

Salisbury Historic District Commission

Hearing Notification

Date: August 25, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Virtual by Zoom

Case Number: #21-18

Commission Considering: Signs

Owner's Name: Wicomico County

Applicant Name: Kate Yelland
Applicant's Address: 122 S. Division Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Agent/Contractor: Signs by Tomorrow

Subject Property Address: 122 S. Division Street

Historic District: Downtown Historic District

Use Category: Exempt Commercial

Chairman: Mr. Scott Saxman

HDC Staff contact: Jessica Budd
Associate Planner I
(410) 548- 3170

Salisbury Historic District Commission

125 N. Division Street
Room 202
Salisbury, MD 21801
(410) 548-3170/ fax (410) 548-3107

Permit Application
\$50 Fee Received 7/23/21 (date)
pd cash

Date Submitted: 7/23/21

Case #: 21-18

Date Accepted as Complete: 7/23/21

Action Required By (45 days): 9/5/21

Subject Location: 122 S. Division St, Salisbury MD 21801

Owner Name: Wicomico County Free Library

Application by: Kate Yelland w/ Cheryl Nardiello

Owner Address: 122 S. Division St. Salisbury, MD

Applicant Address: 122 S. Division St, Salisbury

Owner Phone: 410-749-3612

Applicant Phone: 410-749-3612 ext. 155

Owner Email: Cheryl@wicomico.org

Work Involves: Alterations New Construction Addition Other
 Demolition Sign Awning Estimated Cost _____

DESCRIPTION OF WORK PROPOSED (Please be specific. Attach sheet if space is inadequate) Type of material, color, dimensions, etc. must accompany application. If signs are proposed, indicate material, method of attachment, position on building, size and front lineal feet of building, size and position of all other signs on building, and a layout of the sign.

Replace and update logo sign and add "Paul S. Sarbanes Branch" letters (one of each for three sides of the building)

Are there any easements or deed restrictions for the exterior of this property? If yes, submit a letter from the easement holder stating their approval of the proposed work. Yes No

Do you intend to apply for Federal or State Rehabilitation Tax Credits? If yes, have you contacted Maryland Historical Trust staff? Yes No

If you have checked "Yes" to either of the above questions, please provide a copy of your approval letter from the Maryland Historic Trust along with this application.

See Reverse Side for DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE FILED WITH APPLICATION

All required documents must be submitted to the City Planner, Department of Infrastructure and Development at least 30 days prior to the next public meeting. Failure to include all the required attachments and/or failure of the applicant or his/her authorized representative to appear at the scheduled meeting may result in postponement of the application until the next regular scheduled meeting. If an application is denied, the same application cannot be resubmitted for one year from date of such action. Please be advised that members of the Salisbury Historic District Commission or staff, may visit the subject property prior to the scheduled meeting date to familiarize themselves with the project.

The Salisbury Historic District Commission Rules and Regulations and Design Guidelines are available for review in the office of the Department of Infrastructure and Development for the City of Salisbury as well as on the City's website: www.ci.salisbury.md.us.

I, or my authorized representative, will appear at the meeting of the Salisbury Historic District Commission on 8/25/21 (date).

I hereby certify that the owner of the subject premises has been fully informed of the alterations herein proposed and that said owner is in full agreement with this proposal.

Applicant's Signature *[Signature]*

Date 7/23/21

Jessica Budd
Application Processor (Date)

Amanda Pollack
Secretary, S.H.D.C. (Date)



1607 Northwood Dr #102
 Salisbury, MD 21801
 (410) 860-0033

ESTIMATE

E-43334

We Have The Fastest Signs In Town!

Payment Terms: Cash Customer

Created Date: 6/23/2021

DESCRIPTION: New Logo, "Library" and Number Sign

Bill To: Wicomico County Library
 122 South Division Street
 Salisbury, MD 21801
 US

Pickup At: Signs By Tomorrow - Salisbury
 1607 Northwood Dr #102
 Salisbury, MD 21801
 US

Requested By: Kate Yelland
 Email: kyelland@wicomico.org
 Work Phone: (410) 835-2353

Salesperson: House Signs By Tomorrow - Salisbury
 Entered By: Jerry McClymont

NO.	Product Summary	QTY	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
1	Round Logos for 3 Sides of Building	3		\$375.0133	\$1,125.04
1.1	SMS Komacell - 12" - 1" Komacell Round Logos Part Qty: 1 Width: 36.00" Height: 36.00" Sides: 1				
1.2	Bucket Truck Installation - - # of Hours: 1				
2	4" Komacell Letters "Library"	3		\$723.7867	\$2,171.36
2.1	Architectural Letters - Part Qty: 7 Width: 18.00" Height: 18.00"				
2.2	Bucket Truck Installation - - # of Hours: 3				
3	Address Sign	1		\$93.82	\$93.82
3.1	SMS Komacell - 12" - Part Qty: 1 Width: 30.00" Height: 12.00" Sides: 1				

Subtotal:	\$3,390.22
Taxes:	\$150.91
Grand Total:	\$3,541.13
Deposit Required:	\$1,770.57



1607 Northwood Dr #102
 Salisbury, MD 21801
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ESTIMATE E-43333

We Have The Fastest Signs In Town!

Payment Terms: Cash Customer

Created Date: 6/23/2021

DESCRIPTION: Paul S. Sarbanes Branch Architectural Letters for 3 Sides of Building

Bill To: Wicomico County Library
 122 South Division Street
 Salisbury, MD 21801
 US

Pickup At: Signs By Tomorrow - Salisbury
 1607 Northwood Dr #102
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 US

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1	Paul S. Sarbanes Branch Architectural Letters for 3 Sides of Building	3		
1.1	Architectural Letters - Part Qty: 19 Width: 12.00" Height: 12.00" Text: Paul S. Sarbanes Branch		\$2,939.8733	\$8,819.62
1.2	Bucket Truck Installation - - # of Hours: 3 Text: Installation of Letters on Building			

