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MEETING NOTES

PROJ: Ketchikan Public Library

BY: Tim Whiteley

RE: Public Meeting – October 21, 2010, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

ATTENDEES: Building Committee: Heidi Ekstrand, Matt Olsen, Judith McQuerry,
Project Mangers: Kent Crandall (RISE), Judi Andrijanoff (RISE),
Design Team: Erik Mott, Holly Herzer, Tim Whiteley

Discussion Topics & Comments Included:

- Expand storage to a second floor or basement below
- Energy efficiency
 - Window coverings
- Updated roof form
 - Pleased to see that there are no more valleys
- Enthusiasm for the additional parking that has been accommodated
- Positive response to the idea of serving coffee in the library
- Idea of a donor wall/stacks was well received
- Lantern affect was praised
- Public would like to see benches under covered entry
- Several questions regarding expansion were raised
- Children's play area surface?
- Constant book sale area in the lobby was suggested
- Efficient use of volume (storage above library, perhaps)
- Storage in story time room desired
- Like that the children's area has moved to the end of the building and is no longer parallel to the adults
- Children's area appears to be more flexible
- Provide storage for 3-4 strollers
- KPL indicated that there will be more volumes in shorter shelves in the new library
- Several members of the public brought up the concern for acoustics, energy, and space efficiency
 - Radiant heat
 - Daylighting control

- Landscaping as a noise buffer (most likely coniferous trees)
- It was suggested that it would be ideal to have local stone brought in for the fireplace and or sill
- The question was raised as to whether it was necessary to have higher windows continuously on the East side of the building
 - Target views in bays for energy efficiency and constructability
- It was indicated that a connection (stair) to Bear Valley would be appreciated by the residents
- It was suggested that the hearth might be a more intimate space
 - Locate centrally
- One member of the community had visited many libraries and indicated that they all had great views in common and that it is important to capitalize on the views
- Building is of a good scale
- Bends in roof will be met with opposition from the City Council
- Public was directed to the website www.ournewketchikanlibrary.com, where they will be able to see updated drawings and provide more feedback directly on the site. Supporters were encouraged to mention the project to State Legislators to ensure that there is interest in this project for funding.

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