







Director's Report
June 2021

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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

# Howson, Twin Oaks, and Willie Mae Kirk Branches Reopening to the Public June 28

Austin Public Library's (APL) limited capacity in-person Express Service is adding three locations starting Monday, June 28 - Howson, Twin Oaks, and Willie Mae Kirk Branches.

Those branches will join Central, Carver, Hampton Branch at Oak Hill, Manchaca, Milwood, North Village, Old Quarry, Ruiz, Spicewood Springs, St. John, Windsor Park, and Yarborough to provide in-person book and material browsing and checkout, public computers, new library cards, holds pickup and checkout, printing and copying, Wi-Fi, and technology and reference help.

At the Central Library, the Events Center, Passport Services, Recycled Reads Gift Shop, and Cookbook Café are all open. Shared Learning Rooms open June 28.

The Austin History Center continues remote reference and is open for limited capacity in-person service on Thursdays and Fridays.

Recycled Reads Bookstore will reopen to the public in August.

Curbside Services will cease at most locations on June 28. Limited curbside service will continue at Central, Spicewood Springs, Manchaca Road, and North Village until August 2, when full public hours are restored.

Beginning June 28, capacity will increase to 50% at each location, and APL will resume normal capacity at each location on August 2. In-person programming will also begin on August 2.

All APL libraries have implemented necessary precautions to keep customers and staff safe, such as the measures included below:

- · Plexiglass is installed at all circulation desks
- All customers and staff are highly encouraged to wear masks
- APL has installed bipolar ionization equipment in the HVAC Systems system wide at all APL locations.
   The equipment is designed to neutralize contaminates (allergens, mold, bacteria, viruses, and volatile organic compounds) to ensure that conditioned purified air is recycled through the HVAC Systems

### Ayshea Khan, Austin History Center, Selected for Mellon Fellowship

Austin Public Library is pleased to announce that Ayshea Khan, Asian American Community Archivist at the Austin History Center has been selected as one of fifteen fellows to join the Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for Diversity, Inclusion & Cultural Heritage at the Rare Book School, University of Virginia. Fellows will participate in a three-year program which includes an orientation, Rare Book School coursework, community symposia, and

other activities relating to multicultural collections and trainings. The fifteen Fellows were chosen from a highly competitive field of applicants by a selection committee comprising leading cultural heritage professionals.

### **Austin Youth Poet Laureate Program**

The Austin Youth Poet Laureate program aims to identify and uplift young writers and leaders who are committed to civic & community engagement, poetry & performance, human relations, diversity, social justice and education across Austin.

The Austin Youth Poet Laureate is a joint program of the Library Foundation and the National Youth Poet Laureate Program led by Urban Word, with additional support from Austin Public Library, Creative Learning Initiative, Learn All The Time, and Host Publications. Austin's Youth Poet Laureate will serve as a representative for youth voice and poetry in Austin, will be published in a national anthology, and will be eligible to compete in the regional and national Youth Poet Laureate competitions. Anyone age 13 - 18 years old living in Austin, Texas may apply. Applications will open on July 1, 2021 and must be submitted by August 15, 2021. Find applications and more information here.

# Austin Youth Poet Laureate applications are open July 1 – August 15, 2021.

### Tails and Tales: Summer '21 Learning Program

Join Austin Public Library for a summer for FUN! Kids can choose from lots of free, at-home activities during summer break. We know that kids learn best when they are having fun so our staff has developed a series of programs that include learning experiences that focus on youth interests and that will build skills and confidence. You'll see activities focusing on problem solving, physical play, creativity, planning, reading, writing skills, and just getting outdoors to enjoy beautiful Austin. Get ready to play, laugh, and learn together all summer long. Pick up a summer packet at your closest library location or print at home Activities are tailored for ages 0-5; 5-12; and 13-18. Here a sampling of what's in store:

- 1. Early Learner programs focusing on the 5 practices of Read, Write, Talk, Sing and Play
- 2. Citywide Scavenger Hunt
- 3. Make Your Own Obstacle Course
- 4. Neighborhood Travel Minizine

- 5. Read It and Eat It
- 6. Tails and Tales Picnic
- 7. Teen Social Hours
- 8. Teen Adventure Logbooks

Participants can claim a prize book at any Austin Public Library branch or the Austin Central Library.

