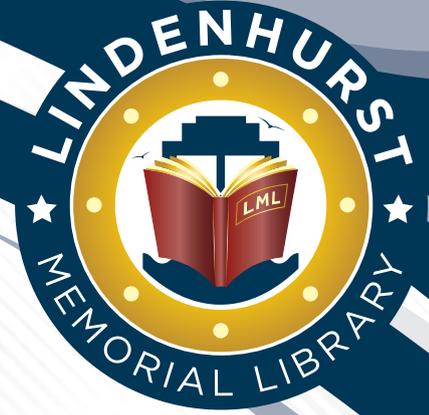


The Wave Bond Referendum



LINDENHURST MEMORIAL LIBRARY 2019 BOND REFERENDUM

In March of 2018, the Board of Trustees had a Facilities Study formally conducted to identify and assess the building for ADA, code, and safety concerns. Over the last ten years, the Board has been addressing major building renovations and repairs in a fiscally responsible way using capital reserve funds instead of bonds. **In this way, the Library:**

- Replaced the old, leaking roof with a new white roof that lowers energy costs
- Replaced the aged HVAC system with a new, energy efficient system
- Added twenty parking spots by creating the first "Green Parking Lot" in Suffolk County that used pavers and gravel instead of asphalt
- Replaced most of the single pane glass windows in the Library with energy efficient double pane glass to further reduce energy costs
- Changed the majority of lighting fixtures to cost effective LED lights

The building turned 50 years old on May 18, 2019. There are no ADA accessible toilets anywhere in the building, and the elevator is not ADA accessible. There is no fire sprinkler system. Additional security lighting is needed, and the main parking lot needs a full rip-out to widen and level ADA entrances.

Library patrons continue to ask for quiet study areas, along with additional community rooms for the many active Lindenhurst groups that regularly meet at the Library, and to allow for expanded library classes and programs.

More than books, today's community libraries have greatly evolved, especially in the areas of technology. Our electrical infrastructure was not built anticipating the world of computers, smartphones, and other devices that receive heavy use in a public building.

While always valued for books, information, and research, public libraries also provide education,

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cultural, recreational and technological classes and services to all ages. Public libraries by their nature are dynamic institutions that continually change to be responsive to its community's needs.

The Library Board and staff took into consideration community feedback received after the 2017 vote wasn't approved, as well as through comprehensive studies, including a facilities and a space planning study, to develop a practical renovation and expansion plan.

This revised plan is 5 million less than the 2017 bond, yet still provides:

- A fully accessible and ADA compliant facility, including an ADA elevator, bathrooms, and parking lot with larger, compliant curb cuts
- Safety and security provisions such as improved exterior lighting and security systems
- Fire sprinkler system
- Four additional meeting spaces and program rooms
- New multi-use space to serve our senior population in the mornings and our teen population in the afternoons
- Quiet study rooms for both individual and group study
- Increased electrical infrastructure to accommodate the demands of technological growth
- Energy and cost efficient building materials and systems
- A small self-serve café area for our patron's convenience

We invite you to join us at two bond informational meetings, on Saturday, September 21 at noon (following the Library Board meeting at 9:30 am) or Monday, October 7 at 7:00 pm.

The proposed plans and project details will be shared to allow you to make an informed decision on October 16, 2019 at the Bond Referendum Vote.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Tuesday, September 24, 2019: 9:00 am – 8:00 pm at the Library

Monday, October 7, 2019: 4:00 – 8:00 pm at the Library

Thursday, October 10, 2019: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the District Administration Building (McKenna)

LIBRARY BOND VOTE
Wednesday, October 16, 2019
9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Lindenhurst Memorial Library
One Lee Avenue,
Lindenhurst NY, 11757

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY
(2017-18 FISCAL YEAR DATA)

- 202,011 Library visits
- 28,045 registered resident borrowers
- 17,195 collection materials checked out monthly (on average)
- 943 classes and programs offered to children, teens and adults
- 156,990 website visits with access to online tutoring, databases, e-books, and movies
- Library staff answered 33,099 reference and reader advisory questions
- 26,401 public computer usage sessions
- 32,421 wireless sessions (Wi-Fi)
- 140 community group meetings/events (Kiwanis, Youth Center Board, Suffolk Literacy Tutors, Boy and Girl Scout troops, etc.)

