

Additional Space-- Evaluating Alternatives

Library Facility



Evaluating Alternatives

- Short term need
 - Room for a new material type
 - Lack of collection space
 - Seating variation
 - Does the facility need to be updated?
 - Do you need to makes to make the library more accessible?
 - Disabilities
 - Gender identity
- Long term need
 - Meeting/Program space
 - Study rooms
 - Community growth
 - Staff changes

Evaluating Alternatives

- Current building
- Addition/Renovation
- Conversion of existing building
- New Construction

Current building

- Invite others to provide a new perspective of the current space
- Short term
 - Weed the collection
 - Purchase different furniture
 - Discontinue/Shrink a current collection
 - Rearrangement
 - New paint and/or carpet

Current building



Before photos Phase 1—Balsam Lake

Current building



Construction of mini-wall



Allowed for coffee nook and table

Current building



Phase 2 – Old Shelving



Phase 3 – New Shelving



Evaluating the Alternatives— Beyond Current Space



DREAM



DESIGN



BUILD

Addition & Renovation

- Considerations
 - Adjacent land available
 - Cost versus other alternatives
 - Additional staffing costs
 - Multiple floors
 - Impact on parking
 - Will the space meet the long-term needs of the library
 - ADA and Code requirements
 - Utilities
 - Condition of original building

Addition & Renovation



Somerset--Before

Addition & Renovation



Somerset-- Construction

Addition & Renovation



Renovation of the original portion of Library



Addition

Addition & Renovation



Old Entrance

New Entrance



Conversion of Existing Building

- Considerations
 - Type and quality of construction
 - Slab
 - Basement
 - Wood frame
 - Hazardous material remediation
 - Quality of materials used
 - Efficiency of the space
 - Load bearing walls
 - Accessibility
 - Shaping the library to the space instead of shaping the space to the library needs
 - Stairs
 - Balconies
 - Bank safes or other items that are costly to remove

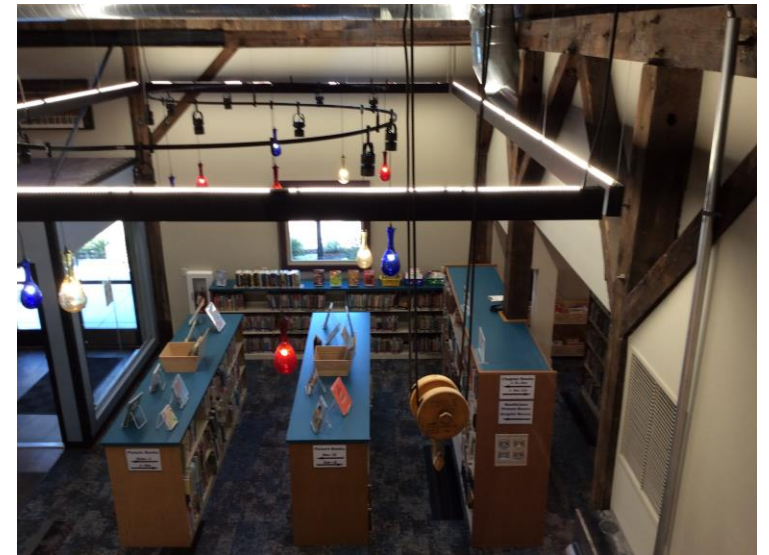
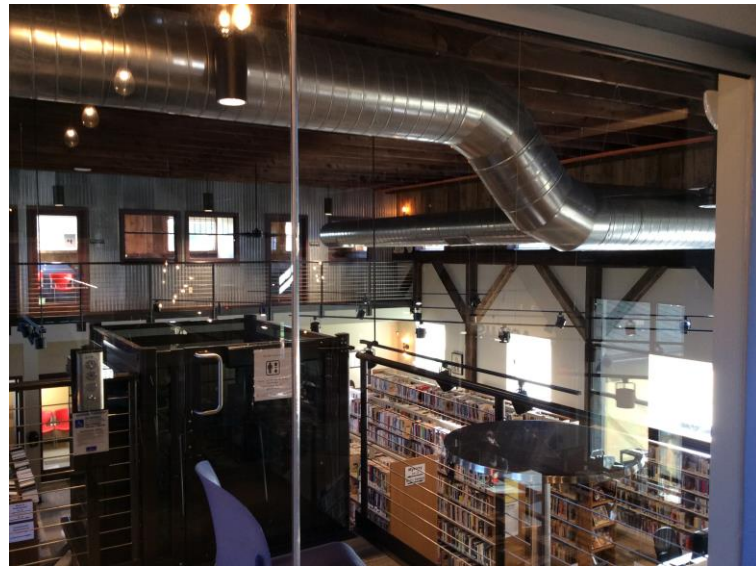
Conversion of Existing Building

