

Gloucester Working Group Meeting Notes 2/20/2019 1:00 PM at DW Office

Attendees:

Deborah Kelsey
Simon Paddock
Matt Oudens
Kevin Griffin
Peter Feinstein
Maria Fernandez Donovan

1. Matt discussed the MBLC meeting and the direction the project is going in. The feedback from the MBLC is positive with regards to a new building to a add/reno building.
2. Matt discussed option 3 with the changes made from the working group #5 meeting and the MBLC meeting. The biggest change to the basement floor plan are the afterhours use of the meeting room and the segregation of the two spaces. The access to the 3rd floor needs to be reworked. Also that the MBLC is comfortable with eliminating the wired computers and going to the laptop bar. The entrance vestibule has been flipped to have a front access. A general discussion about the main floor plan and the flow between the two sets of stairs was discussed.
3. Deborah asked Matt to go over the security aspects of the children's and teens area. Matt showed the doors at the landing for children's and teens to help limit unauthorized patrons from being in those areas.
4. Matt showed the group the latest 3rd floor plan that eliminated the green space and added a shared program room. Matt discussed this concept would add square footage to the overall building floor plan, but the costs should be minimal. Deborah asked if the new layout could be tweaked to combine and or move the game room and quite study with the new shared program space.
5. Placement of the staff space on the upper floor needs some work to provide appropriate oversight of both the teen and children's room.
6. Matt showed the overall changes per elevation of the existing building and the new addition. Also discussed the insulation upgrades that could be made to the existing facades based on a conversation he had with SGH engineers.
7. A discussion about where the fountain would go was had. Matt will start to play around with some placements.
8. A discussion about the connection between the new and old roof lines was had and the issues with the current buildings structure.
9. At the 2/26/19 meeting the design team will update everyone on the preferred schematic plan that we have so we can continue down the path to prepare for an estimate.
10. Deborah would update the group about the proposed meeting with the Mayor.