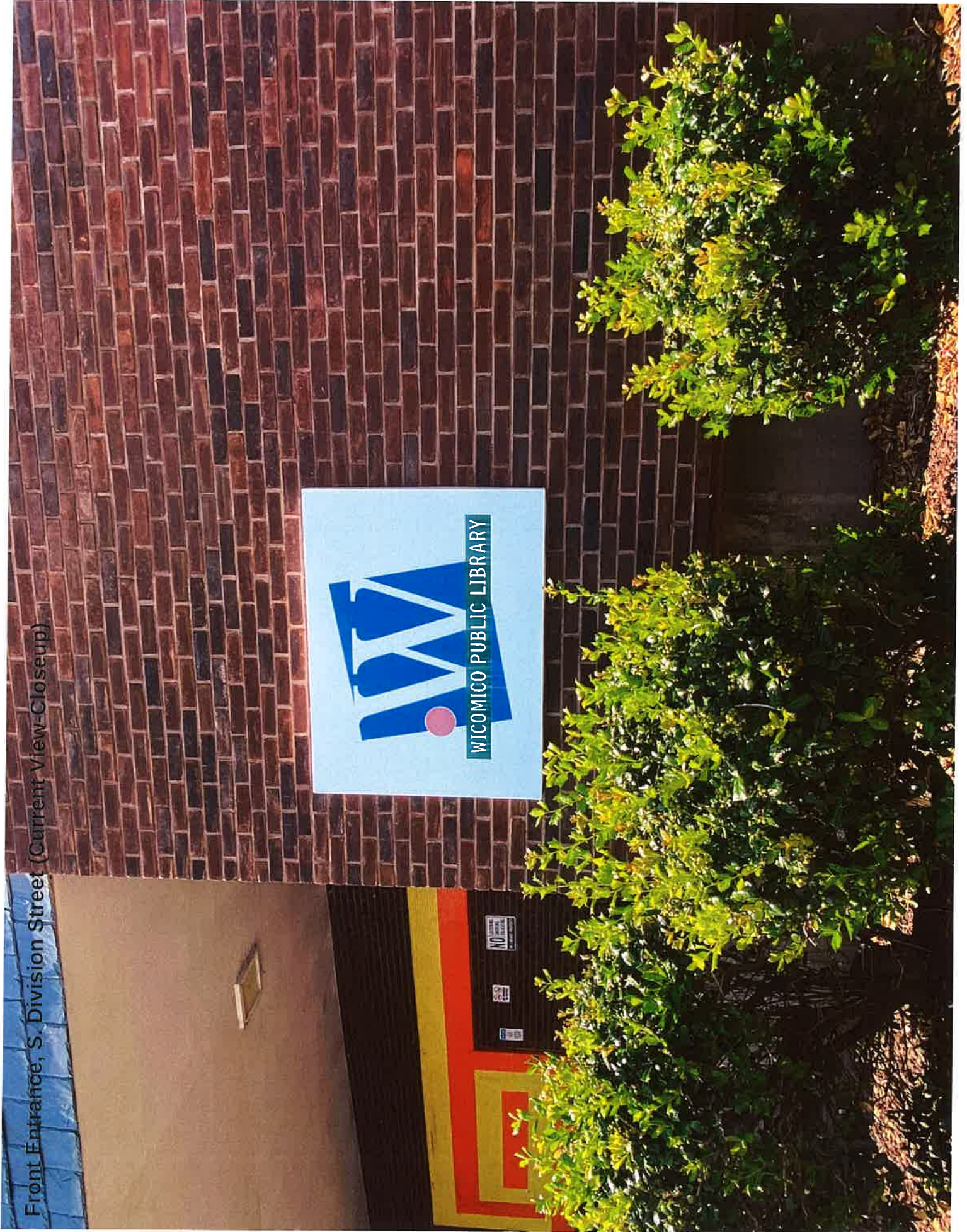
Subtotal:	\$8,819.62
Taxes:	\$434.68
Grand Total:	\$9,254.30
Deposit Required:	\$4,627.15

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Front Entrance, S. Division Street (Current View)



Front Entrance, S. Division Street (Current View-Closeup)

