

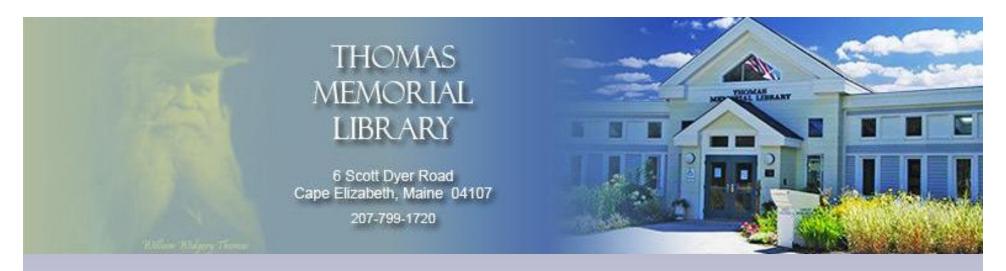
#### THOMAS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Learn about the results of our library study

And the decisions our community is facing concerning

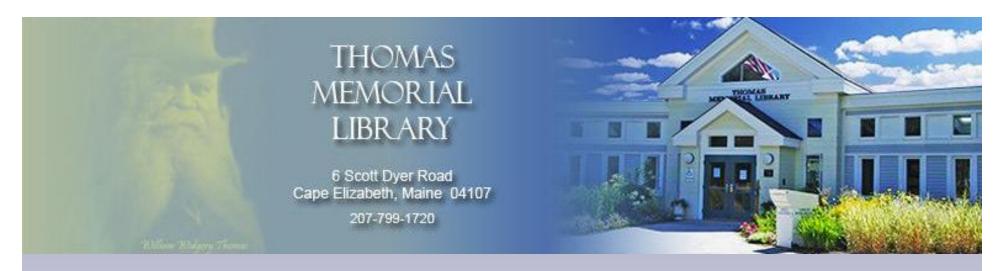
our library.

What follows is a **brief overview** of the TML library study and suggestions on how you can learn more.



# When was the library study done? Who did the study?

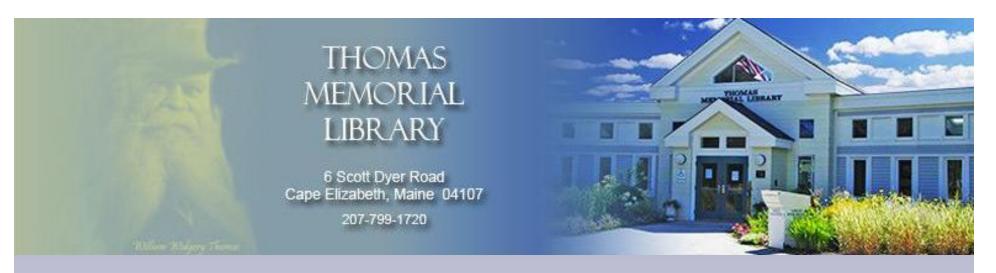
In 2007, Library Consultants, Local Engineers, and Casaccio Architects were hired to assess our existing Library Facility and make recommendations based on their findings.



### What did the study look at?

The study assessed the following:

- The overall state of the buildings/facility
- A review of current layout and space plan
- Identification of mechanical deficits
- A recommendation of a future Library Facility
   which will meet Community Needs for 20-30 Years.



## What was found? Over 100 Deficiencies were identified, including:

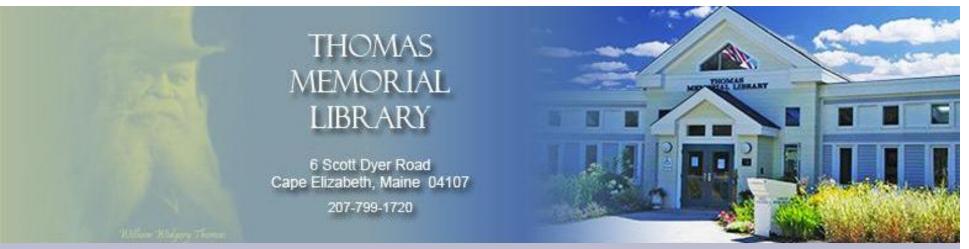
Non compliance with ADA Requirements

Serious HVAC Issues (Air Quality and Heating challenges)

Inadequate Structural Support

Water Damage, Unsound Foundation Walls, Mold

**Electrical Wiring Beyond Capacity** 



#### What are the immediate needs?

We need to address the following hazards:

