

POC Decision Paper

25 October 2024

The following items are to be considered by the POC for inclusion in the existing library construction contract. They were endorsed by the Pamlico County Branch Librarian and FOL management. Additionally, several action items need to be acknowledged by the committee.

1. Deck and Ramp Handrail

- This feature is a continuation of the handicap-friendly atmosphere of the Public Library and compliments the ADA doors.
- The perimeter of the exterior decks in the adult area and children's area will be fitted with required handrails and necessary ramps. This feature will permit unobstructed access to all portions of the library by patrons.
- The Trex material being used will greatly reduce maintenance concerns and be aesthetically pleasing at a cost of \$13,796.99.

2. Reception Slider

- This is an added operational feature that aids the daily activity of the library staff at its central location. It provides visibility into the library proper and allows interaction with patrons/staff when necessary.
- This feature was approved by Rich Bartz on 24 October 24 at a cost of \$333.49 which was below the \$5,000 approval threshold.

3. Phased Fire System

- A further investigation of the fire system was conducted. It was thought that a phased fire system would better fit FOL's future funding capability. The final cost was \$70,000.
- The first phase of this effort would be the installation of conduit, wire and terminal framing for \$24,000. The last phase would entail the installation of terminal equipment at a cost of \$46,000.
- The proposal was rejected since there were additional library needs to consider and the fact that the current contract is code compliant for fire consideration purposes.

4. **Clerestory Change Order** (Pending)

- The construction contractor will submit a change order to reflect the use of steel framing in the clerestory rather than the previously listed design material.
- This change significantly enhances the structural integrity of the clerestory and is estimated to cost \$5,000.

5. **Project Funding Status**

- FOL has \$5,000 currently available and is anticipating \$25,000 in dividends, grant awards, and fundraiser proceeds by end of year.
- Anonymous donors have pledged at least \$50,000 by early 2025.

6. **Recommendation**

- Approve the addition of deck ramps and handrails to the construction contract: \$13,796.99.
- Be aware of rejection of Phased Fire System: \$70,000.
- Be aware of the already approved minor change order concerning the reception slider: \$333.49.
- Be aware of the pending change order to properly support the clerestory with steel framing vice wood: approximately \$5,000.

Voting Results

Rich Bartz	Approved 24 Oct 24, decision paper author
Ben Bowditch	Approved 26 Oct 24, telephonically
Doug Brinson	Approved 30 Oct 24, telephonically
Joshus Rose	Approved 31 Oct 24, telephonically
Catherine Clowers	Not available for comment, but has previously endorsed.