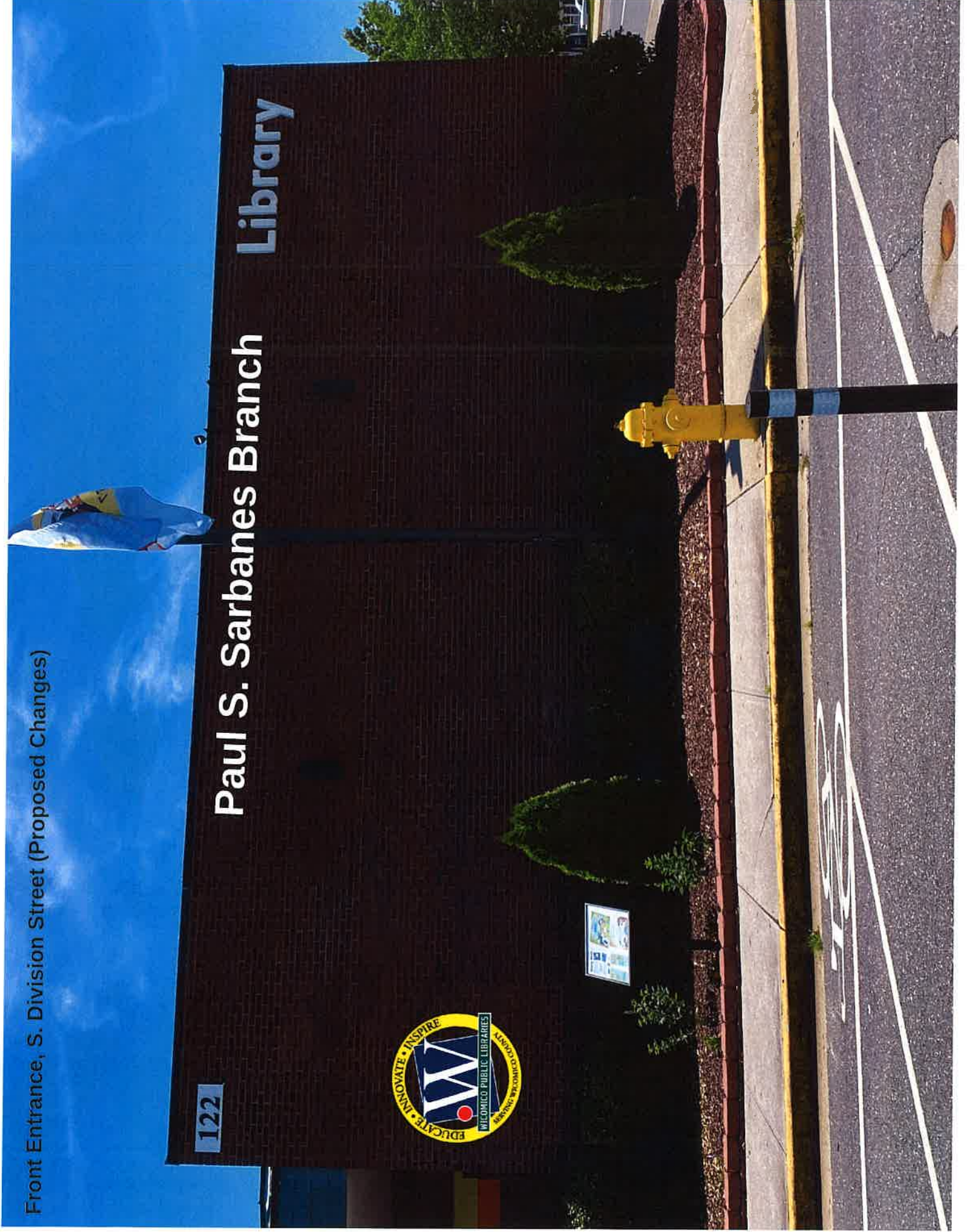


Front Entrance, S. Division Street (Proposed Changes)

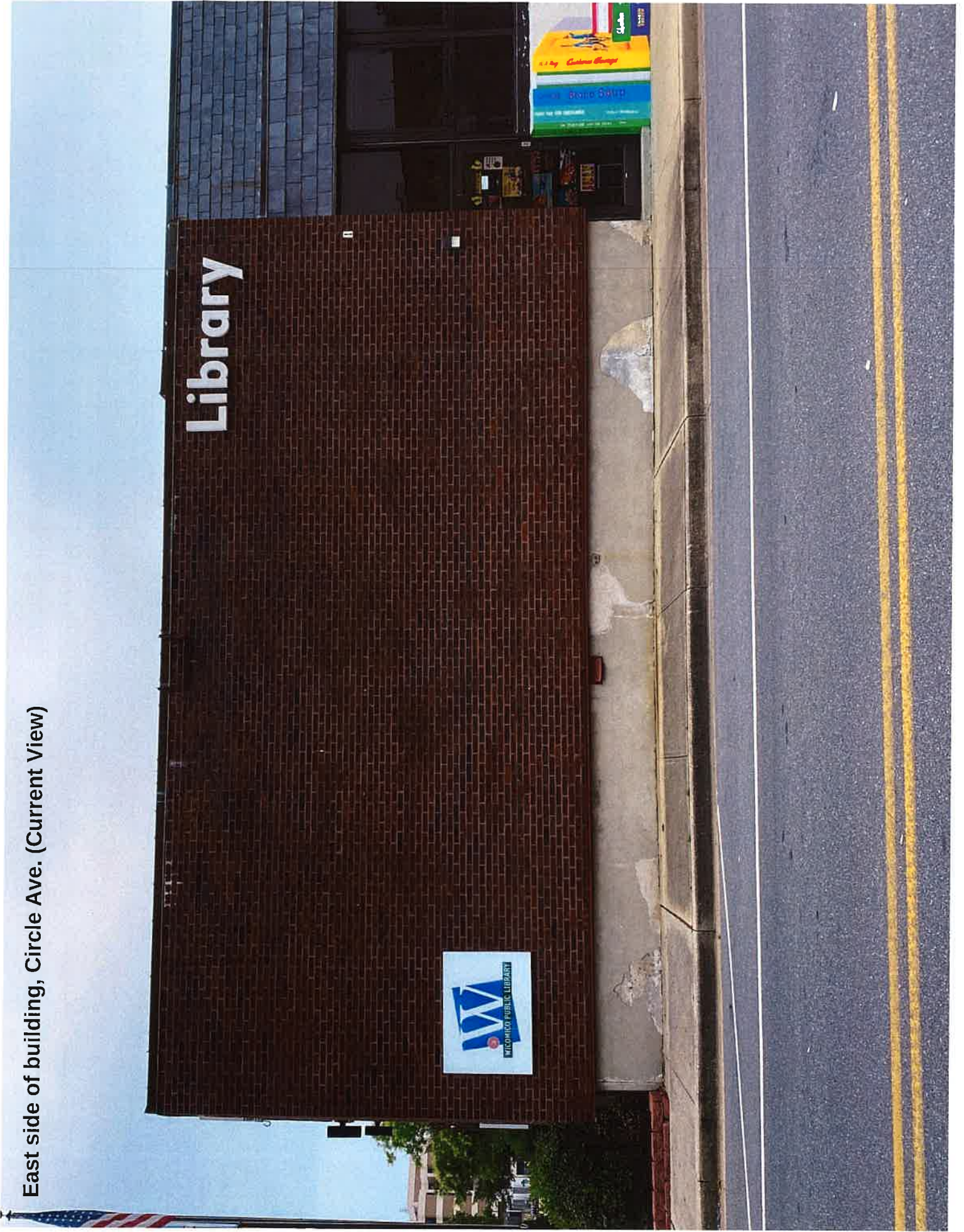
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Paul S. Sarbanes Branch

