

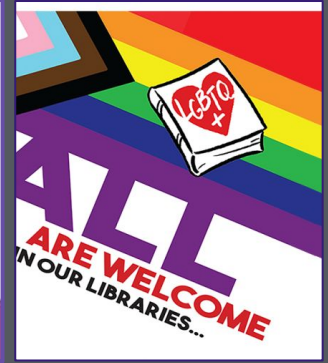


*Report to the
City Council
Subcommittee on
the Downtown
Branch Library*

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

- ALL** races
- ALL** ethnicities
- ALL** ages
- ALL** religions
- ALL** gender expressions & identities
- ALL** sexual orientations
- ALL** nationalities
- ALL** sizes
- ALL** immigration statuses
- ALL** socio-economic backgrounds
- ALL** abilities

We are Boulder together





In 2016, Measure S passed
with 70% approval.

The Downtown Library Advisory Committee, working with an architectural consultant, was directed to:

- Explore national library trends;
- Assess current and future library services;
- Examine the existing library building conditions; and,
- Evaluate the library service needs for Santa Cruz City residents over the next twenty years.

Recommendations on the following were requested:

- Creation of the programmatic scope for the library;
- The feasibility of co-locating the SCPL administrative offices (currently off-site @ 14,000 square feet) on-site with the Downtown Branch Library;
- The evaluation of the three site options; and,
- An estimate of the cost of program goals against the current budget.

DLAC Members

- Steve Blair
- Linda Craighead
- Martha Dexter
- Rena Dubin
- Nikolara Dunbar-Jansons
- Martín Gómez
- Elisa Granata
- Yolanda Henry
- Tera Martin
- Teresa Thomae

Public Input & Outreach

- All 12 DLAC meetings, aside from subcommittee meetings, were public.
- All DLAC meetings included time for comments from the public.
- 210 email messages were reviewed by the DLAC members.
- 92 people attended the community meeting.

We had **2,273** respondents to a survey regarding features the community wants in a downtown library.

The Downtown Branch needs between

44,000 sq ft and 47,000 sq ft

to meet the needs of our community.







