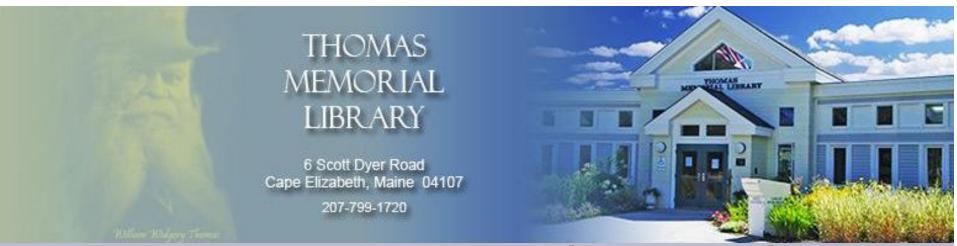
Electrical/Fire Hazards

Foundational Hazards

Mold/Mildew Hazards

Meet ADA Standards

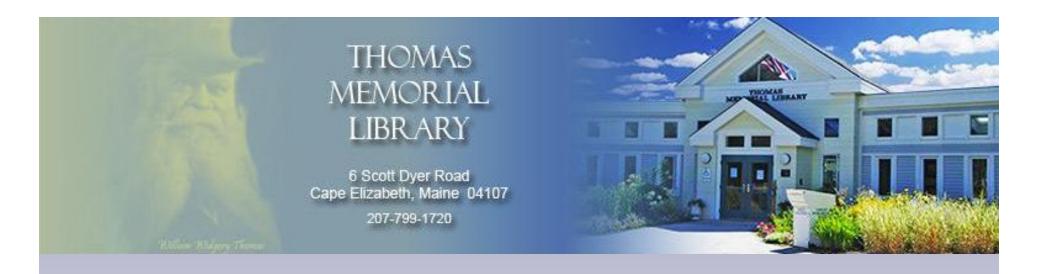
Meet Materials and Holdings recommendations



# What about long term solutions to the issues facing TML?

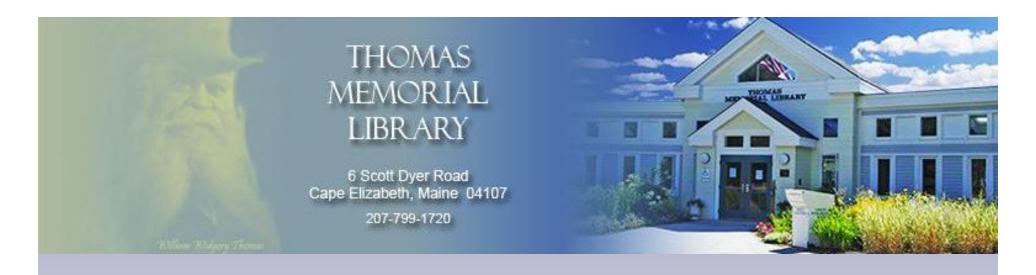
The study identified 3 different options on how we might proceed:

- 1. Reprogram Existing Space
- 2. Renovate and expand Reusing Some Existing Structures
- 3. Build a New Facility



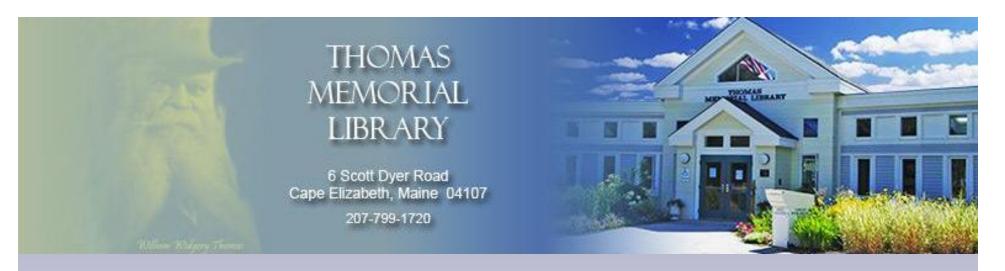
### What was the recommendation of the study?

The recommendation was to build an entirely new facility. But after careful consideration, based on input from town officials and the public, a decision was made to alter this recommendation to better suit Cape Elizabeth's needs.



### What is the final recommendation for our Library's future?

The recommendation is to preserve and renovate the Pond Cove School and the lovely green space in the front on Scott Dyer Road. And to add a new two-story wing to the back. This approach is a good compromise between old and new, retaining the historical sensibility while bringing the building into the next generation.



#### How do I Learn more?

Go To our website for more information: WWW.thomasmemoriallibrary.org

Attend a Library Information Night in January/February 2012.

Look for more info forthcoming on Info Night dates.