



La Grange Park Public Library

History of the Building Project



Jun. 2014
Water infiltration discovered by library staff along the east wall of the library; Kluber Architects & Engineers hired to investigate



Apr. 2015
Kluber's Water Infiltration Investigative study is completed; extensive damage is reported and the board orders an additional study



Jul. 2015
Kluber's second study is completed listing the full structural damage and cost estimates are reported at approximately \$2.2 million



Feb. 2016
Studio GC is hired to complete a Facility Needs Assessment to determine the full scope of maintenance needed in addition to water infiltration issues



Oct. 2016
Facility Needs Assessment is completed



Feb. 2017
Library board discusses the Facility Assessment at an open meeting and determines they will wait a few years to begin construction in order to save funds



Jul. 2017
A community meeting is held to share the Facility Assessment with residents



Feb. 2018
The library board approves a Master Facility Plan during their open meeting that consolidates all facility reports to date



Jun. 2018
A second community meeting is held to answer questions about the facility and share the new Master Facility Plan



Jan. 2019
The library consults with Aspire to determine how well our library meets the needs of patrons with disabilities; a patron survey is issued to solicit input on services



Jul. 2020
Library board issues a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Construction Management services



Sept. 2020
Boldt is hired as the library's Construction Management firm



Nov. 2020
RFQ for Architectural services is issued



Dec. 2020
Interviews conducted with the top two most qualified architectural firms



Jan. 2021
The library board holds a public meeting to discuss architect selection. 845 Design Group is selected as the library's design firm



Feb. 2021
845 Design leads an effort to solicit community input on the building project including a patron survey, Zoom interviews with community members, and staff and board discussions



Mar. - May 2021
Engineers, architects and the construction management firm carry out final research to determine the scope of the project



Jun. 2021
Initial design options and budgets are presented to the library board and the community.



Jun. 2021
The library is informed that delays in material availability will push the project back until 2022



Aug. 2021
The board and staff view design concepts for interior renovations submitted by architects 845 Design Group



Sept. 2021
\$4 million in bonds issued for the purpose of repairing the library building



Mar. - Apr. 2022
Parking lot project bid out & contract awarded



Jun. 2022
Public notice released for a construction manager



Aug. 2022
Parking lot renovation



Jun. 2023
Bids received for renovation project



July 2023
Bids approved by library board



Aug. 2023
building located at 555 N. La Grange Road closes for renovation. Library moves to a temporary location located at 21 N. Catherine in La Grange.



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