

Appendix A – Promotion samples



INFORMATION - COMMUNIQUÉ

For Immediate Release
Tuesday, May 25, 2021

Share your thoughts on the future of City Archives

Feedback will help inform new Archives Strategy

Winnipeg, MB – The City of Winnipeg's archival collection is one of the most complete in Canada and continues to grow. As part of the next phase of public engagement on the Archives Strategy, Winnipeg residents are invited to share their thoughts on service improvements and future facility options for City Archives by taking the [survey](#), or attending one of the virtual events in June:

Date: Wednesday, June 16
Time: 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Location: Zoom, [register here](#)

Date: Thursday, June 17
Time: 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Location: Zoom, [register here](#)

The Archives Strategy will outline the City's vision for future of the archival collection, including a long-term, sustainable solution to address the storage and preservation needs for the archival collection, to allow enough space for its programming, and to create an accessible space that allows Winnipeggers to continue to have access to records and conduct research.

Public feedback will help ensure that the final recommended strategy anticipated to be presented for Council's consideration in late 2021 reflects community values.

Feedback is being accepted until July 5. For more information and to get involved, visit: winnipeg.ca/archivesstrategy.

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Media inquiries should be directed to the City of Winnipeg Media Inquiry Line at 204-986-6000 or via email at city-mediainquiry@winnipeg.ca.

Be part of the future of the City of Winnipeg Archives

To ensure long-term preservation and access to the Archives' irreplaceable items, the City is exploring facility and programming options to create an accessible space that allows Winnipeggers to continue to have access to records and conduct research.

Have your say:



Take the survey until July 5



Attend a virtual event to learn more and discuss with others

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If you have questions or require alternative formats to participate, please contact archives@winnipeg.ca or call 204-986-5325.

To learn more, visit:
winnipeg.ca/archivesstrategy



Appendix B – Stakeholder meeting notes (January 2020)

**Archives Strategy
Stakeholder Meetings
January 2020**

Details and Summary

In January 2020, the Cornerstone Planning Group and City of Winnipeg staff met with groups to gather input on their needs, values, priorities, and views with respect to the Archives. Meetings included representatives from the Manitoba Historical Society, Heritage Winnipeg, the Winnipeg Foundation, the Association for Manitoba Archives, the Centre du Patrimoine, and the University of Winnipeg.

At these meetings, stakeholders:

- Expressed concerns about the present state of the Archives (50 Myrtle St.), noting the current facility is inadequate for storing archival collections, lacks public programming space, and does not sufficiently support engagement or access to Winnipeg's history and records.
- Wanted the Archives to do more public programming activities and become a center for learning about and engaging with Winnipeg's history; also observed that Archives could be places for tourism and storytelling.
- Confirmed the importance of the Archives to their own work and talked about its broader social role and value to the community; they did not think the value of the Archives is being fully realized.
- Spoke about the importance of having Indigenous histories represented in Winnipeg's Archives and acknowledged the role of Archives in the City's Journey of Reconciliation.
- Stated how important it was for Archives to serve Indigenous communities and Indigenous youth; they encouraged broader engagement with Indigenous peoples.
- Spoke about the critical need among individuals, families, companies, and organizations to preserve their records, noting that this need isn't currently being met right now; there are lots of community records out there that people want to donate to the Archives.
- Asked us to consider what capacity will be needed to manage born-digital records now and into the future.
- Expressed concern for the preservation and use of the building at 380 William Ave.
- Some stakeholders pointed out the advantages of renovating 380 William Ave. for the Archives; they saw it as the best use of that building. However, other stakeholders were open to other sites like a new build or another heritage building.
- Most stakeholders wanted the site and/or building to have historical significance; they also pictured it being centrally located and easily accessible.

Heritage Winnipeg and Manitoba Historical Society – Meeting Notes

- Heritage Winnipeg (Heritage) has had a long interest in the future of 380 William Ave. and has been advocating for protection of 380 William Ave. It has been part of showcasing the initial and ongoing rehabilitation work and featuring in Doors Open Winnipeg events.

- While the focus of Heritage has been on protection of the built heritage, it was noted that we have to care what goes into these buildings (i.e. there is a need to protect the building and the use of the building).
- The building at 380 William Ave. is in a great location; it is part of the downtown and close to City Hall. Also, it has been an established City Archives since the 90s, close to City Hall with established political support, and moving towards a world class city archives.
- There was some confusion as to why the City's previous plans for the building were not followed through; after the flood, people were under the impression that plans for the building would move forward. Where did the committed city archives funding go, along with the approved business plan from 2010?
- From a Heritage perspective, a new build for the archives was not a great idea, given climate change and the fact there are so many useable heritage buildings; the City should not entertain the idea of a new build; the Archives should be history based – it is so much more environmentally sustainable than a new building, and like the Provincial Archives, it would be history housed in a significant heritage building with designation.
- Referenced the fact that 380 William Ave. appeared on a list of 10 endangered places from the National Trust. There is national interest.
- Heritage Winnipeg has done a lot of advocacy work focused on built heritage (e.g. education, digital displays, Heritage Day, fundraising luncheons, heritage tourism) and knows how to fund these buildings.
- There is a desire from companies and young professionals working downtown to have interesting spaces. It is important to have significant historical or architectural spaces close to downtown and secondary schools.
- The Manitoba Historical Society has a building mapping project and is interested in the building permit collection at the Archives; they depend on archives; archives are the memory of society.
- Public programs (e.g. presentations) are important; we should run them at public spaces.
- The Manitoba Historical Society is primarily interested in the preservation of archives as a service; wanted a secure site with proper archival standards, a larger research room with self-service options, wider range of hours with occasional evenings and weekends, and improved parking and bus-route access.
- Suggested Archives could go into the Hudson's Bay Company building, although it was noted it was an enormous building.
- The fundamental point is that the collection is preserved.
- It was asked if we had a sense of what organizational records were out in the community and not yet in the archives.
- Had heard from other archives that the biggest challenge is space right now and that the need and collections were too big for the space.
- Archives are important to the activities of the Manitoba Historical Society, Heritage Winnipeg and Heritage Tourism, and the work they do on behalf of the public.
- There should be tours of the Archives.
- Location as well as the preservation of the archival collection is critical.
- Digitization and online resources are also important as well as tangible spaces for community connectivity.

Winnipeg Foundation – Meeting Notes

- Winnipeg has one of three archival programs in this country. This is an asset that we haven't taken advantage of, particularly from the perspective of the City.
- There is an opportunity to accept more personal collections and organizational collections in the future.
- The Winnipeg Foundation has previously presented the City with loan offers and endowment opportunities as financial assistance in support of the re-development of 380 William Ave. as an archives, but there has been little follow up from the City.
- It is uncertain what the Winnipeg Foundation may be able to offer in the future, although past action shows a willingness to support the Archives.
- Thought there was opportunities for the Archives to deliver its mandate in a better way.
- When talking about the City's history, it is vital to talk about Indigenous history.
- Shared the idea of building a brand new Archives adjacent to Fort Garry Park, where Manitoba and Winnipeg was founded; the site "desperately" needs a visitor center and thought the historical importance of the site would make for "great synergy" with the Archives; the Archives paired with the visitor center would ensure traffic and benefit from the park adjacency; the Métis history of this site is rich and Métis perspectives on the site would offer important and different views.
- If 380 William Ave. does not become an archives, the building may be suitable for genealogical or historical societies.
- Noted that collections have to be curated.
- Reconciliation with Indigenous communities is very high on our list of priorities – how can we tell a respectful and informative story?
- The Winnipeg Foundation is one of many organizations looking for a home for its records.
- There are interesting collections out there but not enough space to store it.
- It is about engaging the community and telling a story.
- There is a huge opportunity here, including economic opportunities (film industry, etc.).
- There is a lot of public sympathy for 380 William Ave.
- Asked if there are other heritage buildings that would be interesting spots for the Archives.
- Tell the community's story, the City's story, with records to back it up – this would be the most resonant with the Foundation as well.
- Accessibility is important; the Archives should support public access and be public facing
- The City's population is growing and we should consider how to introduce newcomers to our history and values; this could be done through the Archives.

Association for Manitoba Archives – Meeting Notes

- The City Archives has a "facility crisis" not a program crisis. The City Archives staff is excellent. They require a proper facility, however, in order to do their work.
- There is a strong legal basis for the work of the archives: the Manitoba Municipal Act says municipalities must archive their records; the City of Winnipeg Charter Act requires the appointment of a City Archivist; the Records Management By-law requires the preservation of civic and private sector generated records. This legal framework

supports acquisition of municipal government records and archives of private citizens and organizations.

- Without a proper facility since 2013, there has been greatly reduced public use of the archives.
- We are concerned that the archives avoid a catastrophe like the recent fire on Jarvis Street that destroyed an aging warehouse similar to the Archives warehouse.
- The citizens of Winnipeg deserve a modern research facility with space for public programming (e.g. exhibitions of documents, special lectures, film nights, book launches, conferences, space for researchers and school children to visit).
- Archives are a legal requirement and also a societal requirement.
- The Archives has the records of the 13 municipalities that amalgamated to form the City of Winnipeg in 1971; for 50 years, we have been waiting for a proper facility, one that adequately reflects the importance of the Archives. City Council has to assume its responsibilities from 1971 when area municipalities amalgamated to form the City of Winnipeg and the City took possession of the records of former municipalities (e.g., St. Boniface, Transcona, West Kildonan, Tuxedo).
- Volunteer and community organizations have always played a central role in shaping Winnipeg. Archives are highly important to understanding that history, yet community organizations have no place to deposit their archives, as part of Winnipeg's collective memory to be safeguarded.
- The City Archives as a community archives would, in consultation with Indigenous people and Indigenous communities, embrace Indigenous materials, perspectives and contributions, and support the principles of Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord and Welcoming Winnipeg initiative.
- The Archives should be able to provide support to the efforts to ensure contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis are reflected in place names and markers, as place names matter and should come from knowledge of place and history.
- Indigenous children should be able to go the City archive and learn about their history through records and artifacts. There is also a need to change how we think about records. Records are not only written on paper -- records can be paintings on rocks, they are landscapes and petroforms, bows and arrows.
- Oral histories are fundamental to understanding Indigenous perspectives. The City Archives should provide facilities for oral histories to be gathered, recognizing who was here before settlers came – and the Archives should reach out to Métis and other Indigenous communities.
- Archives are more than just storage space. We envision the Archives as a community place for all Winnipeggers, a learning/resource centre for learning about our history.
- For example, the University of Manitoba Archives was renovated in 2008 into a proper facility, and included: a public space that could hold more than 150 people; a spacious Research Room for researchers; a classroom; and a vault with a proper preservation environment. Foot traffic increased, and the UM Archives have since hosted large numbers of classes, exhibits of records, and special public events and have seen many thousands of people come through the Archives.
- We need to shoot for the best facility, not the most affordable one.

- Winnipeg has been a wired city since the 1950s and we must incorporate our digital records and digital technology into the City Archives. Virtually every form of record today is digital.
- Digitization of paper records has merit, but keep in mind there is a “tsunami” of born-digital records that requires urgent attention. Archives need to develop a robust strategy and infrastructure for the acquisition of born-digital records. There are significant digital storage needs arising from this acquisition.
- Providing access to digital records also presents challenges (e.g., confidentiality, privacy, donor agreements) and the physical space of the Archives needs to accommodate these needs.
- The Archives also needs to provide a fully wired Reading Room for researchers.
- Museums and other sources of knowledge depend on archives and archival research (e.g., exhibits in museums, galleries, libraries, books and other publications, films, tourism, plays, dance, music). We enjoy these activities, places, and sources of information each day without always understanding that they draw heavily on archives. People are “living archivally” often without even knowing it.
- We are now in a knowledge economy driven by information. The City Archives has the largest body of information about Winnipeg yet cannot help drive this new economy without a proper archival facility. Currently, our greatest source of knowledge is left languishing in an aging obscure substandard industrial park warehouse.
- Standards exist for proper archival facilities (for example, consult the Canadian Council of Archives, Canadian Conservation Institute, the Association for Manitoba Archives).
- There is a danger that the City of Winnipeg Archives may lose its accreditation with the Association for Manitoba Archives because its Myrtle St warehouse does not meet standards.
- Through the Association for Manitoba Archives, over 100 organizations and individuals signed a coalition letter to the Mayor and councillors in support of a proper facility for the archives. Many Winnipeggers also attended a public meeting and panel discussion on the future of the Archives in March 2019 organized by the Association for Manitoba Archives.
- City proposals for a proper facility for the Archives should be discussed in community stakeholder consultations. Community engagement should include consultation with members of Indigenous communities. This consultation should involve physical and personal meetings (not only email or phone calls) – as there is a need to build trust.

Academic Stakeholders (University of Winnipeg) – Meeting Notes

- Archives should be centrally located and close to hotels for out-of-towners.
- The most important thing is the actual archivist and access to their knowledge of the records.
- Employees working with researchers should know the records in an in-depth way.
- The way to make the archives an enjoyable place is to have accessible staff.
- Archives should connect with groups whose research models focus on self-governance and Indigenous control (e.g. Indigenous Health Research).

- Work on description in the archives is very important; ideally, Archives should have research organized by Band level (e.g. indexing Band-level information), but the vast majority of records are not done that way.
- Archives should have connections with Indigenous organizations throughout the City.
- Indigenous records are typically stored with each Nation.
- Reference to the Indigenous Afternoons in the Archives program (hosted at Archives of Manitoba), which involves inviting people (e.g. Indigenous students) to come in and learn about Indigenous histories in the archives with support and guidance.
- Beyond the physical space, Archives should support Indigenous histories through its records.
- Archives can feel a bit too regulatory; they should be welcoming spaces for people
- Having a classroom space is important for teaching.
- There should be table space and collaborative work space.
- There is a feeling of archives not having a lot of useful information for Indigenous communities; Archives unfortunately contribute to this by referring people to the National Archives of Canada, when they should be taking a closer look at their own collections and re-examining assumptions around what Indigenous records and histories look like.
- To create welcoming spaces for Indigenous researchers and better serve Indigenous communities, it is important to have a person on staff who is Indigenous.

Appendix C – Survey results

Survey

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

25 May 2021 - 05 July 2021

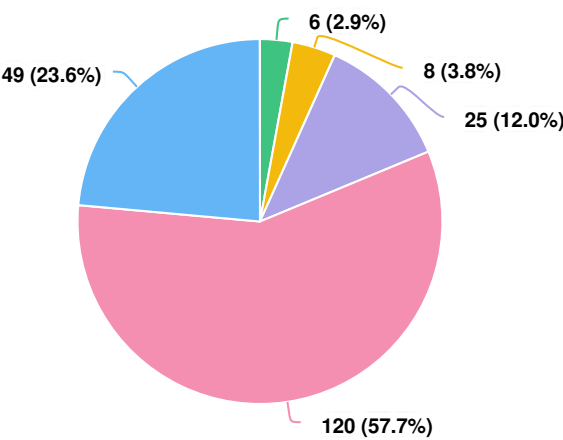
PROJECT NAME:

Archives Strategy



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 | After reviewing the information and/or attending the workshop, I understand the consultant’s study findings.

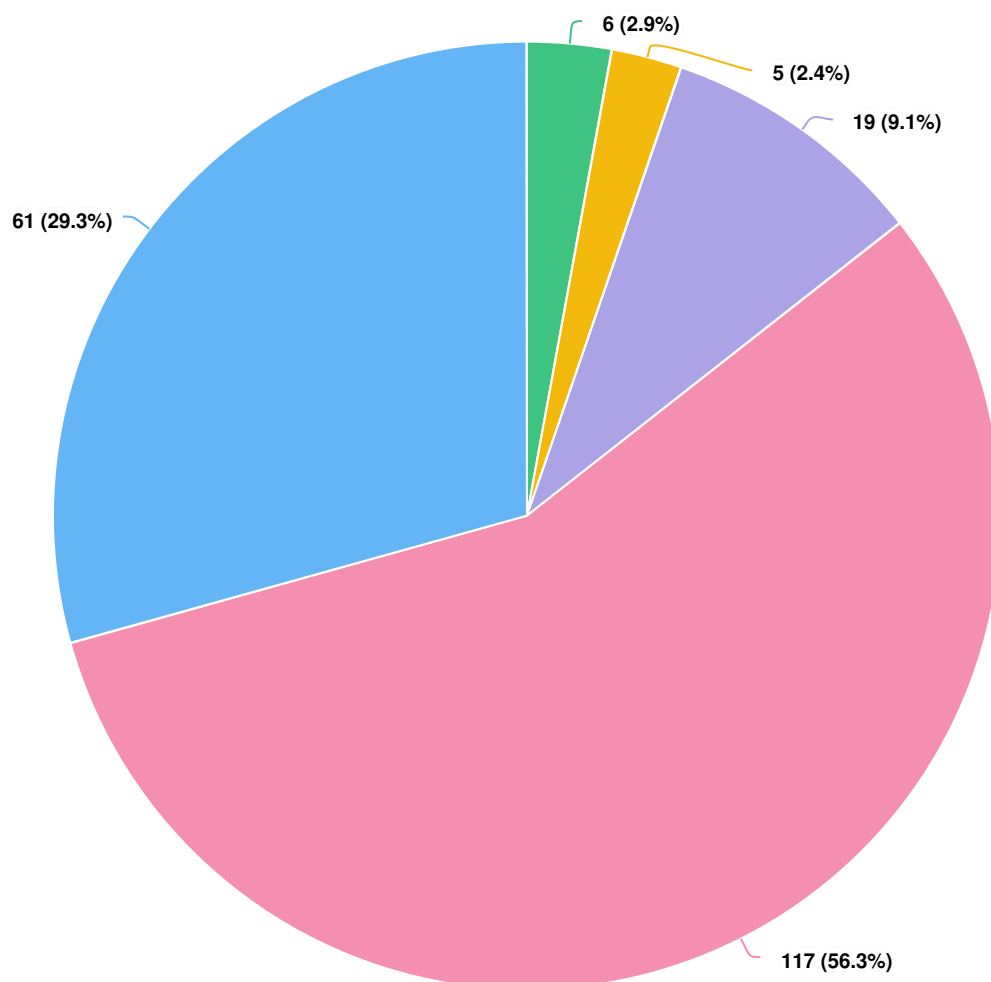


Question options

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (208 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q2 After reviewing the information and/or attending the workshop, I understand the facility options for the City of Winnipeg Archives.



Question options

● Strongly disagree ● Disagree ● Neutral ● Agree ● Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (208 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q3 | Were any services missed or do you have any comments on the service improvements that were recommended? Other services that were missed:

Anonymous 5/25/2021 01:00 PM	none
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:42 PM	It looks fine to me.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 03:09 PM	Accommodations for group research, where researchers may need to talk amongst each other. A separate space may be required to be less disruptive to other researchers. Research stations to accommodate those with disabilities (e.g., screen readers, etc.)
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:06 PM	Dedicated reception staff to answer calls and respond to basic inquiries.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:14 PM	An exhibition gallery in the facility would be ideal
Anonymous 5/25/2021 08:42 PM	possible volunteer program to help with transcription or other tasks?
Anonymous 5/27/2021 12:13 PM	A good café for visitors is essential! It can also be used for events. With good wifi. The Wellcome Library in London is an excellent model for this.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:08 PM	re-formatting of electronic records every 5 years (eg. video, audio, film, cds, dvds...)
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:21 PM	no
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:24 PM	Explanation of how archives are indexed should be digitally available for researchers and public.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:05 PM	Use of community centres for programming

Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:36 PM	I think all the key functions have been identified.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:46 PM	No comment.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	Digitalize your collection
Anonymous 5/28/2021 08:02 AM	Has consideration been given to the provision of the research provision through a web portal?
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	The improvements sound good.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	n/a
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	more engagement with Treaty 1 and Indigenous communities
Anonymous 5/28/2021 04:11 PM	I agree with the recommended service improvements
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:42 AM	no missed services noted
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:34 PM	None
Anonymous 5/30/2021 03:17 PM	No
Anonymous 5/31/2021 02:59 PM	should add a gift shop to generate some revenue
Anonymous 5/31/2021 04:41 PM	Artifacts should be displayed at City Hall, the Manitoba Museum or other venues. All paper records should be digitized with access through all City libraries. Spending \$22.3 million Option 1 or \$13.3 million Option 4 to store paper is a waste of money.
Anonymous	I'd like to suggest developing the

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

grounds around the archives as food and flower gardens, and made suitable for outdoor events.

Anonymous

nothing to add

6/03/2021 01:23 PM

Anonymous

Online services with a more user friendly interface

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

Anonymous

Conservation efforts need to far more than moderate. Facilities to support ongoing Oral history research and researcher access to resultant recordings and transcriptions should be included

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

Anonymous

No services were missed.

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

Anonymous

Hours should include Saturday or one evening per week so that the working public can visit.

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

Anonymous

No.

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Anonymous

Online, virtual exhibits - technology required should be a priority

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Anonymous

Internet access to scanned documents. Electronic access could minimize the public spaces in a physical facility

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Anonymous

N/a

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Anonymous

No

6/07/2021 09:53 AM

Anonymous

co-ordination with CMHR, Manitoba Museum, the universities, AMC, MMF could be useful enhance value of information

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

Anonymous

The recommended service improvements should be viewed as essential to any redevelopment of

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

the Archives.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 06:06 PM

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Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

I'm surprised by the offering of off site delivery of services and programming at schools - this doesn't seem like a primary function to me - and materials can be developed and for a bigger audience using online technologies

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

I do not.

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

no

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

Yes, A Link to Provincial, and Federal Vital Statistics.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:21 AM

If the archive is to expand to include a community gathering and/or teaching space, the room(s) in which these activities are held must be pleasant to be in. They should have windows and plants and an environment that people actually want to be in.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

no

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:37 AM

Plain language options for popular/public exhibits (for people with intellectual disabilities); perhaps acquisition of hands-on materials to compliment exhibits for blind people, or children

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

expanded digitization of records if possible to allow for research from internet as opposed to visits.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

All services should be archeived.

Anonymous

Definitely more operating hours

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

would be valuable. Many people have interest in looking up family history. Perhaps services focused on that would be helpful.

Anonymous

none

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

It is clear that a lot of local archival material is being lost to the city due to insufficient/nonexistent acquisitions budget. Holding on to our history, through outreach to private people, institutions, and (commerical) specialists, should be supported

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

No

Anonymous

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

n/a

Anonymous

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

The study, including services offered etc. is too narrow - The Archives are more than the sum of the parts described. The Winnipeg Archives are potentially a catalyst for the launch of a centre dealing with archives, not only of Winnipeg, but of Manitoba

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:02 PM

Not enough storage space (digital or physical records provided)

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:50 PM

No mention was made of linguistic services including First Nations languages and French

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:57 PM

Born digital records - processing and preservation - where will this happen? Currently only digitization space. The 20 yr volume estimates are bizarrely low and out of line with any other estimates. Vaults will not be big enough, based on these.

Anonymous

6/17/2021 04:48 PM

Would appreciate seeing a larger internet presence.

Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	Are there any city films and if so, are there plans to make preparations to view them?
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	On site display, lectures and learning capability - See U of M Archives monthly presentations on some area of their archives.
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	All seem reasonable
Anonymous 6/21/2021 05:31 PM	Collaboaration with other facilities in the area
Anonymous 6/22/2021 10:24 AM	I am concerned about the failure to reference responsibility for storage, preservation and providing user facilities for records of the City of Winnipeg. These records must be kept in perpetuity for legal, operational and historical reasons.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 08:59 PM	Would there be some value in canvassing other city owned venues where rotating, continuing exhibitions of photographs could be seen?
Anonymous 6/23/2021 07:12 PM	Dedicated space for working on restricted records; dedicated space for staff who work with restricted records. Indigenous record creation - space to create and/or listen to oral history, space to hold Indigenous non-paper or non-digital records
Anonymous 6/23/2021 08:14 PM	Nope looks good
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:19 AM	Better review of new archival items. I offered a beautiful large 1960 Winnipeg Visitor Guide Map and the City replied not interested
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:23 AM	Will any of these be available on line. You would be able to browse, print only after answering specific questions re why you need to print that particular article.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

I like the enhanced service improvements as they tend to centralize the archives and make them more accessible to the general public. The archives are such a rich and diverse view of the history of Winnipeg the more sharing the better .

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:44 AM

Proximity to and functionality with Provincial Archives and HBC Archives on Vaughan also important. This increase the importance of a downtown location. Ensuring that inter-archive cooperation can be facilitated in the future arrangement is also important.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

No comment

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

The hours of operation significantly impact the possibility of the 'average' 9 to 5 worker from going to the City of Winnipeg Archives to 'learn /research' topics of interest. Should be in line with Library hours.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Not that I can see now

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

N/A

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

None

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

That seems pretty comprehensive

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Funding for City of Winnipeg specific historical research.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

None I can think of

Anonymous

The story telling would be a huge

6/28/2021 08:09 AM

improvement as a lot of Indigenous history is oral history.

Anonymous

n/a

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

Anonymous

Indigenous program to educate non-Indigenous participants; something rooted in reconciliation- a healing space.

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

Anonymous

If the archive is "purpose built" they should consider having a space that could hold functions like weddings similar to the Art Gallery or Museums to make some extra revenue for the City. Or a space for small conferences, especially if its downtown

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

Anonymous

Physical and mobile supports for recording oral histories. Supports for going out to collect them.

6/29/2021 07:01 AM

Anonymous

Having a trained Conservator on staff and a conservation lab, is an absolute must to any archival facility. This is something that should be greatly considered in the new building in order to ensure long term preservation.

6/29/2021 08:38 AM

Anonymous

I appreciate the commitment to more outreach and partnership but would like to see classroom space built in.

6/29/2021 01:48 PM

Anonymous

No

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

Anonymous

Not seeing where there is public access to archival info or consultation as to access and use by public

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

Anonymous

Enhanced online access and distribution of materials, integration with something like the city's open data portal -- though these may be beyond the scope of the strategy

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

Anonymous

This is a comprehensive list of

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

services possible in a fully-equipped archive facility.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 10:25 AM

Want to ensure that option 4, renovating the Carnegie Library, will include making the space handicap accessible, and will include some provision for visitor parking.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

Nil.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 12:38 PM

An area for multi-cultural or historic event displays. The area could showcase ethnic diversity and historic events of the city in a non-permanent display.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

None.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 11:39 AM

Access to digital records for public programming

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:21 PM

Invite teachers specifically and other interested community members to participate in workshops where they can learn how to conduct proper archival research. Expand the scope of the archivists to teach others how to use the records.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

Needs space for preservation of born-digital records

Anonymous

7/05/2021 02:18 AM

No, it's perfect

Anonymous

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

Copy stand for reproducing photographs.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 06:26 PM

Rental, public use, or reservation of spaces within facility (e.g. classroom, event space)

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

I thought the range of services was appropriate.

Optional question (99 response(s), 109 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q4 | Comments on services that were included:

Anonymous

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

this is excellent, I am very much hoping that this actually happens.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

It looks fine to me.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

I have been in an archive with ended hours and there was no other researchers there the whole time I was there (about 3-4 hours). Might be worth seeing how much additional traffic an archive that has extended hours sees during those times.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Public programming with schools would be incredible. There is such opportunity to support curriculum by showing records to teach kids about history and civic engagement.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

Good, but a gallery as a service to make the material accessible is important.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

love the ability to welcome more of the public into the space and have a more comfortable place for researchers

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

seems appropriate

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Lower priority for tourists and secondary students is appropriate, and higher priority for local researchers.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

Making comparisons with new facilities in other cities such as Ottawa had resulted in a good package.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

Renovating 380 William might be cost efficient. What scares me is that

	the new Police HQ at the old Post Office building was suppose to cost us less money to renovate than building a new building. Instead we spent Millions more than we should have.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	Move quickly to bring the archives up to basic standards, it's been a joke for way too long
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	Services sound better especially having tours.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	All of the above-listed improvements would be wonderful.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	public access is very important
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:42 AM	With the community outreach and partnerships available I do not feel "expanded opportunities" are required specific groups of our community. All groups will have opportunities to be part of programming as outlined in service improvements
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:34 PM	None
Anonymous 5/30/2021 03:17 PM	I think that these are excellent services and programs - I can't wait to see the Archives re-opened and some of these initiatives started!
2toJoanne 5/30/2021 10:03 PM	We recently put in an offer on an historic house in Winnipeg, and looked for information at the city archives and found nothing. The Manitoba archives had a little bit. Accumulating more information about historic parts of our city should be a priority!
Anonymous 5/31/2021 02:59 PM	I like space for research

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

IMHO, as a person with Woodland Cree ancestry, any funding spent at an Archives facility for Indigenous ceremonies and programming should be redeployed and focused at the Thunderbird House or at another cultural centre. Avoid dilution and duplication.

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

The service improvements sound great! I'm studying to be an archivist and I wish we had stuff like that now!

Anonymous

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

All good points

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Spaces suitable for open theatre, enactments, small ceremonies like dedications, weddings, honors would be apropos.

Anonymous

6/04/2021 11:47 AM

good

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

None

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Seems pretty thorough, although I do wonder what we will do on 20 year's time. Are we hoping to digitize and recycle more old documents and artifacts? If so, what thought has been given to the computer/digital needs of this space?

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Additional conservation treatments; include repair and identify need that if community members donate material, some will be film , Zero percent growth is not at accurate

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Need to be available via the internet

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Nope

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

Perhaps an Indigenous specific section

Anonymous

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

Particularly under programming there is a wealth of potential for synergies with Winnipeg Public Library - both a branch library locations and at the Millennium Library with its Local History Room.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 06:06 PM

Appreciate the proposed expansion of hours and proposed additional digitalization efforts

Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

See above. But otherwise this seems like a good list but what about on site displays. Small area for this. I also don't think indoor smudging ceremonies while desirable are realistic given health issues related to indoor air and a unionised environment

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

They look appropriate

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

agree with the expansion of services

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:37 AM

Sounds great! Make sure the bathrooms are accessible for folks in large wheelchairs. Exhibits should include braille options, plain language, and maybe a headphone lecture that moves you from place to place.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

The study helped me understand how important these services are and how problematic it is that we currently aren't able to offer them.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

Maybe there should have been a little more information provided.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Could consider multiple classroom spaces.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

excellent coverage

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

It is imperative that existing materials be protected; increasing public access and awareness of the materials should also be a requirement; if a new building or retrofit will be undertaken it would be prudent to match the best example to preclude repeat

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Digitization of the archival records and acquisition of digital records are essential. More resources should be provided for these services

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

I hope that the importance of digitizing historic paper records including photos to make them accessible for online research will be given priority.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

n/a

Anonymous

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

and its constituent element. Best option is William Ave - or #1 as part of a larger vision, like developing the HBC building as the Memories Building for our province. Will unlock Prov. and federal funds. Consolidate and be a world class destination.

Anonymous

6/15/2021 08:17 AM

It seems like a lot of wasted effort is going into something that will, at best, have minimal public engagement.

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:02 PM

Room for larger community gatherings/programming

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:50 PM

It includes a wide variety of services both public and internal to archival activities.