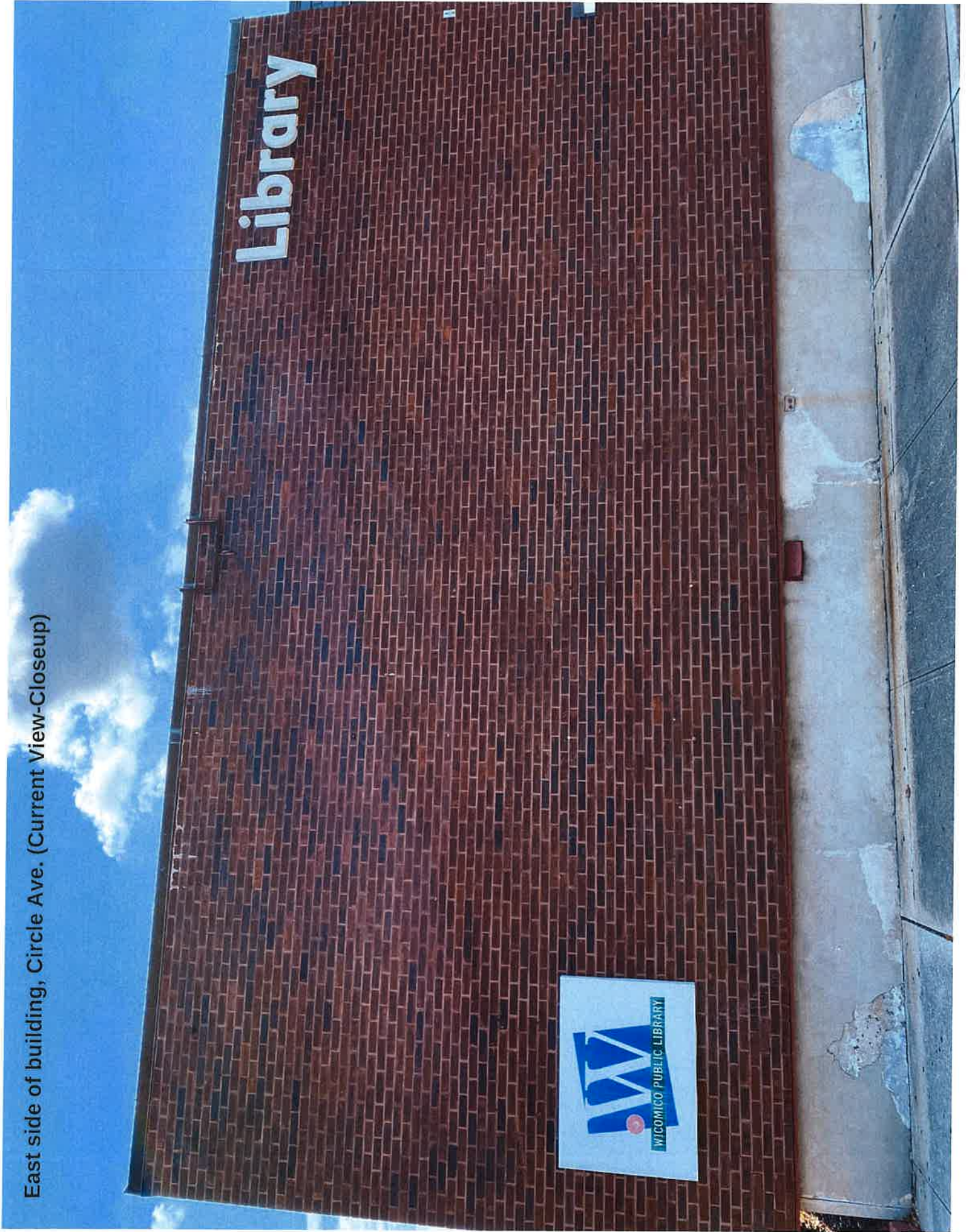
Library



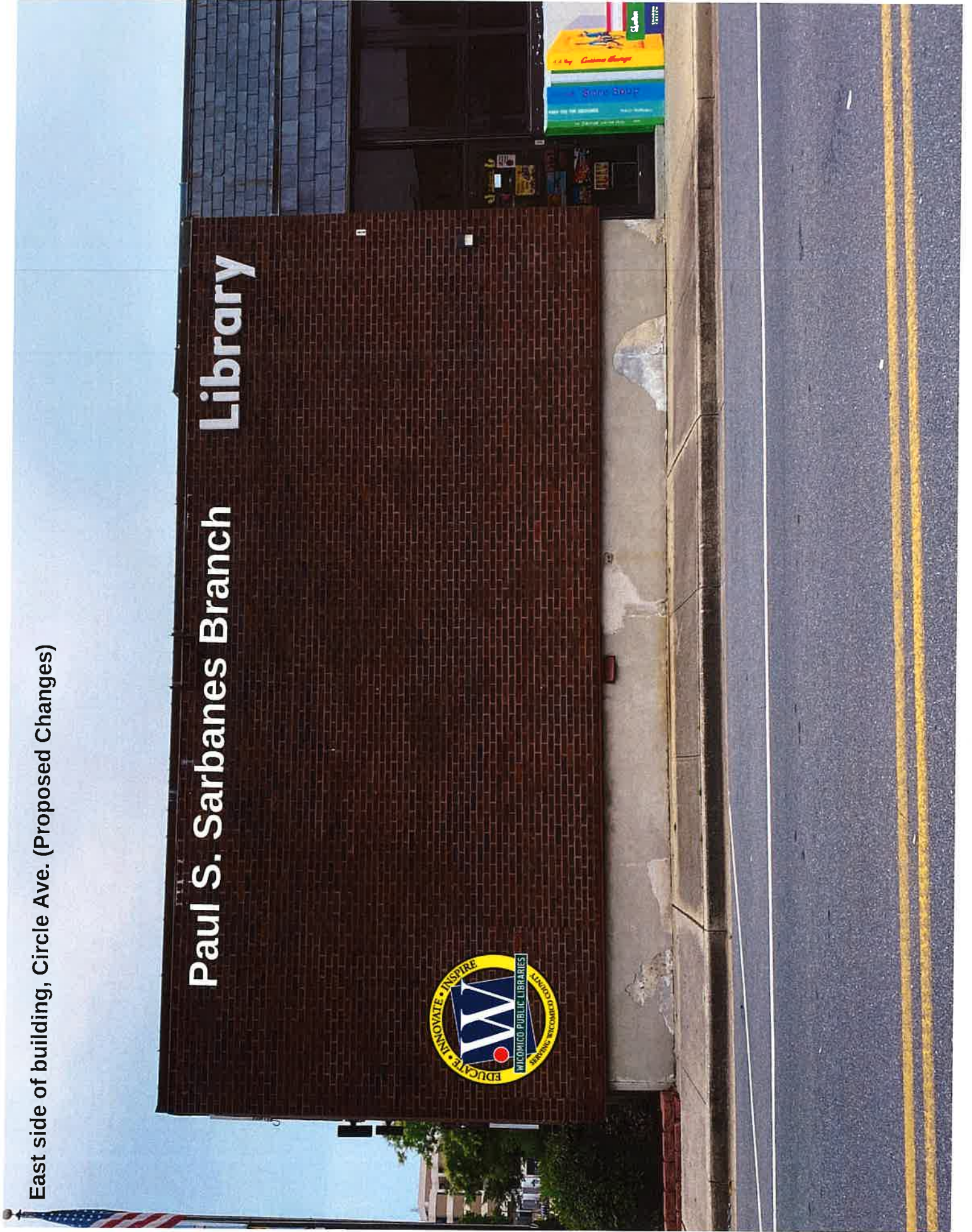
East side of building, Circle Ave. (Current View)