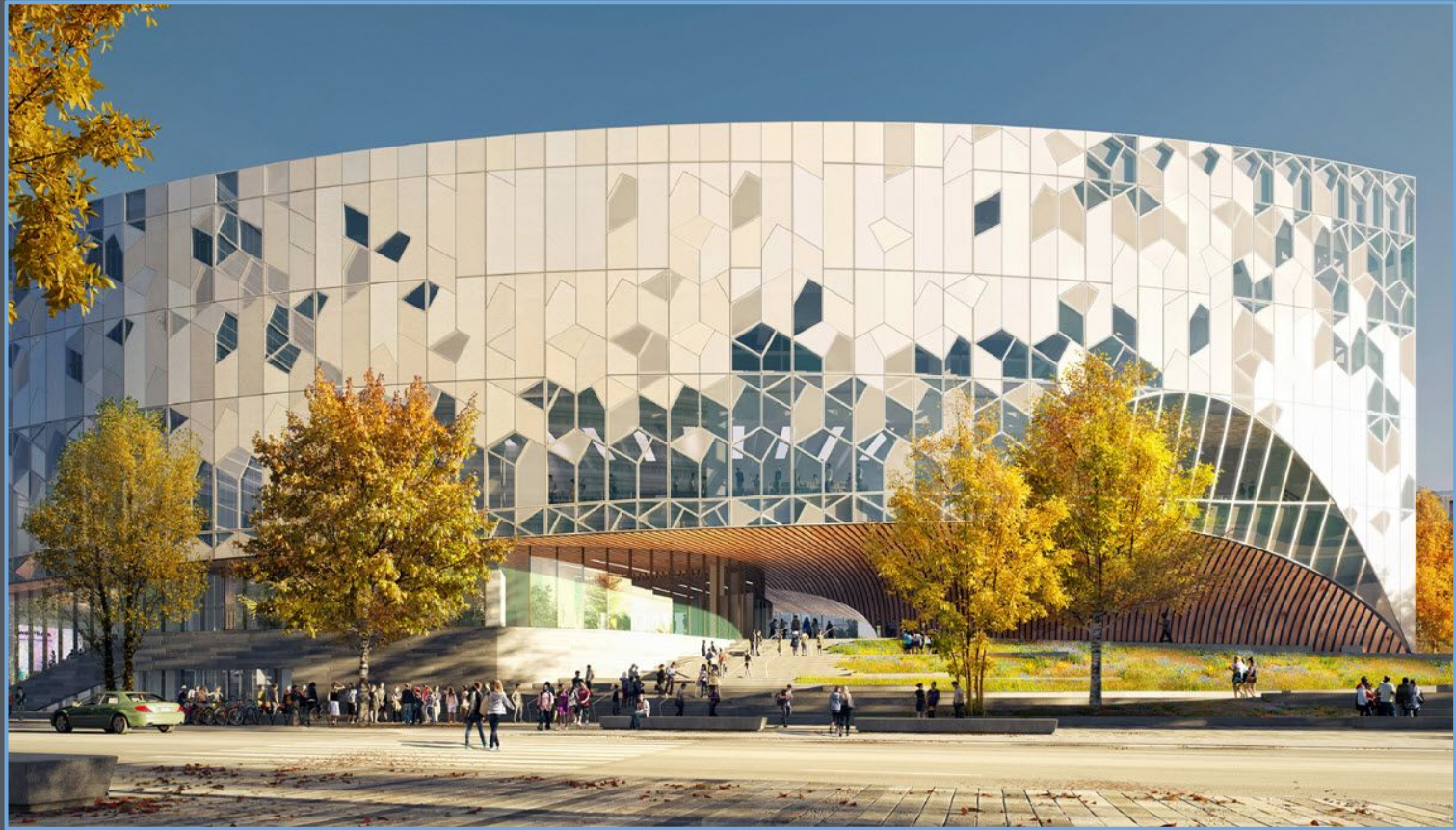


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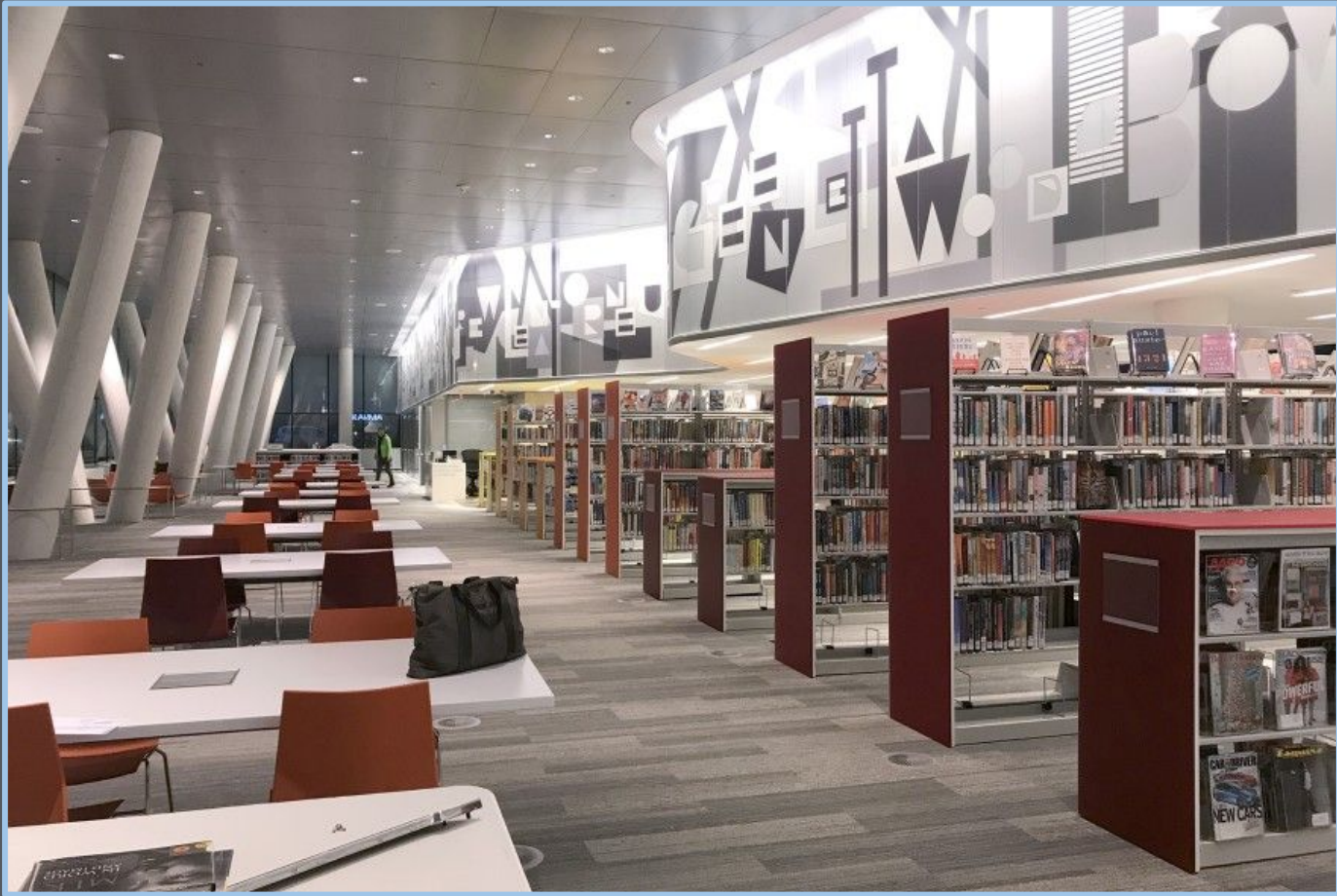