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:57 PM

I am glad to see community archives highlighted as an area for immediate growth. Glad to see attention to decolonial issues - but no space allocated to them (eg ceremonial space). Estimates of researcher capacity are very modest (12 stations)

Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	Including the services/capacities outlined will make the City of Winnipeg Archive a valuable asset to the community and its future.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 04:48 PM	All are necessary and weekend hours would build clientele.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	A good selection of services were mentioned.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	These are very basic concets - services might also include camera stands for photographing materialin reading room - LAC provided tripods that could hold cell phones.
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Accessibility needs to be a major consideration for public programming services!
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	All seem reasonable
Anonymous 6/22/2021 10:24 AM	I think more attention should be given to tours and research visits by high school and university students.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 08:59 PM	Looks good.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 07:12 PM	The space for public gatherings needs to be large enough to accommodate 100 or more people. The UM Archives regularly has events of about 100 people or more. Needs quiet research space and public space for conversations and events.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 08:14 PM	Good choices
Anonymous 6/23/2021 11:21 PM	These are all important services, in addition to providing the core business function of maintaining the records of the City of Winnipeg
Anonymous	Less Indigenous focused programs,

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

too many already and when we implement them in schools they don't even show up.

Anonymous

Nothing to add.

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

Anonymous

Research opportunities, more involvement with the public (especially school children) and the digitization of material.

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Anonymous

I appreciate the info for tours

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Anonymous

The list appears comprehensive

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Anonymous

Indigenous space is key to any of the options and I am happy to see it here.

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Anonymous

N/A

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

Anonymous

None

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

Anonymous

I agree with the addition / emphasis on public access but I think the most important feature is getting archives that are safe and secure for the collections AND for the staff and public. accessible

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

Anonymous

More aggressive attempts to acquire extensive archives from Winnipeg individuals, families, companies and organizations.

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Anonymous

The proposed classroom will have 25 seats, which will not accommodate most school groups.

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

Anonymous

Archival Services is sadly under rated and follow PAM (the provincial archives) standard

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

Anonymous

The services mentioned really expand previous programs to include

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

	Indigenous Peoples. The archives now appears to include the public more broadly as well.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 04:17 PM	Looks good
Anonymous 6/29/2021 07:01 AM	"Expanded opportunities for Indigenous ceremonies, storytelling, and programming". This will require greater detail and specification.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 01:48 PM	I would like to see greater emphasis on Indigenous records and relationship between the CWA and Indigenous researchers.
Anonymous 6/30/2021 08:21 AM	Good to see Indigenous programming
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:37 AM	Community involvement and contributions from Indigenous people are absolutely necessary and should be prioritized
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:56 AM	Its a start
Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	I really like the emphasis on public programming, making history come alive. Perhaps some connection with Manitoba Museum could be made? or Provincial Archives?
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	Sounds great.
Anonymous 7/03/2021 03:23 PM	All are essential.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 12:40 PM	Needs space for 75+ people for activities; last panel on City of W. Archives got 75+. Needs space for more than 25 for student visits, tours. Needs multiple spaces of varied sizes for concurrent activities, such as researchers, student visits, tours, etc.

Anonymous very good

7/05/2021 02:18 AM

Anonymous More programming for schools needs to be included.

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

Anonymous Much depends on the space set aside for the delivery of some services.

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

Optional question (86 response(s), 122 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q5 Please rank the four options in order from 1 (most favoured) to 5 (least favoured). You can drag and drop the options to move them into your preferred order. Please tell us about your views on the benefits and drawbacks of each options below.

OPTIONS	AVG. RANK
Option 4	1.99
Option 1	2.27
Option 2a	3.12
Option 3	3.64
Option 2b	3.86

Optional question (200 response(s), 8 skipped)

Question type: Ranking Question

Q6 What do you see as the benefits for Option 1?

Anonymous nice, shiny new building

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

Anonymous You will need the space.

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

Anonymous Can build to highest professional standards

5/25/2021 02:47 PM

Anonymous

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

A purpose built building would provide greater potential for future growth

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Purpose built structure will best care for the archival records.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

This would be a purpose-built structure that would meet needs for 20 years. Purpose building ensures optimized functionality.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

it will be custom-built to ensure that all the requirements archives staff wish for the building are included

Anonymous

5/26/2021 04:13 PM

everything in one location

Anonymous

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

Committed financing and space. It should be in the downtown Bay building as part of an archival/ library hub

Anonymous

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

Few - new build, modern amenities

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

proper space designed to meet the needs immediately instead of waiting for a retrofit of old space. If a proper site is chosen, it will have thought put into public parking, access for those with disabilities, smoke alarm that can handle smudging, etc

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

benefits the construction industry more than researchers or archival staff who have to manage such a huge project on top of regular jobs

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

purpose-built building

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

Will be purposed built for archives and should stand the test of time

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

Use of heritage building.
Repurposing building. Good location.

Anonymous Would enable state of the art design

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Anonymous None.

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

Anonymous A totally new facility offers the opportunity to design a facility taking advantage of lessons learned from new facilities in other cities.

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

Anonymous We have the ability to design a building that will suit the city's needs for 20 years.

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

Anonymous one location

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

Anonymous possible lower cost in long term

5/27/2021 06:27 PM

Anonymous New building I guess

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

Anonymous Save beautiful classic bldg

5/28/2021 05:26 AM

Anonymous Best option in terms of buliding cost and future maintenance.

5/28/2021 08:02 AM

Anonymous Owning the building.

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

Anonymous A new building will be more permanent.

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

Anonymous it would hopefully fill up a surface parking lot?

5/28/2021 01:25 PM

Anonymous Use of heritage building, part of downtown

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

Anonymous The location could be more accessible by transit than william st. The structure could be iconic

5/28/2021 05:21 PM

Anonymous Can build a beautiful new, functional

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

building in a location that's a bit better than 380 William

Anonymous

new is always good

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

Anonymous

Meet the ends

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

Anonymous

Central location, renovation of historical building and association with other integral provincial services.

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

2toJoanne

A new, purpose-built building with all the information in the same place would be ideal.

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Anonymous

One assumes it would be gotten right the first time! Build to what is needed and include all the current standards of archives protection.

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Anonymous

Cost and use of a heritage building

5/31/2021 09:50 PM

Anonymous

A purpose built building is ideal for something like an archive, it's a pretty specialized space.

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

Anonymous

It is always nice to use Heritage Buildings. The fact that the William St (Carnegie) building was constructed for a library would only extends is original mandate to advance learning.

6/02/2021 09:54 AM

Anonymous

Permits long-term planning and will give a sense of importance and security to the whole enterprise

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Anonymous

A purpose-built building could be completely designed around the archives, with the most modern equipment and materials.

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Anonymous

Purpose-built, hopefully state-of-the-art.

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

Anonymous

Easiest way to ensure all needs are met.

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

Anonymous

6/03/2021 01:23 PM

The cost of doing business, even of an archives, is increasing steadily year over year so there is a strong possibility of cost savings of a purpose built archives.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

New you can have what is needed

Anonymous

6/04/2021 06:58 AM

Could be a state of the art with proper environment for archival records and ability to,expand program

Anonymous

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

None. Unless the new building was intentionally designed for preservation and community and there was no comparable space in Winnipeg

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

Purpose built. Opportunities to build adaptive structure to meet future needs and evolving procedures.

Anonymous

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

A building ideally suited for archival purposes.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

New building and for a long time

Anonymous

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

Everything under one roof with room to grow

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Gorgeous Heritage building. We shouldn't just let it fall down, which seems to have been the approach for the last 5 years. Also, it's an investment in the broader downtown and Exchange.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Need build, up to code, maximum expansion growth option

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Latest building technology. ie. LEAD, or energy efficient, Disaster proof, etc.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:56 PM

State of the art building needed - this is already long overdue. Can be

	completely accessible, COVID spacing considered, can really plan for the future. Seems like best value in the long run, although I would love to see 380 William renovated.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:16 PM	Strongest option, needs biggest commitment.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:34 PM	Would be all new and purpose built
Anonymous 6/06/2021 10:30 PM	A centrally located facility that already has history and beautiful architecture. We cannot continue to sell it and demolish beautiful historical buildings.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 03:35 PM	nice new place
Anonymous 6/07/2021 06:58 PM	None
Anonymous 6/07/2021 08:42 PM	The ability to select a location. The ability to design the space from scratch. Long term, this will enable the space to provide more to Winnipeggers and the many out of town visitors such a building would attract.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 09:18 AM	This is definitely the most suitable option as it will ensure a proper design suited specifically to serve the special preservation and access needs of archives from the outset while having real potential to be an architectural and tourist attraction.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 03:23 PM	Accessible; meet standards for security, humidity,etc.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	It is a new facility.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 08:23 PM	Existing building, cheaper alternative as well as better for the environment

Anonymous

6/09/2021 12:44 PM

Custom facility tailor made for the needs of a modern archive.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 06:06 PM

Purpose built building

Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

None

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

Everything being new all the tech etc will be up to date. It is the longest lasting option with the most positive usage. And it could be built to the archivists best specs.

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:10 AM

Purpose built facility has more opportunities and can be tailored

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

repurpose heritage building, accommodate 20 collecting, good location

Anonymous

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

A new building will meet all conservation needs for proper care & storage of archives and meet public use needs.

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

None

Anonymous

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

Not tied to any limitations within existing facilities and allows for a new location

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

The William Ave. site was the vision from the get-go. It is an historic site that builds local community. It also has space to expand for future if needed.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:22 AM

Less investments

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:26 AM

Given the history of city renovations, police department in the old post office, for example, renovation is not great.

Anonymous

This option is only remotely palatable

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

if it removes a downtown parking lot site.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

I prefer the archives exist in a single location. New construction is often cost effective

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

Preservation and making use of beautiful historic building, integrating the history of Winnipeg with its infrastructure, becomes a site to attract and involve both residents and visitors.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

It is a historic building and should be utilized. It was the library at one time.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Ultimate in customizability, probably longevity.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

It is a purpose built facility that should meet all requirements if designed and planned correctly

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:43 AM

New downtown construction is always a good thing. Can be tailor-made to the needs of the Archives, and be fully accessible.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

Creation of the ideal

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Facility could be planned to optimize all services

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:13 PM

Purpose built

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

NA

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

This is one and done. A purpose built building properly done from the start. No half measures, do the job properly once.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:24 PM

No fitting square-peg-into-round-hole vis-a-vis mission/materials vs. the building.

Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	Ability to design building from ground up as needed.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	newer building
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	New Built inside the HBC - and in cooperation with Manitoba and HBC archives, as well as private archives (clients) - A presence with archival quality all over it, and space for fit for purpose built. And large space available without windows - good.
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	I see none.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	Can build a big enough space for public outreach and adequate physical and digital storage space
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	A good solution for the long term in that the yearly costs for maintenance and operations (hydro, etc) would be most cost effective
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:57 PM	Purpose built will allow flexibility in terms of program requirements.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	New purpose-built site that can accommodate the desired features and services.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	A new, purpose built facility is essential to meeting the needs of the collection and the community. The building needs to be downtown and accessible to the public.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 04:48 PM	Would last for longer than 20 more years.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	A purpose built building that would last a long time and be state of the art for 2023 (approx)
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	Up to date tech for handling and working with materials,

Anonymous 6/18/2021 07:22 PM	Proper layout design for info / Staff/Residents. Present efficient energy-saving HVAC system.
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Allows space to be built to specifications,
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	None - expensive and I believe totally unnecessary.
Anonymous 6/21/2021 05:31 PM	There is no evidence the city has seriously considered the idea of turning HBC into a collaborative "archive central" hub for CofW, HBC, province and other local/regional archives for historical societies etc.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 10:24 AM	Ideally, this is the best option that would provide a state of the art facility for a city the size of Winnipeg.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 08:59 PM	New sells.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 07:12 PM	A purpose-built archive will meet the requirements of a municipal archive. This building will not get cheaper with waiting. The building could be a city attraction if it was designed by an Indigenous architect.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 08:14 PM	State of the art building will be much better long term
Anonymous 6/23/2021 11:21 PM	This is the best option that would support the archival records and an open and transparent government.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:19 AM	None.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:23 AM	There are not real benefits to Option 1.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:27 AM	Most forward thinking, doesn't rely on political will 10 years later.
Anonymous	More public exposure.

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:44 AM

I facility purpose built to modern standards would be beneficial, as would the possibility of closer proximity to the archives on Vaughan.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

Limited time span of site

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:45 PM

fresh start

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

The right building for the purpose.
Very specific to what is needed.
Could obtain space with potential for expansion.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Building new is expensive

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

complete city control and good plans for expansion

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

It's new?

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Ability to build to specific wants and needs, and flexibility in terms of location. City would own building

Anonymous

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Can be built to modern standards, including LEED/energy efficiency/net zero emissions

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

A new permanent site is the best way to go.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 09:58 AM

Meets Archive's program requirements and gives purpose to an existing heritage building

Anonymous

6/25/2021 10:50 AM

It repurposes a long vacant city-owned heritage building and will bolster the neighbourhood vitality. The city will have an opportunity to act as a leader in heritage

	conservation, as directed by City Council in OurWinnipeg and Complete Communities.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:15 AM	Preservation of an historically significant, and currently vacant, city-owned building. Great for the neighborhood. Regardless of total project costs, likely the most in line with the City of Winnipeg's Our Winnipeg Plan.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:36 AM	You can build a building that competely meets you needs now and for the future
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	A suitable building is constructed and there is immediate and significant commitment from people in power to get the job done more than adequately.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	Purpose-built building could be optimal in meeting all requirements. Cheaper than the 10-year building (?)
Anonymous 6/26/2021 10:26 AM	Archive spaces/collections will fit in the new building - doesn't have to be reconstructed as an old building would have to be - costs would even out.
Anonymous 6/26/2021 11:55 AM	Lowest cost. Utilizes an already existing building that has some historical significance.
Anonymous 6/26/2021 12:19 PM	Purpose built is always better, provided it's done properly
Anonymous 6/27/2021 10:16 PM	It reduces the number of staff needed, because there is just one facility and not two. A brand new building would be purposely designed for the archives, and there would be no need to truck materials back and forth between two separate locations.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:05 AM	Owing the faculties and allying the public access to using and have access

Anonymous 6/28/2021 08:09 AM	20 years good for long term
Anonymous 6/28/2021 09:44 AM	no real benefits twenty years is not a long time frame
Anonymous 6/28/2021 11:31 AM	a new, state of the art space that prioritizes the immediate needs of the city's archives
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:10 PM	I couldn't drag and drop? Renovation of 380 William seem to be a great idea as this will be good use of a heritage building and create pedestrian and other traffic to a downtown location... which needs more pedestrian traffic etc
Anonymous 6/28/2021 04:17 PM	Curate the building to what you need. Modern technology, could find an accessible space with parking close to other amenities
Anonymous 6/29/2021 07:01 AM	Specifically built to meet archives needs today.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 08:38 AM	New build ensures a growing capacity of the collection, and that all the needs and requirements are met.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:02 PM	Space for a 20 year expansion which means Vision. It has all the needed components - a large space for teaching students or groups for lectures- conservation components - huge vaults- a new space which would be an excellent Winnipeg addition.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:31 PM	new building means you can design it the way you wish
Anonymous 6/29/2021 08:49 PM	The best option
Anonymous 6/30/2021 08:21 AM	20 yr capability
Anonymous	A purpose-built space is always ideal.

6/30/2021 09:37 AM

Sometimes it is easier to create unique spaces for the purposes that they are intended to serve (i.e. climate-controlled storage) versus retrofitting an existing space.

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

None use what you hve or we face you raising taxes to pay for it

Anonymous

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

One centralized location, designed and built to purpose, less risk related to ongoing costs (staff in one place, city owned -- no ongoing lease)

Anonymous

7/01/2021 10:10 AM

Build now before costs increase, build to satisfy all needs of archives.

Anonymous

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

If Option 1 were in fact within reach in terms of cost, it would be ideal as planning and design could incorporate all requirements for a full service archive.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 10:25 AM

The space would be specifically designed for its function, would enable excellent access for disabled, have humidity and other controls from the beginning.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 01:27 PM

All the stated needs can be met initially and there is no worry of the city not be able to provide any support if there are additional needs that hadn't been realized initially

Anonymous

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

Purpose built, climate controlled is THE way to go if affordable.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 11:39 PM

Built for exact function

Anonymous

7/03/2021 12:38 PM

purpose built would be able to properly house the archives.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

If more space for activities and records storage than the consultants outline is provided a new build would provide the best overall support for them.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 07:59 AM

Best value for money while maintaining a heritage building and providing a context that matches the function - it seems self evidently the best option.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 11:39 AM

Long term stability, built for a specific purpose so can meet all needs (accessibility, space, temp/humidity control)

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:21 PM

The archives are our shared legacy and have been neglected. Modern facilities will allow better access

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

The benefits are spaces that are appropriate for multiple uses. Must be centrally located. I think whatever storage is gained on site will be quickly filled, but most precious materials should be held close to staff for security and preservation reasons.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 12:36 PM

The facility can be designed from the ground up to meet the needs of the diverse patrons and groups it will serve. This will ensure there is adequate space for the programming and activities listed in the schedule of proposed events.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

We get what we want exactly.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

Could be state of the art.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 06:26 PM

Could be an opportunity to design a purpose-built facility and work with Indigenous architects on design proposal.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:05 PM

A new build would be easier to provide the latest standards for air quality, storage and security. Documents are irreplaceable.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

The ability to plan for sufficient storage, research and public

programming space.

Optional question (167 response(s), 41 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q7 What are the drawbacks of Option 1?

Anonymous

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

crazy expensive, and knowing this city's history, it won't happen due to cost.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:30 PM

Cost

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

City of Wpg will not want to spend the money or won't have the money to spend...

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:47 PM

No location identified, highest cost

Anonymous

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

Waiting for the right location, as well as for the construction to be completed if a space is found, might significantly delay a move to a better location. Separate space for offsite storage also means potential delays for researchers requesting records.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Chances of it being anywhere near City Hall campus are low which will impact its relevance to those that work at or visit City Hall (i.e., out of sight, out of mind)

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

An opportunity to re-use a historic building is missed.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

high costs

Anonymous

5/26/2021 04:13 PM

expense

Anonymous

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

Existing beautiful building already exists at William

Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:07 PM	it's only 20 years and you haven't told us a location to form a proper opinion
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:08 PM	no longevity planned - only 20 years is not long-term
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:21 PM	less cost certainty
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:21 PM	Could take too long to construct
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:22 PM	May be complicated retrofit.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:24 PM	Cost, and choosing location.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:05 PM	You will never resolve an issue by putting it off for twenty years.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:36 PM	More costly than some of the other options BUT only in the short term.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:46 PM	Skyrocketing costs
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:53 PM	a new build when existing buildings/space are available. Failure to use existing 'built' infrastructure
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	Spending money for no reason
Anonymous 5/28/2021 05:26 AM	new technology for storage
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	The location might not be very accessible.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	Cost to taxpayers.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	I don't trust that the building will be well designed, should be downtown.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

Consider only if the most up-to-date archival standards can be met, space projecting 20 years and beyond, and public programming can be achieved with this option.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 05:21 PM

not finding the right location and what to do with the building on william

Anonymous

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

High chance of the city being cheap and not ending up with a very nice building. There's also an existing building in option 4.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:23 AM

Cost

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

cost

Anonymous

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

Expensive, building likely to be ugly

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

Cost of renovations and the unknown state of the property at present.

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Costs, finding a location, delays result in less access to the Archives for Winnipeggers.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Finding a place, preferably downtown, to construct a building to the size and specifications needed.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

\$22.3 million. Capital costs only, what about operational costs? Who builds anything with only a 20 year timeline? Would you build a house or buy a condo with a 20 year "best before" date? I don't think so.

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

It just seems so expensive, especially when there are significantly cheaper options.

Anonymous

6/02/2021 09:54 AM

Can you really get a Category A vault in this building?

Anonymous

Upfront costs and unknown location

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Anonymous

It could be costly.

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Anonymous

Lack of historical significance or character

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

Anonymous

Cost.

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

Anonymous

getting financial commitments for such a structure

6/03/2021 01:23 PM

Anonymous

Money

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

Anonymous

There are many vacant buildings downtown which could be retrofitted

6/04/2021 06:58 AM

Anonymous

Cost would be high, and preserving our current buildings should be considered a priority to prevent further "ghost buildings"

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

Anonymous

to costly this can be done later when the city has money

6/04/2021 11:47 AM

Anonymous

Cost. Why is a downtown location preferred if research is likely to be increasingly virtual?

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

Anonymous

Costliness and unlikelihood of obtaining funding for construction.

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

Anonymous

Costs

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

Anonymous

Will likely be in an inaccessible place for many, such as an industrial park

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

Anonymous

We don't know how much asbestos we're dealing with, but that will need to be dealt with no matter what.

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Anonymous

Probably cost

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Too slow to build. Location of facility could be an issue

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:56 PM

Finding the right location, selling the cost to Winnipeggers.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

Expense.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Cost will mean corners would be cut. No location has been found so the project will be severely delayed and costs will increase.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

Does not seem like there is a lot of political will to keep it.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 03:35 PM

no money

Anonymous

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

Not realistic. City will not provide funding.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

None.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 09:18 AM

Costly but it is well worth the investment and revenue would be generated by researchers coming to Winnipeg.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 10:36 AM

expensive

Anonymous

6/08/2021 03:23 PM

Easy to get capital but hard to get operating funds; may be located in a non-central location; inadequate budget to do it properly

Anonymous

6/08/2021 04:23 PM

It is very expensive

Anonymous

6/08/2021 08:23 PM

Substantial retrofitting required

Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	Might be the most expensive option.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	Site needs to be determined, does not re-use existing building
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	We have existing historic buildings that honour the past in bc a way that archives do and so the cultural symbolism of that and a destination site fir archives is most appropriate at the William Ave site
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	Cost
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:10 AM	Expense
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:28 AM	cost of retrofitting are unpredictable until the work is underway
Anonymous 6/10/2021 08:22 PM	A new building requires capital and land
Anonymous 6/11/2021 02:55 PM	You Are not Utilizing The Spaces already Available.
Anonymous 6/12/2021 02:54 AM	loss of historical value from it being centred at 380 William
Anonymous 6/13/2021 02:06 PM	May need a modern addition at some point. I'd like to know what the archivists think vs. consultant.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:26 AM	lots of parking - yes, for cars! - is important. Research takes time, cannot be rushed.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:28 AM	It does not save and restore an important part of Winnipeg's built heritage.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:38 AM	If the William location is feasible, a new build would be unnecessary.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:42 AM	Cost but there is also a great cost to doing nothing or continuing the status

	quo, and money must be spent regardless to maintain 380 William.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:47 AM	Finding a someone who can upgrade the building but keep it original.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:33 AM	Finding an appropriate spot, concerns with cost, possibly length of time.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:37 AM	Personally - I don't see any - even if it is not completely accessible to downtown - it is the best decision
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:43 AM	Expensive
Anonymous 6/14/2021 11:16 AM	Location
Anonymous 6/14/2021 11:21 AM	Cost
Anonymous 6/14/2021 12:13 PM	Cost
Anonymous 6/14/2021 12:20 PM	NA
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:07 PM	Cost is obviously higher.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:24 PM	Cost, finding an adequate location serviced by Wpg Transit.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	Cost, location likely far from core of city
Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	no site indicated
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	Greenfield development risks becoming a monument to the current thoughts of location, design and political incentives, and loses a chance to use a credible site, and historically loaded location, as a

	centre that celebrates the past and sets up the futur
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	If a new building is required and it's only going to have a 20 year span, it seems like a waste of resources.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	"to meet the needs up to 20 years" it should be a much longer timeframe.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	The issue of cost and location are of concern. However combining option 1 and 4 could offer a solution which would give as a result a construction like the Red River College downtown.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Cost.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	Cost. But it is time funds were committed to meeting this need. The City archive has been neglected far too long.this
Anonymous 6/17/2021 04:48 PM	Very expensive.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	Possibly the most expensive when one considers the cost of purchasing land
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	Location and cost.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 07:22 PM	\$\$\$
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	No known location planned, availability of downtown land not known.
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	Expensive and unnecessary. We have a plethora of buildings in this city, many owned by the city that are sitting empty. Surely one of them could be renovated to be exactly what is needed at a fraction of the cost ?
Anonymous	Significant expense.

6/21/2021 05:31 PM

Anonymous

Cost

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

Anonymous

No site available delays the start and end time of the project. It's already dragged for 10 years and nothing has been done.

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Anonymous

Don't see drawbacks. I see it as the only viable option.

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

Anonymous

Costs

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Anonymous

None, it's the best option and it's even less expensive than some of the other options with multiple sites.

6/23/2021 11:21 PM

Anonymous

Wasted \$\$\$.

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Anonymous

Land availability and accessibility.

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

Anonymous

Most expensive

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

Anonymous

Decisions as to what archival material to include — although a rotating system may clear that up.

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Anonymous

Failure to use a vulnerable heritage building that is already suitable for use for archives. Cost.

6/24/2021 11:44 AM

Anonymous

City owned sites could be repurposed

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

Anonymous

new building in a community that has plenty of buildings to use

6/24/2021 12:45 PM

Anonymous

Planning will have to be flexible as to location

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Anonymous

Unions and city always cost lots of money

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

none

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:18 PM

I feel 10-20 yr span is insufficient!

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Old Buildings pose problems...but the city Rome has figured out how to maintain and use building structures that are 100's of years older!

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

High cost short term

Anonymous

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Location is unknown. Still need to do something with existing building.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

Only 20 years is too short. A new building/location should be made to last for up to at least 50 to 75 years. 20 years is too short.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 09:58 AM

None

Anonymous

6/25/2021 10:50 AM

None

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

None

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

Expensive, suitable location needs to be found.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Heritage significance of 380 Williams means that building needs to be renovated. Unlikely that contemporary architect would do as good a job as those who built the Carnegie. Takes more energy than refitting building, thus contributes to climate change.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Would probably be in a less-than-optimal (cheap) location.

Anonymous 6/26/2021 11:55 AM	refurbishing surprises.
Anonymous 6/26/2021 12:19 PM	None
Anonymous 6/27/2021 10:16 PM	The drawbacks are that it would be expensive, time-consuming (because the building would need to be designed), and that the city would need to find a piece of suitable land that is big enough for the building.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:05 AM	Requiring staff and timelines
Anonymous 6/28/2021 08:09 AM	Could be a number of years before it will be completed
Anonymous 6/28/2021 09:44 AM	to short sighted, Currently the city is destroying historic documents due to privacy act
Anonymous 6/28/2021 11:31 AM	The cost and lack of identified building/space
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:10 PM	If the deterioration and safety of the downtown continues, there is a potential security issue for staff who have to park and travel here, especially if walking, cycling or taking the bus
Anonymous 6/28/2021 04:17 PM	Money and possible location. May be limited on spaces available.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 07:01 AM	Short term solution that might require repeating this process in twenty years.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 08:38 AM	A twenty-year collection capacity plan doesn't seem to be that far into the future. 20 years can go by quickly, and a plan for future collecting i.e. up to 50 years should be considered now in these early stages.
Anonymous	No drawbacks.

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

Anonymous

expensive and no character

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

Anonymous

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6/30/2021 08:21 AM

Anonymous

Building something new when there are many unique, historic, beautiful buildings in Wpg that are falling into disrepair is a less attractive prospect to me

6/30/2021 09:37 AM

Anonymous

Cost

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

Anonymous

Higher upfront cost, location could be a benefit or a drawback, depending on what is available

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

Anonymous

Higher cost, longer completion time.

7/01/2021 10:10 AM

Anonymous

The City and Council have been unwilling to commit funding to this program. The cost is prohibitive. Identification of a suitable site could prove challenging. The timeline is extensive and leave the records at Myrtle in jeopardy.

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

Anonymous

The Carnegie Library is such an historic building, and a centre for research for over 100 years. Would love to see it restored for public access.

7/02/2021 10:25 AM

Anonymous

Need suitable location

7/02/2021 01:27 PM

Anonymous

Initial cost, but that would be acceptable IMHO.

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

Anonymous

Cost

7/02/2021 11:39 PM

Anonymous

Costs - additional construction costs

7/03/2021 12:38 PM

if the project takes to long to be initialized.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

Uncertainty about timeline to find land. Location may not be in core area as a result. Twenty year timeline may not be enough to plan for. Many archives have been in facilities for much longer..

Anonymous

7/04/2021 11:39 AM

Larger initial expense and finding location

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:21 PM

None

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

The time it will take to build, the cost of acquiring land if the city doesn't already own a centrally located spot.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 12:36 PM

The location may not be as accessible to some (foottraffice, bus routes, parking options) as it is to others.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

Expense and location

Anonymous

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

Not needed, when suitable heritage buildings are available.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 06:26 PM

Requires a more funds than Option 4 and doesn't help to recover heritage building.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:05 PM

Expense

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

Need to find appropriate location for new building.

Optional question (164 response(s), 44 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q8 What do you see as the benefits for Option 2?

Anonymous

I don't

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

Anonymous

None.

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

Anonymous

Prominent, accessible location - can build offsite storage to highest professional standards

5/25/2021 02:47 PM

Anonymous

Central location would be great if that location could be found

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

Anonymous

Having a visible presence downtown where researchers and public programming could occur would be great.

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Anonymous

not much.

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

Anonymous

more space available when spread across two buildings

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

Anonymous

downtown public access

5/26/2021 04:13 PM

Anonymous

Saving a beautiful historic building which is close to city centre

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

Anonymous

downtown location if people wanted to visit

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

Anonymous

shindico and/or other realtors will benefit from the lease, not the public

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

Anonymous

main site can be remote, at likely a lower cost than in the downtown

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

Anonymous

Staged construction/expansion.

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

Anonymous

The working site can be smaller size because of a separate storage site

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Anonymous

Do you mean 2A? This survey is badly written. I see too few benefits

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

	to Option 2A to identify them in concrete terms.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:36 PM	None
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:46 PM	Storage space offsite.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:53 PM	use of existing City owned properties, one of which 'should' be 380 William Street
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	City owned building
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	Using a current site.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	Using existing infrastructure.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	the site should be in the downtown area, but there is not reason they can't have all the storage space in one site. bay building would be perfect with a new public library.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 04:11 PM	Not interested in Option 2
Anonymous 5/28/2021 05:21 PM	more likely to find a convenient location if smaller property is found; leasing is a bad idea
Anonymous 5/29/2021 12:20 AM	None.
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:23 AM	Cost savings, growth
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:42 AM	separating public area Lease area in the Bay downtown for public
Anonymous 5/30/2021 09:17 AM	Difference maintenance may be less expensive
Anonymous	Custom-built structure that will meet

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

all requirements for the future.

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

A city owned facility, even if it is small, results in a nice public facing option with an offsite storage facility, this could work.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

I don't really see any

Anonymous

5/31/2021 09:50 PM

Purpose built

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

It meets the needs for an archive at a lower cost than a new building

Anonymous

6/02/2021 09:54 AM

Benefits - you would get all the bells and whistle of a new build. Should have no worries of maintaining building costs for the foreseeable futuree

Anonymous

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Somewhat cheaper

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Eggs not all in one basket.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

In case of disaster not everything would be lost.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

Downtown location.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 01:23 PM

The only benefit that I can see is the possibility to more quickly make a public portion available.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

Two can work

Anonymous

6/04/2021 06:58 AM

None, researchers would have to,wait for retrieval off site or travel

Anonymous

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

Could be ideal for students, and maintain accessibility

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

Retention of a down town site
accessible to the public.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

Cost

Anonymous

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

The "most requested" stuff easily
accessible in a central location near to
Provincial Archives and local history
room at Millennium Library.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

An opportunity to purpose build
something gorgeous. Hopefully to do
so in a location that invests in
downtown and/or the Exchange.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

It's a Carnegie building, it is heritage,
perfect fit for archives

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Dual sites become their own disaster
recovery

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

The public access facility can be
permanent, attractive & nicely located
near City Hall or otherwise
downtown. The larger, storage
facility can be situated with
reasonable access from an industrial
location, at lower cost for that facility.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

None

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

If there were ever fires/floods, etc.
not all records would be lost if
documents were stored in two
places.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 03:35 PM

reuse an existing building

Anonymous

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

Compromise position could use
existing city resources for part of
collection

Anonymous

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

Will keep the collection safe and allow for some ease of access for the public.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 09:18 AM

If located close to the Provincial Archives and WAG, we could begin to create a hub for research that would be an attraction and also be accessible to the masses (bus, parking, walkable, etc.)

