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Lindenhurst Memorial Library

Lee Avenue Neighborhood Meeting

01/21/2017 @ 6:30 AM

Attendees:

- Peter Ward, Director
- Lisa Kropp, Assistant Director
- Johanna Sandy & Gay Bodenschatz – 28 Lee Avenue
- Mike & Roseanne Elwell – 18 Lee Avenue
- Danny Tanzi, H2M
- Pansy Cheng, H2M

Other Residents on Lee Avenue:

- Emanuelle Amaru – 34 Lee Avenue
- Galiani Family – 35 Lee Avenue
- 37 Lee Avenue is empty but not in foreclosure – former Monahan Family.
- Madelyn Dobles – 38 Lee Avenue

Introduction:

- Nothing has been decided – seeking input from patrons and residents
- Lee Avenue neighbors are immediately impacted by the Library
- Invite residents' concerns and input
- Consensus of the Community will feed into the design
- Sensitivity of the neighbors will need to be considered

Residents' Concerns:

- Patrons exiting the parking lot only look left before they pull out onto the street – creating dangerous situation for residents
- Elwell has a photo of their young daughter holding a stop sign
- Residents need to move their cars onto the street, to avoid their driveways being blocked by patrons who park their cars on Lee Avenue
- Residents' cars get hit-and-run by patrons
- Residents install blackout shades to block headlights from patron's cars exiting the parking lot, and parking lot light fixtures across the street
- Residents' front lawn plantings are often destroyed
- Patrons picnic on residents' lawn
- Dead-end street – impossible to exit to Wellwood Avenue around 3 PM when school are out
- Parents park on Lee Avenue to pick up their children
- Meeting room in lower level is very small
- Renovation planning from 15 years ago was ill-received by the residents – felt that the architect was condescending and did not share information or sq. ft.

Residents' Suggestions:

- Shift Library entrance from Lee Avenue to Wellwood Avenue
- Provide vehicular buffering with landscaping
- Alleviate traffic during 3 PM
- Traffic sources include Village Hall, Funeral Home, Library, Middle School
- Utilize open-garden space downstairs
- Expand children's' area to incorporate tweens
- Teen area – need to draw millennials into the library
- Flexibility is needed to plan for the future
- Define identity of Lindenhurst - existing library aesthetics is low-slung, not announcing itself as a library

Next steps:

- Residents are strongly encouraged to attend the Charrette on 1/24/2017 at 6:30 PM