PROJECT COST SUMMARY

Bond Referendum Amount: \$9.9 million
Capital Funds Use: \$500,000
Cost: \$9.4 million
Bond Term: 15 years

Approximate tax rate increase: \$5.31 per month (or \$64 per year) *

** Based on Town of Babylon average home assessed valuation of \$3,500*

The Library will continue to actively apply for grants and pursue donations in an effort to reduce the cost of the bond.

Sustainable and Energy-Efficient Features will be incorporated throughout the revised plans, including:

- Reuse of the existing building
- New windows with high performance glazing
- Light pollution reducing exterior light fixtures
- Water-efficient area landscaping with native plant species

- Use of materials with recycled content, locally manufactured when possible
- Use of low-emitting interior materials for improved occupant health
- Use of natural light to reduce energy usage where appropriate and provide more comfort

Safety Upgrades

- Fire sprinkler system
- Redesigned parking lot with additional spaces
- Exterior security lighting
- Hurricane rated glass
- Solar lights in Green parking lot replaced with more energy efficient panels
- CO2 detection improvements
- Connection of emergency doors to fire alarm system

LIBRARY VALUE CALCULATOR MENU*

The Lindenhurst Memorial Library is a valuable community resource, providing all of the following services and more at a fraction of today's average retail prices:

How many of each item/service do you typically use?			
Adult Books Borrowed	4	\$17.00	\$68.00
YA Books Borrowed	0	\$12.00	\$0.00
Childrens Books Borrowed	8	\$17.00	\$136.00
Audiobooks Borrowed	1	\$9.95	\$9.95
Interlibrary Loan Requests	0	\$25.00	\$0.00
eBooks Downloaded	1	\$15.00	\$15.00
Music CD	0	\$13.95	\$0.00
Magazines Read	0	\$5.00	\$0.00
eMagazine Downloaded	3	\$5.00	\$15.00
Newspapers Read	0	\$9.50	\$0.00
Movies Borrowed	2	\$4.00	\$8.00
CDs Borrowed	0	\$9.95	\$0.00
Video Games Borrowed	1	\$29.95	\$29.95
Music Downloaded	0	\$1.00	\$0.00
Meeting Room Use (per hour)	0	\$25.00	\$0.00
Adult Program Attended	1	\$15.00	\$15.00
Young Adult Program Attended	0	\$12.00	\$0.00
Childrens Program Attended	3	\$7.00	\$21.00
Museum Passes Borrowed	2	\$20.00	\$40.00
Computer Use (per hour)	1	\$12.00	\$12.00
WiFi Connection (per two hours)	1	\$9.95	\$9.95
Database Searches	3	\$19.95	\$59.85
Reference Assistance	2	\$7.00	\$14.00
my monthly benefit: \$453.70			

***This is an example of the approximate return on investment for a Lindenhurst Memorial Library family with 2 adults and 1 child.**

Visit: https://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/cms/review.html?Action=CMS_Document&DocID=1181&MenuKey=advocacy to discover the approximate return on investment of your own library and materials service usage.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How much will this cost me?

The proposed project cost is \$9.9 million, with \$500,000 from capital funds being used to reduce the cost to \$9.4 million. Taxes for the average home with an assessed value of \$3,500 in the Town of Babylon would increase by approximately \$5.31 per month if the bond is approved.

Will the Library remain open during construction?

The Library would phase construction to allow the existing building to remain open as much as possible. The Library will also offer library programs and services at other community locations, when available, to ensure access to materials and services throughout the construction process.

What is the size of the current Library? How much bigger will it be?

The current building is 23,000 square feet. The proposed design maximizes the amount of usable space in the building and will add 3,000 square feet with a modest addition, bringing the total square footage of the building to 26,000 square feet upon completion. This figure does not include other space, like the Library Backyard and Community Garden that is also available to the public for library programs.

What are some of the problems with the current building?

The building was built in 1969, and does not comply with ADA and accessibility regulations. The elevator needs to be replaced and enlarged, and there are currently no ADA accessible toilet facilities in the building. There is no fire sprinkler system, and the electrical infrastructure is severely outdated for a 21st century technological world. Patrons have requested quiet study areas, and comfortable areas to sit and read beyond the wood chairs and tables. The Library in its current configuration lacks the ability to provide requested services and areas without a complete redesign of its space while also adding a small amount of square footage to further meet the needs of our community.

What will the Library be able to offer if the bond passes?