Anonymous

6/08/2021 03:23 PM

Could look at a location in Exchange District or other central location.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 04:23 PM

It is more cost efficient.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 08:23 PM

Downtown option is key

Anonymous

6/09/2021 12:44 PM

More sensitive or less frequently accessed materials can have their own dedicated facility. Long-term research projects can be done without interruption from public programs/events.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 06:06 PM

None

Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

None

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

It's better than nothing

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:10 AM

Less expensive than option 1

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

new building constructed with current technologies, more straightforward project than a retrofit, possibly cost projections more reliable, 20 years before expansion required

Anonymous

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

None

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

Yes, You Are Utilizing the Spaces Available and Can Move City Hall To The Hudson Bay Building where it was Supposed To Be in the Beginning of the City , and then moving The Archives and Research to The Now City Hall . WIN/WIN!

Anonymous

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

downtown would serve as central area for public access

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

I don't see many benefits to split the storage from the working site, TBH.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

Downtown is the only location for a new archives.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:37 AM

Why not do things the right way the first time? Other options will end up costing more in the long run because costs always go up over time.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

It is nice to have an accessible location

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

Building meets the standards of an archive, both now and in the near (20 year) future.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

We would have two sites.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Allows all the services to be offered. Ownership can be more flexible than leasing, especially if renovations are needed.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

The storefront location would make it nicer for an image downtown

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

Less space required

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Make use of an existing facility

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:13 PM

Cost

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

NA

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

I don't really see any unless there is some sort of side benefit (e.g. what about using that tower next to the Police Station)

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:24 PM

None, really.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:42 PM

Ciry owned and downtown

Anonymous

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

na/

Anonymous

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

Similar values of site (to HBC)
natural affinity to proposed new use.

Anonymous

6/15/2021 08:17 AM

Having an offsite location give the impression that it can be expanded in the future.

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:02 PM

None

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:50 PM

nothing in particular except for the fact that they would be new buildings

Anonymous

6/16/2021 09:18 PM

Possibly more accessible location

Anonymous

6/17/2021 07:03 AM

Storage space could be planned with future expansion in mind.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 03:15 PM

Renovation of the Carnegie Building is nice - it's a Heritage Building and needs to be preserved.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 05:51 PM

There are no benefits - even original costs are too high

Anonymous

6/19/2021 09:56 AM

Lots of space

Anonymous

6/20/2021 01:49 PM

None

Anonymous

6/21/2021 05:31 PM

A central archive hub (as mentioned in 6) would consolidate resources, where one reading room could serve 5 archives, one reception 5 archives, and so on. One-stop shopping for anyone doing historical research and raised profile for the smaller archives.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

Convenient public accessibility and visibility.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

So much of the success of this depends on where? The Millennium Library looks like an obvious choice for this - parking and a site already familiar and accessible to the public.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

Don't see benefits.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Record security improved

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Less costly

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

This would be great.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

access to archives centralized, does not require one single solution

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Same as #1

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

no bebefit

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:45 PM

should minimize costs to CoW but surprised offsite storage costs so high

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Partly in a cheaper location

Anonymous 6/24/2021 01:35 PM	Building already owned by city
Anonymous 6/24/2021 04:15 PM	none
Anonymous 6/24/2021 05:16 PM	Benefit is being DOWNTOWN Winnipeg...close to the Exchange Area perhaps?
Anonymous 6/24/2021 05:42 PM	2 locations
Anonymous 6/24/2021 06:40 PM	More flexibility in finding space downtown with smaller space
Anonymous 6/25/2021 08:52 AM	Everything should be at one site. That would be more convenient & efficient.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 09:58 AM	Potential for a high-quality space/architecture that contributes to our built environment. Allows for this important public building to be built in a prime location that has easy transit access
Anonymous 6/25/2021 10:50 AM	I don't see any benefits of the other options. Why design a new building or space for only 10-20 years when 380 William has stood the test of time for over a hundred years?
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:15 AM	Redundancy of operations in two facilities provides flexibility. Efficiency in costs associated with relegating storage to lower cost space. Good for the local economy in terms of employing Winnipeggers to run both facilities.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:36 AM	non downtown for storage might be less expensive in the long run
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	There is a downtown access point for the archive.
Anonymous	Public access downtown.

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Anonymous

6/26/2021 11:55 AM

New building built for specific function.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

None

Anonymous

6/27/2021 10:16 PM

It enables the city to divide the amount of space needed between two different locations.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

It's a known entity

Anonymous

6/28/2021 08:09 AM

like this option because of the two different sites. More friendly place for public and a bigger place for storing documents

Anonymous

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

for archiving there are no benefits

Anonymous

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

The ability to maintain additional storage

Anonymous

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

They could specialize the buildings, one for the public more so and the other more for education and storing documents

Anonymous

6/29/2021 07:01 AM

Large, single footprint is not needed so more opens more options for finding space in a single location.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:38 AM

There may be potential for a greater storage capacity of the collection if it can be split between two spaces.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

It's a downtown site.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:49 PM

Not a good idea for users

Anonymous

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

safety of collections

Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:37 AM	I'm mostly ambivalent about option 2.
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:56 AM	None
Anonymous 6/30/2021 01:42 PM	Designed and built to purpose, less risk related to ongoing costs (no ongoing lease), downtown location could be beneficial (depending on where)
Anonymous 7/01/2021 03:37 PM	I do not see any benefits to this solution.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	I don't see benefits of splitting up collection in this way.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	Some redundancy in case of disasters, in theory at least more space available and expandable.
Anonymous 7/03/2021 12:38 PM	Two separate sites - possibly better protection of records
Anonymous 7/03/2021 03:23 PM	Presumably renovated or new building.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 11:39 AM	Improved security with separation of the public from the building with most records and staff. If there was fire/flood/destruction at one site, other site still available.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 12:40 PM	Benefits are central location, historic nature. If the spaces were expanded for public activities, digital preservation, and increases in staff, it could be made to work. But we need to think big now or it will be useless in 10 years.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 12:36 PM	Downtown site remains, close to other archives and city services
Anonymous 7/05/2021 01:39 PM	I don't see any

Anonymous 7/05/2021 03:32 PM	Allows for City-owned heritage building usage.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:05 PM	City owned
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:10 PM	Would still place archives in a prominent and accessible location.

Optional question (146 response(s), 62 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q9 | What are the drawbacks of Option 2?

Anonymous 5/25/2021 01:00 PM	expensive, and highly problematic in terms of transportation of documents between locations.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:42 PM	More inefficient and costly then Option 1.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:47 PM	No space identified - risks to records associated with transportation
Anonymous 5/25/2021 03:09 PM	Offsite storage will delay research access when materials requested are not on site in the public space and limit the efficiency of drop-in visits. Also a risk that a lease can't get renewed for option 2b
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:06 PM	Delays in retrieving records from offsite storage.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:14 PM	this is a piecemeal solution that doesn't even commit to renovating a heritage structure.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 08:42 PM	costs of maintaining two buildings, delay in preparing records for researchers
Anonymous 5/26/2021 04:13 PM	2 locations awkward
Anonymous	Existing beautiful building already

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

exists at William

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

it hasn't been said how much foot traffic it would be anticipated for a downtown location. we have a mb archives and I work downtown and I have never been to it as I didn't think it was open to the public

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

two locations incredibly hard for staff to manage and thus will diminish all services

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

two buildings to maintain and staff, requires material to be transferred between sites

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

Purchasing land.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Potential delay in transfer from storage site to working site

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

Dividing archives into separate sites is a good way to lose track of what is where. It also makes it inconvenient at best, and impossible at worst, to access materials because secondary sites tend to have limited access to the public.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

Having to order documents from the main site in advance. Risk of damage in transit.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

Upkeep of two buildings.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

2 locations

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

Should be one location

Anonymous

5/28/2021 05:26 AM

Fashion to build monstrocities that are not symetrical

Anonymous

more costly

5/28/2021 08:02 AM

Anonymous

Having two locations to maintain.

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

Anonymous

Not necessarily permanent.

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

Anonymous

lease rates are way too high, so the city should purchase/own whatever building the archives are in.

5/28/2021 01:25 PM

Anonymous

Not interested in Option 2

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

Anonymous

cost

5/28/2021 05:21 PM

Anonymous

All the logistical challenges – for the Public in accessing, and the City in staffing – two sites.

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

Anonymous

cost

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

Anonymous

Construction of two building is expensive

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

Anonymous

Cost and time to build, delaying access and programming for many, many more years.

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

2toJoanne

Leasing is a bad idea and it's hard to get to materials offsite.

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Anonymous

Two buildings in different parts of the city means difficulty accessing them and getting access to materials in a timely manner. What if one building is downtown and the other in Transcona? Now you have introduced an issue with transportation.

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Anonymous

Capital costs only, what about operational costs? Two sites at a cost of \$20.0 million to \$25.8 million requiring the constant movement of

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

	people, artifacts and printed materials.
Anonymous 5/31/2021 09:50 PM	Cost
Anonymous 6/01/2021 10:45 AM	Functionally it seems like multiple locations might be a pain for people using or working in the archives.
Anonymous 6/02/2021 09:54 AM	Locations. What are the guarantees that the location will fit the mandate.
Anonymous 6/02/2021 01:36 PM	Uncertain locations and potential difficulties for users who may need materials in storage
Anonymous 6/03/2021 08:00 AM	Cost and maintenance. I especially dislike leasing when the City of Winnipeg has many empty buildings.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 11:04 AM	Artifacts under documents could get lost in the shuffle.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 12:51 PM	Service delay when materials requested aren't on site.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 05:54 PM	Money
Anonymous 6/04/2021 06:58 AM	See above, collections should be consolidated in one place with proper access and storage
Anonymous 6/04/2021 09:48 AM	Navigation and cross- facility documents would have to remain easy to access
Anonymous 6/04/2021 02:56 PM	Transport of records back and forth puts them at severe risk in the long term. Archival researchers need rapid access to be able to "follow their nose." To be forced to continually request materials ahead of time puts unacceptable restraints on research.
Anonymous 6/04/2021 10:30 PM	Unnecessary duplication of space.
Anonymous	Two locations

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

Anonymous

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

That wait if you need to request other materials.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

It leaves 380 William in bureaucratic limbo.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Retrofit, don't know what will find , cost, me nimal expansion options

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Locations may not have everything I need. I may have to visit both sites.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:56 PM

2 sites cause issues of duplication and movement of materials.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

Public does not have complete access to everything for browsing. But who ever said that was necessary?

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Leasing is a poor choice of an archive. Having two locations could compromise the collections. Easier to lose things or damage in transportation. Would

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

Much like now, files/documents are not as accessible as quickly as may be needed. Additional costs for transferring/sending documents between facilities. Risk of theft or damage this way.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

Has not happened yet which suggests no will to do so.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

Access to the collection will be hindered. Convenience is key - particularly to researchers from out-of-town.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 09:18 AM

Offsite storage means lags in meeting researchers needs and longer waits as records need to be retrieved. The Provincial Archives has this model and it is not ideal. It

	would be more effective to have records onsite.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 03:23 PM	RFP process is very flawed and may result in inappropriate space
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	There may not be a suitable building.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 08:23 PM	Multi location is a poor option
Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	Separate buildings makes it difficult to manage and access records and materials. Transporting records and materials is hazardous, particularly if the two facilities are far apart. Leasing also means owner could potentially kick the archives out.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	Duplication of staff, etc; having to request services in advance
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	I think two sites in a leasing capacity provides more management issues and not the primary function of the archives
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	The two site proposal is problematic
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:10 AM	Having records at another facility means it may take much more time to retrieve records
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:28 AM	needs a central, accessible location; ensuring the professional archivists not architects design the archives for functionality and accessibility
Anonymous 6/10/2021 08:22 PM	LAC in Ottawa uses this system which is a huge inconvenience for public access as some docs are offsite & require additional visits.
Anonymous 6/11/2021 02:55 PM	None.
Anonymous	needing off-site storage reduces

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

readily-available access to records,
added time/cost/staffing for delivery
to/from

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

Many. I don't think the collections
and public/work site should be split.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

It doesn't save and restore an
important part of Winnipeg's built
heritage.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

some records will not be available on
site

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

Adds a new building (environmental
cost) when an existing building could
be repurposed and maintained.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

Two sites would become
overwhelming for the citizens of
Winnipeg.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Two sites very inconvenient for staff.
Could be higher maintenance cost (2
locations).

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

the biggest is the transfer of materials
between locations - not ideal when
dealing with archival items

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

lack of access to materials, public
not well served, too many steps,
more staffing required for transfers,
transferring materials can cause
damage unless well undertaken
which requires specialists who come
at a cost

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Separation of services is
unacceptable

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:13 PM

Not built for purpose

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

Leasing is stupid for an archive

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

High cost, duplication of efforts/labor,
no real benefits to doing this.

Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:24 PM	Giant hassle constantly shuffling records back and forth.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	Leased means uncertain future
Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	n/a
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	Probably not large enough for a centre with potential described for the HBC location.
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	The time needed to retrieve information from the offsite location.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	The drawbacks for option 2 is that the staffing and transportation costs are not noted in the estimate for the two locations. It will be expensive and time consuming to transfer material properly between two locations.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	More expensive with the added inconvenience of making access less efficient
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:57 PM	Insufficiently planned - how would materials be shuttled? are the costs of running a shuttle service included?
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Potential delay in transferring material from offsite to downtown location.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	Delays in accessing research material.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	Have heard that it's in terrible condition and the structure will limit functionality of the archives
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	inconvenience to user,, inaccessability of records, time delays, risk to materials when moving, some materials can not be moved safely
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Difficulty accessing records, requires more admin work to maintain, both

Anonymous

6/20/2021 01:49 PM

facilities would require funding to be maintained.

Why have two locations? All that means is that when being in the "public space" you may need to pre-order the materials you wish to view because they are in storage at another location. Twice the cost, double the inconvenience.

Anonymous

6/21/2021 05:31 PM

Re HBC hub: Massive heritage loss should the building be damaged. Takes local material out of neighborhood and centralizes downtown where people are afraid to go.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

Cost and problems in staffing and operating 2 facilities.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Neither site has been identified and no costs are available.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

Will be frustrating for researchers to order records in advance. May discourage city departments or private donors from transferring records if access is complicated. Increases risk to records with transportation to and fro.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Access is reduced. Similar to archives of manitoba for retrieval of records from offsite storage.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

None.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

We need to stop leasing buildings.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

cost

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Do we need a permanent fixture. I like the idea of a dynamic quality to the option of moving the sight around should the lease end.

Anonymous 6/24/2021 12:25 PM	downtown who wants to go downtown
Anonymous 6/24/2021 12:45 PM	cost. operational practicality
Anonymous 6/24/2021 01:05 PM	Travel between 2 locations hard on fragile material. Service duplication.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 01:35 PM	It's 2 buildings
Anonymous 6/24/2021 04:15 PM	many..loss of control
Anonymous 6/24/2021 05:16 PM	Winnipeggers hate to 'park' downtown!
Anonymous 6/24/2021 05:42 PM	2 locations, duplicate services, inefficient, costly. Leasing is not a stable option for such valuable artifacts
Anonymous 6/24/2021 06:40 PM	Operationally awkward for staff, inefficient for operational costs. Takes away from the impressiveness of being in the space knowing the archives are there
Anonymous 6/25/2021 08:52 AM	2 separate locations is too inconvenient.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 09:58 AM	Cost and time
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:15 AM	Additional operating costs to run two facilities.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:36 AM	two sites to maintain, and collection not as accessible if 75% is off site.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	From experience, remote storage is the worst--slows down researchers' work, makes sudden ideas difficult to pursue. Also poses danger to transferring material from place to place. Higher carbon footprint.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

delay in having requested materials
from offsite available to researchers.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 11:55 AM

New building costs.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

Splitting the archives makes it more
difficult for the public to access
holdings

Anonymous

6/27/2021 10:16 PM

It would mean that the city would
have to staff two separate locations.
It would also mean trucking
documents back and forth between
the two different locations, and that
not all documents would be
immediately available on-site for
visitors.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

Only one location

Anonymous

6/28/2021 08:09 AM

Might have to wait for some
documents

Anonymous

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

leasing is expensive, the owner then
calls the shots. Spreading archives
around will cause confusion, look at
city's filing system (documents lost by
not being put back in proper box)

Anonymous

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

The two separate locations

Anonymous

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

The buildings may not be close so
inefficient, transport documents
between buildings take time and
money, twice the rent payments
possibly, take a building away from
another business that contributes to
city taxes, etc.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 07:01 AM

2-site option makes accessing
materials less efficient.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:38 AM

Transferring documents between two
facilities is not ideal. It may result in
loss of records, or best practices of

	preservation as come collections are extremely reactive to changes in relative humidity and temperature. How will these agents be mitigated
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:02 PM	Two different sites not a good idea.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:31 PM	expensive to maintain 2 spaces
Anonymous 6/29/2021 08:49 PM	Separates users from the documents
Anonymous 6/30/2021 08:21 AM	\$
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:37 AM	The need for off-site storage is a drawback.
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:56 AM	2 locations lost documents will occur and be a consistent message from staff
Anonymous 6/30/2021 01:42 PM	Splitting staff and records between two location could be expensive and cumbersome, could be additional ongoing costs related to maintaining two sites
Anonymous 7/01/2021 10:10 AM	Uncertainty regarding leasing availability, higher cost.
Anonymous 7/01/2021 03:37 PM	Maintaining two sites, staffing and costs prohibitive, inconvenient for researchers and staff alike.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	More difficult for public to access resources in a timely way, risk of damage or loss of material in transport, costs of running two buildings, and of renovating two buildings to make sure they comply with best practices in storing archives.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 01:27 PM	Material will easily be damaged by the frequent shipping. Patrons will get aggravated by the delay in

	needed materials. With materials stored offsite, researchers will have a harder time following a lead/train of thought
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	Potentially doubles the long term maintenance and servicing costs, extra staffing costs may be necessary.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 11:39 PM	Many items stored offsite, leasing is expensive
Anonymous 7/03/2021 12:38 PM	Costs of running two sites. Impediment of accessing records and additional costs of moving records back and forth when need.
Anonymous 7/03/2021 03:23 PM	Divided facility. Leased facility. Cheaper now not likely in the end. Owner's priorities may change and Archives forced out. Delays for researcher access to records as a result. Wear and tear on fragile records being shipped around between the facilities.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 11:39 AM	Costs of having two sites and transport of more fragile records. Longer turnaround to access records.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 12:40 PM	If the space is too constrained to accommodate having larger spaces that will be problematic. Archival materials need to be viewed in situ, people need to see what/where the archives is.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 12:36 PM	Split location is a hassle for staff who feel like they need to be in two places at once. If a record is in offsite storage and a patron has to wait for access, this may cause problems with timelines.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 01:39 PM	I don't like 2 locations
Anonymous	Allows for City-owned heritage

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

building usage.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 06:26 PM

Offsite storage is not ideal for researchers, donors, and staff.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:05 PM

Document retrieval. Patrons may have to wait longer times to have a document retrieved from the secondary location. More staff required. Upkeep costs

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

Off-site storage introduces logistical challenges, and a smaller public location may not have space for public programming.

Optional question (151 response(s), 57 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q10 | What do you see as the benefits for Option 3?

Anonymous

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

I don't

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

An inadequate down grade from Option 1.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:47 PM

Can build to best professional standards

Anonymous

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

A location with room to grow would be good

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Purpose built structure will best care for the archival records.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

Perhaps more doable in the short term.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

custom-built to meet needs but with more limited timeframe could be more limited costs with more urgent needs met in build

Anonymous

5/26/2021 04:13 PM

everything in one location

Anonymous

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

Committed financing and space. I'd rather see a historic building restored though

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

no build

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

construction industry must feel the future benefit all right

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

lease space can be adjusted as size needs change

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

New, state of the art, purpose built

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

State of the art design possible

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

Do you mean 2B? Again, this thing is a mess. Anyways if you HAVE to go with a two-site option - not that I am endorsing the notion AT ALL - then at least two sites being within walking distance of eachother would be slightly less of an issue.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

Same as for Option 1

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

None

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

short term cost saving

Anonymous

5/27/2021 06:27 PM

existing building

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

Nothing

Anonymous

5/28/2021 08:02 AM

Less up front cost

Anonymous

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

Spreading the cost over time.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

Cheaper than option 1.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:25 PM

none

Anonymous

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

Not interested in Option 3

Anonymous

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

Save a bit of money up front.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

none

Anonymous

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

I don't

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

Perhaps it could be completed
fastest of all the options?

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Benefits of a new purpose-built
structure with less upfront cost.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

None, I think most contractors would
suggest build for the future. If
building an archive that has only a 10
year shelf life, what will it cost in 10
years to add to this building? At the
rate, councils make decisions, it will
be 20 years before its built

Anonymous

5/31/2021 09:50 PM

None

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

Provides the necessities and keeps
them in one place

Anonymous

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Somewhat cheaper

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Purpose-built.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

The initial cost would be less

Anonymous

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

Cost,

Anonymous

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

More accessible

Anonymous

6/04/2021 06:58 AM

None, no,guarantee,the facility would be expanded or updated. Archives have been neglected for decades need a permanent home and expanded budget

Anonymous

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

Could provide an opportunity to revisit a needs assessment in what may actually be wanted in an expansion

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

A down town location accessible to the public.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

Half the cost at the moment

Anonymous

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

None when compared to option 1

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Not interested.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Public vs private workspaces don't mix

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

I would expect the Archives document requirements may be hard to implement in a leased building.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

Two-stage approach might allow greater flexibility for the planners: first, a large storage facility in an economical industrial park location.

	Second, a first rate public access facility in the city centre. Like the National Archives in Ottawa.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:34 PM	Cost
Anonymous 6/06/2021 10:30 PM	Better than building new.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 03:35 PM	new place
Anonymous 6/07/2021 06:58 PM	Downtown location necessary for public to utilize archives
Anonymous 6/07/2021 08:42 PM	Same as response as question 8.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 09:18 AM	Again, a building specifically designed to meet archival standards in preservation and access would be a boon for the archives and city and ensure it can offer adequate public programming .
Anonymous 6/08/2021 03:23 PM	Same issues as 1
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	It would be built for the archival needs of Winnipeg and would be accessible
Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	Custom facility tailor made for the needs of a modern archive.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	Purpose built building
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	A new building is nice but again a commitment to history in a city that has an inventory of culturally significant choices is a better option
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	Everything new and up to date.
Anonymous	Purpose built space. Phased building

6/10/2021 11:10 AM

could be less costly

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

new, dedicated building

Anonymous

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

It's a good start.

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

None.

Anonymous

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

new building not limited by existing structures

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

I would hope the site would meet the specs of the archivists - that is a big factor. But it sounds half-baked if to say will need future development in 10 years.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

There are none.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

Nice to have an expansion plan for the future

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

New building meetings current needs.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

None

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Allows all the services to be offered.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

similar to option one - having a dedicated purpose built location

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

Would produce the desired outcome with less short-term investment

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Perhaps affordable now

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

NA

Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:07 PM	If we can't afford the whole thing now, we could at least get something.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:24 PM	None, really.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	As with Option 1, ability to design around needs
Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	n/a
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	Just filling in the blank in order of lease undesirable
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	None
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	Nothing
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Initial costs may be less than Option 1.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	This option is better than nothing.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	Building one half of the building will cut costs and allow for revision of plan for later build
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	Lesser original costs
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Cheaper short term, I suppose, but that would be about it.
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	None.
Anonymous 6/21/2021 05:31 PM	purpose-built
Anonymous	New state-of-the-art facility, purpose

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

built. Might postpone some costs until a later date.

Anonymous

See Question 6.

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Anonymous

Better than 2.

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

Anonymous

Same as 1

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Anonymous

None.

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Anonymous

refer to option 1

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

Anonymous

Lower cost in short term.

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

Anonymous

Historical only but may be cost prohibitive.

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Anonymous

Limited time span why construct a new site for such a limited time span, even with an option to increase it's still a waste of funds.

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

Anonymous

Cheaper. Flexibility to move part of operation.

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Anonymous

New and can be expanded in future

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Anonymous

none

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

Anonymous

Same as 2

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Anonymous

Ability to build to specific wants and needs, and flexibility in terms of location. Able to adjust to suit future changing needs. Less costly than option 1 in short term. City would

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

	own building
Anonymous 6/24/2021 06:40 PM	Short term cost savings
Anonymous 6/25/2021 08:52 AM	None really.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:15 AM	All services under one roof. New construction allows for most efficient planning opportunities.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 11:36 AM	same as 1
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	None.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	As for #1, a purpose-built building has benefits.
Anonymous 6/26/2021 12:19 PM	Might be cheaper in the short run.
Anonymous 6/27/2021 10:16 PM	It provides a short-term solution that avoids the problems of Options 1 and 2.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:05 AM	It's a leased property therefore maybe the property might change in value
Anonymous 6/28/2021 08:09 AM	can't really see any.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 09:44 AM	for archiving there are no benefits
Anonymous 6/28/2021 11:31 AM	expansion is based on a decade of collection, it's conditional
Anonymous 6/28/2021 04:17 PM	New building so you get what you need, eventually.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 07:01 AM	Less uncertainty in longer-term build. Has built-in possibility to growing incrementally and respond to changing needs

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

Less expensive for now.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

can design building as needed

Anonymous

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

growth option

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:37 AM

Mostly ambivalent about option 3.

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

None

Anonymous

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

Designed and built to purpose,
downtown location could be
beneficial (depending on where)

Anonymous

7/01/2021 10:10 AM

Build to satisfy all needs.

Anonymous

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

I do not see any benefits to this
solution.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 10:25 AM

Great to build a space that is
designed specifically for archival
preservation and display.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 01:27 PM

Being able to meet most of the needs
initially

Anonymous

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

This is a short term solution, and is
not likely to be satisfactory to anyone
over the long run.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

Under same conditions as a new
build, stated above in 1, would be
fine.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 11:39 AM

Building built with purpose in mind,
would meet necessary specifications

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

The archives has not acquired any
substantive records for nearly a
decade. There are still substantial
analog records from the city, never
mind municipally oriented private

Anonymous 7/05/2021 12:36 PM	groups waiting to be acquired. Any storage space will be quickly outrun.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 01:39 PM	Expansion in 10 years allows fine tuning and custom planning to occur after having lived experience in the new facility.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 03:32 PM	New building we can maybe get what we want
Anonymous 7/05/2021 03:32 PM	Abdows for xehabilization of a heritage building(s). Archives is in the heritage business.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:05 PM	New construction would have the same up to date standards as option 1 regarding air quality, security, etc, for document preservation.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:10 PM	Would be able to plan expansion based on volume of acquisitions in first 10 years

Optional question (136 response(s), 72 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q11 | What are the drawbacks of Option 3?

Anonymous 5/25/2021 01:00 PM	probably more expensive in the long term
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:42 PM	You will run out of space sooner and it will cost even more money than any other option.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:47 PM	Funding for stage two is not guaranteed, leaving archives with inadequate building
Anonymous 5/25/2021 03:09 PM	With government process/red-tape, 10 years is more than often significantly higher than estimated, which means the archive may reach its space capacity sooner than the proposed extension is actually built.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:06 PM	Chances of it being anywhere near City Hall campus are low (i.e., out of

	sight, out of mind) and chances of funding for 10-year expansion being delayed or cancelled are high.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:14 PM	Planning an archive for 10 years is not only inefficient financially, it is just plain stupid. Archives need to be able to handle the FUTURE. Ten years is barely a future. There is no guarantee there will be money in ten years to extend the building.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 08:42 PM	costs of building, further costs at 10-year point and more discussion required, less stable
Anonymous 5/26/2021 04:13 PM	where is this location? and will it have room for expansion?
Anonymous 5/27/2021 01:53 PM	Existing beautiful building already exists at William
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:07 PM	the city would be the barrier here bc there's zero chance the city will say they have the \$ to expand in 10 years. Do it right the first time.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:08 PM	poorly planned to expand in 10 years - doesnt include political change - way too risky and lacking commitment
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:21 PM	more uncertainty on costs
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:22 PM	Expensive.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:24 PM	Limits to scope and size ; will require expansion in ten years
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:05 PM	There would still be, as with with option 2A (or whatever you're calling it) a duplication of services between the two sites; and/or a reduction of services at the secondary site. You can't run both with the same pot of money, so...?

Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:36 PM	Ten years is a relatively short lead time and as soon as the new facility is built, plans for the expansion will need to begin without any guaranty that funding will be forthcoming.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:46 PM	Cost of building in 10 years
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:53 PM	Not forward thinking- puts off to tomorrow what needs to be done today, leading to higher total costs costs
Anonymous 5/27/2021 06:27 PM	poor/unsafe area
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	Dumb to do it for 10 years when you can just do it for 20
Anonymous 5/28/2021 08:02 AM	Better to use option one and bulid to accomodate future needs
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	Having constructions done twice.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	Expansion may not actually happen.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	all of them.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 04:11 PM	Not interested in Option 3
Anonymous 5/28/2021 05:21 PM	Finding the funding in 10 years to expand, probably won't happen
Anonymous 5/29/2021 12:20 AM	Why not just do it all at once? Deferring costs now means 10 years of construction inflation, costing more in the end.
Anonymous 5/29/2021 10:23 AM	Cost
Anonymous	cost

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

Anonymous

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

The second building will never be built

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

Off-site storage might not meet archival standards, separates materials causing delays/issues between consulting/storage of materials.

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

--Who knows what the city will prioritize in ten years? This could result in another stagnating situation with an archives that doesn't meet the population's needs.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Everything. This isn't an option to build for the future. It's an option to postponing building what Wpg really needs.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

10 years only? What if the City can't economically afford a second phase expansion in 10 years from now?

Anonymous

5/31/2021 09:50 PM

Cost, convenience , potential for damage or lose

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

Seems like it actually costs the most in the long term

Anonymous

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Ten-year planning horizon is too short and likely to lead to large costs in future

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

No telling how costly a two-step plan will become.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

Future building cost would be substantially higher.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

Not ambitious enough. Requiring a building expansion in 10 years is shortsighted,

Anonymous

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

Money

Anonymous

6/04/2021 06:58 AM

See above

Anonymous

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

Costly, but over a period of time-
potentially disruptive

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

See drawbacks to previous option.

