



Library Commission Meeting
March 6, 2025

LOS ALTOS LIBRARY
Library Renovation



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Improvement Review

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Project Context

- The Main Library Improvements Project (Phase 1) was approved by the City Council.
- This Library Commission meeting is part of the first round of stakeholder engagement to **gather input on the identified library needs and improvements**. It will build on previous reports and engagement efforts.

Purpose

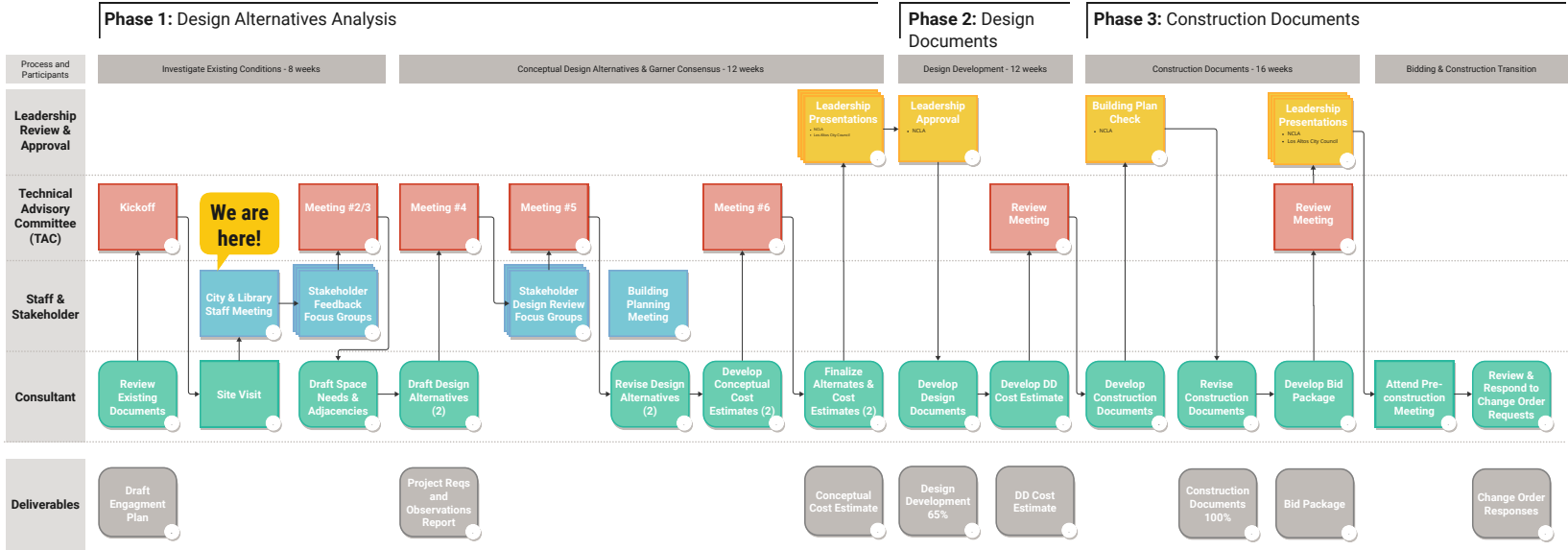
Review and discuss the proposed improvements to **gather stakeholder input for the next steps.**

Intended Results

- Shared understanding of project background, goals, and timeline
- Input for validation of prioritized improvements

City of Los Altos - Main Library Improvements

Process Map



PHASE 1: Design Alternatives Analysis

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The ABA Team



Core Values

- *The Library values the individual library user and provides service in a non-judgmental way.*
- *The Library is committed to intellectual freedom and the privacy rights of each of its users.*
- *Library staff is a valuable system-wide resource.*
- *The library provides one collection electronically connected to meet the needs of the entire community.*
- *The Library introduces children, young adults, and new readers to the pleasure of books and reading, as well as to information.*
- *The Library develops and maintains partnerships throughout the community and private sector.*
- *The contribution of volunteer time and talents is encouraged.*
- *Buildings are to be welcoming, safe, clean and easy to use.*

Source: Library Services and Space Need
Assessment, May 2008

Recommendations for Improvement

Organized in three groups based on priority

- Proposal 1
- Proposal 2
- Proposal 3

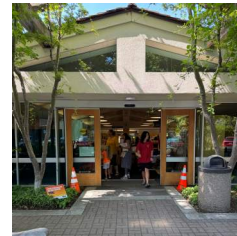
Proposal 1

- Reconfigure and enlarge the lobby
- Install family bathrooms
- Address circulation and reference desk service
- Move children's area entrance to enable direct access
- Find suitable alternative for holds
- Improve Friends' sales space
- Remediate inadequate wiring
- Address any accessibility concerns as discovered



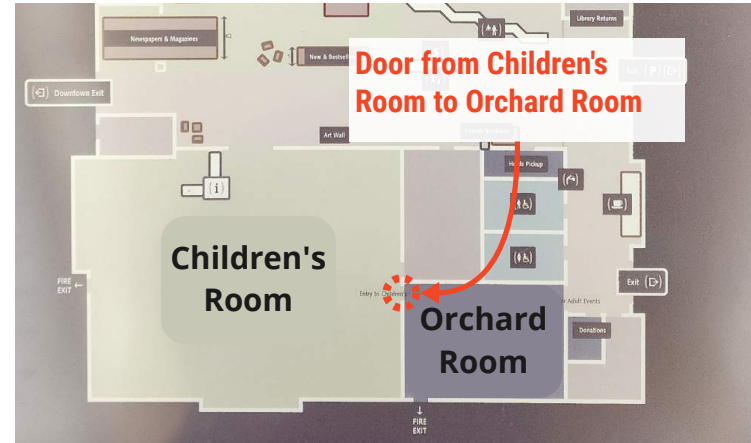
Proposal 2

- Remodel to support limited Extended Hours Space
- Evaluate and consolidate staff areas and Friends' space to improve efficiency
- Create acoustic quiet zone
- Evaluate and redeploy library digital needs in computing, printing, and scanning



Proposal 3

- Remodel to support full Extended Hours space
- Create opening between children's space and Orchard Room to expand useable space





Public Comments

- Speak during public comment period
- Submit written comment to the project team
- Submit email comment to
Anthony Carnesecca <aCarnesecca@losaltosca.gov>

Commission Discussion

1- Validate Identified Needs

- a) Are any critical needs missing from the list?
- b) Is there anything that should be reprioritized?

2- Success Criteria:

As we explore solutions for improvements, do you have any input on key considerations or success criteria for the improvement list?

- a) Proposal 1
- b) Proposal 2
- c) Proposal 3



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