

#### 4. Libraries

The director has submitted a list of projects in the total approximate amount of \$30.6 million.

**Parker Williams branch**, Pct. 1: \$3,340,000 for renovation, new technology and added furnishings. This branch opened in 1993.

**Evelyn Meador branch**, Pct. 2: \$970,000 for furnishings and technology for a replacement library in Seabrook. The new building will be 21,100 square feet; the old facility, built in 1988, was 7,217 square feet. The project is scheduled to be completed during the first quarter of calendar year 2011.

**Baldwin Boettcher branch**, Pct. 4: \$14,150,000 for an addition to a joint project with Lone Star College at the North Harris College Campus.

**Fairbanks branch**, Pct. 4: \$12,150,000 for a joint project with Cy-Fair College, Fairbanks Center.

Attached is a list of annual operating costs for branches depending on size, ranging from \$295,971 for the smallest branch to \$3,398,544 for the largest.

Commissioners Court as part of the policy items for FY 2010-11 authorized a study to be prepared concerning the future of the Harris County Library system. There are 26 branches. The study is to consider alternative futures for the County Library system in the 21st Century. The court added the county's law library as part of the study.

**HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM REQUEST**  
**FY 2010-2011**

**ESTIMATED COSTS OF  
LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECTS:**

Parker Williams	\$3,340,000
Evelyn Meador	\$970,000*
Baldwin Boettcher	\$10,700,000 - \$14,150,000**
Fairbanks	\$12,150,000**
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TOTAL:	\$27,160,000 - \$30,610,000

\* Joint project with the City of Seabrook

\*\* Possible joint projects with Lone Star College on the campuses of North Harris and the Cy-Fair College's Fairbanks Center

# HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM REQUEST

FY 2010-2011

### PRECINCT ONE

#### Renovation Of The Parker Williams Branch

Renovation Cost:	\$2,500,000*
Technology:	\$240,000
<u>Furnishings:</u>	<u>\$600,000</u>
Total Cost of Project:	\$3,340,000

\*\$125.00 per square foot renovation.

This 20,000 square foot library was opened in 1993. It is located in a shopping center in southeast Harris County in Annex 67. The library needs renovations including new carpet, paint, a redesign of space to allow for new technology and a redesign of the small meeting rooms and staff space.

### PRECINCT TWO

#### Evelyn Meador Branch-New Construction

The City of Seabrook passed a library referendum in November 2002 for \$1,299,000 in funding for the Evelyn Meador Branch Library. The building is currently under construction and is on schedule to be completed in February 2011.

Current Building Size:	7,217 square feet
New Building Size:	21,100 square feet

Furnishings	\$600,000
<u>Technology</u>	<u>\$370,000</u>
Total	\$970,000

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**PRECINCT THREE**

No information at this time.

**PRECINCT FOUR**

**Baldwin Boettcher Branch - New Construction**

A possible joint project between North Harris College and Harris County

Current Building Size: 10,137 square feet

Recommended Building Size: 70,000-80,000 square feet

Harris County would contribute funds for 30,000-40,000 sq. ft. This would be an addition to the existing library on the Lone Star College-North Harris College campus.

Building Construction Cost: 30,000 sq. ft. \$7,800,000\*

35,000 sq. ft. \$9,100,000\*

40,000 sq. ft. \$10,400,000\*

\*This is based on \$260.00 per square foot. This includes architect and engineering fees, contingency, testing, parking, cabling, phone system and LEED considerations.

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**FY 2010-2011**

Costs for new materials, furnishings and technology:

Materials        \$1,500,000 - \$2,000,000

Technology      \$500,000 - \$550,000

Furnishing      \$900,000 - \$1,200,000

Total            \$2,900,000 - \$3,750,000

### **Fairbanks Branch-New Construction**

A possible joint project between Cy-Fair College and Harris County

Current Building Size:                    7,247 square feet

Recommended Building Size:            35,000 square feet

Building Construction Cost:            \$9,100,000\*

\*This is based on \$260.00 per square foot. This includes architect and engineering fees, contingency, testing, parking, cabling, phone system and LEED considerations.

Costs for new materials, furnishings and technology:

Materials        \$1,500,000

Technology      \$500,000

Furnishing      \$1,050,000

Total            \$3,050,000

**HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**ESTIMATED OPERATING COSTS PER GROUP OF BRANCHES**  
**FY2010**

**VERY LARGE BRANCHES - \$2,018,774- \$3,398,544**

CY-FAIR LIBRARY	CYPRESS CREEK LIBRARY
FREEMAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY	TOMBALL LIBRARY

**LARGE BRANCHES - \$1,038,322 - \$1,377,163**

ALDINE LIBRARY	ATASCOCITA LIBRARY
BEAR CREEK LIBRARY	KINGWOOD LIBRARY
LAPORTE LIBRARY	MAUD MARKS LIBRARY
NORTH CHANNEL LIBRARY	NORTHWEST LIBRARY
OCTAVIA FIELDS LIBRARY	PARKER WILLIAMS LIBRARY

**MEDIUM BRANCHES - \$604,157 - \$914,516**

BALDWIN BOETTCHER LIBRARY	FAIRBANKS LIBRARY
HIGH MEADOWS LIBRARY	KATY LIBRARY
SPRING BRANCH MEMORIAL LIBRARY	

**SMALL BRANCHES - \$295,971 - \$571,459**

CROSBY LIBRARY	GALENA PARK LIBRARY
JACINTO CITY LIBRARY	SOUTH HOUSTON LIBRARY
STRATFORD LIBRARY	WEST UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Note:

The Director said that when the new Kingwood branch, which is now open, becomes fully staffed and supplied, it will go from a large branch to a very large branch. Also, the Evelyn Meador replacement branch, when opened, will move from a medium size branch to the large category.