

Historic Newton/Jackson Homestead Accessibility, Archives Storage and Fire Suppression Project

FY'15 Newton Community Preservation Supplemental Proposal

Date: May 14, 2015



The Jackson Homestead and Museum

The Museum's Archival Collections are presently crammed into the 19th century post-and-beam wing of the Jackson Homestead, which lacks effective storage, handicapped access, climate control and fire protection.



In addition to the \$742,345 in previously appropriated CPA funds, Public Buildings with support from the Museum is requesting an additional **\$400,000** in CPA funds to:

- 1) Provide building-wide fire suppression
- 2) Make the building handicapped accessible
- 3) Renovate/Expand the Homestead wing to create a climate-controlled, fire-protected storage area for the preservation of the Museum's archival collections

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Why are the Museum's Collections important?

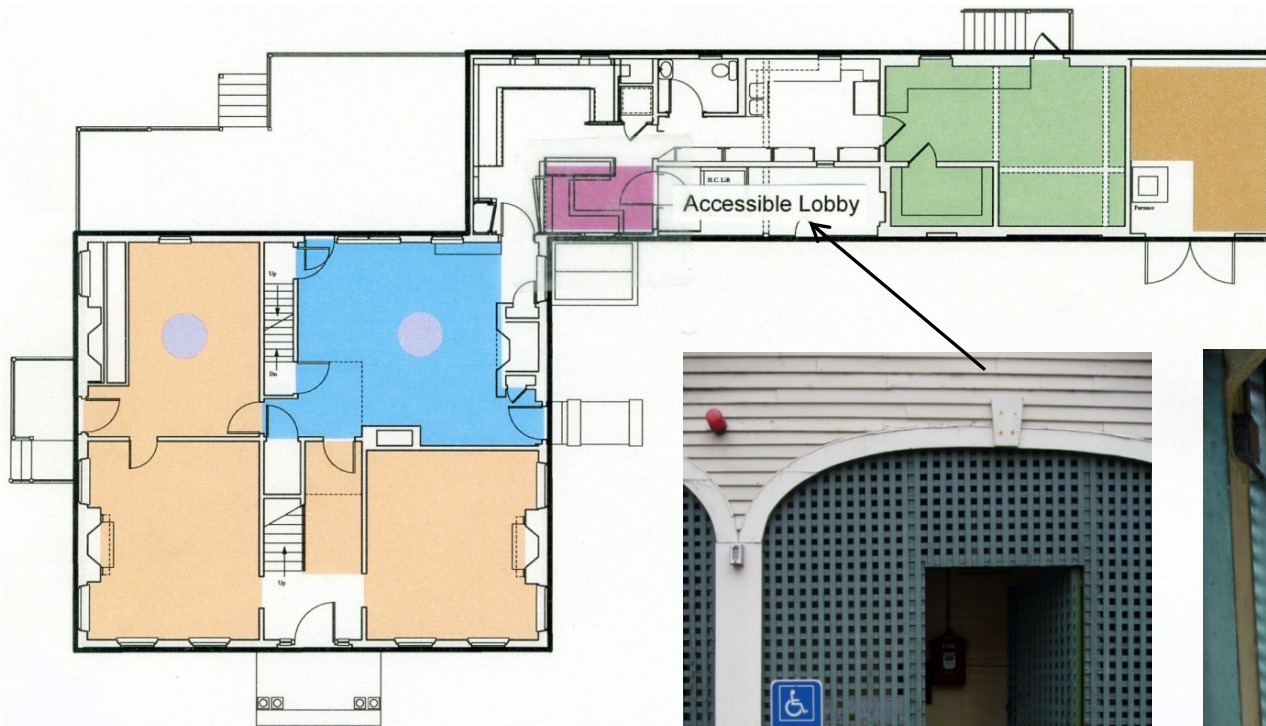
The Museum's Collections include public and private materials relating to the development of the City and its social, cultural, economic, and political life and used by a variety of citizens such as:

- Educators, scholars, high school students and genealogists
- Architects, builders, and real estate professionals
- Researchers working on exhibitions and academic, popular and news publications

The Collections include but are not limited to...

- 8,000 Historic Property Survey Files
- A complete collection of 19th- and early 20th-century Newton maps and atlases
- More than 5,000 photographs and over 10,000 slides including images of streetscapes, landscapes and historic locations
- Extensive post card and ephemera collection
- Family and business papers
- Genealogical records

Existing Conditions



Existing space use:
Blue – Multipurpose Room
Tan – Exhibit/Meeting Rooms



The current accessible lobby will be enclosed to provide a clean, well-lighted, welcoming entrance to the Museum and to the Archives.

Existing space use:
Green – Archives
Brown – Storage Garage
Pink – Exterior Accessible Lobby

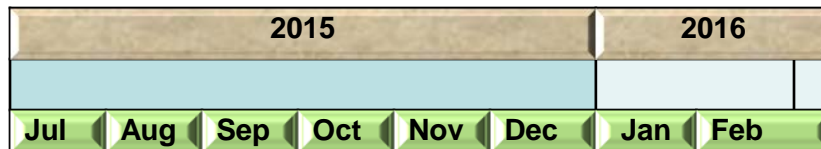


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CPA funds previously approved -	\$742,345
Supplemental CPA Request -	\$400,000
 Matching funds:	
Jackson Homestead Contribution -	<u>\$ 64,000</u>
 Total Project Cost	 \$1,206,345

If approved, the Museum's Archives and Access Project would begin in summer 2015 and would be completed in the winter of 2016.

Project Schedule:



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PROJECT BUDGET	
submitted with 14 April 2015 supplemental proposal	
Consultants (architectural & related services)	\$183,213.00
Public Buildings R-M [1]	\$52,500.00
Work by Other Depts. (Jackson Homestead) [2]	\$15,000.00
Building Improvements (construction)	\$789,037.00
Contingency	\$104,895.00
Storage/Moving	\$14,000.00
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	\$47,700.00
Total Project Budget	\$1,206,345.00
CPA Funds Spent to Date	-\$183,844.70
Historic Newton funding (\$24,000 private donation + \$40,000 dedicated City fund)	-\$64,000.00
CPA Funds Still Available to This Project	-\$558,500.30
Total New Funds Needed	\$400,000.00

[1] potential work to be completed by other contractors/Public Buildings staff, for issues that are not part of the project scope and may arise during construction

[2] to open the building early for contractors, pack & move 3-D collections for fire suppression installation, and other work-related projects