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- We seek approval tonight to borrow \$11.75 million to fund construction of the new Hopkinton Public Library
- This article is the culmination of 3+ years of work by the Town and dedicated volunteers
- The timing for this article is driven by a number of positive developments
 - ❖ The state is expected to grant us \$4.5 million at the beginning of the new fiscal year
 - ❖ HPLF has raised \$450,000 to date to offset costs – four months into a 4-year capital campaign
- **This presentation covers:**
 - ❖ The need and the solution
 - ❖ The financing
 - ❖ The approval and construction timeline

Key milestones for Hopkinton Library

- 1895 Hopkinton Public Library first opened
- 1967 Last renovation & expansion of Hopkinton Library
Brought our library to current size of 5,700 square feet



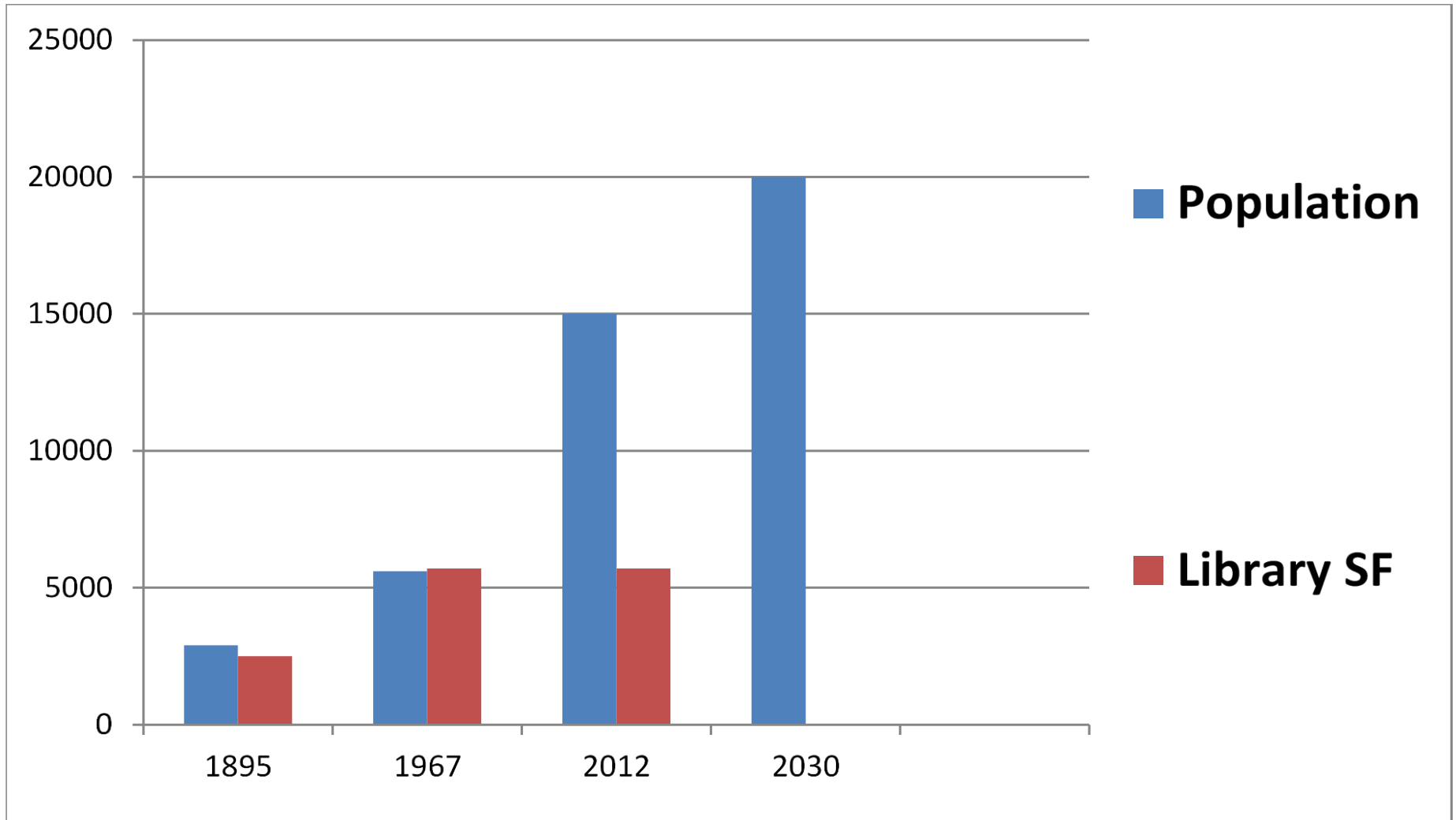
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Planning for a new Library - Needs for Hopkinton

