SPPL Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations for the Main Facility

Short Term Recommendations:

- Clean the entire building thoroughly
- Do away with stored trash/non-used items
- Repair or replace window shades
- Replace linoleum in some areas
- Begin making plans to enlarge the Children's area
- Begin making plans to move tech services, staff working areas and director's office to the lower level
- Refurbish bathrooms (paint, décor, have fixtures inspected, ventilation, etc.)
- Move audio -visual items (DVDs, etc.) to more attractive /useful stacks/shelving
- · Relocate microfilm and microfiche materials to darker/less used corner
- · Provide interior signage to show library lay-out
- Install improved signs at both entrances to show library hours
- Signage for the back entrance
- Put in air lock on back door (double door configuration)
- Improve/replace/relocate the book drop
- Install 'hatchway' for Inter Library loan boxes with slide way- could eventually be used for a drive-up
- Move Kaler collection to locked glass cabinets
- Discard non-Kaler books in the Kaler Room
- Open up Kaler Room for better usage
- Increase area of the Adult Reading section
- Provide space for some true quiet areas
- Provide more and better seating for the Adult area
- Provide dedicated space for teens
- Add tables for the wireless users
- Add additional computer stations
- Freshen up furnishings throughout the building
- Seek professional services in making design/decor choices
- Put up partitions or cubicles in the circulation desk area to provide private work areas for staff
- Reconfigure front desk to greet users entering from back entrance
- · Add and/or improve one unified area for reference materials
- For security issues, locate media materials closer to the check out area
- Upgrade/synchronize clocks
- Space book stacks 6 ft on center for easier access
- Add/improve shelving collections

- Examine lighting within whole building some areas need improving (mostly at the lower level)
- Prune front shrubs and bushes to reveal library sign
- Improved landscaping at the rear entrance
- Request the City Horticulturist to place plants within building
- Install park memorial benches at the rear entrance level
- Paint exterior walls of the building
- Add signage for strollers, hanging coats, etc.
- Replace the straight stair railing with rounded railing possible ADA issue
- Repaint and adequately light back entrance area/stairs
- Freshen up the staff room (staff feel this can wait and should be placed on a lower priority list)
- Allocate space for/and install lockers in bottom level for staff
- Address the comfort/noise/aesthetic/usability issues in the large meeting room.

Long Term Recommendations

- Enlarge/improve the Children's Room
- Move technical services, staff work area, etc. to bottom level or potential new/available space
- Relocate Director's office
- Consider expansion/renovation as solution to space problem
- Add designated staff bathroom
- Reconfiguration of the parking lot, improve automobile access, add new driveway from Broadway into the parking lot
- Repaye the parking lot and paint out parking areas
- Improve "green" aspects with natural lighting, HVAC, full spectrum lighting
- · Address energy efficiency/safety issues with existing large windows
- Knock out wall between Kaler room and Adult area to expand the adult area
- Put a hinged cover over the Kaler Room stairwell or otherwise address the staircase safety issues
- · Remove the 'magazine' partition between the main floor and 'quiet study' area
- Add glassed in quiet/study area/rooms
- Examine the feasibility of relocating the Community Room
- · Allow room for collections to increase in numbers and format
- Close off front entrance to provide an area for listening to music or sampling DVDs
- Provide 21st century connectivity and technology resources
- Replace computers with laptop computers
- Assess the safety of and address problems with- the exterior stairs
- Remove/address the paneling on both floors
- · Replace missing/damaged screens on windows