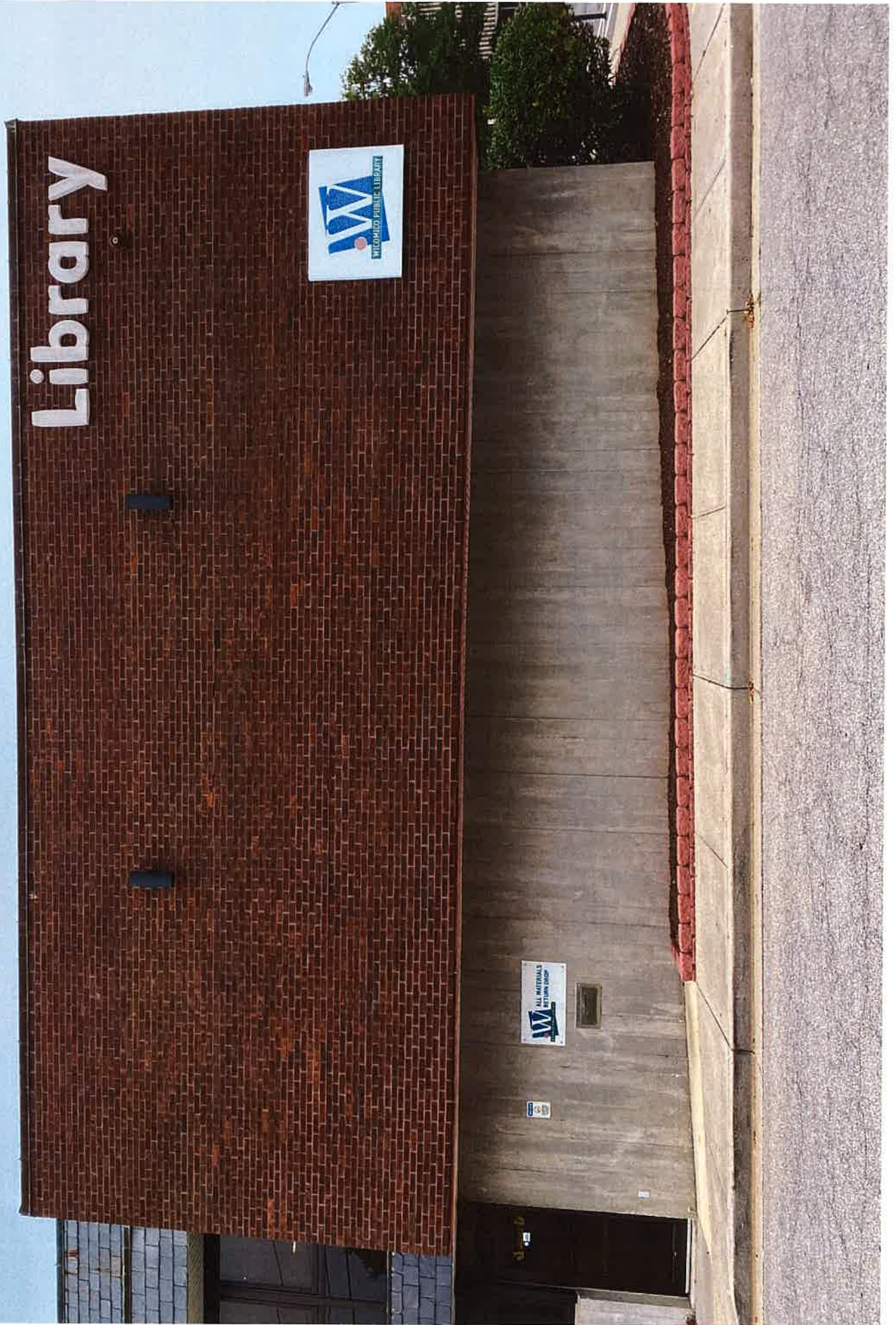
East side of building, Circle Ave. (Current View-Closeup)



East side of building, Circle Ave. (Proposed Changes)



West side of building, W. Market Street (Current View)



West side of building, W. Market Street (Current View-Closeup)

Library



West side of building, W. Market Street (Proposed Changes)