- Considerations
 - Building Conditions
 - Age of structure
 - Condition of electric, plumbing, and HVAC systems
 - Accessibility
 - Natural lighting
 - Ceiling heights
 - Roof
 - Floor loading
 - Libraries require 150 pounds per square feet
 - General Considerations
 - Location
 - Site contamination
 - Parking
 - Size of building
 - Cost to acquire and convert

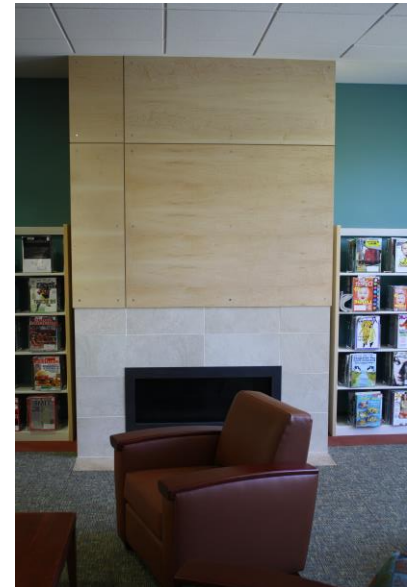
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St. Croix Falls

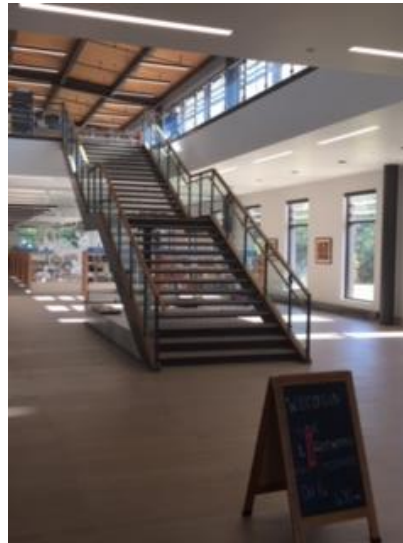
New Construction

- Considerations
 - Stand alone versus shared
 - Do other municipal facilities need additional space
 - Share meeting rooms
 - Size requirements
 - Size of building
 - Cost
 - Site location
 - Designed for future expansion
 - Generally more efficient
 - Parking
 - Style
 - Fit the community or site

New Construction Waunakee



New Construction Waunakee



New Construction Colby



New Construction Abbotsford



Communication

Share needs with
stakeholders

Big picture

Establish and share
criteria for
evaluating options

Community
meetings



Resources

- <https://dpi.wi.gov/pld/boards-directors/space-needs> Public Library Space Needs : A Planning Outline
- https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/pld/pdf/Inclusive_Services_Assessment_and_Guide_for_Wisconsin_Public_Libraries_2019_updated_Sept.pdf The Inclusive Services Assessment and Guide for Wisconsin Public Libraries
- <https://dpi.wi.gov/pld/boards-directors/library-standards> Wisconsin Public Library Standards
- <https://www.webjunction.org/news/webjunction/smart-spaces-transformation-stories.html> Smart Space Transformation Stories
- <https://www.wbdg.org/building-types/libraries/public-library> Whole Building Design Guide Public Libraries

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