

1. Does the library have a preference on the number of floors or levels for the new building?

Yes, the library is pursuing a single-level building.

2. Has the library board considered any adaptive reuse opportunities for existing structures that may be suitable for this purpose?

Initially, yes, but due to the lack of existing structures suitable for a library remodel in the geographic areas of interest, new construction is the direction of the board of trustees.

3. Has the library conducted a master plan or needs assessment that can be shared?

The library has conducted a public survey to gain insight from the community. The results can be [found here](#). No other master plan or needs assessment has been conducted.

4. Was any feasibility study performed that informed the proposed 30,000 SF program area for the new library?

The library is pursuing a 30,000 sq. ft. library facility, not a single 30,000 sq. ft. program area. Areas for library programs will be included in the 30,000 sq. ft. facility.

The estimated square footage is based on the library's current building as well as libraries in similarly-sized communities.

5. How does the library intend to procure construction for this project—Design-Bid-Build, CMR, or CM?

The library is open to both the design-bid-build and construction manager-at-risk processes.

6. Section III, Scope of Work, Subsection H lists several as-needed services. Should design fees for these services be included in the Pricing Structure? If so, could you provide a list of anticipated technology systems and any detailed sustainability goals, including desired building certifications?

The pricing structure is no longer a submittal requirement for this RFQ. An amended RFQ with the latest submittal requirements has been posted. Pricing structure will not be

considered as part of a firm's qualifications and should not be included in the firm's submission.

7. Will a drive-through book drop be required at this site?

Yes, a drive-through for material check-ins and check-outs is being considered.

8. Will the facility include any automated book-handling or conveyor system?

Not at this time.

9. Is there an estimated construction budget for this project?

Currently, there is no formal estimated construction budget for this project. However, based on the costs of recently constructed library facilities of similar size and scope, the library anticipates an estimated construction budget of approximately \$15m.

10. The City of Branson Building Code Information references several adopted 2018 IBC codes but does not explicitly identify an adopted energy code. The city website also notes that the list may not include all applicable codes. Please confirm whether an energy code applies to this project and, if so, identify the specific code and edition that should be used for design. <https://www.bransonmo.gov/369/Building-Code-Information>

If the library is built in the city of Branson, the building would need to adhere to the city of Branson's building codes and standards.

The library board of trustees has no other determinations regarding energy codes at this time.

11. Please confirm whether the program for the new library is anticipated to include a community auditorium or similar assembly space, as this may impact acoustical, audiovisual, and building systems planning.

At this time, the library is not pursuing the inclusion of a community auditorium or similar assembly space. A community auditorium could be considered for future additions.

12. Are there any sustainability certifications desired? (LEED, WELL Building, etc.)

The board of trustees has not identified sustainability certifications as a high priority at this time.

13. Will a storm shelter be required?

Yes, a storm shelter will be considered in the plans.

14. Is any back-up power, like a generator, needed?

Yes, a back-up power source should be considered for portions of the library facility.