

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Sitka****Federal Tax ID: 92-0041163****Project Title:****Project Type:** Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

Sitka - Kettleson Memorial Library

State Funding Requested: \$5,700,000**House District: 2 / A**

Future Funding May Be Requested

Brief Project Description:

City and Borough of Sitka requests \$5,700,000 through the State's Library Construction and Major Expansion Grant Program to assist CBS in the expansion of Kettleson Memorial Library.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$11,400,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$1,070,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	(\$5,700,000)
Project Deficit:	\$4,630,000

*Funding Details:**Additional funding required: Municipal/Private \$4,630.00)***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

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Project Timeline:

Phase I Design FY12.

Phase II Permitting/Construction FY13-14.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

City and Borough of Sitka

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

FY2013 CBS LEGISLATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT REQUEST

Project Title: KETTLESON MEMORIAL LIBRARY EXPANSION

Total Project Cost:	\$ 11,400,000 (100%)
Funding Already Secured (Municipal/Private/In-kind):	\$ 1,070,000 (9.4%)
FY 2013 State Matching Grant Funding Request:	\$ 5,700,000 (50%)
Additional Funding Required (Municipal/Private):	\$ 4,630,000 (40.6%)
City and Borough of Sitka Federal Tax ID Number:	92-0041163

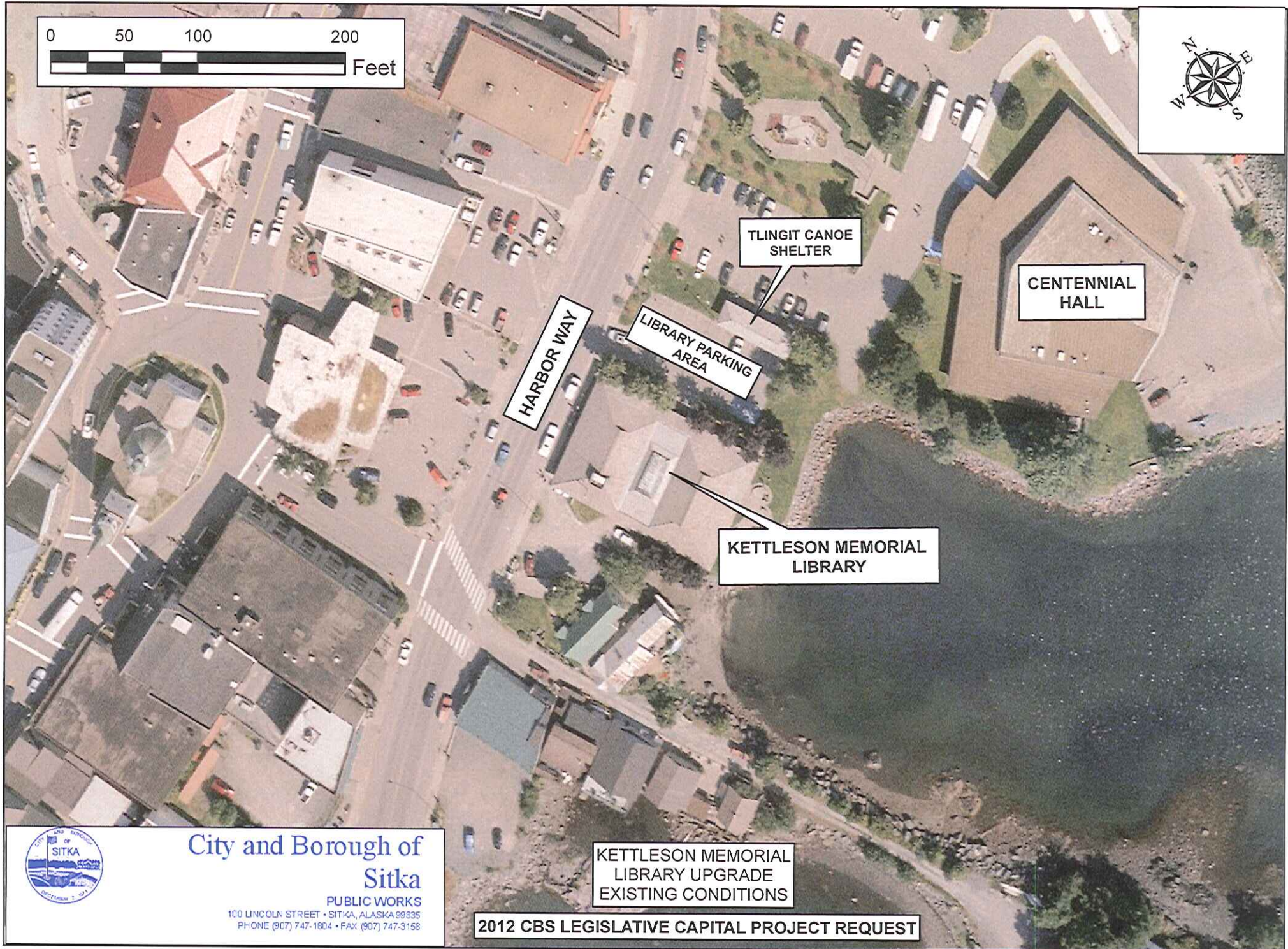
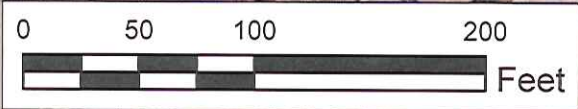
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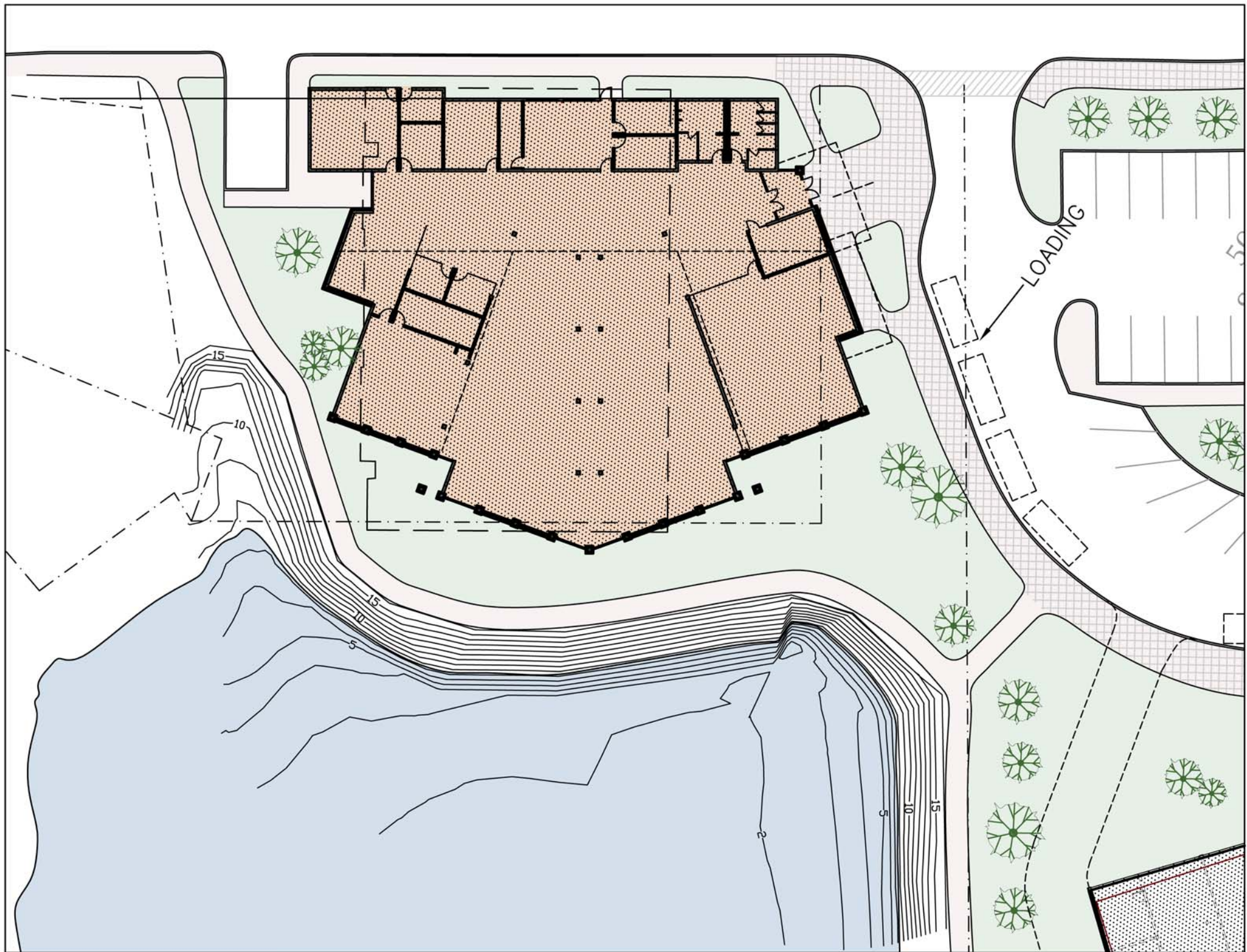
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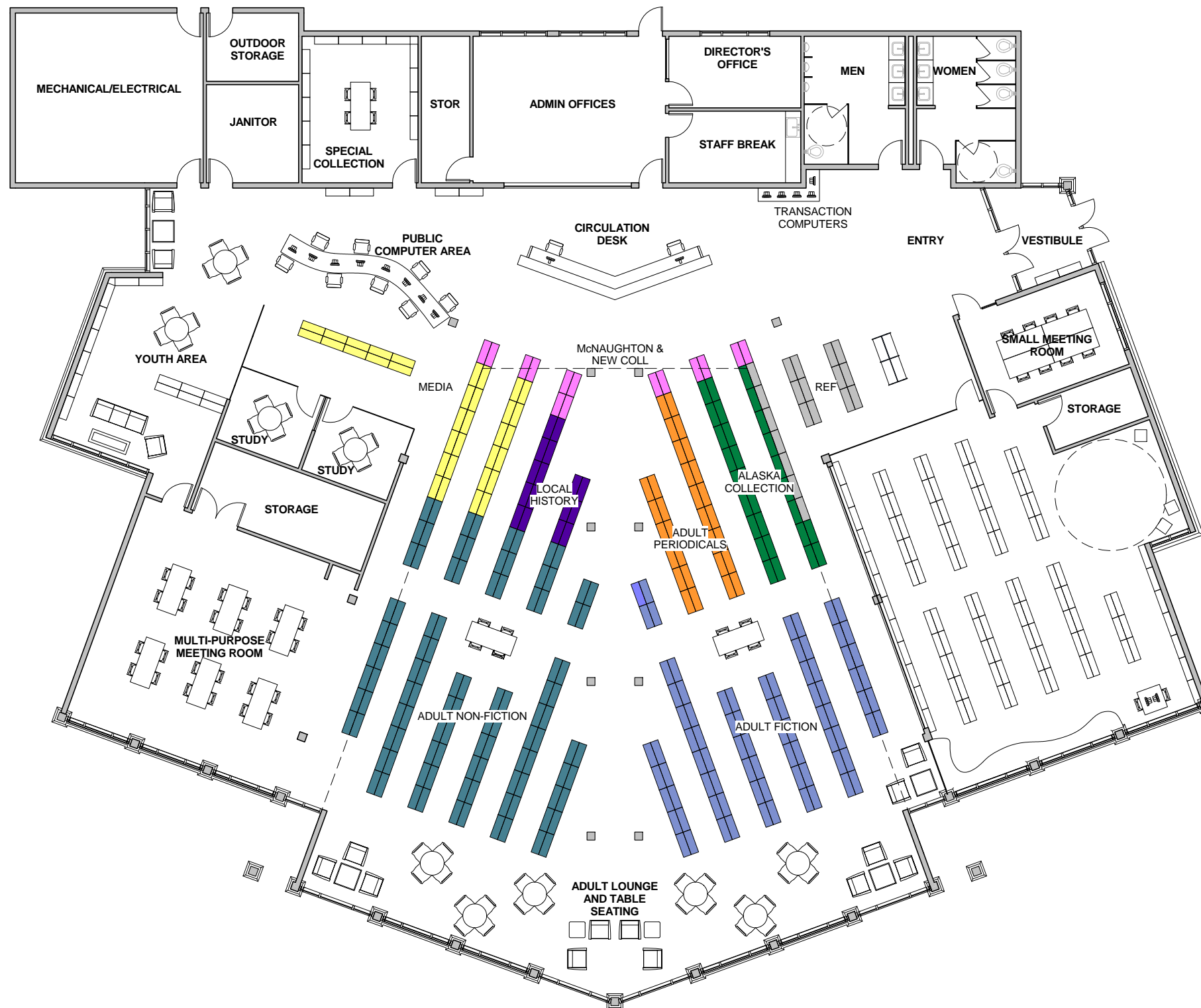
2012 CBS LEGISLATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT REQUEST





