

QUEENS LIBRARY
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2018
MINUTES

A meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee was held at the Central Library, 89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11432 on Thursday, June 28, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM by Committee Chair, John Ottulich.

I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Judy E. Bergtraum, Esq.	Chair of the Board	Present	
Robert Santos, Esq.	Board Member	Excused	
Maria Concolino	Board Member	Present	
Julissa Gutierrez	Board Member	Present	6:06 PM
James M. Haddad, Esq.	Board Member	Excused	
John Ottulich	Committee Chair	Present	
Andrew P. Jackson	Board Member	Present	
George Russo, Esq.	Board Member	Present	

II. AGENDA

Report(s)

Lewis Finkelman, Chief Operating Officer and Sr. VP, reported that consultants have been sent to various libraries, such as Corona and Rosedale, to complete zoning analyses to evaluate the Library's options to expand those branches.

He also reported that the Library received \$20 million in additional capital funding for FY19. At this time, we are unsure as to how this funding will be allocated. However, the funding will first be used to fund shortfalls on capital projects, especially for the Woodhaven and Woodside libraries.

Dennis M. Walcott, President and CEO, reported that DDC proposed to turn over Hunters Point Library by the end of the calendar year. However, after the turnover, Hunters Point Library must be outfitted. The Library may not be able to put change orders in place going forward; however, the necessary safety enhancements will proceed while the Library outfits the building. Given DDC's timeline and the need to outfit Hunters Point Library, it is slated to open in June 2019. He also reported that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has allocated an additional \$5 million in funding to the project, which includes \$2.5 million for the safety enhancement work.

Mr. Finkelman distributed the project status report to review with the Buildings & Grounds Committee and gave an overview of the libraries closing.

Mr. Finkelman also reported that Steinway Library is temporarily closing due to abatement work that will begin in August 2018.

He also reported that Queens Library is still in the process of receiving reimbursement to be used for the Richmond Hill Library reconstruction project and anticipates receiving that funding by July 2018.

1. Purchases Over \$5K Report - May 2018 (ID # 1795)

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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III. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to Adjourn (ID # 1793)

Recommended Motion for Consideration:

I move that the meeting be adjourned.

RESULT:	RECOMMENDED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Andrew P. Jackson
SECONDER:	Maria Concolino
AYES:	Bergtraum, Esq., Concolino, Gutierrez, Ottulich, Jackson, Russo, Esq.
EXCUSED:	Robert Santos Esq., James M. Haddad, Esq.

The meeting was closed at 6:29 PM.

Committee Chair