Anonymous

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

The need to expand the facility within
a decade.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 12:34 AM

Additional costs after 10 years

Anonymous

6/05/2021 05:57 AM

When the time comes, will the city
shell out the money to build an
expansion in 10 years time, or will it
wait in line behind another 100
infrastructure items.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 08:33 PM

Not interested.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

Separated the archives, possible
competing interests in mandate.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Long term control of the property and
lease may become risky and a need
to re-locate is possible.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:56 PM

Same as option 2

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

A second quality decision by city
council 10 years down the road might
be too much to hope for, risking
being set aside by some other
politically exigent capital
requirement.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Too short term. The cost of
expansion in 10 years will be too
much and it won't happen.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

Leases change. They become
unaffordable or no longer fit needs
quite frequently. The city should not

	be in the business of leasing facilities. We should own buildings that are meant to serve citizens.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 03:35 PM	too short term
Anonymous 6/07/2021 06:58 PM	Finances, city commitment.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 08:42 PM	The Archives would be subject to the terms of any given lease. The uncertainty, even in a long term lease, is an unnecessary drawback.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 09:18 AM	10 years will pass by quickly, so why not plan for 20 years from the outset? Will the archives be guaranteed an expansion? If the promise is not in writing, then this idea is not a good one.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	It is very costly and time consuming.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	10 years is too narrow a window and arguably irresponsible when going to the trouble of constructing a new facility.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	Will the funding be there in 10 years?
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	Cost cost over runs
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	It's more limited for storage
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:10 AM	Funding for expanding in 10 years may not be there
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:28 AM	functional life span before expansion at 10 years is too limited; little confidence politicians would willing come forward to support such an expansion
Anonymous	The lifespan of 10 years is too short.

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

Too much depends on changes in government at all three levels.

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

You Are not Utilizing the Spaces Already Available.

Anonymous

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

Let's be honest; that 10 year planned expansion wouldn't actually materialize for at least 50 years.

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

Funding needs to happen now to guarantee proper support. I don't trust that funding will come.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

It does not save and restore an important part of Winnipeg's built heritage.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

unclear the distinction between option 3 and 1

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

Spending lots of money and time on something that will be obsolete (or at least, not meeting needs) just 10 years later. Very short sighted.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

10 years is not long enough to keep documents.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Risk of renting - locking into leases, emerging needs. Cost.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

needs an expansion too soon in the future

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

Pushes the solution back so we have to continue to live with insufficient space for another decade, in which time a lot can change

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Most expensive option in the long run

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

NA

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

Long term it costs more than just doing it correctly the first time.

Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:24 PM	As above, plus uncertainty associated with lease - how many times will you have to move over 20 years?
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	Cost abs limited lifespan. 10 years is nowhere near enough before requiring another upheaval for expansion.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	n/a
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	ditto
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	Cost overruns and lack of funding when it comes to expanding in the future.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	The timeframe will most likely be pushed back and leave the archives with limited space
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	Curiously more expensive for less (10 year projection instead of 20
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:57 PM	10 years is too short a time frame
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Need to expand in a decade, which is not really a long time.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	The additional funds needed in ten years time may never materialize.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	It may never happen - just the way government works
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	Cost savings are insignificant compared to an extra 10 years, and will not actually save any money in the long run.
Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Would funding be available to expand in 10 years or is this creating another problem down the road.
Anonymous	Why build something that will require

6/20/2021 01:49 PM

costly expansion ten years from now? Sounds like an intentional make work project intended to fill someone's pockets.

Anonymous

6/21/2021 05:31 PM

new building is bad for the environment

Anonymous

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

10 years is a short time period

Anonymous

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Same.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

Will be a waste of money as the city will head back into an inadequate space in a short period of time.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Same as 1 but longevity isn't as good

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Wasted \$\$\$

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

refer to option 1

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

Relies on political will in 10 years for expansion. Also, costs could increase significantly in 10 years

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Cost

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

same as above

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Separation and duplication.
Renovation of not permanent location.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Could be more expensive expansion in the future

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

many as above

Anonymous

If you know the structure is only good

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

for 10 years needing an expansion -
why bother?!

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Finding a location and being able to
project needs in 10 years. Seems
short sighted

Anonymous

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

No guarantee that funds will come
through in 10 years. 10 years is really
not a long time. Doubling
consultant/contractor fees to end up
with the same thing

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

One site should be built entirely at
the same time. The new building
should be built to last at least 50 to
75 years.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 09:58 AM

When I visit archives in other
cities/countries I don't always know
what I'll be requesting for documents
and may only have a day scheduled
at that location. If there is a 1-3 day
delay then I would not be able to
request/access those documents.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

This option will likely be the most
expensive in terms of total project
costs.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

same as 1

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

High likelihood that we are left with a
subpar, insufficient city archive until
2120. Less knowledge is thus
produced about our city, to the
detriment of reconciliation,
scholarship, civic spirit, tourism, and
policy making.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Excellent chance the expansion
would never happen. Also, would
probably be in a less-good location.
Total cost greater than to do the 20-
year building.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

We don't know if expansion would be
a priority for the city in 10 years.

Anonymous

It would only be a temporary solution,

6/27/2021 10:16 PM

and it would involve a lot of time, effort and resources spent on a facility that would only be adequate for 10 years before the city would need to start the process of planning the expansion of the building.

Anonymous

Unsure

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

Anonymous

no real benefits twenty years is not a long time frame

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

Anonymous

higher costs overall, if payment needs to be made for additional expansion

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

Anonymous

Money and similar to build your own but it would be annoying to have to do more construction later. You don't get everything you need at the same time.

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

Anonymous

Requires new build rather than working with existing building

6/29/2021 07:01 AM

Anonymous

The future cost will be exorbitant as opposed to building now. The expansion may never take place.

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

Anonymous

will be costly to add on

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

Anonymous

10 yr timeline tight

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

Anonymous

I would rather see the archives go into an existing building and I think the plan to expand in 10 years is unrealistic. Ten years will pass in the blink of an eye and expansion will be delayed, delayed, delayed. It seems like a short-sighted plan.

6/30/2021 09:37 AM

Anonymous

Costs and future costs robbing from peter to give to paul

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

Anonymous

Splitting staff and records between two location could be expensive and

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

	cumbersome, could be additional ongoing costs related to maintaining two sites, ongoing lease costs could be detrimental over the long term
Anonymous 7/01/2021 10:10 AM	Costs may increase for second ten years.
Anonymous 7/01/2021 03:37 PM	Why build a facility you know will be outgrown in a relatively short timeframe - its been so difficult to get this program properly housed, the opportunity will not come again - do it right the first time.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	Unlikely to think City would spend money now on Archives, and be willing to do that again in ten years.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 01:27 PM	There is no guarantee that the need renovations in 10 years will happen in a timely manner/at all
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	There is no guarantee that the expansion would ever happen, much less in 10 years time. The costs of building will rise which may be offset by some magical increase of City revenue, but no bets on that.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 11:39 PM	Will resources for later expansion be properly earmarked?
Anonymous 7/03/2021 03:23 PM	If 10 year timeline, we could face another building project that may be delayed for unforeseen reasons. Archives then only has 10 years in good housing. Same divided facility problems.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 11:39 AM	Won't meet long term needs. Would require another round of consultation before expansion. Expansion could be delayed/not occur as planned depending on government in 10 years
Anonymous 7/04/2021 12:40 PM	Researchers do not like this option because of the necessity for the records to be called to the central

	location. Staff find it difficult to work with the time lag and lack of speedy access. However this is the trend everywhere in Canada.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 12:36 PM	The expansion may not occur in 10 years as promised, and staff and the public will be in limbo for another 20 years waiting for the upgrades
Anonymous 7/05/2021 01:39 PM	Too short a time period of use.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 03:32 PM	If leased, then City has no control over premises.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 06:26 PM	This option doesn't make sense.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:05 PM	Putting off construction could result in higher costs in the future
Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:10 PM	Depends upon commitment to further expansion, and will invoke two construction periods

Optional question (143 response(s), 65 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q12 | What do you see as the benefits for Option 4?

Anonymous 5/25/2021 11:14 AM	Entirely appropriate and long term use of heritage building. Will ensure the longevity of the building. Will give archives a central location.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 01:00 PM	existing heritage building thus reducing costs, was the original plan
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:30 PM	It's a historic building and appropriate for historical archives. There is room for ample parking to be made available as well as room to expand on the property.
Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:42 PM	Preserves a heritage building and fancy this: costs less to boot!

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:47 PM

Location - accessible, prominent,
public association

Anonymous

5/25/2021 03:09 PM

Seems to be the most efficient solution. Potentially, the archives could move back in sooner. Makes more sense to renovate it for the archives, instead of finding a new home, and renovating it for someone else's purposes later.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 05:25 PM

Fixes two birds with one stone.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Purpose built spaces for archival records can be constructed within Carnegie and it is a City-owned building near City Hall Campus and transit routes.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

Reuse of a heritage building is not only a value in itself, it sends the right message to the community and the world that we preserve our heritage -- the whole point of archives. This solution is also the most environmentally best.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 08:42 PM

potential for custom-build without starting from nothing

Anonymous

5/26/2021 04:13 PM

preserves a heritage building, keeps central location for archives, keeps everything in one location

Anonymous

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

Commitment to archives

Anonymous

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

Utilizing an existing heritage building and saving it from destruction; costs

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

a historical bldg

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

this is the home of the City's archives. keep it!

Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:21 PM	make use of an existing building that should be preserved
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:22 PM	New.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 02:24 PM	Maintaining a historically significant building
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:05 PM	Establishes a single permanent location and makes current use of a building of historical value.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:36 PM	Maintaining and enhancing a beautiful heritage building.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:46 PM	Might be cheaper than the others.
Anonymous 5/27/2021 04:53 PM	retrofits existing heritage building in a neighbourhood that can use such a project
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:03 AM	You already own the building and it's beautiful. You should have just renovated sooner.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 08:02 AM	Use of of the building promotes preservation of older buildings
Anonymous 5/28/2021 10:23 AM	Using a current site.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 12:33 PM	Using existing infrastructure.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 01:25 PM	beautiful building with a similar original purpose, close to downtown, city already owns it.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 04:11 PM	Can be built to specification for state of the art archival preservation and public access.
Anonymous 5/28/2021 05:21 PM	Preserving heritage buildings. Helping attract people to William St
Anonymous	The building already exists, it's

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

stunning, it was already the archives, the city already owns it, the building would likely not have many other good uses for development... AND it's half the cost!!!

Anonymous

none

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

Anonymous

The building is attractive. It may be people to that location

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

Anonymous

Custom-built structure that will meet some requirements for the near future.

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

2toJoanne

I love the creative reuse of a historic Carnegie Library...it could be beautiful. I like the value in terms of cost and location. I see this as the best choice..

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Anonymous

Preserving a heritage building. Giving the archives a prestigious "look". The space already has some of the "bones" needed for an archival space.

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Anonymous

None

5/31/2021 09:50 PM

Anonymous

Conceptually using a historical building for historical archives is awesome, and it makes sense to use a building that the city already owns and is empty rather than buying or leasing a new one. Can be renovated to fit exactly what is needed.

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

Anonymous

None that are apparent

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

Anonymous

Preserve a historical building. Built to house materials. People know where it is. Stately edifice in character with collection. Compartmentalize!

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

Anonymous

The building is currently owned by the city. It has historical significance

6/03/2021 11:04 AM

Anonymous 6/03/2021 12:51 PM	Preserving the old Carnegie library.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 01:23 PM	No benefit for an already depreciated structure
Anonymous 6/03/2021 05:54 PM	Older building but still good and can be re done to what they need
Anonymous 6/04/2021 06:58 AM	Making use of a historic building, donated to the city for a library and has served as an archive
Anonymous 6/04/2021 09:48 AM	Preserves the original building, upkeep is important.
Anonymous 6/04/2021 02:56 PM	None
Anonymous 6/04/2021 10:30 PM	Retention of a landmark historical building.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 12:34 AM	Existing location and costs
Anonymous 6/05/2021 05:57 AM	Central location and the reuse of a heritage building for less cost.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 08:33 PM	Not interested.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 09:35 PM	Cheaper
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:00 AM	Faster build for a 10 year building but the follow up on the next 10 year building. This would also allow for future archival technology to be included in building #2.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:56 PM	Re-use of a heritage building, reinvigoration of this neighbourhood.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:16 PM	A lovely building, possibly for public access & archives offices HQ.

Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:34 PM	Location and facilities are there already. Good use of a heritage building. Central location.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 10:30 PM	Not many.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 09:53 AM	Historic building location
Anonymous 6/07/2021 03:35 PM	reuse an existing building
Anonymous 6/07/2021 06:58 PM	Location, building ownership, building on existing asset.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 08:42 PM	Would renovate an important building.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 09:18 AM	A downtown location with public access (bus, walking, parking) is needed.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 03:23 PM	Reuse of historic building
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	It is centrally located and accessible by bus
Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	Building already served as the archives prior to the damage and is therefore a known quantity.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	Best use of an existing historic building (two birds with one stone), central location
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	Cultural and symbolic relevance for contents. Revitalisation of the neighbourhood
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	It has been used before for this purpose. The location is good.
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:10 AM	Preservation of historical building, improvement downtown and least expensive option
Anonymous	don't find this a viable option

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

functionally or ultimately in regard to construction and operational costs

Anonymous

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

Heritage conservation & preservation of an existing building is always a good option, esp for Winnipeg, as it is notorious for tearing down its built heritage

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

Yes, This Can Be An Add On when you Move City Hall To The Hudson Bay Building, and Then Moving the Archives Building to the Now City Hall and Adding on 380 William Ave.

Anonymous

6/12/2021 02:54 AM

mostly central location and buildings heritage restored and put to use

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

Reuse of existing historic site. Was the plan - presumably archivists were on board. Revitalization of the area. But if this site has issues or funds won't properly do what is needed - DON'T DO IT. Invest in a proper purpose-built building.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

The Carnegie Library should be saved and restored. it is an important part of our built heritage. Will breathe new life into the neighbourhood. We need make public investments that leverage the money we spend for multiple benefits..

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

reuse of historic building. central location.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

Meeting needs between two buildings

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

Could be quicker and less expensive while allowing services to be offered at one location.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

If the current building can be rebuilt to meet the needs - maintaining a nice historical building in the process - that is very nice

Anonymous

The city already owns it. It's a

6/14/2021 10:43 AM

beautiful building.

Anonymous

we already own he building

6/14/2021 10:56 AM

Anonymous

Use of existing infrastructure; known location

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

Anonymous

Make use of a beautiful existing heritage structure

6/14/2021 11:21 AM

Anonymous

The best building - beautiful - can function excellently - a historic gem.

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

Anonymous

This option would appease those who are obsessed with historic buildings.

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

Anonymous

Archives are at least a complementary use for a building that was built explicitly to be a library. Short of being an actual library again, housing Archives is one of the best uses I can think of for 380 William.

6/14/2021 02:24 PM

Anonymous

Reuse of a beautiful building that reflects the identity of the archives. Best cost scenario. Inner city location.

6/14/2021 02:42 PM

Anonymous

reusing a heritage building

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

Anonymous

ditto

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

Anonymous

The building already exists

6/15/2021 08:17 AM

Anonymous

Central and historical building

6/16/2021 03:02 PM

Anonymous

Preservation of a heritage building linking the past with the present in a building whose purpose was dissemination of knowledge. As mentionn in the option 1 comments :

6/16/2021 03:50 PM

Anonymous
6/16/2021 09:18 PM

the combination of option 1 and 4 could be advantageous in using the heritage building.

Anonymous
6/16/2021 09:18 PM

Historic location and was previous site of archives.

Anonymous
6/17/2021 07:03 AM

The library, which is a valuable heritage structure, would be preserved.

Anonymous
6/17/2021 04:48 PM

Uses an existing heritage building.

Anonymous
6/18/2021 03:15 PM

I don't see a benefit to two buildings

Anonymous
6/18/2021 05:51 PM

People are used to the location

Anonymous
6/19/2021 09:56 AM

Most environmentally sustainable option, for sure.

Anonymous
6/20/2021 01:49 PM

1st - it's a less expensive alternative.
2nd - it re-uses a building that already is historical. 3rd - it's already located downtown, and the entire collection is in one place. 4th - If PROPERLY designed and planned could be phenomenal.

Anonymous
6/21/2021 05:31 PM

Use of existing resource

Anonymous
6/22/2021 10:24 AM

Good central location, appropriate use of a City-owned historical building

Anonymous
6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Heritage Bldg. allowed to rot is miraculously restored to use through innovative planning, commitment, and follow through. A heritage Bldg. to preserve the City's heritage- a no brainer.

Anonymous
6/23/2021 07:12 PM

No real benefit.

Anonymous

Saves a historic building

6/23/2021 08:14 PM

Anonymous

Less costly

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Anonymous

We have the building

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

Anonymous

Lower cost, best use of currently owned facility.

6/24/2021 11:27 AM

Anonymous

Permanency. But it is time to have a more mobile and dynamic attitude to sharing the archival history.

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

Anonymous

Use of existing site and extending use

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

Anonymous

best use of legacy asset. consistent with programming objectives of CoW Archives

6/24/2021 12:45 PM

Anonymous

Property already owned

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Anonymous

History and beautiful building

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Anonymous

none

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

Anonymous

Existing building \$\$\$, already proven storage capable

6/24/2021 04:18 PM

Anonymous

Archives building should be a role model of archive information...and a Show & Tell of the past!

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Anonymous

Reuse and respect of a heritage building.

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Anonymous

Lower cost. The building itself is piece of history. Value of heritage building. Environmental benefit of using existing building.

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Anonymous

One already existing location.

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

Cautious approach to save on project costs.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

YOu get to keep a heritage building. MIGHT be the least expensive

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Renovation of handsome heritage building, near the Exchange district and convenient to downtown. Saves embedded carbon in the building. Limits scope of city and architects to conspire to build a cheap ugly thing that will quickly look dated..

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Would save and provide a continued purpose for a significant and beautiful heritage building, with appropriate history. Great location-- downtown and very accessible by bike, foot and bus. Convenient for students from UofW and RRC.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

None

Anonymous

6/27/2021 10:16 PM

It enables the city to make great, and very appropriate, use of a heritage building that would avoid the problems of having to construct a new building. It also offers great value for money.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

Jnsure

Anonymous

6/28/2021 08:09 AM

Older building might cost more to renovate and is there enough room for storage at this location.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 09:44 AM

Already a historic site, with rooms already set up for public viewing

Anonymous

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

the rejuvenation, maintenance, protection of a heritage site

Anonymous

Building exits (cool looking building),

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

and relatively inexpensive. City already owns it.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 07:01 AM

Remain central and build on what we already have.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 01:48 PM

Option 4 addresses at least two concerns, namely utilizing and showcasing existing buildings in Winnipeg, and creating a suitable space for the city archives.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

Less expensive for now.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

character building and cheapest option

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:49 PM

A possible option

Anonymous

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

\$ / location

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:37 AM

The use of an existing, beautiful building in a downtown location.

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

All one building, uses what you have, proper cost effective renos cheaper than a new building

Anonymous

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

One centralized location, less risk related to ongoing costs (staff in one place, city owned -- no ongoing lease)

Anonymous

7/01/2021 10:10 AM

Retention of heritage building which already has some archive-purposed capabilities. Lower cost. Central location established.

Anonymous

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

A city-owned facility, feasibility study and program-specific design work has been done, construction drawings exist, solves the dual problem of proper housing for the Archives and creative reuse of a much-loved old facility.

Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	Would restore the Carnegie Library for community use, the restored building would be an asset to the area.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 01:27 PM	City owned building, so not needing to pay for it or find land to develop
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	Preservation of an historical building's façade is a nice touch, the available space may be quite suitable. It was already home to Archives and would be a great backdrop to programming and presentations.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 11:39 PM	Historical significance of building
Anonymous 7/03/2021 03:23 PM	Core location. Heritage building protected and widely known as the Archives. Could add major amenity to an area lacking them.
Anonymous 7/04/2021 11:39 AM	Building already exists, central location, cost savings
Anonymous 7/04/2021 12:40 PM	There is not much benefit to this. The facility is already inadequate for the archives current needs, never mind for the future. The consultants did not take into account the historic nature of the city compared to other Western municipalities.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 12:36 PM	Classic space, has a sense of nostalgia whereby older generations of the public may have an emotional attachment
Anonymous 7/05/2021 01:39 PM	It is a heritage building containing heritage items,. It is perfect
Anonymous 7/05/2021 03:32 PM	Preserves a heritage building--ie 380 William/Stovel Building/HBC Store.
Anonymous 7/05/2021 06:26 PM	It would restore the Archives to its former home and with significant investment, breathe new life into the

Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:05 PM	building. Historic city of Winnipeg building has appeal
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Anonymous 7/05/2021 10:10 PM	Use of heritage building in a good location
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Optional question (152 response(s), 56 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q13 | What are the drawbacks of Option 4?

Anonymous 5/25/2021 01:00 PM	none that I can see
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:30 PM	Location. Not sure how safe the neighborhood is.
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:42 PM	City of Wpg will not want to spend the money or won't have the money to spend...
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 02:47 PM	Risks from cleanup of building, forced to adapt to pre-existing building limitations
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 03:09 PM	There may be different needs since 2010 that the building no longer accommodates.
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:06 PM	Renovation could require more time.
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 06:14 PM	None, as long as there is sufficient space to accommodate what is needed. If there is not enough space within the envelope of the current building, a sensitive, purpose-built addition is an easy solution.
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Anonymous 5/25/2021 08:42 PM	costs of construction, potential extreme damage and associated costs to existing building
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Anonymous 5/27/2021 12:13 PM	Leasing is not permanent space. Re option 5: in 10 years someone will claim there's no money for expansion
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Anonymous

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

None - this is the best option.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:07 PM

a historical bldg that costs big \$ to restore and maintain. having worked in many historical bldgs, you can never get them healthy and the staff suffer with a sick bldg.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

city lacks commitment - which developer wants it and to whose campaign has he promised donations?

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

there are always unknowns when re-purposing a building - e.g., old downtown post office

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

Old building that may never meet modern standards for archives even with renovations

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

Having two sites will be problematic.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Renovation costs including asbestos abatement costs are always higher than expected.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

Renovating the building will be expensive.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

The challenge of retrofitting it to meet modern standards of preservation.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

Small building. There might not be enough storage space.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

NONE

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

Nothing, you know what you have to do, why are you doing this survey

Anonymous

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

Location.

Anonymous

Could cost more than building

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

something new or leasing.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:25 PM

plans should also include an expansion of the site for more space.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

Very costly but worth it.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 05:21 PM

not a very disabilities accessible space and location

Anonymous

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

Literally NONE. This is the clear best option – I don't understand why the consultants are recommending Option 1 when they said this building meets all needs, it's a beautiful historic ARCHIVES building, and it's the cheapest option. No brainer.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:23 AM

Location

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

cost

Anonymous

5/30/2021 09:17 AM

Likely expensive and may not actually meet the needs

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

Pushing the plan down the line perhaps limits the possibility of the structure ever being completed.

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

Renovating old buildings can be tricky and our city doesn't prioritize historic renovation and reuse, although I wish it would! I love this option.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Retrofitting the space, may end up costing more than originally estimated. This is often the case when trying to save old buildings.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

Capital costs only, what about operational costs? \$13.3 million plus a lot of unknown costs for hazmat materials removal (asbestos) and remediation, unknown extent of the

	2010 rainfall damage (mold and rot) and building code changes since 2010.
Anonymous 5/31/2021 09:50 PM	Cost, convenience , potential for damage or lose
Anonymous 6/01/2021 10:45 AM	Must be done within the confines of something already built (cant have a perfect layout).
Anonymous 6/02/2021 01:36 PM	Renovations are bound to be expensive and uncertain
Anonymous 6/03/2021 08:00 AM	Could become costly. Eggs in one basket. Parking?
Anonymous 6/03/2021 11:04 AM	It's not as easily accessible as downtown buildings.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 12:51 PM	Bad location transportation-wise.
Anonymous 6/03/2021 05:54 PM	Money
Anonymous 6/04/2021 06:58 AM	This building has suffered years,of neglect and has many issues that would need to be addressed. It would probably be more expensive to retrofit then build,new
Anonymous 6/04/2021 09:48 AM	Space may be quickly outgrown if expansion is pushed
Anonymous 6/04/2021 02:56 PM	Does not allow for a reasonable future course of action.
Anonymous 6/04/2021 10:30 PM	The cost and time required to remove asbestos and other hazardous materials.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 12:34 AM	No room for expansion
Anonymous 6/05/2021 05:57 AM	Is the site too "landlocked" and in 20 years time not be able to be expanded and the search starts

	again?
Anonymous 6/05/2021 08:33 PM	Not interested.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 09:35 PM	Cheaper not necessarily better
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:00 AM	The second building may not happen as other issues of the day may limit building #2.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:56 PM	I'm sure the costs are underestimated for this type of specialized space... costs need to be better estimated so public doesn't perceive cost overruns.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:16 PM	The location wouldn't be the best for public access, a little out of the city centre or city hall precincts...
Anonymous 6/06/2021 02:34 PM	It is an old building.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 10:30 PM	Costs often skyrocket, unforeseen costs, construction delays, cost of land, etc.
Anonymous 6/07/2021 06:58 PM	Lack of city commitment
Anonymous 6/07/2021 08:42 PM	Could not be purpose-built and while it may meet standards for preservation it will not meet the growing and changing needs of programming and display. It is also not a welcoming space for many. Example, difficult to infuse Indigenous design.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 09:18 AM	Ownership would be more sustainable and ensure the archives has a forever home.
Anonymous 6/08/2021 03:23 PM	Interventions required for access, specialised environmental controls, etc will require major interventions to building; not currently universally accessible; not big enough; not well

	served by transit
Anonymous 6/08/2021 04:23 PM	It is costly and the building might not be fully accessible.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 12:44 PM	May not be able to meet 20 year vision, even with renovation.
Anonymous 6/09/2021 06:06 PM	None
Anonymous 6/09/2021 11:05 PM	Probably public pressure not to invest in that part of the city.
Anonymous 6/10/2021 09:50 AM	Older building and it probably has limited storage capabilities.
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:10 AM	Unsure if the space can accommodate all the storage and service space needed
Anonymous 6/10/2021 11:28 AM	see above: no a viable option
Anonymous 6/10/2021 08:22 PM	Renovating an old building for 21st century conservation needs is a risky prospect, where the budget is highly likely to go over by a lot.
Anonymous 6/12/2021 02:54 AM	any limitations within the existing structure, including possible insufficient storage
Anonymous 6/13/2021 02:06 PM	May be too old, too far gone, beating dead horse... a new purpose-built facility is my next hope.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:28 AM	There are none. Just do it already. This could have been done years ago.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:38 AM	none
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:42 AM	Really limits public access when only a small part of the material is available at hand. Replication of space in two sites is a waste of money and will be more expensive to

	operate effectively.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 09:47 AM	Why are we leasing when we can build. Why waste taxpayers money on leasing.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:33 AM	Some limits on design given it is an existing building. Are there longevity concerns given age of building, even after renovations?
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:37 AM	will likely discover unknown cost elevations...
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:43 AM	Might be challenging to make it fully accessible.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 10:56 AM	projected cost overruns
Anonymous 6/14/2021 11:16 AM	Might be easier to start from scratch with a new build, but then again perhaps not.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 11:21 AM	Unknown costs are possible (hazardous materials etc). However, if this heritage structure is to be maintained anyway (as it should be!), these costs will have to be faced some day
Anonymous 6/14/2021 12:20 PM	None.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:07 PM	Could the cost of the remediation creep up so it isn't as cost effective? Would we end up with as good a facility as building new?
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:24 PM	Really old building - interior renos WILL be more costly than anticipated, difficult/impossible to run wiring seamlessly. Elevator shaft (if any) will be undersized. General accessibility issues left, right, and centre.
Anonymous 6/14/2021 02:42 PM	None

Anonymous 6/14/2021 03:55 PM	n/a
Anonymous 6/14/2021 04:33 PM	ditto
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	Cost of maintenance for an older property.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 02:25 AM	Future space may become an issue.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:02 PM	Space is not large enough for the proposed public and archives space. It would need an extension.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	The main drawbacks may be to get as an efficient and purposeful use of space using an existing building including the difficulties of meeting today's norms..
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:57 PM	The space is not big enough, either for vault space or in terms of digital archival work. also where would there be an AV lab?
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Cost of renovations.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	It is very difficult to make historic structures work well for contemporary archival purposes.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 04:48 PM	Have to be sure required renovations aren't done on the cheap.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	Having part of the archives in one building and another part offsite is tedious and requires duplicate staffing
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	The building was special made for a teaching environment, over 100 years ago. Handicapped access is questionable, environmental controls would require significant costs, limited space to expand

Anonymous 6/19/2021 09:56 AM	Costs with 380 William unknown, space needs to be majorly renovated to fit people
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	None that I can see.
Anonymous 6/21/2021 05:31 PM	Existing resource has already shown itself to be insufficient
Anonymous 6/22/2021 10:24 AM	Difficulty of converting an older building designed for a different purpose . Would not provide for long- term growth in archival holdings or use of the facility
Anonymous 6/22/2021 08:59 PM	Innovative thinking; long term commitment; a recognition of the value of history to the City's identity - are in short supply.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 07:12 PM	Too small. Not enough parking. Condition of building is unknown. Cost of removing hazardous materials is unknown. Not sufficient space for growth of records, or for public engagement. Retrofitting a heritage building will always not be optimum.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 08:14 PM	Likely lots of repairs..
Anonymous 6/23/2021 11:21 PM	Renovating the existing site will cost more down the road and will not provide adequate facilities.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:19 AM	Location.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:23 AM	Losing the character of the building.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:27 AM	Timeline on repairs
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:34 AM	One more building that I believe takes away from the flexibility of having multiple sites.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:25 PM

Still downtown

Anonymous

6/24/2021 12:45 PM

exposure to possible additional long term costs. location may no longer be desirable neighbourhood for users and staff today. (but arguably better than existing location)

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Not convenient location. Dealing with a finite space with no room for more expansion. Unforeseen problems with renovation

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

Old building could be expensive to fix

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

many as above

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:18 PM

Old facility maybe limited in capacity.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Get your hopes up that it can be used only to find out that it has BIGGER issues...

