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Several things to report.

A staff report on the content of the August 7 Downtown Library Subcommittee meeting is available by clicking **HERE**. Do not take as relevant what Director Nemitz said in the report about cost overruns for other branches, that all library project costs are coming in at \$1,000/sf. First of all, that is not entirely accurate. For the downtown renovation, we have \$27+ million. We'll do whatever can be done for \$27+ million. And that 's a lot!

The results of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for a first look at a renovation of the downtown library will be available later today and a link to it will be found at the bottom of **THIS PAGE**. We remain concerned that the city did not choose Jayson Architects, the only firm with any vision and desire to work on revitalizing the existing library. May we be pleasantly surprised rather than prescient.

Please check out our new <u>Asbestos Myth page</u> if you have any concerns about the scare tactics of proponents of the Mixed-Use Project.

The August 20 Subcommittee will be open to the public for observation only. It is scheduled for 5:15 pm at the Tony Hill Community Room of the Civic Auditorium. This meeting will be all about parking.

Jean, Judi, Michael Don't Bury The Library