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Dear Mayor Mark:

With the Board of Trustees poised to approve the \$9.9 million bond issue for the library expansion, subject to the Library Board raising the remainder, I would like to point out problems with the resolution that will plague your successors.

1. There is no deadline in the resolution. The Library Board has been trying to raise money for this project for six years; they should have a reasonable deadline imposed, perhaps six or nine months, to raise the \$7.5 million that they have promised is forthcoming.
2. The library needs major maintenance and refreshing, which cannot be dragged on endlessly. The longer the library fundraising goes on, the higher the tab for repair will be for taxpayers.
3. The resolution does not address cost overruns. It should be very clear that any cost overruns should be the responsibility of the Library Board and that the taxpayers should be protected by personal guarantees by the Library Board and donors.

This should have been a renovation with a much smaller footprint and runs the risk of being an out of control spending debacle.

Sincerely,

Linda Killian