

APPLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

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TO: Members of the Appleton Public Library Board of Trustees

Members of the City of Appleton Common Council

FROM: Dean Gazza, Director of Parks Recreation and Facilities Management

Colleen Rortvedt, Library Director

DATE: December 20, 2022

RE: December Library Building Project Update

Project Progress

City staff, The Boldt Company (Boldt) and Skidmore, Owings and Merrill (SOM) are modifying the design to reduce the scope of the project. Meetings have been held with trade contractors to obtain recommendations and information about the current market and the effects on cost, lead times and potential alternatives. The entire project team is working diligently to complete redesign and is grateful to the community for their patience and understanding.

Timeline

The current timeline is below. Please remember the schedule may be impacted by many factors including lead time for products, supply chain, weather, etc.

- January 18, 2023 Design update to City Council/Public
- Spring 2023 Project Goes to Bid
- Late Spring 2023 Construction Starts
- Opening Day TBD

Communication

We continue to promote our building project webpage – apl.org/building - as a place for community members to find information related to the project. The webpage includes monthly updates, project FAQs, project spotlights (such as parking, plans and permits, etc.), and an area to provide feedback/questions.

Capital Campaign

Friends continues to work with the Capital Campaign Committee to cultivate private philanthropic support for the library building project and keep potential donors informed of the city's approach to deliver a cost-effective plan.

Plans for the public phase of the campaign will shift to align with the city's updated timeline, bid process and groundbreaking.

Stay up to date on the library building project or sign up for email updates by visiting apl.org/building.