

**TOWN OF FALMOUTH  
EAST FALMOUTH LIBRARY BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025**

**3:00 p.m.**

**BAY MEETING ROOM  
FALMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY  
300 MAIN STREET, FALMOUTH, MA 02540**

*The East Falmouth Library Building Advisory Committee may discuss and vote appropriate action on any item listed on this Agenda unless a different disposition is noted. At the discretion of the Chair, agenda items may be taken out of order.*

Committee Present: Chris Simmler – Chair, Judy Fenwick, Camille Romano, Jane Stimpson – Vice Chair, Christian Valle, Andrew Zimmerman

Staff: Meg Borden – Assistant Library Director, Peter Johnson-Staub – Assistant Town Manager, Lindsay Manning, Manging Librarian – Branch Services, Jennifer McGrory – CHA Project Manager, Brian Stokes – Library Director

1. Interview candidates for Designer services for the East Falmouth Library building project

The committee interviewed representatives of the following firms at the times listed:

3-3:30 p.m. – LLB

3:45- 4:15 p.m. – Johnson Roberts

4:30-5 p.m. – Schwartz/Silver

5:15-5:45 p.m. – Oudens Ello

Each firm presented for roughly 20 minutes, leaving time for questions from the committee and staff. The committee requested that each firm cover their experience working on constrained sites and wetlands; how the firm would handle community engagement; what they perceive to be the biggest challenge and opportunity to designing this library.

2. Discuss and vote on a recommendation for Designer services to be made to the Board of Library Trustees

The committee discussed the relative strengths and weaknesses of each firm's presentation. After a lengthy period of discussion, C. Valle made a motion that the committee recommend the following order of preference the Board of Library Trustees:

1. Oudens Ello
2. Schwartz/Silver

3. LLB

4. Johnson Roberts

C. Simmler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Approve the minutes of the May 20, 2025 East Falmouth Library Building Advisory Committee meeting

The committee reviewed the minutes of the May 20, 2025 East Falmouth Library Building Advisory Committee meeting. J. Stimpson motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented. C. Valle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Valle motioned to adjourn, J. Fenwick seconded. Passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:42 p.m.