### **In-person Programming Resumes in August**

Austin Public Library will resume in-person programming for all ages in August 2021. Programs will be tied to the APL priorities: Literacy Advancement, Workforce and Economic Development, and STEM and Computer Training. For Fall 2021, APL will offer story times, afterschool programs, book clubs, digital literacy, author events, language programs, job help, cultural heritage programs, and more. Take a look at our event listings for upcoming offerings.

### **Electric Lady Bird Summer Playlist Concert Series**

On June 21, Make Music Day, APL's streaming music platform Electric Lady Bird launched its free virtual concert series, featuring artists from the collection. The first featured artist is Mobley. You can watch Mobley's performance <a href="here">here</a>. Each week this summer, a different artist will be featured. Coming up are Aaron McDonnell, Atlas Maior, The Belle Sounds, Riders Against the Storm, Como Las Movies, and The Joe Jacksons. The musicians will also share what books they are reading and recommending this summer.

<u>Electric Lady Bird</u> is APL's streaming service delivering commercial-free curated music from Central Texas artists. Every year APL accepts up to 100 albums from Austin-based groups for the catalog. Submissions for the next round are open through September 2021.

### **FACILITIES SERVICES**

### FY2018 Bond Program Summary

### **Description**

The 2018 Bond Program for the Library Department consists of fifteen improvement projects located across the City of Austin. The projects are grouped into the following categories:

CLMP180 2016 Site/Civil Engineering Projects
 Hampton at Oak Hill Parking Lot Expansion; Cepeda
 Branch Trail



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- CLMP282 Faulk /Austin History Campus Faulk Library Archival Repository Upgrade; Austin History Center Interior & Exterior improvements
- CLMP286 Interior Renovation Projects Old Quarry Branch Renovation; Little Walnut Creek Branch Renovation; Willie Mae Kirk Branch Renovation; Manchaca Road Branch Roof Replacement & Renovation; St. John Branch Renovation
- CLMP287 Roof Replacement & System Upgrades Ruiz Branch; Carver Branch; University Hills Branch;
   Howson Branch; Spicewood Springs Branch; Yarborough Branch

#### **Status**

#### CLMP180 2016 Site/Civil:

The Site/Civil package continues in the Pre-Design Phase. Hampton at Oak Hill Parking Lot Expansion updated scope and the City's Consultant (Halff Engineers) proposal was submitted to the department for review. The design scope of work is being re-evaluated based on the Consultant discussions with Watershed Protection over the potential of securing a site permit from the Texas Commission of Environment Quality.

The Cepeda Branch Trail project schedule is being modified due to potential scope and budget change. The new scope and proposal are under consideration by the department. The Consultant has submitted his scope of work and is currently developing a proposal with their subcontractors. The Consultant is expected to expedite the electrical portion of the project which also requires coordination with the trail portion. EV Stations were added to the Cepeda Branch Library side of the project to meet sustainability goals

CLMP282 Faulk Building Repository Upgrade & History Center Renovation:

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The departments expectation is for a design / build SOW for the project in alignment with the BOND 18 Summary.Per the original BOND 18 Summary the existing plumbing infrastructure requires extensive review and additional design work will be limited on other floors such as the Server Room, IT staff area, as well as HR offices (10,500SF) of the building. The schematic phase is anticipated to occur in June, and one community engagement meeting is scheduled during this phase.

#### CLMP286 Interior Renovations:

The City's Consultant (MWM Design Group) provided a detailed cost estimate from the ADPN Architectural Design Program Narrative in May 2021 which identified the SOW and provide alternates to bring the overall renovations program (for five branches) within budget. A meeting to discuss the cost estimate with Library Department representatives also was held in May 2021.