The renovated and expanded Library building will also be fully ADA and handicap accessible. It will have correct, updated fire and other safety features. Four community rooms of varying sizes will be added to increase our community space from the current two rooms to six community rooms. A dedicated quiet study room will also be added to the main floor. Additional parking spaces will be added, while a redesign of the lot will allow for safer and more efficient traffic flow. Energy efficient systems and features will be added to lower the long term costs of the building.

Will the new Library require additional staff?

The redesign is a better utilization of space while also creating additional public spaces, so we don't anticipate additional staff at this time. Instead, a change in how services are delivered (a combined information and material borrowing desk, for example) will allow us to offer services in a more cost-efficient manner.

How do I register to vote?

To participate in the Lindenhurst Memorial Library Bond Referendum Vote, voter eligibility requires that you are: a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age; a Lindenhurst School District resident for at least 30 days; and a registered voter with the School District's Board of Registry or with the Suffolk County

Board of Elections. Residents may register to vote on the following days:

Tuesday, September 24 between 9:00 am and 8:00 pm, at the Library

Monday, October 7 between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm, at the Library

Thursday, October 10 between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, at the School District McKenna Administration Building (Office of the District Clerk)

Absentee ballot applications may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk (School District McKenna Administration building.) If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than October 9, 2019. If the ballot is to be received by the voter at the office of the District Clerk, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than October 15, 2019.

What if I have more questions?

Please feel free to contact Library Director Lisa Kropp at 631-957-7759 or attend one of the in-person bond information meeting dates at the Library:

