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CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY: OUR FUTURE IS BUILDING

The Library hosts meetings to update community on the status of its Facilities Master Plan

OCTOBER 29, 2020 (CLEVELAND, OH) – Cleveland Public Library is moving to the next chapter of the Facilities Master Plan. Starting next month, we want to share our plans with the community to build, renovate, and redesign our neighborhood branches.

On Thursday, November 5, the Library will kick-off a series of design and construction meetings about the first phase of projects. All sessions will be held online at 4 p.m. The first meeting will focus on the West Park Branch project. Attendees are encouraged to [register](#).

The English Tudor style [West Park Branch](#) was built nearly a century ago by Cleveland architecture firm Walker and Weeks. Now, [Vocon](#) has been tapped to restore, update, and bring new life to this historic property.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MEETINGS	
Facilities Master Plan Project	Meeting Dates
West Park Branch	Thursday, November 5 Thursday, January 7 Thursday, February 11 (pre-bid meeting)
Woodland Branch	Thursday, November 12 Thursday, January 14 Thursday, March 4 (pre-bid meeting)
Jefferson Branch	Thursday, November 19 Thursday, January 21 Thursday, March 11 (pre-bid meeting)

Hough Branch	Thursday, December 3 Thursday, February 4 Thursday, March 25 (pre-bid meeting)
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“The design and construction meetings will serve as a status update to the public,” said John Lang, Chief Operating Officer at Cleveland Public Library. “The People’s University is for the people, and we are committed to making them a part of the process, keeping them informed about the designs to create the best branch for each neighborhood.”

[Gilbane Building Company](#) representatives will discuss subcontracting opportunities during the meetings. Contractors who are interested in working on any of the Library projects should visit [here](#) to begin the prequalification process. “Cleveland Public Library supports the diversity of our workforce. Our goal is to form partnerships with businesses and contractors who will create buildings that mirror the community we serve,” remarks Lang.

For the latest information on the Facilities Master Plan, visit [cpl.org](#) or our [coUrbanize project site](#).

[Cleveland Public Library](#) is open Monday – Saturday from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Got a question? [ASK CPL](#) to live chat with a Librarian.

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About Cleveland Public Library

Founded in 1869, Cleveland Public Library serves the residents of Cleveland through its network of 27 neighborhood branches, the Main Library downtown, Public Administration Library at City Hall, homebound delivery services, and mobile services to daycare and senior centers. From a collection of 10.5 million items, the Library lends nearly 6 million items a year to its 300,000 registered borrowers and to 45 other CLEVNET-member libraries in 12 counties across Northeast Ohio. Cleveland Public Library is home to the Ohio Center for the Book and the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled, serving all 88 counties in the state of Ohio. For more information, visit [www.cpl.org](#).