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Hi,

I am sure the top level question is - to remodel or replace/expand. The community hasn't been able to find the funds to replace/expand. If funds are expended on remodel, there will be even fewer available to replace/expand.

However, my concerns is the figures associated with NCLA funding availability:

What is the source of the presentation saying \$10M is available from NCLA?

What is the source of the FAQ that uses \$13M?

" The NCLA projects to have approximately \$13M by the end of FY 2029-2030."

The last balance showed a minimal increase. What assumptions are being made to project out this fund balance?

In addition, the parcel tax will expire and need to fund its own renewal. Has that cost been factored into what is available? Back in 2010 it was over \$.5M and I am sure it is more now, depending on when. Should NCLA not preserve sufficient funding to renew the parcel tax, then that source of library funding would dry up.

In addition, should NCLA expend funds on remodeling, how will that impact the parcel tax renewal? Polling in 2010 didn't show an appetite to fund anything beyond services.

It seems to me NCLA should have discussed this figure before it was presented to Council. The budget proposed is pretty small to begin with. How realistic is it?

Thanks,

Megan