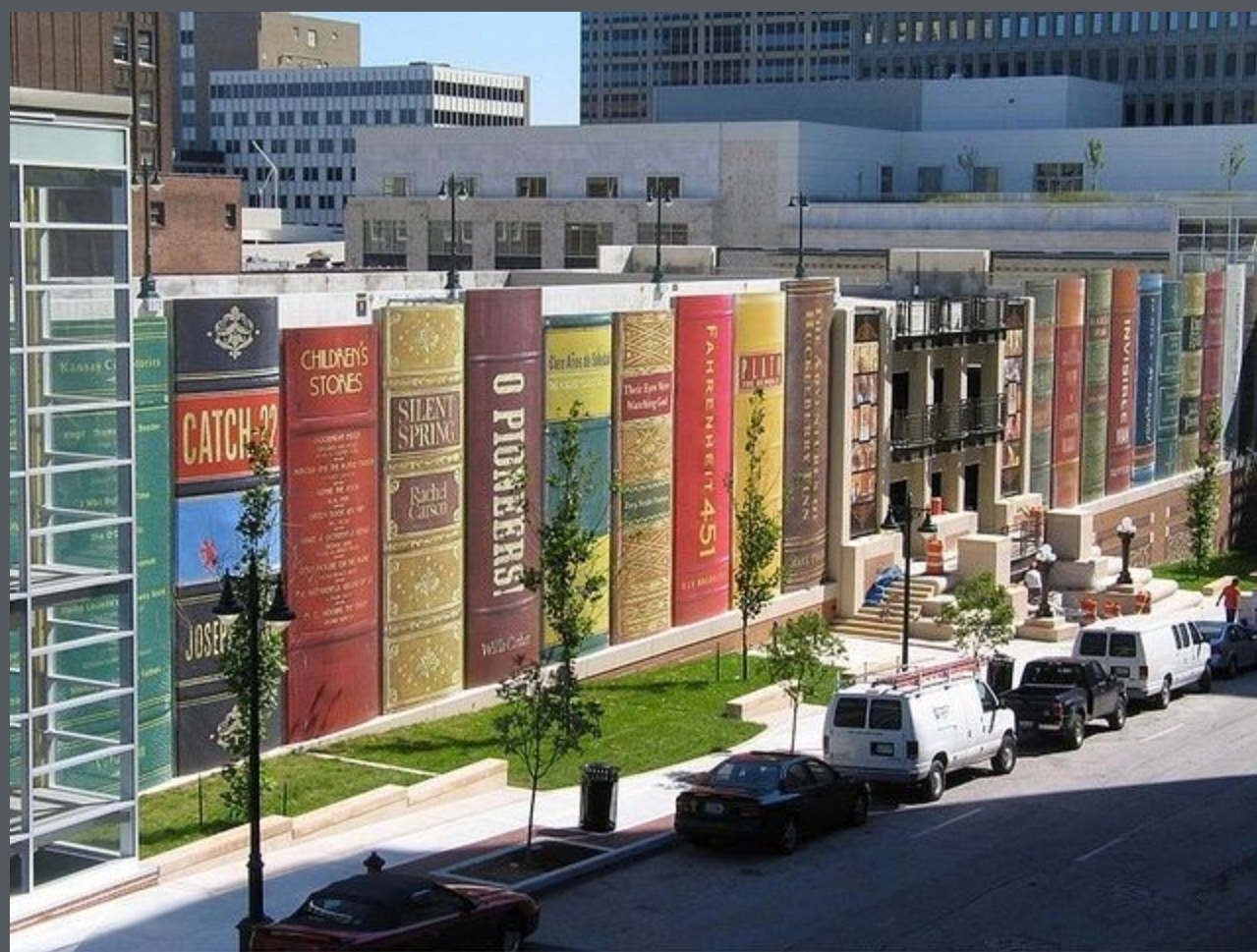
















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Recommendations

The DLAC **unanimously** voted to recommend
Option B,
relocating the Downtown Branch Library to a
mixed-use City-sponsored project.

Option A would:

- Close the downtown library for at least two years;
- Yearly maintenance costs remain high;
- Major expenditures would go for infrastructure improvements, limiting improvements to public spaces;
- Does not meet the Library Building Program (8,000 fewer square feet);
- Fiscally irresponsible
- Lacks safety and security enhancements of purposeful design architecture

Option C - Full renovation of existing library

- At 44,000 square feet, meets program requirements;
- At \$37.8MM - not fiscally irresponsible; and,
- No downtown library service for at least two years while library is under renovation.

Option D - New construction at existing library lot

- Full renovation and expansion of the current structural footprint; but,
- At \$49.3MM, fiscally irresponsible.

Options	Meets Program Requirements	Cost Estimate
A - Partial Renovation of Existing Library	No	\$24.6M
B - New Mixed Use Facility	Yes	\$26.7M
C - Full Renovation of Existing Library	Yes	\$37.8M
D - New Construction on Existing Lot	Yes	\$49.3M

Option B gives the Downtown Branch Library the desired square footage balanced with a fiscally responsible price.

Option B meets the Library Building Program that the DLAC developed.

Some additional benefits of **Option B**:

- Mixed-use space addresses other City priorities like affordable housing, parking as result of the anticipated loss of non-city owned surface lots;
- Opportunities for retail tenants, increasing foot traffic and use of the Library;
- Address current safety and security concerns of the existing library;
- Provides a new location for the Downtown Farmer's Market;
- Downtown Branch Library will remain during construction.



Questions?