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

Possibly location, but maybe this would revitalize the area. Parking challenges . Need to ensure there is property to allow for expansion. This wasn't touched on in the previous charts(or I missed it)

Anonymous

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Unknowns of renovating heritage building will make some people uncomfortable.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

An old building that would be costly to renovate & maintain. A new building is the best option.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

Too difficult to justify additional project costs in ten years when it's time to expand. Always easier to just do it once.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

Lots of unknowns in refurbishing the building - especially since its been left to deteriorate over the last 8- or

	so years.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	Minor. May be embarrassing to city politicians who have handled this dossier badly for the last decade.
Anonymous 6/25/2021 04:12 PM	Maybe asbestos etc. abatement will be costly, but it needs to be done regardless to save the building. This is what we need to do.
Anonymous 6/26/2021 12:19 PM	Assumes that the current building can be modified properly; could result in a decision to 'cut corener's in the interest of \$ savings.
Anonymous 6/27/2021 10:16 PM	The main problem with Option 4 would be that the building would need a great deal of renovating before it could be used for archives, and the city would have to adapt spaces that already exist, instead of having the freedom to design new ones.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 01:05 AM	Unsure
Anonymous 6/28/2021 08:09 AM	Saving a heritage building.
Anonymous 6/28/2021 09:44 AM	cost for renovations, however it could rival PAM's archives
Anonymous 6/28/2021 11:31 AM	It may not be accessible or desirable for Indigenous Peoples
Anonymous 6/28/2021 04:17 PM	Retrofitting building will likely find more issues and possibly increase cost, parking possibly if they want to increase public inclusion.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 07:01 AM	This Option does not contain enough information to judge how feasible it would be.
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:02 PM	The city archives has not been collecting for over 8 years so the vaults will not be big enough with all the backlog. The space for student

	lectures and group lectures is not big enough if one goes by the numbers that presently attend such lectures..
Anonymous 6/29/2021 06:31 PM	not doing renovations correctly and not having funds to maintain them on a regular basis
Anonymous 6/29/2021 08:49 PM	Limited space
Anonymous 6/30/2021 08:21 AM	NA
Anonymous 6/30/2021 09:56 AM	Neighborhood
Anonymous 6/30/2021 01:42 PM	Location may not be ideal, renovations may be expensive, facility may not be an ideal fit for purpose, even after renovations
Anonymous 7/01/2021 10:10 AM	Accessibility will need to be addressed.
Anonymous 7/01/2021 03:37 PM	The building has been vacant for a long time and - as in all retrofits - additional expenses will likely be identified once the project is underway.
Anonymous 7/02/2021 10:25 AM	Can the building be made to properly store archived materials or is the reno too difficult. Would the space be accessible to all? Parking is very limited around that spot -- could that be remedied?
Anonymous 7/02/2021 01:27 PM	Renovations on old building can quickly add up when their are problems that were initially missed
Anonymous 7/02/2021 03:57 PM	Renovating this building will probably cost a small mint and may simply not be actually feasible even if the paperwork and planning tells a different story. Old buildings have old building issues.
Anonymous	Possible poor condition of building

7/02/2021 11:39 PM

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

Unknown whether Carnegie can actually be fixed for Archives. Need that assessment, says consultant. Building needs expanded space for programs and storage outlined above. Will expansion be doable and if so done?

Anonymous

7/04/2021 11:39 AM

Not originally built to be archives. Older building with associated maintenance/accessibility issues. Previous renovations mixed with new contractor may reveal additional problems.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

The costs of construction will continue to rise significantly. However it may be more palatable for city councilors to spread the costs over time.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 12:36 PM

The scope of the archives and vision for the future is far beyond what is practical at this location, as limited space translates to limited options for the public and custodians of the archives.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

The inside may need to get rid of the asbestos and it will need to expand.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

With 380 William, off-site storage remains-Stovel acquisition essential.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 06:26 PM

Although central and the former home to the Archives, the building's location is not well known. It was built as a library not an archives. The two are very different.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:05 PM

Upgrading to the proper environmental and security standards for document preservation would be problematic, if not impossible

Anonymous

7/05/2021 10:10 PM

Difficult to trust the projected cost of renovations, and uncertain if William ave has sufficient storage capacity.

Optional question (149 response(s), 59 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

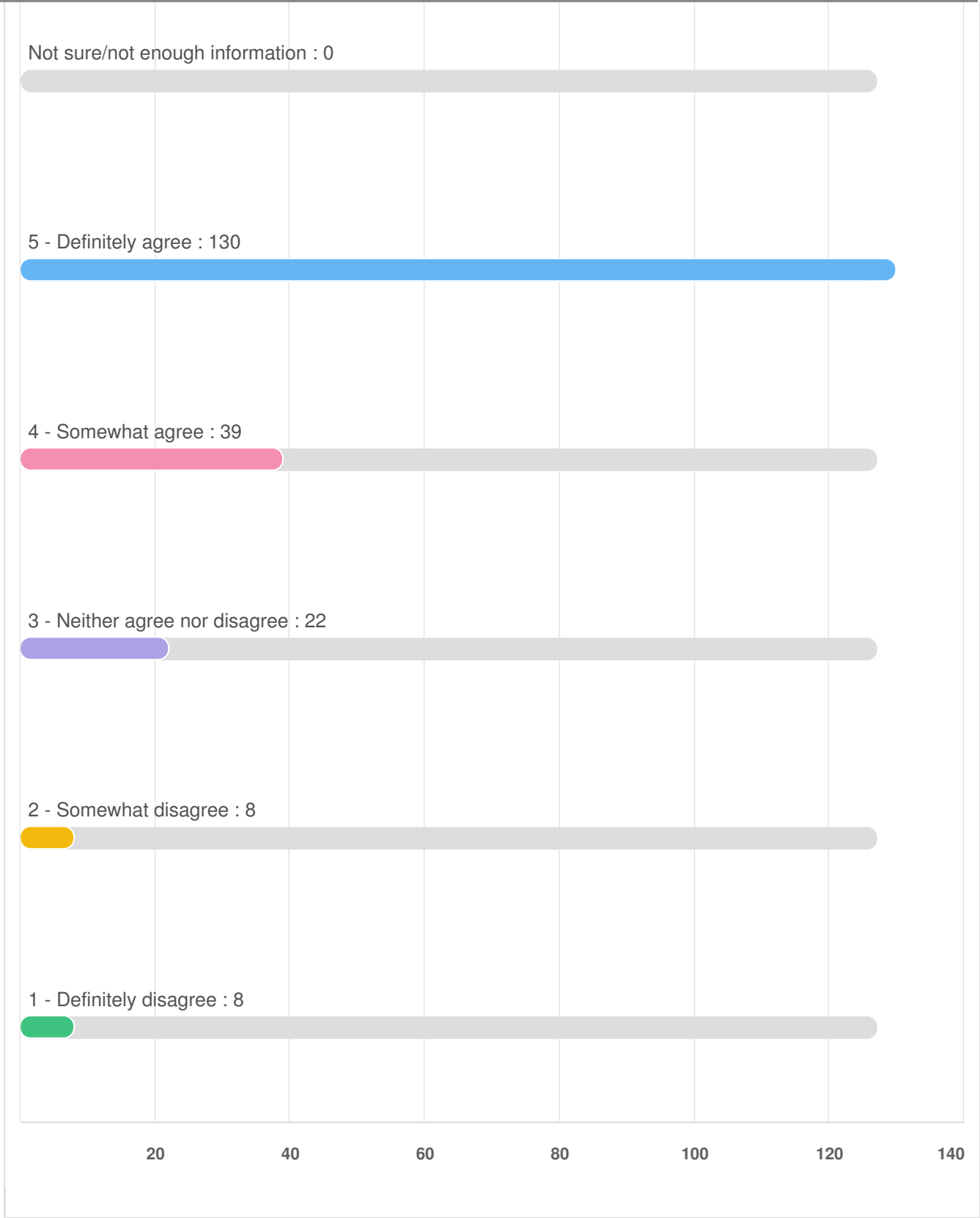
Q14 Please rate the following value statements from 1 – definitely disagree to 5 - definitely agree statements



Optional question (207 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Likert Question

Q14 | Please rate the following value statements from 1 – definitely disagree to 5 - definitely agree statements

A central and convenient location is important to me.



Re-development of the Carnegie Library (380 William Ave.) is important to me.

Not sure/not enough information : 3



5 - Definitely agree : 104



4 - Somewhat agree : 42



3 - Neither agree nor disagree : 22



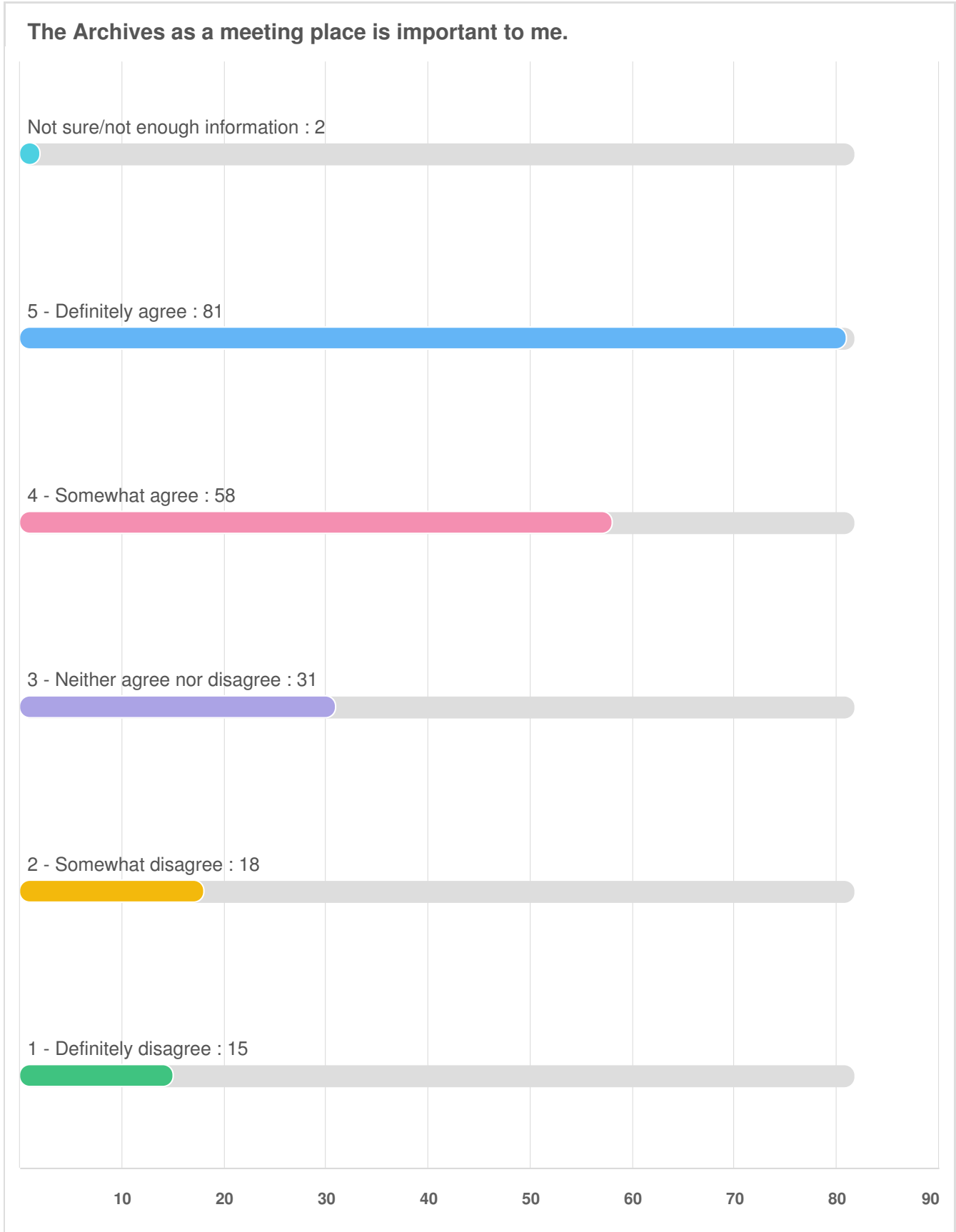
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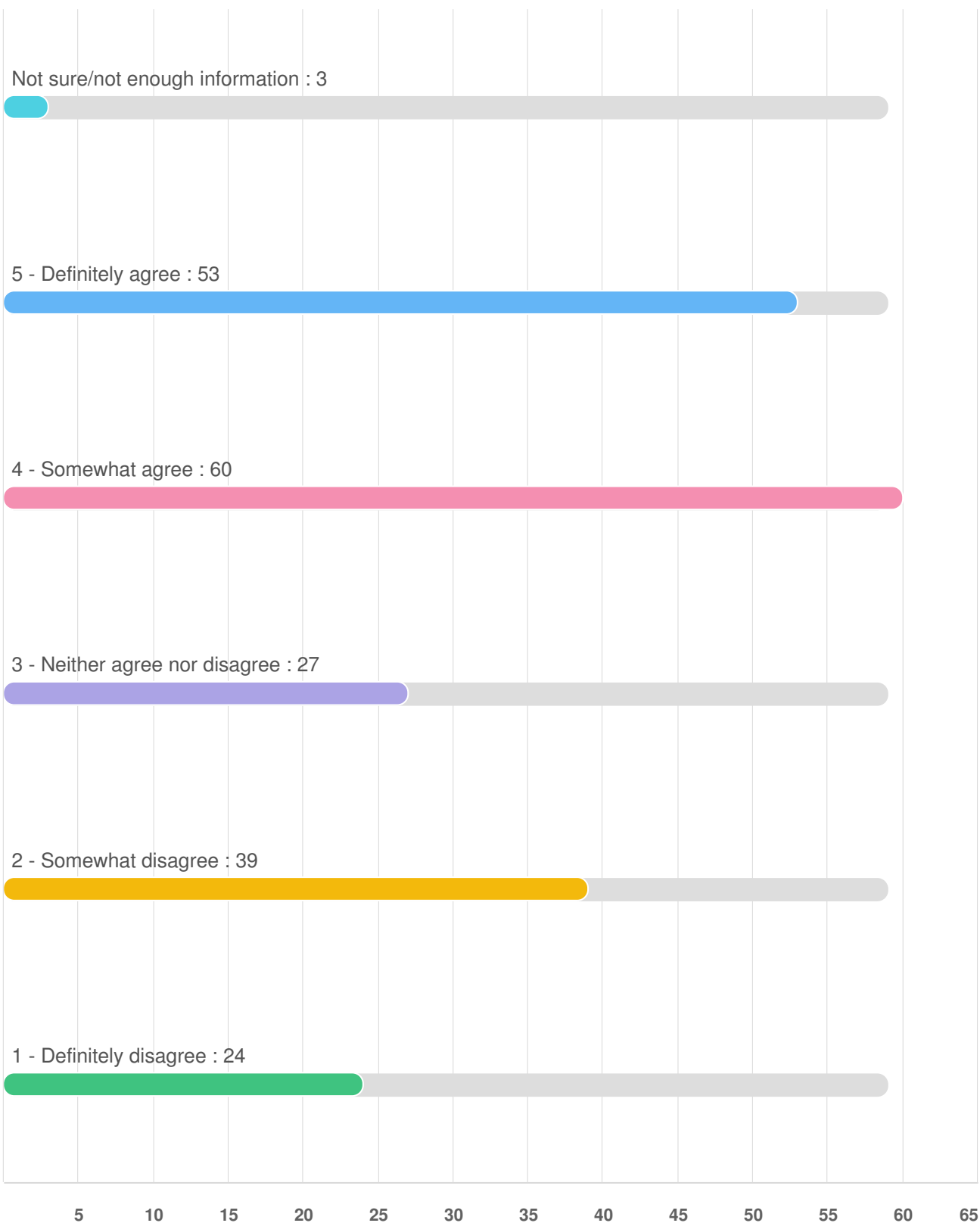
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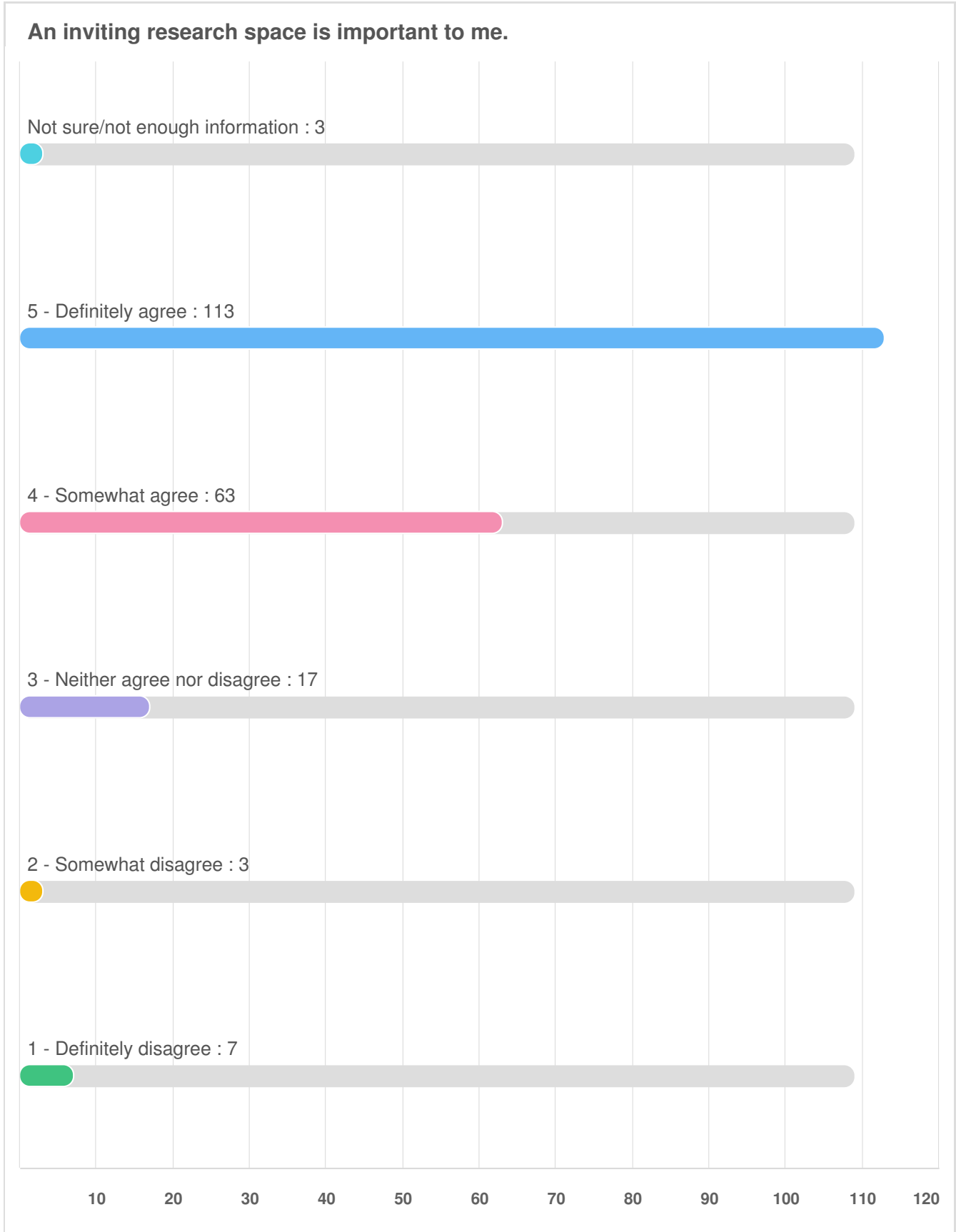


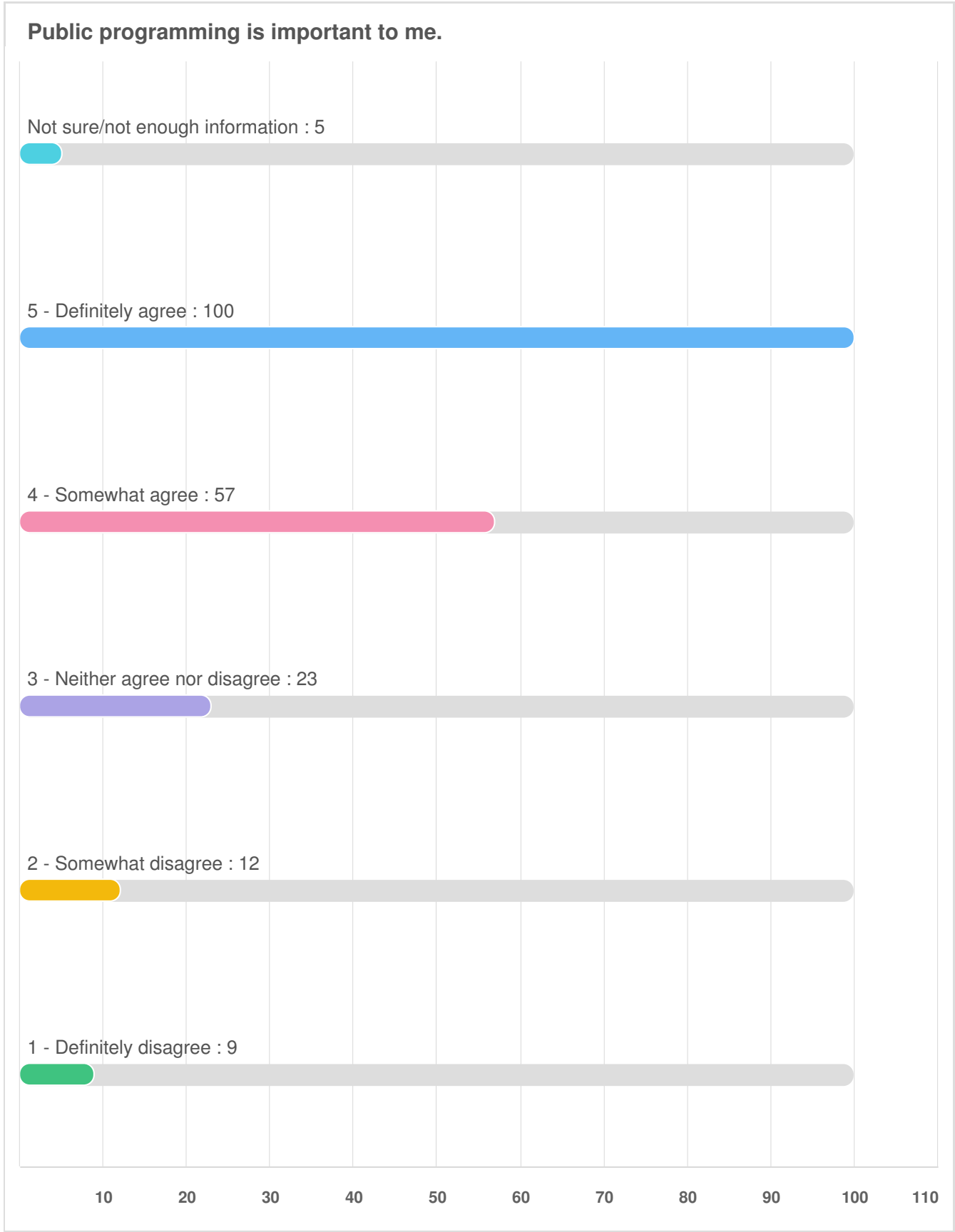
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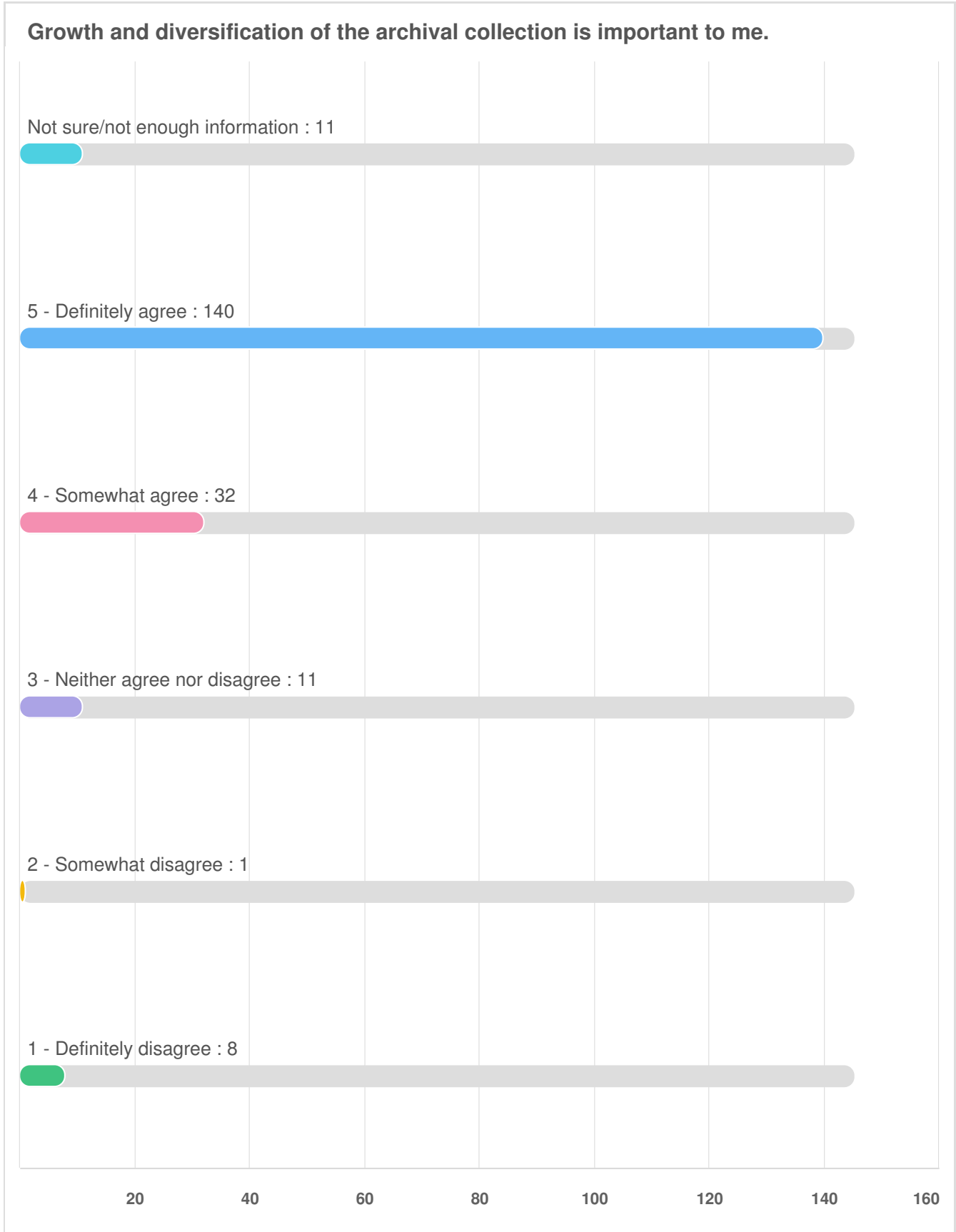


Retrieval of records within 1-3 days is acceptable.









Ensuring the capital project is affordable is important to me.

Not sure/not enough information : 13



5 - Definitely agree : 45



4 - Somewhat agree : 68



3 - Neither agree nor disagree : 40



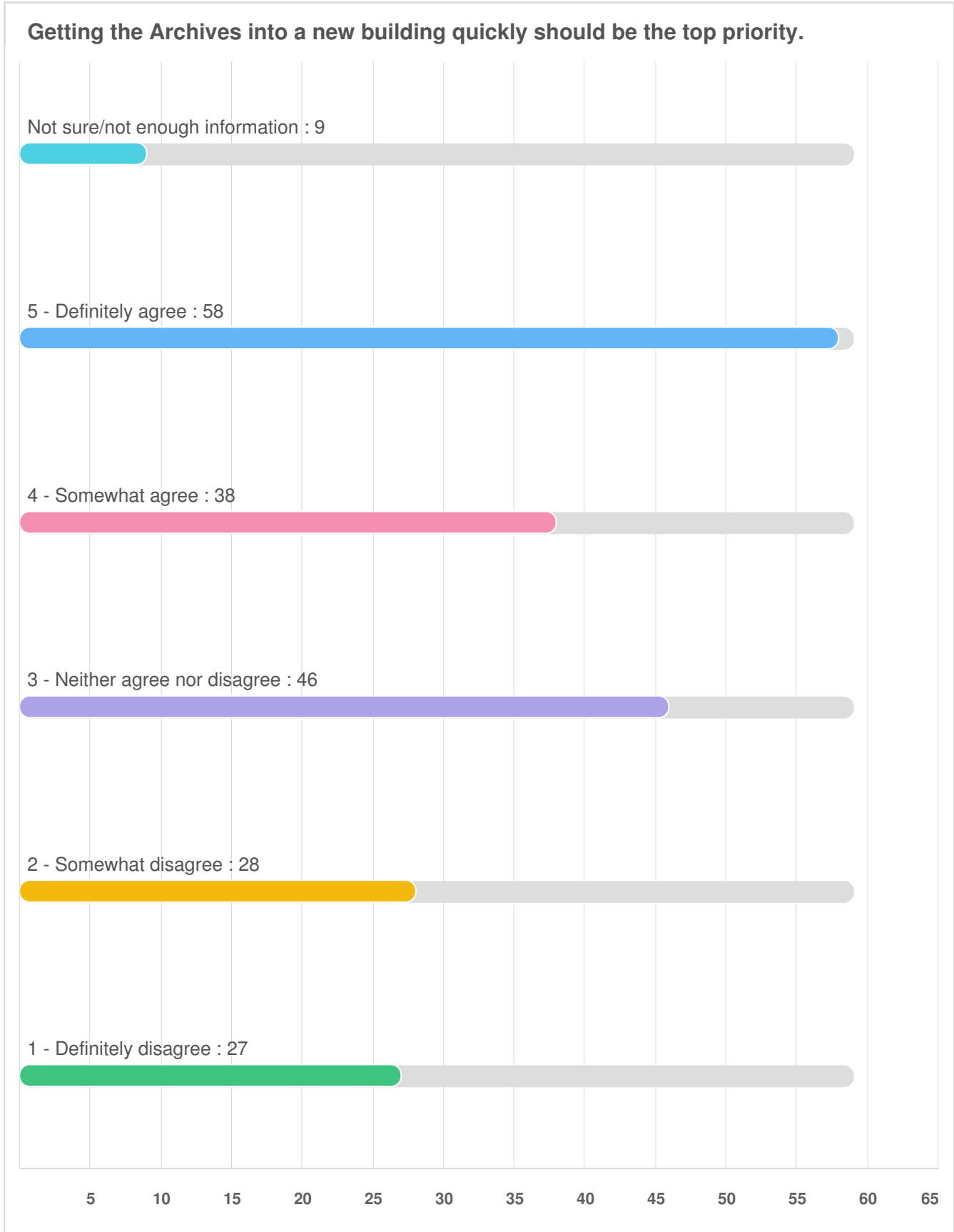
2 - Somewhat disagree : 28



1 - Definitely disagree : 12



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Ensuring the best facility and location should be the top priority, even if it takes a bit longer.

Not sure/not enough information : 13



5 - Definitely agree : 110



4 - Somewhat agree : 53



3 - Neither agree nor disagree : 17



2 - Somewhat disagree : 5



1 - Definitely disagree : 9



10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120

Q15 Please explain your ratings and/or identify other priorities.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 11:14 AM

I feel the Carnegie location is by far the best option, and should proceed quickly.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 01:00 PM

this needs to be done....like yesterday....these records have been moldering long enough

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:30 PM

I think the Hudson Bay store on Portage Ave. would be the best place to have the Archives. It's handy to bus routes and has a parkade. Ample space for storage as well.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

These are valuable public records. As a researcher, they are vital to access, not to mention to preserve our history. Allowing them to deteriorate further is criminal.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

The City already owns Carnegie, it is close to City Hall, and easy access by transit. It can be renovated to have "purpose built" storage within it.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

The William Ave. option is the only one that I would support for reasons stated above. Archives must be more than just warehouses. They must be sites where people have the opportunity to experience history in an animated fashion: programing is crucial.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

Figure out the best solution (again: it's a renovated Bay building shared with other orgs, with at least one good café and a really good gift shop), then commit the money and do it properly.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:08 PM

can't trust the consultant's report - city has built no trust in any of their consultant's reports.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

first question is poorly phrased - central and convenient are two different factors

Anonymous

Any new location for the storage and

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

collection of archives should be state of the art and have everything it needs to preserve and secure records for the public good.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Public programming is secondary to making archives accessible for research in Winnipeg history by scholars and by family researchers.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:05 PM

Complete and honest archives are one of our obligations to the future.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

This is a once in a generation opportunity to provide a welcoming and useful archives facility for Winnipeg. Either the renovation of William St. or a totally new single site facility are my favoured options.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:46 PM

It is important to have an archives facility in Winnipeg. It is also important to spend the money for a archive building wisely.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

Retrofitting historical buildings, the use of existing city owned properties should be a number one strategy.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

You already libraries as meeting spaces that do programming and are inviting research spaces. Utilize those to do that in partnership with the archives. Archives should focus on taking care of the existing archival material, getting it to people who need it and obtaining new archive material.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 08:02 AM

Ensuring the best facility and location is a top priority, provided it doesn't take too much longer to ensure records are not damaged.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

A central location will make it accessible to everyone.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

n/a

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:25 PM

the city already spends so little on it's citizen's, public buildings are worth the investment.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

Priority should be restoring and getting the archives back into the actual archives building. If it takes a bit longer to do it right, who cares – the archives have been in a shed for years already.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:42 AM

Records must be stored for future generations. Diversification of records of "all" members of our community is important no one group should be over represented

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

A safe, secure and protected archive is vital to the history of our city, region and people. I would like to see the best possible facility as soon as possible, but recognize that this could take some time. I would not like to see this project on the back-burner any longer, nor do I want to see it pushed down the line.