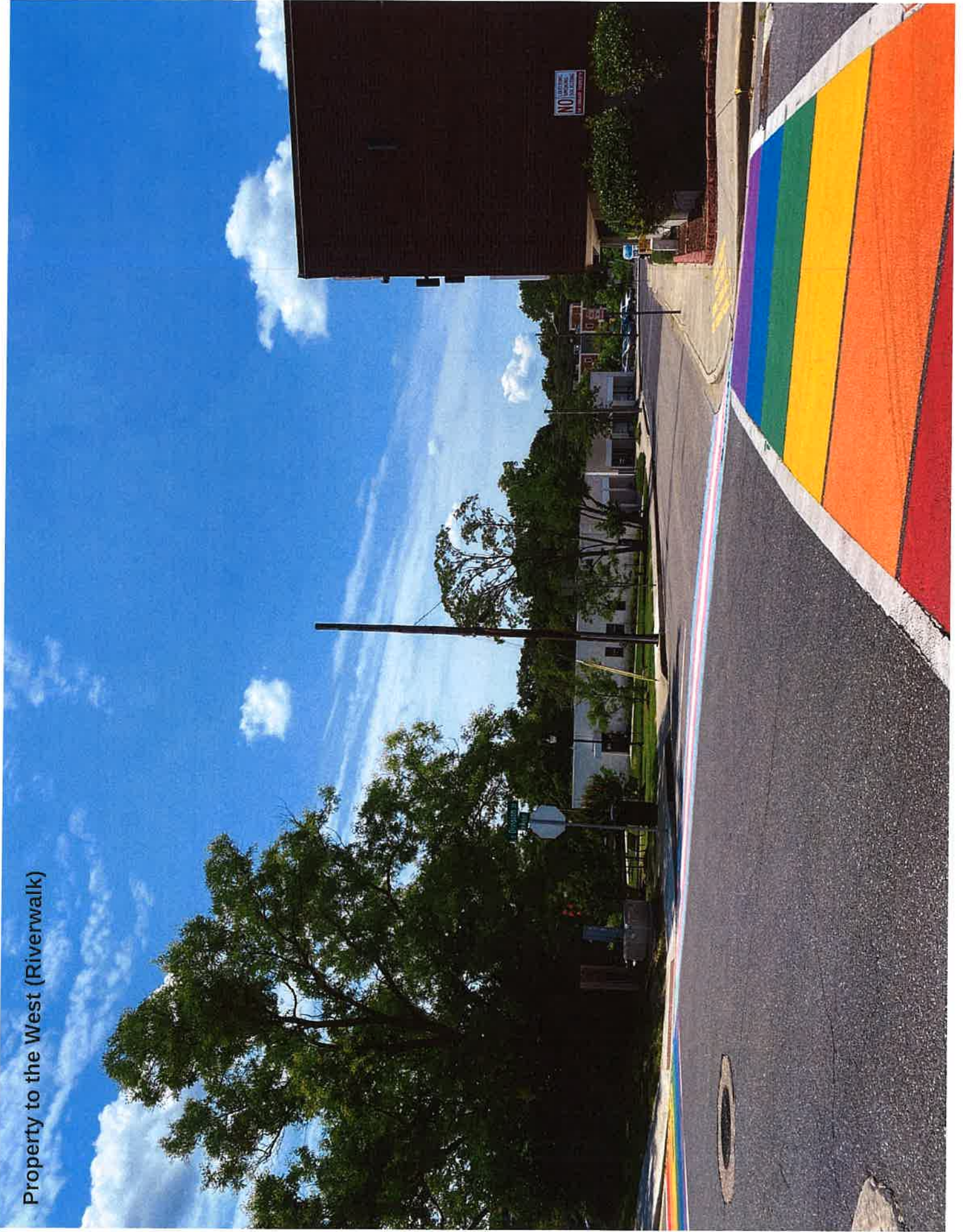
Paul S. Sarbanes Branch
Library



Property to the East (parking lot)



Property to the West (Riverwalk)



Real Property Data Search

Search Result for WICOMICO COUNTY

[View Map](#) [View GroundRent Redemption](#) [View GroundRent Registration](#)

Special Tax Recapture: None

Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 060766

Owner Information

Owner Name: WICOMICO COUNTY **Use:** EXEMPT COMMERCIAL
Mailing Address: 122 S DIVISION ST **Principal Residence:** NO
 SALISBURY MD 21801-4929 **Deed Reference:** /00862/ 00575

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 122 S DIVISION ST **Legal Description:** 32,374SQ FT
 SALISBURY 21801-0000 122 S DIVISION
 CITY OF SALIS

Map:	Grid:	Parcel:	Neighborhood:	Subdivision:	Section:	Block:	Lot:	Assessment Year:	Plat No:
0107	0014	1072	10003.23	0000				2021	Plat Ref:

Town: SALISBURY

Primary Structure Built	Above Grade Living Area	Finished Basement Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1910	28,672 SF		32,374 SF	

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior	Quality	Full/Half Bath	Garage	Last Notice of Major Improvements
		LIBRARY	/	C3			

Value Information

	Base Value	Value	Phase-in Assessments
		As of	As of
		01/01/2021	07/01/2020
Land:	485,600	485,600	
Improvements	3,584,200	3,403,100	
Total:	4,069,800	3,888,700	4,069,800
Preferential Land:	0	0	3,888,700

Transfer Information

Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments:	Class	07/01/2020	07/01/2021
County:	520	4,069,800.00	3,888,700.00
State:	520	4,069,800.00	3,888,700.00
Municipal:	520	4,069,800.00 3,888,700.00	4,069,800.00 3,888,700.00

Special Tax Recapture: None

Homestead Application Information

Homestead Application Status: No Application

Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Information

Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Status: No Application

Date:

Salisbury Historic District Commission

STAFF FINDINGS

Meeting Date: August 25, 2021

Case Number: 21-18

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Salisbury, MD 21801

Applicant Name: Kate Yelland

Agent/Contractor: Signs By Tomorrow

Subject Property Address: 122 S Division St

Historic District: Downtown Historic District

Use Category: Exempt Commercial

Zoning Classification: CBD

Structure / Site Description:
Built Date: 1910
Enclosed Area: 28,672 sq ft
Lot Size: 32,374 sq ft
Number of Stories: Not Indicated

Contributing Structure: Non- Contributing

Neighboring Properties which have been deemed Contributing/Non-Contributing:

House #	Street Name	Hearing Date	Contributing	Non-Contributing
222	W Main Street	4/23/2014	X	
235	W Main Street	8/22/2018	X	
306-310	W Main Street	6/26/2013		X

Wicomico County Historic Survey on file: Yes

Nearby Properties on County Survey: Yes

Including but not limited to:

- Salisbury Fire Department Headquarters

Relevant Historic, Archeological and Architectural Significant Features of the Surrounding Area:

The Downtown Historic District is the largest of Salisbury's three historic districts and encompasses the City's commercial center. The design and construction of its structures meet the City's now well-established requirement for the use of brick and stone as building materials. The district's buildings are typically two to three story brick buildings fronting on Main Street, Division Street and other streets perpendicular to Main Street.

Explanation of Request: The applicant is requesting the Salisbury Historic District Commission to approve their request for new signs.

Areas of Historic Guidelines to be considered:

Guideline 44: Preserve Historic Signs

- a. Historic signs, such as those constructed directly into an architecture detail of the structure should be maintained, and may be restored if necessary.
- b. Wording changes on existing historic signs should be in keeping with the overall character of the sign and the structure on which it is placed.
- c. Restore or recreate historic signs where sufficient documentation exists, if the restored or recreated sign would be in compliance with Salisbury's zoning ordinance.