- 2000 – Purchase of 9 Church Street for future expansion
- 2008 - Input from community determined needs in Library Building Program
 1. Lack of Space – lack of space for collections, equipment, programs & seating
 2. Infrastructure – antique building unable to keep up with new advancements in technology
 3. Lack of Accessibility
 4. Lack of Parking
- 2010-2011 – PBC begins oversight of project
- 2012 PBC Report –\$1.1 million for repair and maintenance; still insufficient to meet town service needs

Hopkinton's population growth, 1895 – 2012 & forward



Has Library use changed in the “Digital Age”?

➤ 3 Ways our community uses library resources:

Education - Borrowing benefits adults, teens & children

Access to Technology - Education, Entertainment & Professional

Place of Civic Engagement - Attend programs & use meeting space

➤ Library use continues to increase both in MA and nationwide – national circulation up 26% in last 10 years

➤ Hopkinton similar: library usage statistics from 2008-2013 show

Circulation (borrowing) **INCREASED 28%**

Computer use at the library **INCREASED 43%**

Attendance at programs **INCREASED 80%**

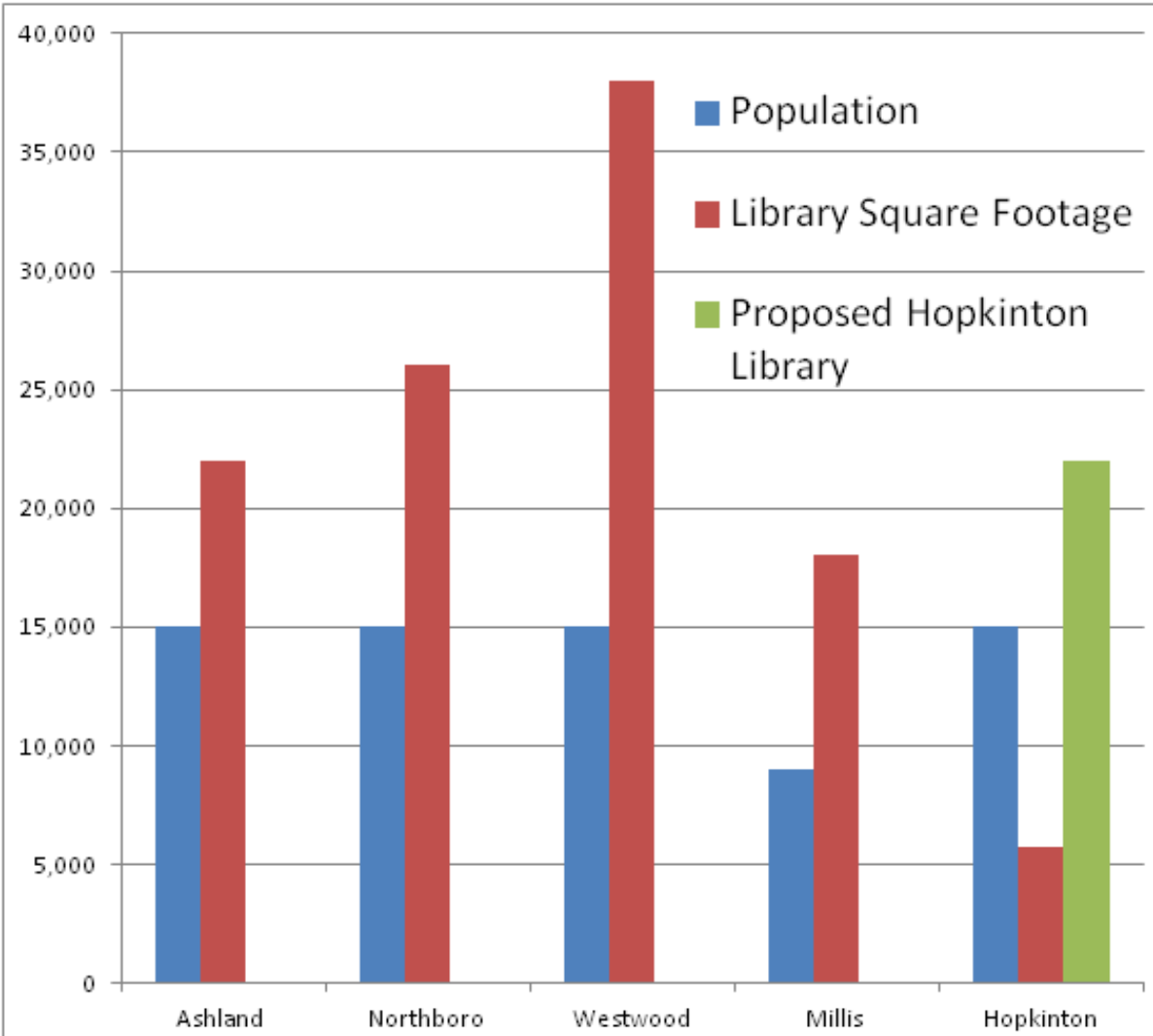
➤ A new library can:

Serve as the intellectual and social hub of the community

Re-engage many residents who currently use other libraries

Enhance the economic vitality of downtown

Comparison: Square Footage and Population



The Completed Project



Construction and Operating Costs

\$11.75 million

Total Project Cost

--\$4.5 million

MBLC State Grant Reimbursement

--\$1 million

Private Fundraising

\$6.25 million

Remaining Town Cost

- The **\$6.25 million** represents **\$95** in year 1 for an average home
 - ❖ Decreasing each year over the 20 year bond to \$55/year average
- Annual building operating costs will increase by \$100k
- Staffing costs will increase over time to meet the service goals of the community - anticipate \$75-100k total over several years
- Our current Library spending is **2nd lowest of 103 communities our size and 26th lowest overall in MA**; less than 1% of total town budget

Approval and Construction Process

- The Hopkinton Permanent Building Committee will oversee design, approval and construction processes – volunteers with experience in construction
- The approval process for this project will be **exactly the same** as for any public or private building project in Hopkinton
- The community will have numerous additional opportunities for involvement during the approval process, including:
 - ❖ Zoning Board of Appeals
 - ❖ Planning Board
 - ❖ Historic District Commission
 - ❖ Historical Commission
 - ❖ DPW
 - ❖ Town staff

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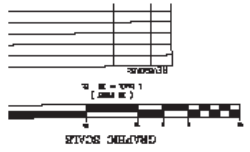
➤ **Expected Timing:**

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| May 2014 | Approval at ATM and Town Election |
| July 2014: | \$4.5 million state grant issued |
| June - Dec. 2014: | Design Refinement and Town Approvals |
| Jan. 2015 - Aug. 2015: | Construction Planning and Bidding |
| September 2015: | Temporary Library Relocation |
| Oct. 2015 - Nov. 2016: | Construction |
| December 2016: | New Library Opens! |