2toJoanne

5/30/2021 10:03 PM

It is long past time to address this issue, I think the Carnegie Library reuse is a great idea, love a historic renovation, and want an accessible Archives for this city soon!

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Accessibility both in access to get into the building and also to get to the building, so a downtown location where most main bus lines pass is important. It is better to take the time to find the right space and then spend the necessary funds to meet the needs of the community, rather than hastily going with a lesser option to solve the problem quickly and in a less costly fashion. Sometimes you really do get what you pay for and hurrying a project so important to this community is done a disservice if it is rushes and corners are cut.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

Repeat of an earlier comment -
Artifacts and triaged papers of truly historical importance should be displayed at City Hall, the Manitoba Museum or another appropriate venue. All other paper records should be digitized with access through the City's existing system of public libraries. Spending \$22.3 million on Option 1 or \$13.3 million on Option 4 to store old moldy deteriorating paper is a complete waste of taxpayers money. Researchers would likely prefer accessing digitized records at home or at a library - even truly historically important documents like the Dead Sea Scrolls, Monastic Manuscripts from the Dark Ages, the Magna Carta, the Declaration of the Rights of Man and the US Constitution have all been digitized and are accessible through the internet, museums, universities, Wikipedia and other sources.

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

While I think there is a time concern on moving the archives to a facility that has the care abilities for the documents, a rushed solution to do so doesnt seem worth it to me in the long run, having a great facility in a little longer is better than having an okay one quickly.

Anonymous

6/02/2021 09:54 AM

The Carnegie location is the best option. It gives life to a Heritage Building. It would send a strong message to citizens that WPG takes care of its heritage.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

I prefer the Carnegie location.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

The archives should be in long-term location that has all the space needed and is accessible, has good transit service and good parking. Preserving the Carnegie Library on

Anonymous 6/03/2021 05:54 PM	William is important but it's not an ideal location. N/A
Anonymous 6/04/2021 09:48 AM	Regarding affordability- perhaps if we took some of the police helicopter budget we could invest in our history and community more?
Anonymous 6/04/2021 02:56 PM	No comment.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 05:57 AM	Central location is one of the most important factors as are operating hours. A new archives in an industrial park on the edge of town open 8 - 4 is okay, but it can be much more than that.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 08:33 PM	Preserving Heritage in all its forms, including architectural.
Anonymous 6/05/2021 09:35 PM	It's our history, treat it with the respect it deserves. It's not throwaway. We are born from it, are continuously contributing to it and to ignore it or treat it dismissively denigrates all who came before us and all who come after us.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:00 AM	location must be capable of handling public research space, free parking and online access to documents for free. Location does not need to be downtown, but it needs to be accessible.
Anonymous 6/06/2021 01:56 PM	I do think these archives need to housed properly as soon as possible, so the sooner this decision is made the better. As much as I love the idea of repurposing 380 William and the apparent lower cost, I think this could end up taking significantly more time and \$\$ to get up to code. Costs for option 4 need to be more fleshed out/realistic.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

The longer this project takes the higher the costs get and the less likely it is to happen.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

We have a building. Let's stop wasting time and money on surveys, fence-sitting and let's just get to business with what we've got!

Anonymous

6/07/2021 03:35 PM

HBC store should be a top priority for reuse. Apparently the floors are built to withstand heavy loads. The proximity to the provincial archives and Univ. of Wpg is a great advantage. With the art gallery nearby the Portage and Balmoral corner makes a good cultural hub. The Carnegie Library is a beautiful building which suffered from Public Works renovations years ago with the installation of safety features like fire doors that were not done in a way to appreciate the architecture. The City does not have a good reputation with construction project budgets . A case in point is the Police HQ.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

Re-developing the Carnegie Library makes most sense for location, size of building and ownership.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 09:18 AM

The archives must be central and accessible, and it would be efficient to have the records onsite. Long waits do not allow users to walk in off the street to access materials and this is a barrier and very frustrating for researchers. A new building is important, but we must also ensure that the funding is sustainable long-term as we do not want a situation like the Provincial Archives (understaffed, both real and perceived barriers to access, behind the times in times, no born digital system). The City and Provincial Archives should work together and act as leaders in archives for

Manitoba and this project should move ahead swiftly without contributing to the decline of funding support for existing community-run archives in the city and elsewhere in Manitoba. This endeavour must create jobs for archivists.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 10:36 AM

we need to move the archives a.s.a.p., and to a more central (accessible) location that is pleasant to use, but it should not be a brand new building

Anonymous

6/08/2021 03:05 PM

I feel very passionate about the Winnipeg Archives and I'm pleased to see something moving forward. The ideas proposed sound fantastic so far!

Anonymous

6/08/2021 08:23 PM

Is using (purchasing/ leasing)the former downtown Bay building an option?

Anonymous

6/09/2021 12:44 PM

The archives are currently spread out across several buildings and fairly inaccessible, not to mention in arguably dangerous environments that can contribute to faster damage and decay. While they need to be relocated quickly the final facility must be a proper storage/public facility, not merely a stopgap.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 06:06 PM

What is the "capital project"? This survey could be more clearly written.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

Sessional instructor art history U Manitoba. Retired school administrator and art teacher

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

As for cost being affordable, what does that question really mean? If the money becomes available, no matter the amount, it's affordable. The Archives need to be put into the proper building. Corners shouldn't be cut as you just offload this whole discussion to people in the future. Do it right the first time.

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

Under- resourcing the archives with its invaluable collections of unique documents and artifacts has gone on for much too long. Actions is urgently required to protect and make accessible its collections to our citizens.

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

I strongly Agree With Location And Public Diversity and Access As well to keep it Central, That is Why It Should be located At the Now City Hall and 380 William Ave. And City Hall Should be Moved To The Hudson Bay Building , keeping It Central, and Moving City Hall to Where It Historically is Supposed To be , According to Archives.

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

It is vital that the space allows quick service. Having to wait days to pull items from storage is ridiculous and will kill the archives. Built a proper space per specs of the archivists or renovate William per those same specs. This is our collective history on treaty land - nothing is more important.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

There is one choice. Carnegie Library leverages public investment to realize multiple goals. Save an important heritage building. Bring life and source of pride to an inner city neighbourhood. Create an amazing space for visitors. You could never build an environment like that new.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:37 AM

Preservation should be the number one priority above all others. Do it right the first time. It would be nice to have all these other things but preservation is the most important.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

Archives are important and need to be looked after properly. They also need to be available to all citizens of Winnipeg / Manitoba. This city is notorious for hiding behind closed doors to discuss something and then

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:33 AM

do the opposite to what the citizens decided when something has been voted on.

A new building is important, but if the files are currently safe then taking a bit more time to ensure a proper facility is better in the long run.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:37 AM

The number 1 priority should be the preservation of the material. Focus on speed of building, central location etc should take a back seat to creating the proper environment for the materials.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 10:43 AM

Take the time to do it right, and make it as accessible to the public as possible, even just for casual, curious browsing.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 11:16 AM

This should be a long-term plan, with the goal of creating a viable and exemplary facility. Materials should be kept safe as the first priority.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

Seriously?

Anonymous

6/14/2021 02:07 PM

Downtown isn't really a convenient location for me. I'm not hung up on old buildings. If we are going to invest money, we should do it right.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

If possible heritage building should be used whenever possible. We should not be dickering about this for the next 10 years. Make a decision so costs dont continue to rise.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

HBC as a redeveloped (like a new built location) meets all the priority criterias. Time to coordinate with others is a risk worth taking. Total project would also generate revenues and reduce lifetime costing.

Anonymous

6/15/2021 08:17 AM

This is going to have, at best, minimal public engagement. There are many other things, oriented to the public, that should take priority.

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:57 PM

My main concern is that the archives be moved into a facility that is sufficient to meet its needs. The Cornerstone report does not answer all of the necessary questions. There is no accounting in it for the need to acquire, process and preserved born digital records. This requires dedicated systems - likely a lab space. there is a digitization lab in the plan, which is also necessary, but no dedicated space for born digital processing and preservation. The 20 year growth estimates are ridiculously low. 1945-1990 was the era of greatest record proliferation in human history. these records are still coming into the archives and will be for some time - especially given the archives' necessary intention to increase uptake of community archives. 1990 on is the era of digital record production; these records are also coming into the archives. The Cornerstone report seems completely disconnected from this reality.

Anonymous

6/17/2021 07:03 AM

A location readily accessible using public transit is important both to local researchers and visitors. It would be good to preserve and re-purpose the library in some way, not as an archive. Being able to meet at the archive for non-archival related purposes is desirable but it is not the primary purpose of the facility. It is standard practice today to have to plan ahead to view documents. This limitation could be alleviated through good online research aids and user information. Also with the ready availability of digitized records. It is crucial that the research space, practices and policies be welcoming, especially if new audiences are to be developed. Public programming is essential to the long-term value, inclusiveness, and viability of the

archive. Increasing diverse collections also are essential to the long-term value, inclusiveness, and viability of the archive. Having a solid budget that is well-planned for is important, of course, but Winnipeg cannot afford to not invest in a proper archive. Speed is less important than getting the work done properly.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 03:15 PM

I am really concerned about the safe storage of the documents. Loosing them through fire, flood or poor storage would be a loss to everyone.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 05:51 PM

These options were created before the HBC store became available. I feel that the old Bay building at Portage and Memorial offers the ideal location and already has many of the features desired for a new structure. Lots of space for display and public interaction, central location, close proximity to Manitoba Archives and Winnipeg Art Gallery and lots of room for expansion. Mechanically it supports required features as well, there is already a large climate controled vault (the old fur storage vault) several secure storage rooms (There is an actual walk in bank vault on the 5th floor from when the builfding also used to serve as pay station for employees) there are walk in freezers for low temperature storage, lots of human related facilities (the Paddle Wheel would make an admirable employee's lounge, and the cost of running it could be shared between other users of the building or even contracted out as a profit making endeavour on its own). The continued link to the history of Winnipeg and Manitoba would be a benefit as well. Since there is already 25 million dollars committed to renovation costs for the building in general, the costs

to create the facilities inside the existing building could be substantially less than the cost of building a completely new building somewhere else. You will NEVER get a chance to put the archives in a better location.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 07:22 PM

Review all Options relative to requirements and ultimate cost(not immediate cost) and review once more.

Anonymous

6/19/2021 09:56 AM

The main priority should be making an accessible space with room for diverse collections and programming.

Anonymous

6/20/2021 01:49 PM

Because my uncle (Maurice Prince) was the administrator for the St. Boniface Museum and someone who also restored antiquities, I learned at an early age to appreciate and celebrate our heritage and history. While I have always lived in Winnipeg, I have travelled occasionally and was shocked to find almost no heritage buildings in Calgary. It made me realize how lucky I was to live in a city like Winnipeg where we have preserved and utilized so many heritage buildings, linking and celebrating our past with our present. That being said, renovating the William Street location if it can accommodate all the possible uses of a modern Archive seems to make the most sense. If the building isn't old enough, surely there are others that could be also be renovated in the same way? As a taxpayer I would obviously prefer a less expensive solution - but to me even if this alternative is more expensive, or even as much as a new building, I would prefer the Archives be located in a place where our history is showcased both indoors and out. Good architects can blend heritage and modern

innovations, showcasing the best of our past and future. This to me would pay homage to those precious documents and artifacts from our past but keep them safe for generations to come.

Anonymous

6/21/2021 05:31 PM

Collaborating with other archives! Rather than multiple archives in the city struggling to maintain their collections, why not consolidate all under one roof where administrative and space resources can be shared so meagre funds can go farther on collections and experts.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 10:24 AM

I think the most important thing is to provide the City Archives with an appropriate facility relatively quickly that can accommodate all its immediate needs, recognizing that expansion will undoubtedly be required in the future. It would be ideal if such an expansion could be an addition to the original building.

Anonymous

6/22/2021 08:59 PM

Keep it simple. Work within existing frameworks- you have a building in need of upgrades City owned in a downtown location. Go with that.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

If the city just tries to save money, the city will lose out on the chance to make an attractive, tourist-worthy building that meets the standards of the Inuit Art gallery and the Human Rights Museum. The city could promote Indigenous culture with a new Indigenous-designed building. The city needs to make space for community archive holdings as they also tell the story of Winnipeg that is not contained in the civic govt records. Having a storefront with records held off-site will be frustrating and we will be back complaining in a matter of months. Spend the money on the only records we have of our city! The records are priceless.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 11:21 PM

The city has tried half options on a number of occasions and they have not resulted in a safe and secure place to hold the city records. They serve a core business function for the city and a new central and modern holding facility would accomplish this.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:19 AM

Location at minimal cost is most important.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:23 AM

As a City we need to stop procrastinating and start doing.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:34 AM

I like the downtown location. I think it can serve most people's needs from researchers to the general public in a quality controlled environment.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 11:44 AM

Even if it takes a bit longer, renovating the 380 William building to a modern standard would be the best option.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:05 PM

Archives have very specific and critical storage requirements. If Winnipeg's history is important than too many compromises should be eschewed. Hence, a new building is the best plan.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 01:35 PM

With access to the internet, building like this are not as important as they once were.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

Public control of archives by the public in a safe environment is paramount.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Archives is a discovery of the past, so should the vessel that keeps this information. But the PROPER conditions need to be met to ensure the preservation of documents and such.

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

This needs to be thought through carefully. Yet artifacts right now need to be in a safe place for the future. A

precarious balance between the 2 needs

Anonymous

6/24/2021 06:40 PM

Take the time to do it right.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

Best location & quality of a new building is important. It is time the City built a new building that is up to date to best protect archives.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:15 AM

Preserving archival materials is a benchmark for a democratic society. Our ability to access and reflect upon the past is also the window into our future.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

Heritage buildings are great. But they are nor always the best place for archives and museums due to the specialized environmental needs of collections and because of the public access needs, and because older buildings might not be be up to code for these specialized needs.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

Of course, it is a civic expense, and the city is basically bankrupt because of roads, water and sewer infrastructure that we can't afford. But having worked in city archives around the world, this is something that we should do right. An archive is a core civic institution. 380 William Street is a handsome building, and one that we should fix up and bring up to the standards of a modern archive.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

There is no question in my mind that the archives should move back into the Carnegie Library. The archives need a home and the building needs to be saved.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

There's always a danger in publicly funded projects to cut corners to 'sell it' to the public.

Anonymous

We need to ensure that our archives

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

are maintained properly so that none of our historical documents are lost

Anonymous

6/28/2021 08:09 AM

a friendly welcoming place for Indigenous people.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 11:31 AM

Ideally, the identification of a space that is centrally located, and able to house community members from diverse backgrounds should be the long-term goal of the archives

Anonymous

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

I think they should wait until they get almost exactly what they want/need for a little while it unless the documents are in immediate peril. If the archives begin engaging in more public activities then it may be a more meeting place but currently seems exclusive. A quick turn around for documents is important, with a new layout it would be easier to find them. Central and accessible is very important if they want to encourage people coming/touring/researching.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

This issue of a new archives has gone on for far too long just get this done!

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

City's archives deserve to be treated as archives, not sitting in an old building.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:49 PM

The keeping of and use of the city documents are key

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

Online access should be a focus. Then in person research isn't as required.

Anonymous

6/30/2021 01:42 PM

I feel all of these items are important and add value. I think the priority/emphasis of this strategy should be sustainability and fit for purpose over the long term.

Anonymous

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

The Archives has been in temporary space since 2013. It's time to resolve the situation. The 380 William

Avenue solution is ready to implement, should there be the will to do so.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

Do the job right, and pay for it once - don't screw it up and have to pay for yet another fix for the next 100 years. I'd like to see more programming in a good space - but I don't have a lot of time to attend it yet.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 12:38 PM

If the Carnegie Library (380 William Ave.) is becomes a priority then perhaps consider keeping the facade and build a new facility. Renovation cost can be astronomical and in the end may not be the best facility for preserving the archives.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

Carnegie, if it can be fixed for archives and and renovated to provided proper program and storage space, is my first choice. There is room to expand on the Carnegie site -- east side. And a large building operated by Canada Goose is just adjacent. Is it available perhaps for storage? In the end the cost of fixing and renovating Carnegie is not likely to be more than any of the other options. If Carnegie cannot be restored in this way as the Archives a new build is my second choice.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

The archives needs to get into a secure building as quickly as possible before arson destroys the warehouse and all of the city's collections where they are currently located and before there is further physical degradation of the materials. But location, adequate public programming spaces and born-digital preservation space are extremely important .

Anonymous

7/05/2021 12:36 PM

I would like to see a space for Indigenous ceremony, adequate classroom size for groups 30+, a spacious research room where 25 researchers at a time would be

comfortable, a quiet room for reviewing private and sensitive records, and transitional space for public exhibits, and vault space that can evolve as collections expand.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

We need a new or renovated building for the archives and it needs to be done as soon as possible and as assessible to the public and schools as much as possible.

Anonymous

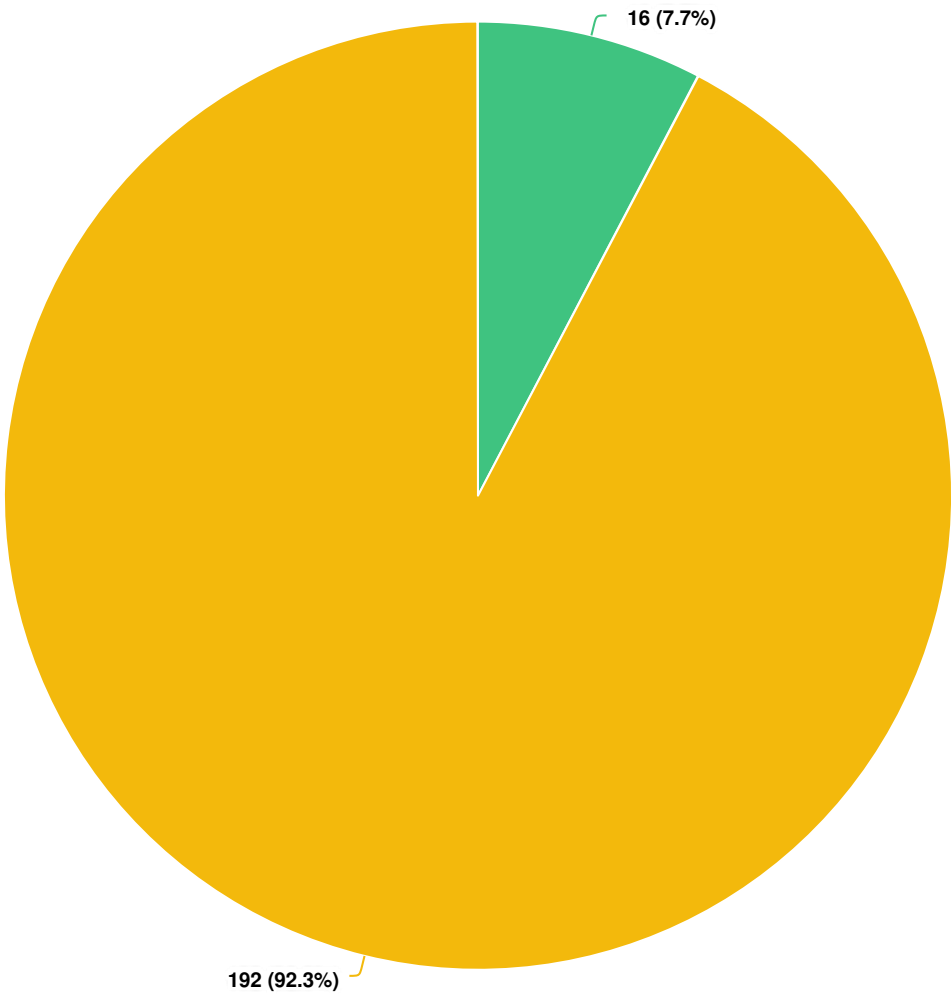
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Archives is in the heritage business. This could be reflected in the re-use/restoration/rehabilitation of a heritage building for occupancy. A good example is the former Winnipeg Auditorium rehab in the 1970s. Another was the re-use of the 1850 Colonial Building in St. John's, Newfoundland where I researched in 1977. Since given a new facility.

Optional question (110 response(s), 98 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q16 We would like feedback from those who attended the workshop on June 16 and 17. Did you attend a workshop?

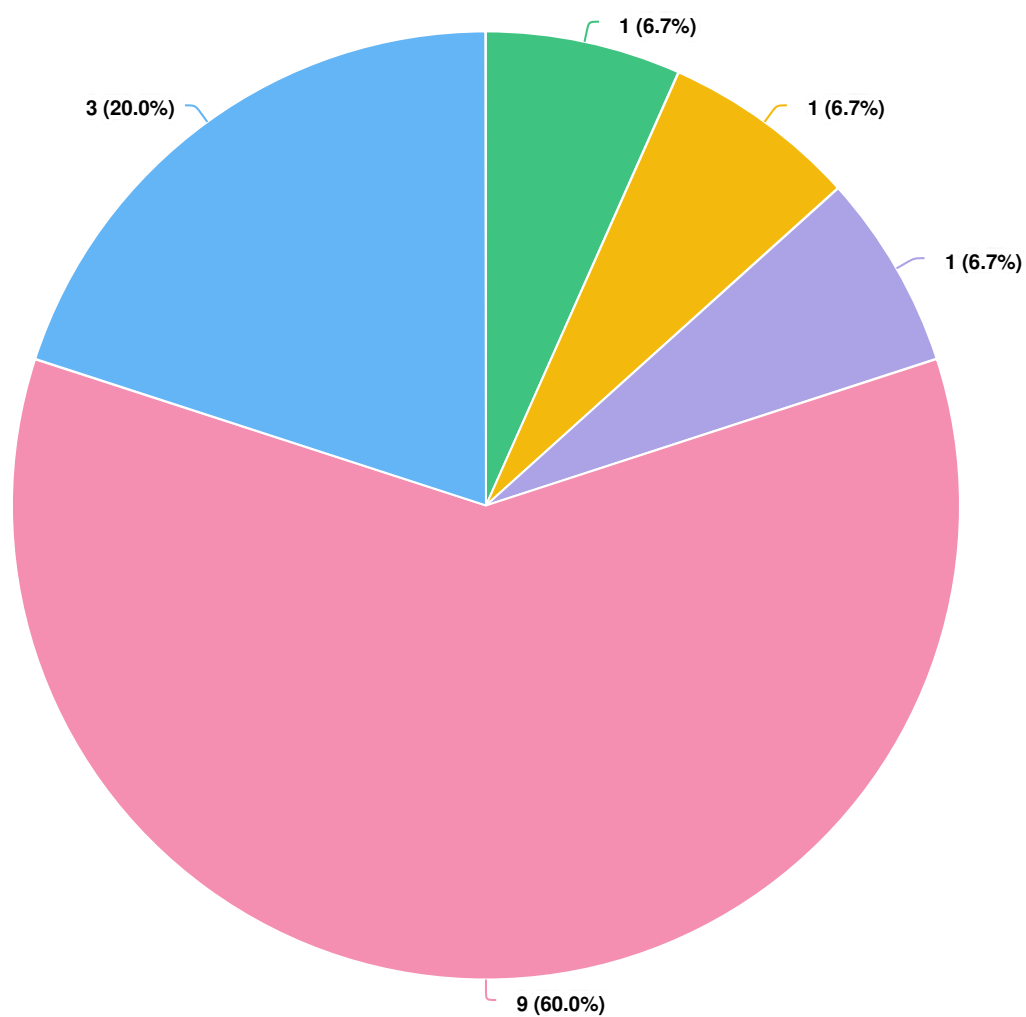


Question options

☐ No ☐ Yes

Mandatory Question (208 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q17 I found the workshop format useful:

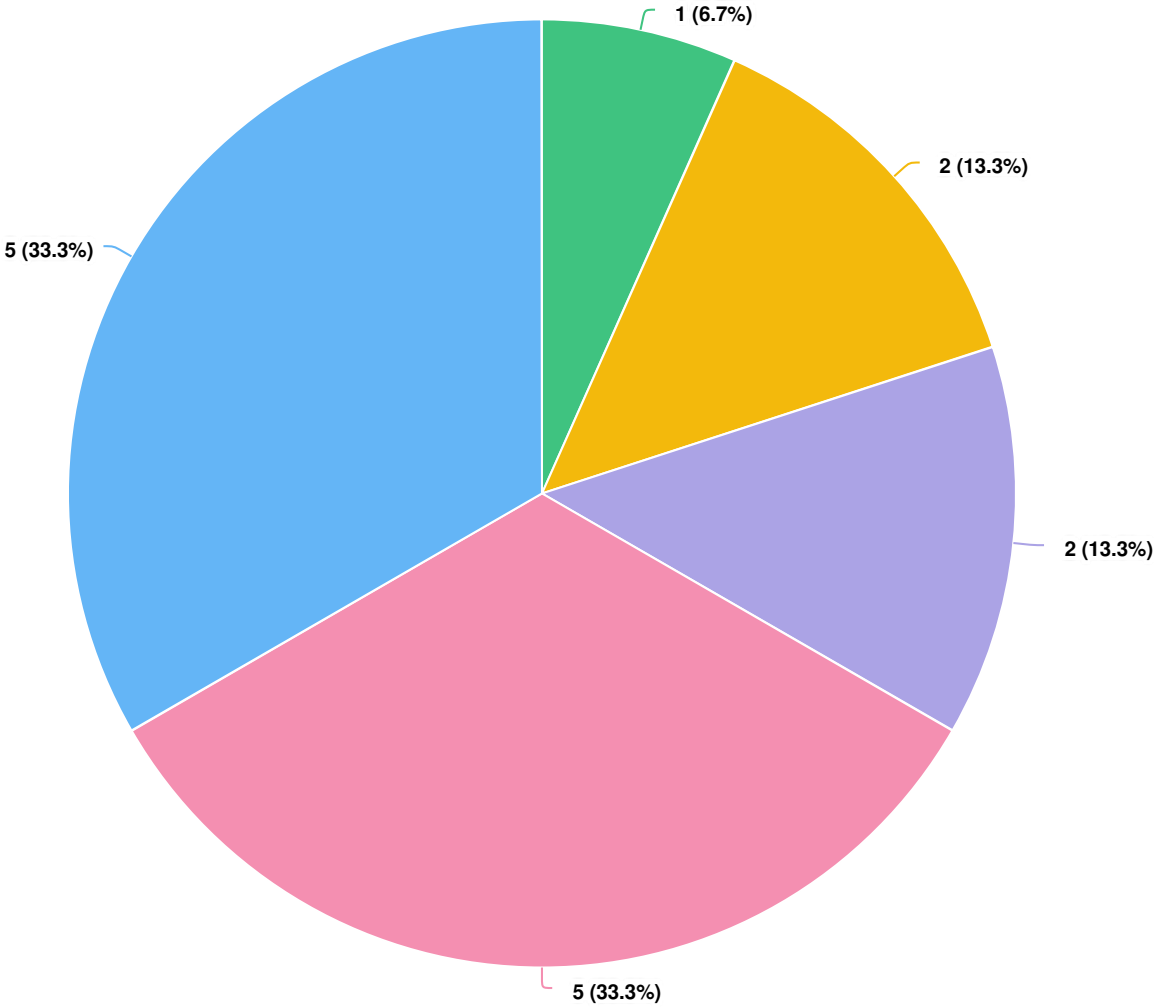


Question options

● Strongly agree ● Agree ● Neutral ● Disagree ● Strongly disagree

Optional question (15 response(s), 193 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q18 | At the workshop, I had an opportunity to share my input on the Archives Strategy.



Question options

Strongly agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly disagree

Optional question (15 response(s), 193 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q19 | Do you have any comments on the workshop format or how would could improve this format in the future?

Anonymous

6/16/2021 03:57 PM

The consultation was very good. I would have liked to have some time for open discussion at the end, but I can't see how to go longer than two hours.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 03:15 PM

I liked the format, especially having the break-out rooms so everyone had a chance to have their say.

Anonymous

6/18/2021 05:51 PM

The format strongly hinted that the existing options, formed several years ago, were the only things to consider. It certainly seemed that the options provided were the only ones to be considered. The massive changes to the downtown due to covid, which has amplified many of the changes that were already happening to the downtown area, should require a reconsideration of the location and building options.

Anonymous

6/23/2021 07:12 PM

There is, and was, such an awful lot of information that some people were discouraged from attending the workshops. More promotion of the workshops was needed. Did the city send out a press release or try to engage the press? The information also seemed weighted toward William Ave -- some people only see \$ and don't understand that being cheap now will cost more later.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

Thank you for holding it. It was well done.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

There was not adequate time for individual input. I had a lot to say and no opportunity to say it. The input was carefully choreographed and scripted to exclude certain types of commentary.

Optional question (6 response(s), 202 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q20 Do you have anything else to add?

Anonymous

5/25/2021 11:27 AM

What's most important is to consider the long-term care, storage, preservation, and accessibility of the CoWpg Archives holdings. Providing a purpose-built facility with long-term growth in mind will go a long way to ensuring this.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:30 PM

Extended days and hours would definitely be a bonus to researchers.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 02:42 PM

Something should be done asap!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Anonymous

5/25/2021 05:25 PM

A functioning archives is a vital institution necessary to understand who we are as a city.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:06 PM

Please move the Archives to a more accessible location within proximity of City Hall Campus.

Anonymous

5/25/2021 06:14 PM

Yes: It should be mentioned (and as far as I can see it was not), that Archives are crucial for historians. There are history and art/architectural history departments and programs at the U of W and the U of M. The City Archives are a key resource!

Anonymous

5/27/2021 12:13 PM

The workshops haven't taken place yet but Inplsn to

Anonymous

5/27/2021 01:53 PM

The William location should be the option chosen.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:21 PM

no

Anonymous

Need input from indigenous elders at

5/27/2021 02:22 PM

every level of consultation & planning

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:24 PM

Cost benefit analysis is needed to decide re new building versus renovations.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 02:39 PM

this city needs a new mayor who is not a kiss ass and has no clue in the real world

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:36 PM

A city is judged not by the number of potholes filled or kilometres of new roads but by the respect to its citizens and its society. A fully functional archives building that meet the need of Winnipeggers now and into the future is absolutely essential.