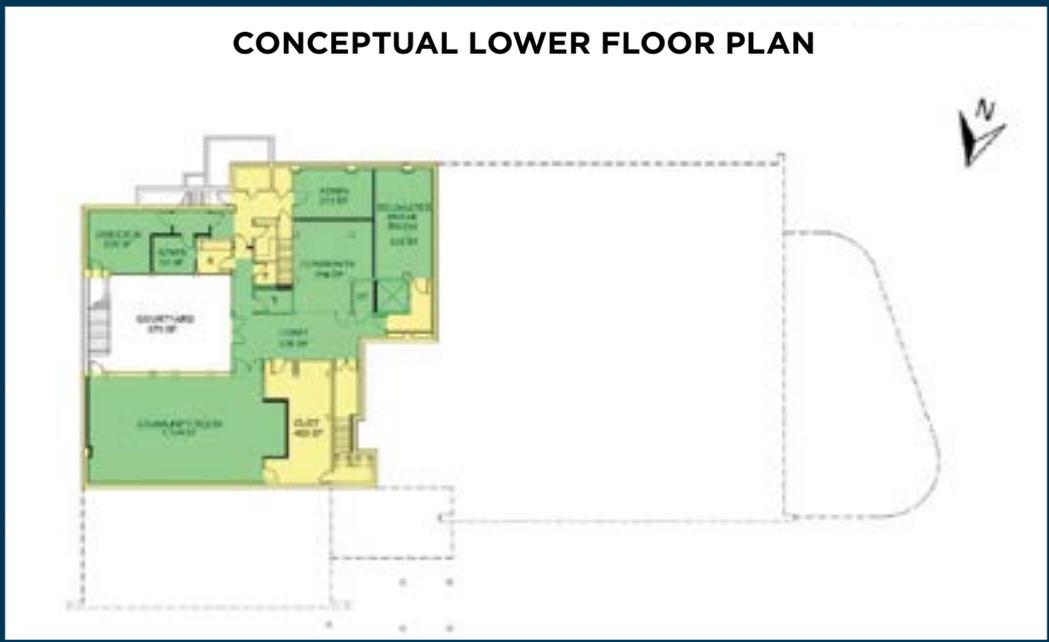
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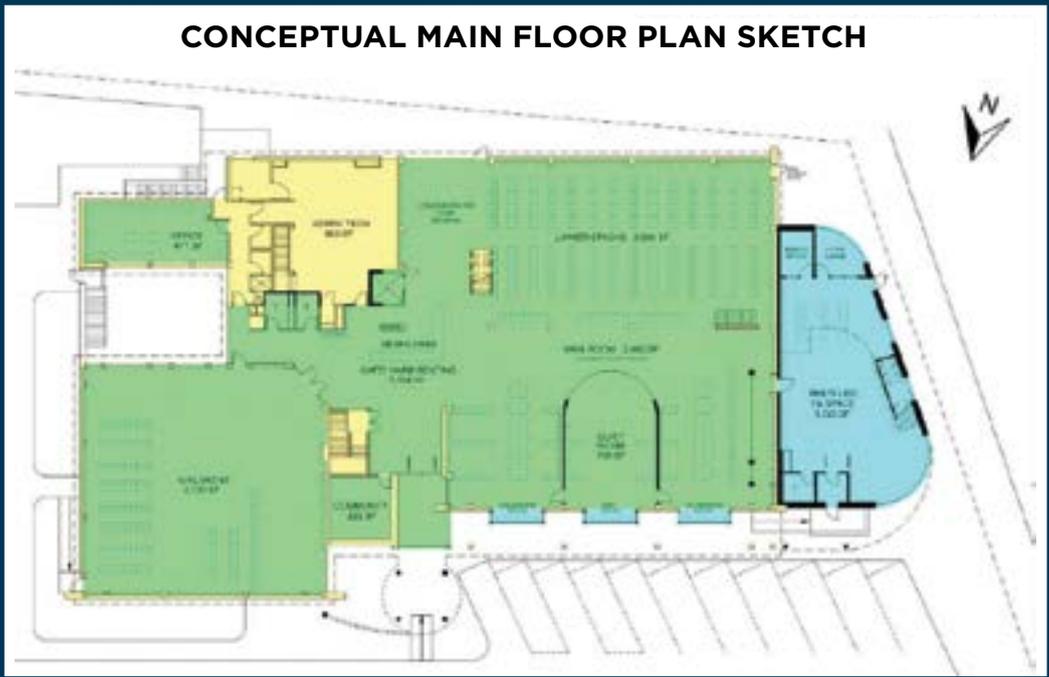
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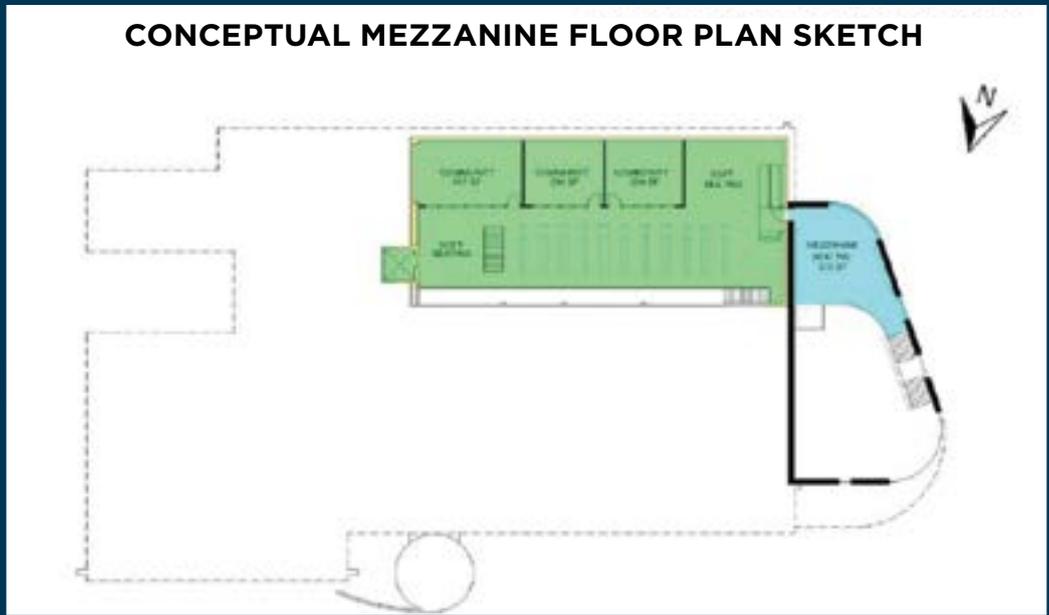
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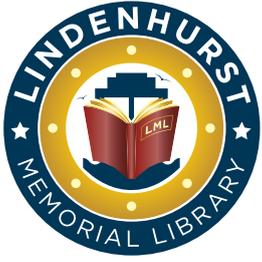
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Bond Referendum Mailer



MISSION STATEMENT

The LindenHurst Memorial Library is dedicated to the pursuit of intellectual freedom as expressed in the Library Bill of Rights formulated by the American Library Association. Our mission is to provide a community forum where quality services and lifelong learning opportunities are offered to all.
Adopted March 23, 2013

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Library Director: Lisa Kropp

Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: (Sept-May) 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm