Chrissy Rosensteel,

HPLA Representative Dan Frey virtually

Borough Manager Nan Dunford - Ex officio member

Library Director Shanna Hollich Ex officio member,

YCL Director of Library Administration Abbey Lukiewski in place of John Miller - Ex officio member

Library Administrative Assistant - Faith Soto

Guests: Director of Planning and Engineering Eric Mains

Scott Loercher – Architect from Buchart Horn

January Minutes: Approved by Rosensteel; Seconded by Hegberg. Passed unanimously.

Buchart Horn Presentation given by Scott Loercher.

Project timeline from beginning to April 2021 outlined. At that time the roof replacement planning was suggested, and planning was then kicked off in July 2021. By November 2021 Program space was started.

Information and slides shown on:

- Roof replacement
- Building Program
- Program Goals
- Kick off meetings including the list of participants

In addition, 2 options for concept plans were presented: Integration Option and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Option

- With Integration the library would experience significant disruption
- 3<sup>rd</sup> floor option would have minimal disruption to the library

Circling back to roof replacement, blueprint shown of roof enclosure project, per the structural engineer for Buchart Horn it should be re-evaluated because of the uncertainty of the current columns and ability for load bearing capacity. Regardless of

decision, columns would have to be evaluated and most likely replaced with ones that would properly be able to support the loads.

Next Steps were shown leading to last step of final presentation and concept.

#### QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS:

At one point there was a 1<sup>st</sup> floor concept, why was it not included in this presentation? It was determined that the 1<sup>st</sup> floor concept was lacking additional detail that was included in more conversations that took place between 1<sup>st</sup> proposal of concept to now.

3<sup>rd</sup> floor discussion continued

With 3<sup>rd</sup> floor the potential collateral damage on the philanthropic end and donors would be minimized.

More discussion on the current beams and footings and the concerns of the structural engineer on the set up not being as structurally sound as previously thought.

While some members do like the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor concept there are concerns on public reaction and acceptance of this project.

Suggestion to see a comparison of a cost out with a new build.

Request to see new borough offices build option as well

Request was made for benchmarking data that shows what the square footage of a library equivalent to ours in terms of usage should be. Shanna will see if she can locate this data and determine if there are any relevant standards, such as from the American Library Association.

RFP was sent out for a consultant it will be due by the end of next week March 4, 2022. Shanna hopes to have several consultant candidates to present at next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Rosensteel    Seconded: Hegberg

Meeting Adjourned at 5:07 PM

Next Meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2022 at 4PM at the Guthrie Memorial Library Bare Center.

Respectfully submitted by,

Faith Soto