Anonymous

5/27/2021 04:53 PM

It has taken the City too long to take the Archives seriously. Also, though not owned by the City, there are other Heritage buildings that could be acquired & used - for example Millennium Centre, Main Branch BMO

Anonymous

5/28/2021 01:03 AM

This survey is pointless, you know what needs to be done and you've known it for decades. Fix William Avenue.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 05:26 AM

Why has the purchase of an existing historic building not been included

Anonymous

5/28/2021 10:23 AM

Sorry, I did the survey before the workshop but do not intend on attending the workshop.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 12:33 PM

Preserving history for future interest and research is vital.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 04:11 PM

The City of Winnipeg needs to move forward on completing this project forthwith.

Anonymous

5/28/2021 05:21 PM

winnipeg is a big city, it should start acting that way

Anonymous

5/29/2021 12:20 AM

380 William or this is a failure.

Anonymous

5/29/2021 10:34 PM

One item that comes to mind is the Manitoba Museum. Just throwing it out there can there be a shared facility. Maybe work with province to enhance and expand facility. If there is two groups which understand the fragility of these artifacts it these group

Anonymous

5/30/2021 03:17 PM

Please prioritize the secure and accessible preservation of our stories! This is vital.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 02:59 PM

Consider working with the Hudson's Bay Company on using the company's building at the corner of Portage and Memorial. It's a perfect location and likely has all the room the archives might need for years to come. A historic building would be preserved.

Anonymous

5/31/2021 04:41 PM

The April 2020 report is limited by the options presented. It is clearly prejudiced to moving away from 50 Myrtle St. Need to explore a 5th option to stay with analysis on investment to improve humidity, temperature controls, front entrance area changes.

Anonymous

6/01/2021 10:45 AM

I just wanna say I think this is a super cool project! I'm so excited for the new archive to be done so I can go visit! And also try to get a job there when I graduate in a few years :)

Anonymous

6/02/2021 01:36 PM

This is a high-priority issue. Our current arrangements are an embarrassment. We need to get on with it as soon as possible.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 08:00 AM

We need to make decisions so we can access the archives.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 12:51 PM

I think the ideal location would be the old Bay building. It has the space required, great parking and transit connections, is accessible and is

close to the Provincial Archives, the Legislative Library and Millennium if people need to access them.

Anonymous

6/03/2021 05:54 PM

N/A

Anonymous

6/04/2021 09:48 AM

I wasn't aware of any workshop and would have loved to attend!

Anonymous

6/04/2021 02:56 PM

The city has been profoundly negligent in its duty to preserve public memory and its own operational and archival records. "If you don't know where you came from, you don't know who you are."

Anonymous

6/04/2021 10:30 PM

As an additional option the City of Winnipeg should consider part of the Hudson's Bay building as a location for the City Archives.

Anonymous

6/05/2021 09:35 PM

I like the thought that has gone into this project

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:00 AM

Currently I can not use the archives because the documents are easily accessed and cost a lot. Parking, search fees, pickup of documents, etc. make research impossible for me.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 01:56 PM

This is so overdue. Good luck in making this decision soon so it can't be undone by a new mayor.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:16 PM

My own fantasy of late has been to wonder if City Archives would be well situated in the now-abandoned Hudson Bay department store! Very near Provincial Archives & Hudson Bay Archives, possibly with other heritage repositories in the same building.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 02:34 PM

Please do what's right for the collection.

Anonymous

6/06/2021 10:30 PM

Keep the current location and let's get this done!

Anonymous

6/07/2021 03:35 PM

The HBC building needs to be used for something. Other uses can be found if there is a major tenant. A downtown grocery store in the basement would also be a good idea. grocery

Anonymous

6/07/2021 06:58 PM

This debate has gone on too long.

Anonymous

6/07/2021 08:42 PM

I can't say how important I feel developing a municipal archives we can be proud of is to the future of our city. I sincerely mean this. Past.Present.Future. Wpg is a city of stories. A proper, modern, responsive archives is central for our storytelling.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 09:18 AM

A new accessible archives building with an expanded mandate and public programming is much-needed and well worth our investment. I look forward to visiting this new attraction downtown.

Anonymous

6/08/2021 08:23 PM

A downtown location is key, in my opinion.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 12:44 PM

An archive is essential to the long-term functionality of any community/city/government in terms of internal functions, community engagement, education, and accountability.

Anonymous

6/09/2021 11:05 PM

I love archives. I hope uou renovate the William Ave site

Anonymous

6/10/2021 09:50 AM

You need to make the workshop virtual

Anonymous

6/10/2021 11:28 AM

To the City of Winnipeg: Please get this done.

Anonymous

6/10/2021 08:22 PM

Ottawa & Toronto recently built new facilities which should be consulted.

Ottawa's facility is too far from public transportation & is outside the downtown core. Toronto partnered with a university with excellent access to public transportation.

Anonymous

6/11/2021 02:55 PM

YES!! I cannot Stress or Say it Enough, Utilize The Spaces That you Already Have to keep it Central and and Historically and Rightfully Move City Hall To Where It is Supposed to be I The Hudson Bay Building overlooking The Manitoba Legislature ,,as well

Anonymous

6/13/2021 02:06 PM

Please don't underestimate how important archives are. They are critical for reconciliation, family history and a whole lot more.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:28 AM

Carnegie Library. Stop wasting time with pointless consultation. Just do it already.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:37 AM

Accessibility for all kinds of folks is important. Volunteer opportunities would be nice too.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:38 AM

I have used the archives many times as a researcher. The staff is very helpful

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:42 AM

We are very very slow as a city in addressing this issue. Decide soon and take action, even if that action will take some time to complete!

Anonymous

6/14/2021 09:47 AM

Nothing at this time.

Anonymous

6/14/2021 12:20 PM

I look forward to the state of the art, beautiful, accessible renovated William Ave. Archive!

Anonymous

6/14/2021 03:55 PM

no

Anonymous

6/14/2021 04:33 PM

I assume that HBC was not on the horizon when most work was done. Please consider it now. Its an incredible opportunity on so many

	fronts.
Anonymous 6/15/2021 08:17 AM	Provided that the cost of maintaining an older building is less than the cost of a new build, it should be an easy conclusion to make.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:50 PM	I was at the workshop on the 16 but unfortunately had to leave unexpectedly after 30 minutes.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 03:57 PM	City of Winnipeg Archives has been neglected for the past eight years. We are in a very complex moment for archives, which must receive both massive amounts of non-digital as well as digital records. I hope this process marks a new start for the archives.
Anonymous 6/16/2021 09:18 PM	Whatever location is decided should be easy to access via public transportation, as opposed to the current location.
Anonymous 6/17/2021 07:03 AM	I fully support the construction and funding of this project as outlined under option #1.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 03:15 PM	The Hudson Bay building should be a strong contender for the City Archives. Partnerships could be formed with the Province to include storage for their Archives and by Vital Statistics for theirs.
Anonymous 6/18/2021 05:51 PM	I was surprised to hear that the current requirements of the Winnipeg Archives would take up less than 1/4 of a single floor. I fear you may be thinking too small. As well, many of the public programming facilities could be shared, reducing costs.
Anonymous 6/20/2021 01:49 PM	I applaud the City's commitment to transparency and seeking input from the people who foot the bills.
Anonymous 6/21/2021 05:31 PM	Please collaborate with other archives and give serious consideration to the Manitoba Historical Society's proposal for consolidating Winnipeg's archives

	with HBC, province and other small specialized centres into one place.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 10:24 AM	The City of Winnipeg has a long and interesting history. The historical records documenting that history deserve to be housed in a modern facility where they are accessible to the people of Winnipeg and others who want to use them.
Anonymous 6/22/2021 08:59 PM	No.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 07:12 PM	Thank you for this opportunity.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 08:14 PM	Would be great to see the archives be brought to a standard it well deserves.
Anonymous 6/23/2021 11:21 PM	This is a really important project and a new facility should be constructed.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:19 AM	This is a beneficial improvement project but should not be a priority and done on a cost effective basis not to be pushed ahead of other more needed projects.t
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:23 AM	Why have waited this long to do something about the archives. Like everything else that gets done in this City everything is put on the back burner until the burner is almost burnt out.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 11:34 AM	Broken record time but the more public exposure to the archives is very important and the downtown location reinforces that point.
Anonymous 6/24/2021 12:45 PM	no
Anonymous 6/24/2021 01:35 PM	Cost and being effective is important, taking care of our streets, NOT bike lanes and helping soup kitchens and the poor should be top Priority

Anonymous

6/24/2021 04:15 PM

no

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:16 PM

Good to see something happening;
the Myrtle Building is NOT inviting to
the person who is want to enter a
journey of discovery to the past...

Anonymous

6/24/2021 05:42 PM

We need to consider that cost is not
always the priority. We need the past
to remember how far we have come,
to learn from past tragedies, to keep
on learning so we can keep growing
as a community and as a city.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 08:52 AM

Costs should be strictly monitored.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 11:36 AM

The Cit of Winnipeg Archives needs
a proper home. NOW!

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

We need the city to demonstrate its
commitment to Heritage buildings,
and to the city's history, in all its
complexity.

Anonymous

6/25/2021 04:12 PM

The current location is a depressing
embarrassment, and it's outrageous
that 380 William has been
mouldering for so long. I really hope
you will solve these two things
together.

Anonymous

6/26/2021 10:26 AM

I would like to see the archives
building built at The Forks where
thousands gather, and would find
themselves using it. Our downtown is
once again has been renewed and
beautified with True North Square,
Artis Reit Towers, Human Rights
Museum

Anonymous

6/26/2021 12:19 PM

No.

Anonymous

6/28/2021 01:05 AM

Not at this time

Anonymous

They should retrofit the old Bay

6/28/2021 04:17 PM

building. Keep the facade and gut it, make a doughnut shape and put a garden in the middle. It would be accessible and close to the university. It would be best if the City owns instead of leasing, could save money

Anonymous

6/29/2021 01:48 PM

I'd love to see William street restored and doing amazing work as a city archives.

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:02 PM

Please don't drag this out any longer
- Again just get this done!

Anonymous

6/29/2021 06:31 PM

Make this a priority and hired qualified staff who live in Winnipeg

Anonymous

6/29/2021 08:49 PM

The city archives are important and should not be neglected

Anonymous

6/30/2021 08:21 AM

No

Anonymous

6/30/2021 09:56 AM

Keep costs down and don't hide it in tax increases.

Anonymous

7/01/2021 03:37 PM

All that remains is for the City and Council to act – to commit funding for this long-deferred project and equip the City of Winnipeg Archives to fulfill its Mission.

Anonymous

7/02/2021 01:27 PM

Taking in feedback from the people that currently work there as they may have opinions regarding what they feel the archive needs

Anonymous

7/02/2021 03:57 PM

Please do this right !

Anonymous

7/03/2021 12:38 PM

The old Hudson Bay Building is too big and would require a large cost outlay to remove asbestos, lead, etc and bring it up to current codes. We need to be selective in what old building we keep as cost can be prohibitive.

Anonymous

7/03/2021 03:23 PM

No thank you.

Anonymous

7/04/2021 12:40 PM

Consultants presented a well-rounded plan, but one that would have been useful 20 years ago. They have not taken into account what the Archives will become w/ adequate/necessary spaces. More people and more records will come if you properly build it .

Anonymous

7/05/2021 12:36 PM

The city needs to make sure a new facility can accomodate existing records, those backlogged, and those yet to be transferred. A reliable estimate or study would provide crucial information for all levels of planning.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 01:39 PM

It should be of use for all Winnipeggers not just certain groups. It also needs the proper staffing to make it a very vibrant and lively building of all of Winnipeg's history.

Anonymous

7/05/2021 03:32 PM

Nothing further.

Optional question (104 response(s), 104 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Appendix D – Workshop notes

ARCHIVES STRATEGY

Virtual Workshop



June 2021 (2 hours)

winnipeg.ca/archivesstrategy

To ensure long-term preservation and access to irreplaceable records, the City is exploring facility options to address the storage and preservation needs for its growing archival collection, to allow enough space for its programming, and to create an accessible space that allows Winnipeggers to continue to have access to records and conduct research.

Purpose:

- Provide background and approach
- Discuss and gather feedback on service improvements
- Discuss and gather feedback on facility options

Agenda

Activity	Details	Duration
Introductions	Introduce the project team and participants	5 min
Presentation	Provide background Introduce approach, data collected, outcomes of consultant study, and updates	25 min
Activity overview	Introduce discussion topics	5 min
Group discussion Part I: Service Improvements	Group discussion Answer questions	20 min
Report back	Share group insights	10 min
BREAK (15 min)		
Group discussion Part II: Facility Options Evaluation	Discuss options Answer questions	20 min
Report back	Share group insights	10 min
Next steps & closing	Short overview of next steps Please circulate to your network	10 min

Part I: Service Improvements (20 min)

Goal: Discuss needs of community members and get feedback on proposed service improvements.

Step 1: Each group member introduces themselves to the rest of the group including their name, organization, and one word to describe how they feel about the City of Winnipeg Archives.

Step 2: Assign one group member as the recorder/reporter to take notes and present back to the larger group

Step 3: As a group, discuss the service improvements proposed by the archives study (refer to page 3).

- a. Are there any services you would like to see that aren't there?
- b. Which services do you think are most important?

Notes:

July 16, Group 1:

Review service improvements and determine if they are adequate, what is missing

As a university Professor, Research is a main concern, as well as teaching opportunities. University and Highschool courses/classes being accommodated for access would be great (12-20 students). Increases awareness of archives and potential for scholarship.

Lift the veil on archives - increased awareness broadly

Manitoba archives first awareness was through a class in university for Brett Loughheed, the UW archivist. Not to be confused with the city archivist.

Group research environments, a rethinking of the traditional library room space and guidelines.

Context for design choices would be appreciated.

In the William Ave building, is there adequate display space? Is there a capacity for historical displays? Service improvements option does have potential capacity according to the consultants report.

A place to be able to visit without the need for research would enhance general appeal and create a destination.

Cathy Auld - the scale and potential for community archives in Winnipeg is huge-many non profits with records stored in individual basements (vulnerable -on way to shredder -like to see 25%

community collections ; shout out to Winnipeg architecture foundation that needs a home for their collections , blue prints etc.; like idea of archivist/artists in residence collaborations

tie in to TRC archives at U of M?

exchange district ideal as magnet destination (central location)

There is demonstrated need for archives among significant WPG institutions. How well was this identified by the consultants report?

Accounting for the potential collections backlog is difficult.

Importance of oral histories should be considered.

July 16, Group 2:

What's missing?

-Concerns that space required is under estimated and that more paper records will be coming to the archives than estimated (underestimation of growth) - flat projection of growth is not supported anywhere in the literature on archives and information management - this is an era of exponential growth

- No allowance for more digital processing on site - requires dedicated systems including hardware (not an app to download to a desktop) - where would these be located? Currently only a digitization lab

-importance of digital access to non-digital records noted - plan seems focused on building, not on work of staff or work processes

- noted that there are many records that have not been transferred to archives, even though they are historical records

- concerns that this plan is setting the archives up for an immediate space crisis due to the vastly underestimated growth projections

II Which services most important?

Admiration for the service improvements in the documentation

Importance of safe preservation area for preservation of all materials

Plan for how digital materials will be received and processed -

Concern for digital community records - how will these be received and processed? Different challenges from city records

Concern that the preservation service is not sufficiently accounted for - this is foundational to all other services

July 16, Group 3:

A) Services characterized very broadly

Functionality in what the archives needs to achieve its mission

Physical conservation vs digital conservation

Digital conservation space - AV digitization equipment and overhead camera scanner?

Potential for taking in more community records - community outreach and partnerships - importance of appraisal framework and what parts of the collection are filling in gaps (size of paper records coming in)

Collecting outside the city limits (Winnipeg Foundation) and what kind of pressures that would put on if the City's mandate expanded to communities

20 year vault - how can we expand in the future? Digitizing to make things more accessible, but archives will keep paper copies so there must always be room for current and future records

B) Reference and outreach space

Digital conservation space

Report - no one discussed with local businesses/residents

City of Winnipeg's library system, libraries are under financial stress, 20 buildings and maybe under utilized/under valued - opportunity for a building that will accommodate the archives? Report limited for options.

Prominent place in community/location/accessibility and realize what the archives has to offer

Community can access the archives to realize the potential of the records, and preserving the memory of people who live there

July 16, Group 4:

a. Are there any services you would like to see that aren't there?

- Participants were concerned that the 10% for community collections (as a percentage of the overall archival collection) was too small to be meaningful, noting that if we don't go

beyond this, then we are impacting who will want to access the collection. People are interested in community records.

- One participant asked about a separate facility for digitization
- Comment about the inherent value of using a heritage building not being acknowledged within the report
- Comment about not having a more certain future for the archives about being “weird” and “frightening”
- Asked to consider expanding the space at 380 William to include an addition so there was more space to house the archives; participant thought we were trying to cram in too much programming
- One participant noted that they would like to see the City lead by example and demonstrate more benefits to community
- The impression was that the proposed service improvements didn’t address concerns for the space needed to grow the archival collection, support the current need from the City and community sources to transfer records. They thought the space allocated for this was far too low.
- Participants did not think that the table represented their expectation that the Archives do more in the way of acquiring community records.

b. Which services do you think are most important?

- Participants talked about need for classes and being able to accommodate kids from elementary school, including space for them to sit on the floor
- Participants liked that Indigenous activities were highlighted
- One participant mentioned an archives in Antwerp, noting the first floor was dedicated to reception and public programming. The group acknowledged that having these kinds of spaces attracts people to facilities and promoted access to the collection. They noted why collect if you are not providing access.
- The group thought that public programming was just as important as the others, although one participant had asked earlier if this function could be filled by using a different venue (e.g. having an event in the planetarium), thereby freeing up some space for other components.
- One participant talked about the importance of sustainable development
- Additional space to hold more records, with greater focus on collecting community records (greater as defined against the guideline identified in consultant’s study)
- Acknowledged the City Archives is at real deficit in terms of acquiring new records and growing the collection - participants wanted to see this problem addressed.

July 17, Group 1:

Archives are to preserve our memory and history. Very little use if we cannot access them.

Primary function has to be access to the information they are storing

Material has to be protected, safe, and available

First priority is the access to records

Digital access

Safe, long-term storage

Personal touch that an archivist can give you

Ensure the collection is safe (no sprinklers, no fires nearby) - better protected than it is now

Building accessibility - location (central and easily reached by bus)

Student access - creates memories for young people

Space for displays for the public - compelling

Space for restricted archives - may require a separate room for research

July 17, Group 2:

Explore permanent museum space at the archives. Museums draw people as they see their lived experiences reflected in the displays. Opportunity to be very inclusive. Formalize CoW Archives & Museum. This was also referenced in the Cook report.

A museum doesn't necessarily have to rely on physical artifacts. Can be very interactive. Can also aid in interpreting records to the public. As well, a call could be put out for artifacts. Also reflects city's identity as a place known for its museums.

Community archives. History of Winnipeg includes so many community organizations that took on civic responsibilities. Where are the records of Community Chest? Where will the Winnipeg Foundation records go? Where did the 10% figure come from? We have a chance now to get this right --- this opportunity will not come around for a very long time again.

Also need space for digital records - born digital and digitization.

Memory of a city - and the threat to the memory of the city. We need to consider oral histories. Not just paper records.

Citizens are readily engaged in the city's histories -- by oral histories or other methods. We need to provide this opportunity for communities and citizens. So that we all feel part of this project.

Need diversity in our records. Need to reach out to newcomers as well as Indigenous community.

More weight given to Indigenous history. More Indigenous records created. Records that the City has are written about Indigenous people not by Indigenous peoples. Space to support Indigenous

language revitalization and Indigenous cultural resurgence. Everyone in Winnipeg would benefit from learning more about Indigenous cultures. A purpose-built building could be done by Indigenous architect with Indigenous design principles. Important area for City Archives to concentrate on. Could be draw in a city of museums.

Digital infrastructure. Website needs to be updated.

Public programming. Engage kids and students in local history especially with site visits. Also tourism/heritage tours and \$.

Service Area	Current Services	Service Improvements
Public Programming	• Offsite programming at schools • Developing materials for offsite displays • Limited programming and support of smudging ceremonies	• Programming and events hosted on-site including tours, classes, lectures, discussion panels, book launches, photo exhibits, film nights, and receptions • Displays hosted on-site, curated by the City of Winnipeg Archives Expanded opportunities for: • Indigenous ceremonies, storytelling, and programming • Community outreach and partnerships with community organizations and school/university programs • More engagement with the public, tourists, students, and visitors
Research	• Providing assisted and non-assisted research, primarily occurring in the reading room	• Additional capacity for researchers • More dedicated and better-equipped research stations allowing access to both physical and born-digital records • Better environment for review of audio and video
Archival Services	• Archival records storage and preservation	• Moderate conservation services including humidification, flattening, and cleaning • Additional digitization efforts • Processing and acquiring digital records
Other	• Small and infrequent additions to the archival collection • Regular operating hours Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	• Increased storage space for archival material from community sources (individuals, families, companies, organizations) • More accommodating operating hours including limited evening and possibly weekend hours

Option #	Description	Estimated Cost (Class 3)
Option 1	Construct a new building for the Archives to meet needs for up to 20 years.	\$22.3 million
Option 2a	Two Archives sites: a City-owned downtown site for public access with additional storage space at an offsite location.	\$25.8 million
Option 2b	Similar to Option 2a, but downtown location leased.	\$20.0 million (not including lease)
Option 3	Similar to Option 1: construct a new building to meet needs for up to 10 years, with an expansion in 10 years.	\$23.7 million
Option 4	Renovation of 380 William Ave. for Archives.	\$13.3 million (not including hazmat removal)

In 2019-2020, the City's Archives and Records Control Branch engaged Cornerstone Planning Group to review the facility needs of the Archives and to develop several options to meet these needs.

The options were developed with the following assumptions:

- **All options should be prepared with a Class D estimate (Opinion of Probable Cost; equivalent to Class 3 estimate of -20% to +30%).**
- **All options should be for a 20-year planning horizon.**
- **Both consolidated (one site for archival records, services, and programs) and distributed (two sites: one for public access and a second for additional offsite storage) models should be considered.**
- **Review suitability of 380 William Ave. for the Archives.**
- **The estimated cost does not include purchase of the property.**

Note: Estimated costs are preliminary and should not be viewed as the final or total project costs.

While the consultant found that Option 1 and Option 4 were most suitable, the City of Winnipeg is still exploring its options.

The Public Service is presenting the options that are currently identified. We plan to recommend one of these options for Council's consideration. Ultimately, it is Council's decision regarding how to move forward which may include exploring additional options in the future.

Part II: Facility Options Evaluation (20 min)

Goal: Gather feedback on the options explored by the consultant's study

Step 1: Review the options described on page four.

Step 2: Provide initial responses to options

- How do you see your needs and priorities reflected in the options?
- Were any options missed?

Step 3: Discuss how each option addresses the values identified by stakeholders earlier in the process and complete the table.

All facility options are required to meet several requirements:

- Environmentally controlled vault space (Class A) for 20-years of collections growth
- Functional space for archival, digitization, and conservation activities
- Public programming and display space to support access and knowledge transfer
- Research space to provide for increased activity in an appropriate setting
- Administrative space supporting staff growth to 20-years

In speaking with stakeholders, they noted several values that they would like to see reflected in the future archives space, in addition to requirements. How well do you think each option meet the values outlined by stakeholders earlier in the process?

Complete the table below to identify a response for each option and each value: Does not reflect the value; somewhat reflects the value; completely reflects the value; not applicable/not sure. Add comments to support your response as well.

Notes:

July 16, Group 1:

Facilities discussion:

Initial responses to the 4 proposed options:

380 William appears to be the only option given the importance of built history as a reflection of archives. Opportunity to lead by example by updating/reusing existing space.

What other buildings were explored?

COW Library system has 20 buildings, consultants didn't seem to explore the potential of library partnership or similar shared use of existing space.

20 year scope could be inadequate, why not 50 year?

How long will the process take and how is the archives going to be protected/maintained in the interim period?

a 10 or 20 year time frame for a building seems shortsighted for an enduring thriving archive with huge community collections/new voices potential, (much agreement!!)

What neighbourhood impacts were considered? How was the development positioned to positively contribute to overall neighbourhood growth?

The U of W, the Health Sciences Centre, the Millennium library, Red River College, City Hall, all these institutions are in what some would consider to be "dicey" neighbourhoods, and all are extensively used. So I'm not sure I'd be worried about that too much. Also: the William location might contribute to the revitalization of the neighbourhood.

Value of Carnegie Library building should not be disregarded.

Reports raise serious questions about suitability of William building as an archive facility. "Cramped" spaces have been described. Is this going to be a good use of the building? Can this building be salvaged for archives?

Is space allotment in the design generous enough for proposed usage and growth?

If space is not sufficient, best practices should be identified in similar building conversions, such as the Cornish Library.

Centrality and original use of William is attractive.

Option 2 doesn't present much, if any, advantage.

Capital budget has been proposed, but operating budget does not look to have been addressed.

July 16, Group 2:

- Reasonable but seemed like there is a bias to move back to 380 William
- No preference for any particular space as long as it meets the needs
- Report seemed deficient - particularly in terms of estimating the needed vault space - what are the capacities within the different options to increase vault space, or to add new capacity for born digital processing and preservation
- Renovation costs of 380 William seemed underestimated in terms of asbestos remediation and in terms of it having been neglected for 8 years
- Is the cost of land purchase factored into those estimates that require it? It's hard to tell

- Is option 2a more flexible, in terms of the ability to add additional storage space?
- Difficult to have confidence in the options - notes the consistent underestimation of space needed by archives in these kinds of projects - also, given Wpg's history of underestimating building rehab costs, how can we have confidence in these estimates?
- Does building new on a single site give you better capacity to respond to changing requirements as our contexts change? Concerns about squeezing into the existing spaces at 380 William - especially with concerns for vault space, born digital and Indigenous ceremonial space
- Would it be possible to see how an addition could be added to 380 William? Space seems inadequate as is
- Concerns that the cheaper cost of 380 William will eliminate other options without giving them due consideration -
- Idea of a larger facility that could be shared with other community and institutional archives from around Winnipeg - would help to build capacity and archival infrastructure in the city
- Drawbacks of Option 2 include inconvenience of this solution but not the very real costs involved in setting up the ability to shuttle materials back and forth - that should be added into the costing
- Drawbacks of Option 2 should include the opportunity costs to researchers, who may find working at the archives not sufficiently responsive, especially if they are from outside the city

July 16, Group 4:

How do you see your needs and priorities reflected in the options?

One participant thought the 380 William Avenue option as presented was uninspiring and thought the proposal was too modest. They would like us to look at increasing the vision and amount. This will support the goal of becoming a community archives. They said they wanted more than 10% of the collection to be devoted to records from community sources.

Another participant thought the City should be leading by example in a time of climate change and this means repurposing a heritage building

Thought an expansion to 380 William Avenue was needed if it were to support their vision or that we should look at adjacent building

One participant asked how the options would support digitization and whether a separate facility was needed for that. The facilitator informed him that digitization of the entire collection is not a goal for the archives, as it doubles the size of the collection and resources are needed to support both the original records and the digital version. For this reason, staff focus resources on preserving born-digital records, rather than digitizing all records.

One participant did not think we offered an inspiring vision in these options. The participant felt the budget for re-developing 380 William had been low-balled, saying the 8 million was not adequate or

inspiring; there was no vision in renovating; it was a modest proposal and deliberately underestimated. They said the vision will have to be greater than what is being presented.

There was concern about how reliable the estimates were for the options. One participant said they did not want to see another instance of project costs greatly surpassing estimates and specifically mentioned the new Police HQ.

- Were any options missed?

The group noted that other existing buildings were not looked at

They said if we are looking at another location, they would like to know about it and see how it compares with the other options, and they want more detailed costs, as there was concern that the estimates were not reliable figures

One participant thought it sounded like The Bay met all our needs and would like to see how that option compares with others

Another participant noted that The Bay is iconic will be developed and this development will contribute to the downtown area, but thought these developments would not benefit the Exchange District. The participant thought there was a need to stay connected to the Exchange. Unlike the other participant, they were less interested in the availability of parking as a requirement, noting that The Bay doesn't own the parking lot and that there were other means of transport (e.g. biking).

July 17, Group 1:

Missed - other sites such as the Hudson's Bay site

Concern about cost - City may not have the funds - consider debt - concern about consultant fees

Question: proposal from Winnipeg Foundation for multi-million dollar grant - any further work? Was received by Councillors and the Mayor's Office

Regarding funding - funds for the restoration of the Bay building from the Province, funding from the Winnipeg Foundation

The Bay is a favourable option - built to support another four storeys, plenty of facilities, downtown, central, on major bus routes, parkade, near to Manitoba Archives

Needs a lot of renovations and upgrading

380 William is next to public transit, City owned, can retrofit climate controlled portions, supports other Downtown improvements, it's a lovely building

Purpose built vs. renovated building - advantages of a purpose built?

I sure don't want the William ave location to be destroyed, but I fear that that location is at the limit of its expansion capability.

See the attraction of a heritage building; when Carnegie was closed as a Library, picketed because of fear of losing the building. Did not see a lot of support

This is the opportunity to get the work done in the building that needs to be done

Can design a new building with sightlines and correct spacing

Expensive to fix the Carnegie Library

Need to have the work and documentation to get it into the budget

William was designed as a library, so maybe it works better as a library, restore it to that purpose instead of making it work for a related by different purpose ??

Experience with Option 2 example - cannot always wait for records from the other site; would be a temporary fix - would prefer to see Archives all in one place

Do not support having two facilities - Provincial Archives - told it will be there in 3-4 days.

Could move off-site for the Province into HBC as well.

July 17, Group 2:

Disappointed that the 4 options are showing cost estimates that seem misleading. We can't use William Ave as the measuring stick. The City did not take the time to consult major donors and communities. Are these numbers credible? Worried that this will result in another police headquarters.... Need community archives and diversity: older immigrants, etc. The experience of the different cultural groups need to be reflected in the archives.

Public programming. At U of M, once they renovated, they had a lot more people visit. Large events of 100 or 200 people. William will not have the space to hold large events that we are seeing at other Archives. Private room to listen to oral histories or watching film. Difficult to see how all these activities will fit into William Ave.

The designation of space at William may not fit all that we want, or even what the functions of the archives require.

Haz mat removal! This could be very expensive.

Seems like William would need a new addition.

Doesn't seem like the \$ allocated for William is realistic.

Purpose-built archives would be the optimal option.

Can William be demolished? -- no, it has heritage status.

Thank you for participating today!

ARCHIVES STRATEGY

Indigenous Community Members Meeting



June 23, 2021 (2 hours)
Virtual Workshop

winnipeg.ca/archivesstrategy

To ensure long-term preservation and access to irreplaceable records, the City is exploring facility options to address the storage and preservation needs for its growing archival collection, to allow enough space for its programming, and to create an accessible space that allows Winnipeggers to continue to have access to records and conduct research.

