I. What aspect of the project are you are most excited about?

- bathrooms
- air conditioning
- lots of manga & comic books
- additional events
- programming spaces - storytime, events & classes (ongoing) for adults and kids
- educational events that build community
- reading nooks
- natural light
- clean lines, beautiful building
- kids area with lots of kids books (especially diary of a wimpy kid)
- neutral community space (not paid)
- opportunities for increased security to facilitate a safe place for kids and families
- workspaces/ places, including areas to charge your devices
- technology center for kids
- manipulatives (whirly-gigs)
- outdoor spaces
- a place to hang out in between visiting shops
- expanded collection
- a nice teen room
- fun chairs & tables - for families, more playful and inviting
- potential for great design
- a variety of different seating areas - furniture as art

II. What types of events would you like the library to hold?

- storytime for different ages
- indoor outdoor events
- toddler time (not just reading, but songs & playtime)
- exhibition of kids arts (arts & crafts show)
- after hours events (early evening, nights & weekends)
- resources for writers, like self publishing or creative writing (all ages)
- reading time, music hour
- pre-toddler (baby) & toddler age events
- adult classes (including life long learning)
- age appropriate events (legos, playtime)
- recitals or kids concerts (not a lot of available spaces in downtown S.C.)
- rotating exhibitions (will inspire creativity)
- author events
- the library acts an extension of living space
- teen movie nights & special teen programming
- craft times
- veteran resources
- Yoga (mommy/daddy & me)
- puppet shows
- clubs for teenagers & kids (STEM club, inspire interests)
- partnership w/ boys & girls clubs
- feast for the homeless (on Thanksgiving)

III. What is one feature that would make you more likely to use the library?

"treehouse" for little kids to hang out

sensory spaces as well as quiet spaces for sensory sensitive folks

kids ONLY area (no parents allowed)

acoustic separation

bike parking, including space for cargo bikes

bike lockers or secure bike parking (but not in lieu of other bike parking)

family friendly bike racks (animal shapes)

rope bridges for the bigger kids

high speed internet & charging stations (from visitors to S.C.)

collaborative, safe spaces for studying, focus, and creativity

water table (for water toys)

lockers for the public to store

specialized classes - SAT or driver's ed

secure bike storage (card access)

marble roll, kinetic sculpture

information classes (lunch & learn)

Drive through book drops

designated loud & quiet spaces

free printing

special ent. y door directly to children's room

place to get coffee

soda machine, coffee shop & hammocks

gift shop with snacks

IV. What words would you use to describe the current downtown library?

- maze
- the "dali" sidewalk
- smelly
- no transition from indoors to outdoors (no lobby)
- awkward approach
- lack of security
- outdated definition of a library
- single use
- old book drop
- no clear navigation
- friendly staff
- too small
- stuffy
- not welcoming
- uncomfortable atmosphere
- unsafe
- insufficient outdoor lighting
- kids room
- not enough variety of books
- not inviting
- book pick up
- most of library is no go zone
- bathrooms are disgusting
- not clean
- risky using the restroom
- fecal & urine odors

V. How can the library promote lifelong learning for children?

- make it fun for kids of all ages
- associate the library with fun
- see behind the curtain, see how libraries work
- free computers
- hands-on interactive science museum type learning fun
- 3D printers
- welcoming for kids of all ages
- opportunity for choice
- if you can get the parents to come, you can get the kids to come
- library intern program (even for younger kids)
- skill building - STEM, etc
- career center for teens - what's next?
- events that motivate the parents to come
- understanding the library will help kids grow to be library users
- music listening (concerts/head phone stations)
- normal printers for homework

VI. What is your child's favorite thing to do at the library?

- get books
- the fish tank
- rainbow cranes
- new books section
- paper mache tiger
- magnet building block toys
- exploration without hinderance or guidance
- browsing, spontaneous discovery
- face out display
- freedom to move from one thing to the next
- just be
- playground, but inside

VII. What values should a civic building represent in the 21st Century? In Santa Cruz?

- respect
- a place of growth
- honor the natural beauty of the area
- totally dope
- unique architecture
- fits into the character of surroundings (a part of the community)
- cohesive & balanced design
- learning
- honors Santa Cruz - especially the original residents of this area
- inclusivity
- centerpiece of downtown
- celebrates diversity
- balances the needs of disparate groups
- All the other buildings should be jealous
- curiosity
- not stagnant
- the true meaning of public space
- once in a lifetime change to build this library
- welcoming for everyone
- aspirational architecture - something a bit new and challenging

very important project for the community

we need this library

mindfulness area

is there a way to stay informed with the progress of the library?

has there been an impact study done regarding pedestrian & car traffic?

how do libraries get so many books?

need to have safe routes to the library

Hopefully the library can be designed to attract different use groups to different areas

Can there be a homeless service space?

For the new library I really want a separate teen space, separate kids space, and no hidden spaces

I would like the new library to NOT have a grand outside entrance that attracts loitering.

Q & A