Guideline 45: Sign Placement

On most downtown buildings, a continuous brick ledge or corbelling is used to separate the second floor and above from the entry-level storefront below. This space is ideal for sign placement, as it was often created for this purpose. In some instances, newer buildings contain areas above the highest windows for signage.

- a. Signs must not obscure or hide significant historic features or details. This includes windows, cornices, and architectural trim.
- b. Projecting signs must be located no less than eight feet above the sidewalk.
- c. Signs should be mounted to historic masonry buildings through the mortar joint, rather than through masonry units wherever possible.
- d. Non-permanent painted or adhesive signs (for example, vinyl cling signs) may be installed on the interior of storefront windows or on the upper story windows of multi-story commercial buildings.
- e. Signs shall not be placed above the roof-line of any building in the Downtown Historic District, as per the zoning ordinance.
- f. Awning signs are permitted.

Evaluation Criteria:

Pursuant to Section 17.52.040 A & B of the Salisbury Zoning Code, it is the duty of the Historic District Commission to review all applications to construct, alter, reconstruct, move or demolish any structure within a Historic District whenever the exterior appearance of such structure is affected, and to approve or reject said application. In reviewing an application and plans, the Commission should give consideration to review criteria, and may make a determination as to which of said Criteria are applicable.

Staff Findings Prepared By: Jessica Budd
Infrastructure and Development
125 N Division Street, Suite 202
Salisbury, MD 21801
(410) 548-3170
Date: August 11, 2021

Real Property Data Search

Search Result for WICOMICO COUNTY

View Map	View GroundRent Redemption	View GroundRent Registration
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Special Tax Recapture: None

Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 060796

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WI-414

Armory Company No. 1, Wicomico County Free Library

Architectural Survey File

This is the architectural survey file for this MIHP record. The survey file is organized reverse-chronological (that is, with the latest material on top). It contains all MIHP inventory forms, National Register nomination forms, determinations of eligibility (DOE) forms, and accompanying documentation such as photographs and maps.

Users should be aware that additional undigitized material about this property may be found in on-site architectural reports, copies of HABS/HAER or other documentation, drawings, and the “vertical files” at the MHT Library in Crownsville. The vertical files may include newspaper clippings, field notes, draft versions of forms and architectural reports, photographs, maps, and drawings. Researchers who need a thorough understanding of this property should plan to visit the MHT Library as part of their research project; look at the MHT web site (mht.maryland.gov) for details about how to make an appointment.

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Last Updated: 08-29-2003

WI-414
Maryland National Guard Armory
Salisbury
Public

1913-15

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Following the state's sale of the armory property to the City of Salisbury in 1959 the structure was redesigned and rebuilt in its current form as the Wicomico County Free Library.

MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Armory Company No. 1

MHT INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-414

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
 Government

2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore

3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance
 1870-1930

4. Resource Type(s): Armory

**MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Magi No.

DOE yes no

**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Armory Company No. 1

and/or common Wicomico County Free Library

2. Location

street & number 122 South Division Street ___ not for publication

city, town Salisbury ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county First

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Wicomico County Council

street & number Government Office Building telephone no.:

city, town Salisbury state and zip code MD 21801

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 107, P. 1072
liber 862

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 575

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. WI-414

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Wicomico County Free Library, located on the southwest corner of South Division Street and Circle Avenue, incorporates the cellar and portions of the walls of the former National Guard Armory. The armory was severely altered when it was rebuilt as a library during the 1960s. The structure faces east.

Built between 1913 and 1915, the former concrete, brick and stone armory followed the prevailing taste in structures of this type with its fortress-like design inspired by English Tudor castles. Supported on an poured concrete foundation with an excavated cellar, nine-bay by three-bay brick and stone armory was topped by a flat roof hidden behind a crenelated parapet. Attached to the back of the rectangular main block was a long single-story rear wing assembly room.

The east (main) wall of the former armory was a symmetrical nine-bay facade with a pair of three-story octagonal tower flanking the front entrance. The pointed arch front entrance, dressed in carved stone, was reached by way of a flight of masonry steps. Fixed atop the entrance was a grid of nine multi-pane windows set within a stone framework. Above the window wall was a carved stone seal of the State of Maryland. The flanking towers were built in brick with dressed stone quoins accenting each corner of the octagonal tower. Narrow windows pierced the front wall and even narrow slit windows pierced the adjacent sides. The top of each tower was finished with a crenelated parapet dressed in stone. Flanking the towers were groupings of tripartite window sash. The first floor windows, capped by a large stone lintel, included six-over-six sash windows topped by six-pane transoms. A molded stone beltcourse stretched around the wall above the second floor windows. The top of the wall was finished with a crenelated parapet. The outside corner bays projected forward and constituted another tower-like projection for the medieval castle association. Multi-pane windows framed with stone dressings marked the first and second floors, and the top of the wall was finished with a crenelated parapet as well. Large window openings in the foundation wall lighted the full cellar.

The north and south sides were designed in asymmetrical format with a various of large and small windows dressed with stone surrounds. The top of each wall was crenelated also.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		Brinkloe & Canning, architects

Specific dates 1913-15 **Builder/Architect** Thomas H. Mitchell, builder

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
 Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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¹ *The Wicomico News*, April 24, 1913.
² *The Wicomico News*, June 12, 1913.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. WI-414

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian

organization Private Consultant

date 3/10/99

street & number P. O. Box 5

telephone 410-651-1094

city or town Westover

state Maryland 21871

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
 Shaw House
 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 269-2438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
 DHCP/DHCD
 100 COMMUNITY PLACE
 CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023
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Maryland National Guard Armory
(Wicomico County Free Library)
South Division Street
Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title

Map 107, Parcel 1072

862/575 Wicomico County Free Library

to

7/21/1976 Wicomico County, Maryland

JWTS 539/355 City of Salisbury

to

5/31/1962 Wicomico County Free Library
"Maryland National Guard Armory Property"

JWTS 468/237 State of Maryland

to

3/9/1959 The City of Salisbury
Being in respects the same land and easements
conveyed to the State of Maryland

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EAT 86/25

Salisbury Realty Company

to

2/28/1913

State of Maryland

\$6,500 Whereas by the Act of the Assembly of MD for 1912, Chapter 749 an appropriation of \$400,000 was made, thirty thousand dollars of which was to purchase a piece of real estate in the town of Salisbury, Wicomico County, MD for the purpose of erecting thereon an armory for the use of the MD National Guard

Being part of the tract of land conveyed by Thomas H. Spence and Charlotte Spence, Mary L. Spence, Adelle S. Spence, Walter C. Humphreys, Laurena T. Humphreys, Thomas H. Spence, admin. of E. Virginia Spence and Oliver D. Collins, exec. of Margaret S. Purnell to Henry B. Freeny, 3/17/1910, EAT 76/63, and conveyed by said Henry B. Freeny to said Salisbury Realty Co., 4/4/1910, EAT 70/72

EAT 70/63

Thomas A. Spence, et al.

to

3/17/1910

Henry B. Freeny

All those lots, tracts, or parcels of land situate partly in Salisbury Election District, partly in Camden Election District, partly in Parsons Election and partly in Nutters Election District....