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Conceptual Design
Sitka Library

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NOT FOR
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SHEET TITLE:

Floor Plan

DATE: 10/05/11

SCALE:

DRAWN:

CHECKED: PV

SHEET NO.

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION 2011-22

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA (CBS)
SUBMITTING CBS 2013 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES
TO STATE OF ALASKA AND 2012 LEGISLATURE**

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Sitka advocates cooperating and sharing resources with the State of Alaska to maximize public infrastructure and services for the citizens of Alaska in the most efficient, cost effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has inadequately maintained State owned facilities and passed unfunded mandates on to municipalities; and


WHEREAS, municipalities have suffered major budget impacts from State management of the PERS/TRS system, State harbors, State roads and utilities, and other State responsibilities which should be compensated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, adopts the following FY2013 State Legislative Priorities and urges the Alaska State Legislature to support them to the maximum extent possible:


- **State Revenue Sharing/Local Tax Relief** – The City and Borough of Sitka supports the State Revenue Sharing on a sustainable basis to equitably compensate Alaska communities for providing local services.
- **Education** – State funding should be increased to cover escalating transportation expenses, the rising costs of fuel and energy, and reasonable new costs to improve the quality of education.
- **Local Control and Maximum Local Self-Government Guaranteed by the Alaska Constitution** – The Legislature should defeat any legislation that creates new unfunded mandates or takes away existing powers of local governments. The State should fund existing unfunded State mandates.
- **Deferred Maintenance of Harbors** – The State should fully fund the deferred maintenance of State harbors transferred to local governments. In addition, the State should fully fund the 50 percent matching grants legislated by SB 291, the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Fund, to assist with future harbor upgrades.

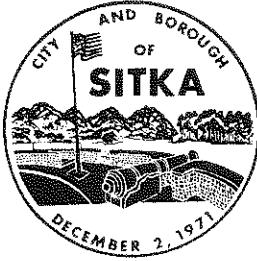
NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly submits the enclosed FY2013 City and Borough of Sitka Legislative Priorities, CBS Legislative Capital Project Requests and CBS Requests for State Funding for State Facilities in priority order to the 2012 Session of the Alaska State Legislature and State of Alaska.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, on this 27th day of September, 2011.


Cheryl Westover, Mayor

ATTEST:


Colleen Ingman, MMC
Municipal Clerk



City and Borough of Sitka

100 Lincoln Street Sitka, Alaska 99835

Coast Guard City, USA

April 27, 2012

The Honorable Sean Parnell
Governor, State of Alaska
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Parnell:

On behalf of the City and Borough of Sitka, I want to join with other Alaskan mayors in supporting the funding for libraries as included in the Capital Budget passed by the Alaska State Legislature. This funding is very important to the communities of Fairbanks, Talkeetna, Juneau, and Sitka.

Our libraries provide many varied services to our citizens as well as local, State and Federal agencies. The infrastructure upgrades these funds will help to enable will pay continuing dividends to update and improve our libraries and enable this infrastructure to remain viable many years into the future.

The City and Borough of Sitka will appreciate your support for the State's partnership in these important community improvements. Thank you for working together with Sitka and other communities to improve our facilities and make our State a better place to live.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Westover
Mayor
City and Borough of Sitka

cc: Senator Bert Stedman
Representative Peggy Wilson
Karen Rehfeld, Office of Management and Budget