

Irondequoit Public Library

Library Expansion Recommendation

Presented to the Town Board 11/21/2006

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Library Expansion Study

- 5 Options identified for evaluation:
 - 1. Do Nothing
 - 2. Renovate Current Branches NO Additions
 - 3. Renovate Current Branches WITH Additions
 - 4. Construct or move to 2 New Branch Facilities
(Maintain a 2-Branch System)
 - 5. Construct or move to 1 New Facility
(Consolidate to One Branch)
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The Criteria

1. We will adhere to the size recommendations from our expert consultants. Any single branch proposal: 50,000 sq. ft. Any two branch proposal: 25,000 sq. ft. each.
 2. Any 2 branch proposal must provide for full and equal service at both locations.
 3. Any building scenario must meet anticipated needs for the next 20 years.
 4. Any solution must make effective use of tax dollars.
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Applying the Criteria

- **Option 1** Do nothing – Rejected. Does not meet size or future needs recommendations.
 - **Option 2** Renovate with no expansion – Rejected. See above.
 - **Option 3** Renovate with expansion – Rejected. West branch on Cooper Rd does not meet size or future needs recommendations. See next.
 - **Option 3-a** Expand East Branch – Relocate West Branch
 - **Option 4** Relocate both branches
Both are rejected due to inefficient use of tax dollars. We see no pressing need to maintain 2 branches a mere 2.7 miles apart. Duplication of services wastes money better spent on improving and expanding services.
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Conclusion

Our Recommendation To The Town Supervisor and The Town Board

- **Implement Option 5** - Consolidate library operations to a location as close to the center of town as possible.
 - Meet the community's demand for library services for the next 20 years in the most cost effective way possible.
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What do you think?

- ❑ Meet the Library Board and discuss the recommendation.
- ❑ Wednesday, November 29, 7pm
at the Evans Branch, 45 Cooper Rd
- ❑ Wednesday, December 6, 2 pm
at the McGraw Branch, 2180 Ridge Rd E
- ❑ Or write, call or email.

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