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land laid out by the commissioners to divide and value
the real estate of Dr. Cathell Humphreys in the years
1867-68 119.89 acres

The Wicomico News, March 6, 1913

...Last week Mrs. E. R. Jackson purchased the corner lot on Division street, belonging to the Humphreys heirs, opposite the beautiful Trinity M. E. Church, South, as the site for the new Y.M.C.A. Building. Plans will be prepared at once and the erection of the building will be started in the early summer.

The Wicomico News, April 10, 1913

Main Street will be opened through to the tracks of the New York, Philadelphia, and Norfolk Railroad sometime within one year.

The Wicomico News, April 24, 1913

The Armory Plans Have Been Adopted

Architects, Brinkloe & Canning of Easton, MD prepared the plans and specifications, which shows a beautiful building of ancient style of architecture. The interior will have a cellar under the entire building with drill hall over it. The front of the building will be three stories with battlement front, representing an ancient castle or fortress.

The Wicomico News, June 12, 1913

In a few days ground will be broken at Division street and Circle avenue for Salisbury's splendid new Armory—the finest single company armory in Maryland. The architecture suggests one of the huge old castles of Medieval England—simple sturdy but mightily attractive. Two tall towers, with castellated tops, guard the gateway; to right and left of these stretch the main wings of the building, with lesser towers at the extreme ends. The walls are all built of picturesque black header brick. (Made in Salisbury by the way) relieved by copings, corner blocks and cornices of white limestone. A dry "moat" runs along the front, to carry out the castle idea and also give light to the basement windows.

Thomas A. Mitchell received the contract for \$ 27,980.14

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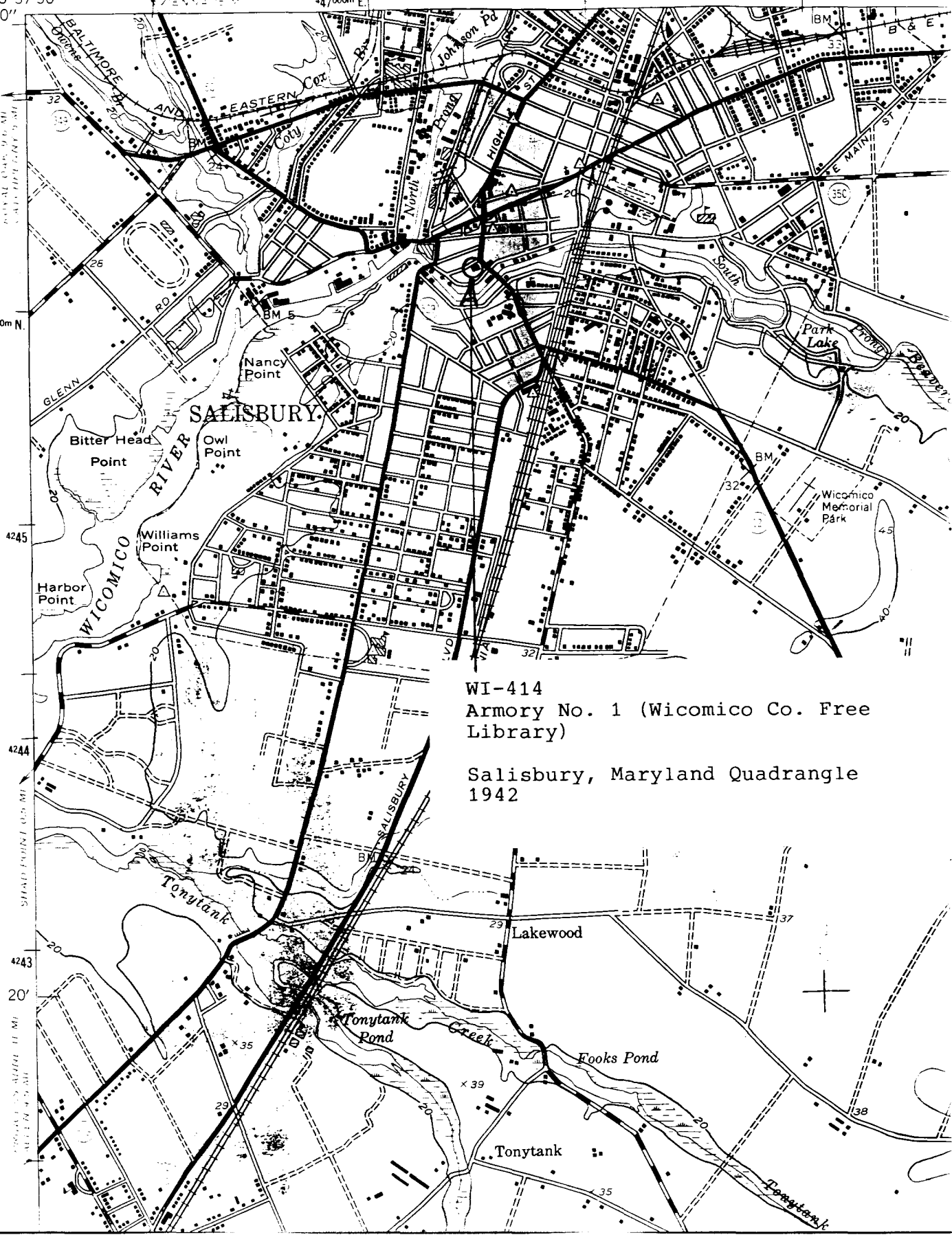
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Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle
1942

4244
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