Additional Information

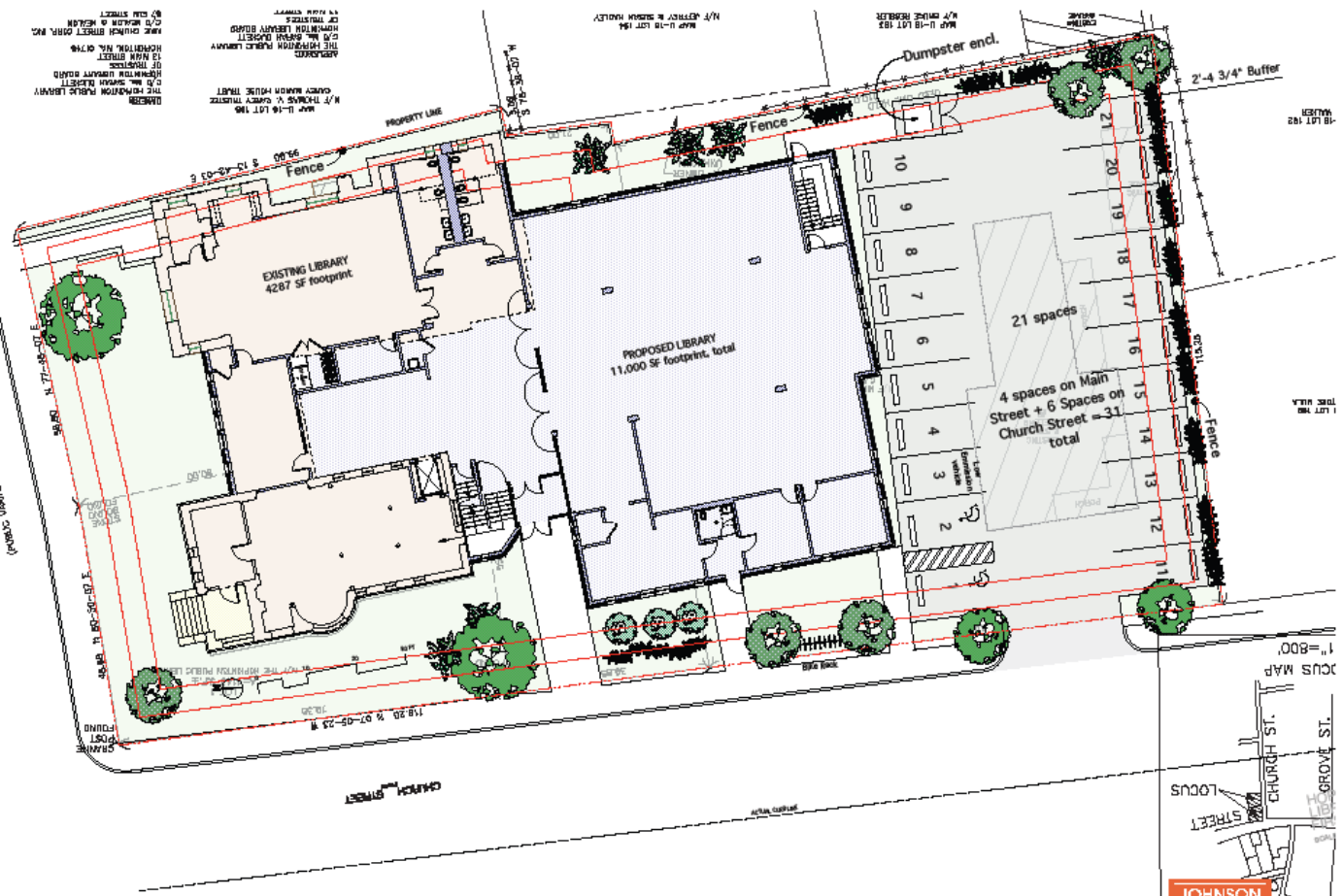


Plan View



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PLAN OF LAND
HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS
PREPARED FOR THE HOPKINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
BY THE HOPKINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
ARCHITECTS
SCALE: 1/4" = 10'-0"
DATE: DEC. 21, 2010
PREPARED BY: LAND SURVEYING & ASSOCIATES
B. WALCOTT STREET, HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS
GRAPHIC SCALES

PRELIMINARY



Hopkinton Public Library Hopkinton, Massachusetts

Site Plan Sketch 7 Jan 11

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ESTABLISHED AND THAT NO NEW USER FOR
DURATION OF EXISTING CHARTER OR FOR NOW
WAYS ARE SHOWN

I CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAN WAS PREPARED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS.

SEE LAND SURVEY CASE NO. _____

Parking

- Over 110 parking spaces currently exist within 500 feet of the library
- The new building will include 21 parking spaces
- All current parking locations downtown will continue to provide access
- Most larger events will be off-hours and so will not compete with mid-day access to parking
- Since 2009, 4 Special Permits have been requested to mitigate downtown parking requirements - and all have been approved
- **We must acknowledge that keeping the library in the center of town is important and will require some tradeoffs**

Special Permits Issued for Parking

- Baypath Plaza (14 Main St) – **Special Permit approved 2009** providing additional parking on Main St.
- Zios/Main St. Ventures (15 Main St) – **Special Permit approved 2009** providing additional parking on Main St.
- HCA (98 Hayden Rowe) – **Special Permit approved 2013** providing additional off-site parking on Hayden Rowe
- Legacy Farms (0 East Main) – **Special Permit approved 2014** reducing parking requirement for retirement residence
- **No Special Permit requests for parking have been denied in at least 5 years**