Purpose

- Introduce and review key holdings in the archival collection
- Provide background and approach
- Discuss and gather feedback on priorities specific to Indigenous researchers and programming
- Discuss and gather feedback on proposed service improvements facility options

Agenda

Activity	Details	Duration
Welcome and Introductions	Introduce the project, team, and acknowledge the land	5 min
Opening remarks	Elder Albert McLeod	10 min
Presentation and Questions	Provide background Introduce approach, findings, outcomes of consultant study, and updates Answer questions	50 min
Activity overview	Introduce discussion topics	5 min
Group discussion Part I: Priorities Specific to Indigenous Researchers and Programming	Group discussion	25 min
BREAK (5 min)		
Group discussion Part II: Proposed Service Improvements and Facility Options	Group discussion	15 min
Next steps & closing	Short overview of next steps Please circulate to your network	5 min

Organizations represented

- Individual Perspective
- Individual Perspective
- Indigenous Sports and Recreation
- Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba
- Manitoba Museum
- Elder – Welcoming Winnipeg Committee of Community Members
- Teacher, personal interest in local history

Notes/Questions during and following presentation

Comments

- I think we can agree that there has been continual habitation of Indigenous people within the footprint of Winnipeg...
- Need to be clear about language of incorporation. Incorporation meaning. We have incorporated for and not-for-profit entities. Coming from a corporate perspective. Meaning of language is going to be critical going forward.
- As the 150th anniversary approaches, rethinking that it may be problematic that the City's history began with that date. Looking to 1874, want to be careful not to keep repeating that story of incorporation.

Question: Are the Archives open? Rights to access to information.

Response: not for public access at the moment.

Question: I know it's very very new, but media always says hey! use the bay... any real though there?

Response: Space requirements – 29,000 square feet, so the City would be a small tenant. Open to partnerships and opportunities. The Bay building is a heritage building so it may seem like a suitable fit.

Question: I wonder about swapping with MB archives? HBC archives could very appropriately relocate to the Bay bldg?

Response: Opportunities to centralize heritage and archives. Archives of Manitoba is an example of a building that was repurposed.

Question: when did the Carnegie library stop being a library?

Response: Gradual – in the 1970s – shared space for many years until the 90s.

Comments:

- Consider the Indigenous population of Winnipeg which is about 94,000 at the direction of using a heritage building which in itself is reflective of colonization.
- As Indigenous people choose to look into their history, would prefer a more state of the art archives access. New Inuit Art Centre at the WAG, new Kapyong Barracks. Heritage building may not be attractive to Indigenous people.
- Would support this. Like selecting the ones with the longest duration – even 20 years is not enough. Going to fundraising again for collection space. Never a popular ask. Trying to make sure there is space for extra years. Who decides 20 years is the right target? Things accumulate and better to be longer than shorter.
- 20 years gets thrown around a lot. Things are going more digital. May acquire archives from community.
- Don't want to get caught up building in a square when a circle environment is needed.
- May need other aspects – ceremony, teepee, teaching lodge
- Very narrow window of a colonial point of view and a colonial story. If we are asking Indigenous people to include their perspective on Winnipeg as a place to live. Don't want to limit the vision of a planning space. Indigenous spaces are being eliminated in the City. Do not have friendship centre anyone, Neechi commons site, hotels.
- is it archives related to the CITY OF WINNIPEG, as a govt, organization, etc...
or is it an archive of all the things that happen in wpg
- Records are currently related to civic administration. There are some records from community sources. Records don't tell the full story. It's the shortcoming of the records. When there are limitations, refer people elsewhere. Do not hold the complete history for Winnipeg.
- Official repository for the City of Winnipeg. Must keep the records for City of Winnipeg administration an elected official.
- Also have a mandate to collect records that are 'significant to the community' – not well defined. 1-2% is private records, and looking to expand to 10%
- In terms of preserving the historic corporate records of Winnipeg – selective process and biased. There is a gap.

Question: How to manage biases of determining what is 'significant'?

Response: Serious issue within archives. What we set out to do is accurately reflect the community. Does not reflect currently.

Question: Is there a mandatory date range for the archives? IE no records prior to the existence of the City in an official version?

Comments:

- Winnipeg is not a colonial city to many. Treaty-based institutional view to reconciling these kinds of issues. Levels of governance and definitions that don't have to match but work together. Build into the archives decision making and even physical design of the building.

- Settler governance model – doesn't represent many people. Can move forward.
- People-centred places and people need to feel comfortable in the space.

Question: do you have a; checklist of what goes into the records? ie... is it this? is it that? does it reflect this, that? Etc

Comment: I think we need to examine the impact of immigration and the role of Christian institutions and the influence on urban development...

Part I: Priorities Specific to Indigenous Researchers and Programming (15 min)

Goal: Discuss priorities in the consultant's report that are specific to Indigenous researchers and programming and get feedback.

Background:

In 2020, experts contracted by the City completed a [report on the Program Facility Requirements](#) that identified program needs, space requirements as well as options and financial projections for securing and adapting a facility for the City of Winnipeg Archives.

The report also identifies the following priorities to guide the future development of the archives:

- Support for Indigenous peoples wanting to access records, to share their stories, and/or to decolonize their history (page 10-11)
- Create welcoming spaces for Indigenous peoples (page 24)
- Provide space for Indigenous programming, research and events (e.g. smudging ceremonies, Elder visits, storytelling, exhibits) (page 18 and 24)
- Facilitate Indigenous-led programming activities (e.g. Indigenous-curated displays) (page 12)
- Represent and acknowledge Winnipeg as an Indigenous place, the historical and ongoing contributions of Indigenous peoples, and the diverse experiences of Indigenous peoples (page 61)

Step 1: Review the priorities specific to Indigenous researchers and programming (see above).

Step 2: As a group, discuss these priorities from the consultant's report.

- a. Are there any other priorities that you would like to add?
- b. Which priorities do you think are most important?
- c. In your view, what does it look like to create welcoming spaces within the Archives and put into practice other priorities?

Notes:

- Not just provide space for Indigenous programming – create and deliver programming.
- What is meant by ‘support for Indigenous peoples to access records’?
- Could mean personal contact with someone who is knowledgeable about the records. Could be an Indigenous research guide. Records are from a colonial perspective, but Indigenous research guide provides another avenue.
- Difficult to answer what makes a space feel welcoming. Feel welcome when there are others in the space.
- Making sure the space is welcoming. Having an Indigenous architect where the space feels right.
- "to decolonise their history" ... this sounds rough....it's not just "their" history.... it's Winnipeg history
- Word change: recognize and support Indigenous ways of preserving and sharing historical knowledge information that fills in the gap in the colonial narrative.
- Get requests from people looking to learn the history of the land. Not just Indigenous people who are doing this kind of research. It's people who want to learn about the history.
- “Represent and acknowledge Winnipeg as an Indigenous place” – so important. This is the history of the place where you live.
- Change language to reflect that this is all of our history.

Part II: Service Improvements and Facility Options (15 min)

Goal: Discuss needs of community members and get feedback on proposed service improvements and facility options.

Step 1: Review the service improvements and facility options proposed in the consultant's report (see pages 5 and 6 of this workbook).

Step 2: As a group, discuss the service improvements proposed by the archives study (refer to page 5).

- a. Are there any services you would like to see that aren't there?
- b. Which services do you think are most important?

Step 3: As a group, discuss initial responses to the options (refer to page 6).

- a. How do you see your needs and priorities reflected in the options?
- b. Where any options missed?

- Preserving Indigenous Archival records as part of Winnipeg's history.
- As time goes on, younger generation doesn't know what they have and they discard it.
- Preservation of the Indigenous history of living in Winnipeg is important as well.
- Important to pair outreach with building capacity of additional materials. Convey message to potential donors.
- At Museum, Winnipeg gallery opened as the 'Indigenous Winnipeg' – all threads and themes had an Indigenous component. Had trouble tracking down things that should be more accessible.
- Hours are so important for people who do not have archival research as part of their job. Need extra hours.
- What is the desire for Archive creation? Doesn't look like it's part of current activities.
- May be time to reconsider the aversion to creating the records Archives control.
- MB archives does GREAT with this [guiding access/use of the archives]. They truly seem delighted to help people learn how to use the archives. City archives had a very different vibe when I asked for help.
- I'd like to see programming- "learn to use the archives" programming is super needed, so that folks who are not academics can use them. an example is last summer with the MB archives, they had a "meet with an archivist, learn how to find your family history"
- Linking displacement and records mandate – encourage people to speak and create by providing a space. Allowing people to tell their own stories. If they have something to submit to the colonial archival structure – can give equity and give voice to voices that may not have a physical document.
- Support for listening to stories.
- Very important is Indigenous ceremonies, storytelling and programming – in learning about Rooster Town, a lot of it was oral archives. Learned from father and uncle. This is a big priority and have to work on this because it is very important.

Summary of Consultant's findings – Proposed service improvements

Service Area	Current Services	Service Improvements
Public Programming	• Offsite programming at schools • Developing materials for offsite displays • Limited programming and support of smudging ceremonies	• Programming and events hosted on-site including tours, classes, lectures, discussion panels, book launches, photo exhibits, film nights, and receptions • Displays hosted on-site, curated by the City of Winnipeg Archives Expanded opportunities for: • Indigenous ceremonies, storytelling, and programming • Community outreach and partnerships with community organizations and school/university programs • More engagement with the public, tourists, students, and visitors
Research	• Providing assisted and non-assisted research, primarily occurring in the reading room	• Additional capacity for researchers • More dedicated and better-equipped research stations allowing access to both physical and born-digital records • Better environment for review of audio and video
Archival Services	• Archival records storage and preservation	• Moderate conservation services including humidification, flattening, and cleaning • Additional digitization efforts • Processing and acquiring digital records
Other	• Small and infrequent additions to the archival collection • Regular operating hours Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	• Increased storage space for archival material from community sources (individuals, families, companies, organizations) • More accommodating operating hours including limited evening and possibly weekend hours

Summary of Consultant's findings – Proposed facility options		
Option #	Description	Estimated Cost (Class 3)
Option 1	Construct a new building for the Archives to meet needs for up to 20 years.	\$22.3 million
Option 2a	Two Archives sites: a City-owned downtown site for public access with additional storage space at an offsite location.	\$25.8 million
Option 2b	Similar to Option 2a, but downtown location leased.	\$20.0 million (not including lease)
Option 3	Similar to Option 1: construct a new building to meet needs for up to 10 years, with an expansion in 10 years.	\$23.7 million
Option 4	Renovation of 380 William Ave. for Archives.	\$13.3 million (not including hazmat removal)

In 2019-2020, the City's Archives and Records Control Branch engaged Cornerstone Planning Group to review the facility needs of the Archives and to develop several options to meet these needs.

The options were developed with the following assumptions:

- All options should be prepared with a Class D estimate (Opinion of Probable Cost; equivalent to Class 3 estimate of -20% to +30%).
- All options should be for a 20-year planning horizon.
- Both consolidated (one site for archival records, services, and programs) and distributed (two sites: one for public and a second for offsite storage) models should be considered.
- Review suitability of 380 William Ave. for the Archives.
- The estimated cost does not include purchase of the property.

Note about consultant's findings and estimated costs:

- While the consultant found that Option 1 and Option 4 were most suitable, the City is still exploring its options.
- The Public Service is presenting the options that are currently identified. We plan to recommend one of these options for Council's consideration. Ultimately, it is Council's decision regarding how to move forward which may include exploring additional options in the future.
- Any options not identified here may still be within scope of this project. Estimated costs are preliminary and should not be viewed as the final or total project costs.

Meegwetch, Merci, and Thank you for participating today!

Appendix E – Written submissions

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City of Winnipeg Archives
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Thank you for the package of information--archives consultant report and questionnaires--which you sent me for comment. Much of the report was scanned by me, for the everyday running of the facility is, as a humble researcher, somewhat beyond me. My concerns in the past, as now, and in the future, lie in public accessibility to the documentary holdings which fed a variety of reports and studies. This would include, of course, my own work on buildings and properties. Hopefully, this access will continue under any new set-up that is developed. My own experience, not including the City Archives, has been a diminution of sources, often couched in terms of 'privacy' excuses. This opinion is based upon my twenty-five years as a consultant, plus on my prior work for two levels of government.

In terms of concrete evidence, may I cite the four books issued under my name:

Crescentwood--A History (1993)
St. Mary's Academy (with Jackie Ritchie) (1994)
Trucking in Manitoba (1997)
Armstrong's Point--A History (2009)

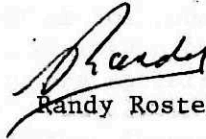
You may add to this list, a considerable number of reports for various clients, including The City of Winnipeg, as having benefitted directly from City Archives sources. Even earlier, my 1980 Master's Thesis also owed its success to sources in the City Clerk's files, which became part of the Archives's holdings. In terms of coming attractions, Lost Winnipeg is a manuscript (and coming book) which owes much to City Archives' material. So, you can see that City Archives sources have been very important in my professional and academic operations.

In terms of premises, my own proclivity runs toward going back to 380 William Avenue largely because of prior associations both as an Archives, and earlier as the first City Library. One does not want another debacle on the City's plate as recently seen with the St. Boniface City Hall, in terms of the bureaucracy selling off an obvious heritage structure. My own suggestion would be that if any aspect of the pre-flood Archives plan for a ceremonial/teaching/research facility be implemented, then some effort be made to acquire the neighbouring Stovel Building, 365 Bannatyne Avenue, for stack and lab space. As a former printing plant, that structure has the floor loadings for the above purposes. When opened in 1917, it had 84,000 square feet in two floors and a basement. The Stovel Building was also constructed to carry expansion to six stories. It also was given a new loading dock in 1977, something which was mentioned as a future addition to 380 William in the consultant's report. The two buildings might be linked by a second storey causeway. Like 380 William, Stovel also has a City historical designation.

If not 380 William Avenue, then the Hudson's Bay Company store on Portage Avenue would be highly worthy of consideration. It, too, would have the floor loading for stacks, etc. with about a half million square feet of space to choose from. When built during 1925-1926, it was meant to carry an additional four storeys, and was the largest reinforced concrete building in Canada at the time. It is presently vacant, as Hudson's Bay has given up on the downtown. It is centrally-located on many bus routes, as well as all amenities. These include hotels for out-of-town researchers, the Legislative Library, the Manitoba Archives, and the Hudson's Bay Company Archives. There is also ample parking in the adjoining Parkade, which has been recently overhauled. Like the forementioned structures, it also bears a City historical designation.

So, that is my take on the Archives situation, I hope that I have been of some help in the matter in this form, as I am unable to participate in your Zoom proceedings. In closing, I would like to add that I hope that the City Archives remains a friendly, welcoming place. We already have an example of the opposite over on Vaughan Street. One of them is enough in Winnipeg. I remain:

Yours truly,



Randy Rostecki.

Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2021 2:14 PM

Subject: City of Winnipeg Facility Crisis Public Consultation

Dear Mayor Bowman and Councillors,

As you may know, the City of Winnipeg public consultation on the future of the City of Winnipeg Archives occurred on 16 and 17 June. We thank city officials, including City Archivist Konrad Krahn, for arranging this important consultation. We want to summarize our understanding of the concerns raised then among participants by the background material for the consultations submitted by the city. For this material, see Archives Strategy | Engage Winnipeg. The Association for Manitoba Archives has information on the facility crisis at Association for Manitoba Archives - Information & Outreach (mbarchives.ca)

We ask you to ensure that the points raised below are addressed by the city's public service so that Winnipeg may have a City Archives that more fully reflects the historical importance of our city, its people, and records.

The preferred option of Cornerstone Planning Group, consultants hired by the city in late 2019, is renovation of the Carnegie Library building as the home of the Archives. Its second and "ideal" option is construction of a new purpose-built building. Cornerstone adds that an "updated building condition assessment is recommended" if the city pursues the Carnegie option that is estimated to be cheaper but likely has many hidden costs. The building assessment may indicate that the cost to renovate Carnegie is as much as for a new building. Pico Architecture Inc was hired by the city to assess the cost of restoring Carnegie in accordance with the space allotment for the various aspects of the archival program recommended in the Cornerstone report. The Pico report, however, is not the required full "updated building condition assessment".

The Cornerstone report's vision for the City Archives contains many positive features, which are indicated below, but our concern, and that of many at the public meetings, is that the space allotted for them at Carnegie is far too small.

- a. The records storage vault space underestimates the room needed for the backlog of decades of records accumulating in city offices, given that the City Archives program was only recently established and has been disrupted for the last 8 years by the evacuation of Carnegie in 2013. No actual study of the volume of records not yet transferred to the City Archives appears in the background material prepared for the public consultation. Such a study is essential for a reliable estimate of the City Archives' future space needs.
- b. The vault space envisaged is based on a very limited program of acquisition of community records -- that is, personal, family, and private organization's records that are crucial to understanding the city's history. A much larger program and more space for it is needed. In the 14 months since the April 7 2020 Cornerstone report was received, no study has been made of the potential volume of these records. Such a study is essential for a reliable estimate of the City Archives' future space needs.
- c. The proposed public research room provides space for only 12 researchers at one time. Up to 20 to 25 spaces makes more sense for a city of Winnipeg's size and wide external historical interest, which will draw people from outside the city to use the Archives.

d. The space for Indigenous ceremony is unclarified. We propose that in consultation with Indigenous people, adequate space be set aside for Indigenous ceremony and the exhibit of archival records that tell of Indigenous contributions to the city.

e. The proposed classroom will have 25 seats, which will not accommodate most school groups.

f. The classroom is also to double as a public meeting room for special talks, conferences, and other events related to the history of the city. Twenty-five spaces for those activities is far too few. Events at the University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections often attract 75 - 100 or more attendees, for example.

g. No quiet room is set aside for oral history interviewing. No quiet room is set aside for researchers reviewing private or sensitive records.

h. There is no space provided for equipment and servers for processing and preservation of born-digital records, despite the city envisioning a significant shift to digital archiving for city records as well as community records. While the plan includes space for digitizing paper documents, it lacks space for digitization and preservation of audio, video, and film.

i. The staff archivists' office space is open concept on the assumption that their work does not involve confidential matters. This is incorrect as private meetings with researchers and donors of records are common in order to protect their privacy. Personal offices are needed.

j. Specific space allotment for ongoing major public exhibits of archival documents about the city's history is not provided.

Because the facility crisis facing the Archives is serious, we call on the city to act immediately to do the updated condition assessment of Carnegie recommended in the Cornerstone report and to include in it the plans for the reconfiguration of interior space and study of vault space requirements proposed above. As the proposed reconfiguration may require expansion of the Carnegie site, we ask that this be considered in the revised planning.

Without those changes our city will be left with a renovated archives that is inadequate for the needs of Winnipeggers and visitors who come to learn about our history. If Carnegie cannot be reconfigured to serve those necessary requirements, we call on the city to plan for a new building.

Sincerely,

Tom Nesmith
Association for Manitoba Archives

July 1, 2021

RE: Archives' Strategy, Public Engagement Submission

Mayor Bowman, Members of Council, City Staff, Fellow Citizens:

The City's archival collection is the single most complete source for information on the greater Winnipeg area – information that informs present-day decisions made by city administrators, politicians and citizens, fuels creative industries, provides primary materials for educational use and academic research, and supports social justice initiatives. The City has a legislated responsibility to provide for proper stewardship of this collection on behalf of its citizens – present and future generations.

As you may know, the Archives' facility at 380 William suffered significant water damage and had to be vacated in 2013. When this disaster occurred, the City had in its hands design/construction plans to renew 380 William to meet the program-specific needs of the Archives. Since then, and even though offers of financial assistance were received from the Winnipeg Foundation to fund the redevelopment plan for this facility, the City and Council have yet to allocate funding, requesting instead that city staff conduct further studies and identify additional options – all of which incur costs and forestall a decision.

Not only are these delays costly, they place City records at risk and compromise the Archives' mission *to acquire, manage and maintain accurate, authentic and usable records in the public trust. To foster civic identity and awareness by connecting citizens to the sources of their past, their histories, their communities. To support the transformation of information into knowledge.*

Because the Archives does not have adequate space, records that should be brought under the control of the Archives to ensure their preservation and availability remain outside the control of the City – let alone the Archives – administered by well-intentioned volunteers who lack the time and expertise to properly manage valuable city records. In particular, records of the Fire Department were identified as “at risk” by academic researchers in 2018/2019 as they were conducting research to mark the 100th anniversary of the 1919 strike. These records are in storage in the Winnipeg Fire Fighters Museum at 56 Maple – a sub-standard facility. Similarly, records of the old City of Winnipeg Police Department are in storage in the Winnipeg Police Museum. Access to these City records is dependent on volunteer availability – this is not how research ought to be conducted – nor how transparency, trust and reconciliation are supported.

With an adequate facility, fire and police records – as well as other city records dispersed in departmental storage areas – could be added to the Archives' existing collection and provide citizens, administrators, politicians, educators, academics and creatives with a one-stop full-service location to make use of this incredibly rich source of information.

A consultant's report commissioned in 2019 was recently released. Two of the four options outlined in the report are being recommended. Of the two, the most viable is Option 4 – Renovation of 380 William Avenue for the Archives. This is especially true given all the work completed to date to establish feasibility and prepare design/construction plans for

program-specific redevelopment of this City-owned facility. Once completed, the redevelopment of 380 William would enable the Archives to grow its collection and offer a full program of outreach, exhibits and public events.

While some advocates believe that a new build, another heritage building, or other similar options should be identified/considered, these options are likely to be more costly than program-specific redevelopment of 380 William and will take considerable time to develop.

1. A new build would be at least five years in the making, what with the need to identify an appropriate site and the need to design the facility from the ground up.
2. A retrofit of an existing building (i.e. the Hudson's Bay Building on Portage Avenue, space at the front end of the "new" Police Headquarters building) would require an engineering study to establish floor load capacities, and another round of program-specific facility design constrained by any given building's floor plan and site limitations.

Given the size of the Hudson's Bay Building, the City would need to broker partnerships with other agencies/organizations as it is far larger than required, or enter into a commercial lease arrangement with the building's management for the long term – and negotiate for program-specific redevelopment of the site.

The configuration of space at the front end of the "new" Police Headquarters building presents numerous challenges already identified by Archives' staff (i.e. floor load issues and issues relating to vault construction/disbursement of the archival collection over multiple floors).

Given that a resolution to the Archives' situation has been deferred, to date, largely over matters of cost, the Consultant's report shows that program-specific redevelopment of 380 William is the least costly solution. As a plus, design work has been completed and is essentially ready to implement. This solution also addresses the City's dilemma concerning viable reuse of a cherished old City-owned building.

All that remains is for the City and Council to act – to commit funding to this long-deferred project and equip the City of Winnipeg Archives to fulfil the City's legislated duty to care for its historical records now and into the future.

Sincerely,

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Métis Feedback on the City of Winnipeg Archives Strategy

Manitoba Métis Federation

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Summary and Recommendations

The Manitoba Métis Federation (the “MMF”) has completed a review of the City of Winnipeg’s (the “City”) Archives Strategy (the “Strategy”). This included reviewing the information provided to the MMF in the July 26, 2021 Workshop (the “Workshop”), the Consultant’s Report, and providing feedback to questions posed by the City at the Workshop.

The MMF has identified several recommendations for review by the City. The following recommendations are in line with the MMF’s Resolution No. 8 framework and will guide the City’s engagement with the MMF moving forward:

1. The City to continue engaging the MMF, through the Resolution No. 8 framework, as the Strategy is implemented to ensure the rights, interests, and claims of the Manitoba Métis are appropriately represented.
2. The City and the MMF to work together to identify documents, artifacts, and other items of historical importance to the Manitoba Métis and ensure these items are shared with, or returned to, the Manitoba Métis.
3. The MMF and the City to establish partnerships as the Strategy is implemented.



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1.0 Introduction

The MMF was approached by the City to provide feedback on the City's Archives Strategy in accordance with the MMF's Resolution No. 8. As part of the MMF's Resolution No. 8 process, the MMF reached out to subject matter experts within the Culture and Heritage Department, the Métis Nation Historical Centre team, and the Louis Riel Institute, an MMF Affiliate, to provide feedback and comments on the Strategy.

The feedback contained in this summary report addresses the questions put forward to the MMF by the Archives team during the July 26, 2021 Workshop.

2.0 The Manitoba Métis

Background

The Manitoba Métis are an Indigenous community and Aboriginal people within the meaning of section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982. Based on our emergence as a distinct Indigenous people in the Northwest prior to Canada becoming Canada, and Manitoba becoming Manitoba, the Manitoba Métis hold rights, interests, and claims throughout and beyond the province of Manitoba.

Since 1982, our rights as Métis people have been recognized and affirmed as protected by section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982. Some of our rights have been recognized by the courts (see for example, *R. v. Goodon*) and through agreements with the Crown (see for example, the Manitoba Government-MMF Points of Agreement on Métis Harvesting in Manitoba, 2012). Our Citizens, including Harvesters, rely on and use the lands, waters, and resources of our traditional territory throughout the province of Manitoba to exercise their constitutionally-protected rights and maintain their distinct Métis customs, traditions, and culture.

Manitoba Métis Federation

The Manitoba Métis Federation MMF is the democratic Government of the Red River Métis, also known as the Manitoba Métis, which is the heart of the Historic Métis Nation. The Manitoba Métis negotiated Canada's entry into the North-West and is Canada's Partner in Confederation and the Founder of the Province of Manitoba. The MMF is mandated to promote, protect, and advance the collectively held Aboriginal rights of the Manitoba Métis.

Resolution No. 8

Further to the MMF's responsibilities to protect the rights, interests, and claims of the Manitoba Métis, in 2007, the MMF adopted Resolution No. 8 that sets out the framework for engagement, consultation, and accommodation with the Manitoba Métis. Designed by Métis—for Métis—Resolution No. 8 sets out the process that is to be followed by governments, industry, and other proponents when developing plans or projects that have the potential to impact the section 35 rights, claims, and interests of the Manitoba Métis. It was unanimously passed by MMF Citizens and mandates a "one-window" approach to consultation and engagement with the Manitoba Métis through the MMF Home Office.

Working closely with Regions and Locals, the MMF Home Office ensures the rights, interests, and perspectives of the Manitoba Métis are effectively represented in matters related to consultation and accommodation.



Resolution No. 8 has five phases:

Phase I: Notice and Response;

Phase II: Research and Capacity;

Phase III: Engagement and Consultation;

Phase IV: Partnership and Accommodation; and,

Phase V: Implementation.

Each phase is an integral part of the Resolution No. 8 framework and proceeds logically through the stages of consultation.

3.0 MMF Feedback

Part I: Service Improvements and Facility Options

Winnipeg is the heart of the Métis Nation homeland. As such, the Métis impact on the city and province is abundant throughout history. Despite this, Métis have never had control of our own written and physical history. Improving access to the Métis history stored within the City's Archives is a crucial step to filling in pieces of our history which may have been lost to the Manitoba Métis.

The MMF and its Departments and Affiliates are dedicated to documenting, preserving, and sharing the history of the Métis Nation. As leaders in preserving and promoting the history of the Manitoba Métis, we believe anything related to Métis history should be made available to Métis knowledge keepers in a convenient and accessible way. This includes digitizing the records in a way that they are accessible remotely from the physical archives.

In consideration that the Manitoba Métis Federation is the government of the Manitoba Métis it is important to ask: what do the Manitoba Métis need – as an Indigenous Nation, distinct from other Nations—in order for the Archives to fully meet their archival mission and mandate? Specifically what is required as it relates to how Manitoba Métis, the Manitoba Métis Government, and its Departments and Affiliates, access the Winnipeg archives.

Archival institutions have a long history of being a place that owns records which can wrongfully identify and preserve Indigenous information, knowledge, and history. This is especially true of Métis records, as our Citizen records do not fall under any specific government department and are embedded into civic and municipal records. Unfortunately, there is little research or records to date that help us understand how our citizens are identified and reported for through the civic records. As the birthplace and longstanding home of many Manitoba Métis, we know the records of our Métis population records are likely abundant. What we don't fully understand is how they have been subjectively archived at the discretion of archivists over the decades—making it problematic for us to access records that are important to our nation.

With little understanding in this regard, it will be important to consider (in a 20-year projection) how space requirements could account for consultation space in the archives to support the research needs of the



Manitoba Métis (both citizens and the Manitoba Métis Government). Such an understanding is necessary to support future consultation and programming needs as determined and lead by the Manitoba Métis.

Regarding the facility options, the MMF is less concerned with how our needs and priorities are reflected and is more concerned about whether or not our needs and priorities will be met in all options of the re-envisioning. The MMF's priorities with respect to the proposed re-envisioning options remain related to ensuring our the MMF and its Citizens have access to records related to the Manitoba Métis, and to ensuring Métis are appropriately represented in both the records, and the Archive space. These priorities can be met through future partnership as the Strategy is implemented.

Part II: Indigenous-Specific Content in Consultant's Report

The City has identified the need to include a space for Indigenous ceremonies, storytelling, and programming. While the MMF agrees this is an important step towards achieving the archival mission as it relates to Indigenous people, a broad requirement for 'Indigenous ceremonies (which based on the review ONLY included smudging), storytelling, and programming' is largely overarching, grossly pan-Indigenous, and does not reflect the distinction or the needs of the Métis Nation to better access the Winnipeg Archives.

A distinctions-based approach should be taken in the review and re-envisioning of the City's Archives. This is especially true as Winnipeg, Manitoba, formerly known as the Red River Settlement, is the birthplace of the Métis Nation and the heart of the Métis Nation Homeland. To date, the review of the current City Archives and the consultation process does not reflect our Manitoba Métis's central values or distinction in this capacity.

Part III: Opportunities for Collaboration

The engagement on the Strategy is an opportunity for reconciliation between the City and the Manitoba Métis. With Winnipeg being situated at the birthplace of the Métis Nation, there is no doubt Winnipeg's Archives are rich with Métis names, items, and history. As inhabitants of these lands since the late 1700's, the Métis people have deep roots and have contributed greatly to the growth of this area. The story of our people has been hidden, either by government or by Métis themselves for a multitude of reasons. Records and archives with threads of Métis history need to be woven together in order to better understand our ancestors.

To move forward as a Nation, Métis need access to the records to see the impact of our ancestors on these lands, and to better understand their role in Manitoba's, and Winnipeg's, history. The stories that can be uncovered are endless when the Manitoba Métis Government has convenient access to local records and archives. There is opportunity for collaboration and information sharing between the City and the MMF which will be of benefit to both parties. Such benefits include the returning of Métis history to the Métis Nation and the opportunity for Métis heritage and history to be appropriately reflected in the City's Archives.

Further to this, the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation's call to action #77 "[calls] upon provincial, territorial, municipal, and community archives to work collaboratively with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation to identify and collect copies of all records relevant to the history and legacy of the residential school system, and to provide these to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation".



It is the MMF's believe that all such artifacts relating to the Manitoba Métis should be shared with, and return to, the Métis Nation in Manitoba.

In following the Resolution No. 8 process, Phase IV calls for Partnership and Accommodation between the proponent, in this case the City, and the MMF. The MMF believes there will be many opportunities for strategic partnership and collaboration on the implementation of the Strategy as it relates to providing access to documents and to partnering in the development of facility options, to name a few.

4.0 Conclusions and Recommendations

Upon considering all the information presented by the City at the Workshop and in the Consultant's Report the MMF has identified several recommendations for the City. Each recommendation should be fully considered by the City's Archives Strategy team.

The following are the recommendations of the MMF for moving forward with the implementation of the Strategy:

1. The City to continue engaging the MMF, through the Resolution No. 8 framework, as the Strategy is implemented to ensure the rights, interests, and claims of the Manitoba Métis are appropriately represented.
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