The ADPN revealed critical work not in the original scope. The modified bitumen roofing systems at Little Walnut Creek Branch, Menchaca Branch, Old Quarry Branch, and Willie Mae Kirk are well beyond the end of their useful life. There are areas of the roofing systems that are in very poor condition: Currently the structural deck of the roofing systems appears to be in good condition; however, delays in repair/replacement will lead to potential damage to the structural deck, ultimately leading to more extensive and costly repairs.

Overlaying the modified bitumen roofing systems to extend the life cycle of the roofing systems was not identified as part of the 18 BOND. Funding will have to be identified to address. The Project Budget Grand Total equals \$4.75 Million and the Consultants Base Bid Estimated Total with Roofing TPO Overlay is \$4.73 Million. The numbers are close enough to move into the design deliverables phase.

The Consultant will finalize the draft ADPN and provide a fee proposal for going forward with design development in June 2021. Cost estimates will be reevaluated during each phase of design development.

#### CLMP 287 Roof Replacement & System Upgrades:

The City's Consultants (Baer Engineering) Preliminary Engineering Reports (PER) were completed for six (6) branches early April 2021. The department accepting the findings in the PERs and discussed moving into the next design phase. In May 2021tThe department issued a written request to execute a Change Order with the Consultant to remove three (3) of the six named projects from the CLMP 287 Branch Library Roof Replacement & System Upgrade. The removed projects are estimated under budget and will be prioritized and managed as

in-house maintenance projects with the departments ACFS Division. The projects removed from the BOND Scope are as follows.

- University Hills Branch Roof Replacement\*
- Spicewood Springs Branch Roof Replacement (Built Up Roof)
- Ruiz Branch Roof Replacement

The following projects will remain in the BOND program and proceed into design / bid-award / construction.

- SPID# 1292.002 Carver Branch Roof & Mechanical Replacement
- SPID# 12706.001 Howson Branch HVAC & Controls Upgrades
- SPID# 788.002 Yarborough Branch Roof Replacement & HVAC Upgrade

#### Schedule

The design and construction deliverables are revised to a 36-month timeline. All timelines are estimates and subject to change without notice. Program Construction starts will be staggered to minimize impacts to existing levels of customer service.

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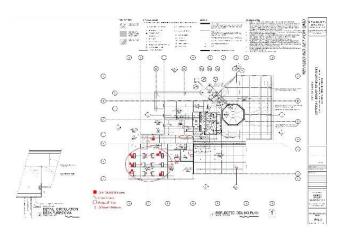
### FY2012 Bond Program

### **Summary**

### **Description**

Proposition 18: Library, Museums and Cultural Facilities \$13.4 Million

### 6014.041 Cepeda Branch



#### Scope of Work

The project consists of interior and exterior improvements to the Cepeda Branch Library. The work consists of selective demolition and upgrades to the facility interior, interior and exterior painting, exterior stucco repair, new furniture and equipment. The exterior work shall include landscape improvements, and sustainability has been established as a goal of the project.

Development

Reflective Ceiling Plan Stanley-Salaiz JV Architects

#### **Status**

The project is in the construction phase. The preconstruction conference was held in April; and the Notice to Proceed letter was issued to Balfour Beatty on May 6 with a NTP date of Monday, May 10. Balfour Beatty has mobilized and doing preliminary site activities.

#### Budget / Cost

Appropriation \$1,311,839; Obligated \$1,126,521.72; Balance \$185,317.28

#### **Schedule**

The construction phase is scheduled for a 180-day duration. Substantial completion is anticipated October 15, 2021.

### **6014.015 Zaragosa Technical Support Warehouse**

#### Scope of Work

In order to meet current building, fire and life safety codes, this project will retrofit the facility's 35-year-old fire suppression sprinkler system at the 20,000 SF, Zaragoza Technical Support Warehouse. The fire system upgrade will protect the Library Department's only storage facility.

#### **Status**

The Construction Notice to Proceed was issued February 18, 2021 and the work is proceeding according to schedule. Library/Architect/Contractor construction progress meetings are held weekly. Demolition is complete, and new gas piping, electrical wiring, and HVAC ductwork in being installed.

#### **Budget / Cost**

Appropriation \$1,044,966; Obligated \$1,056,610.40; Balance (\$11,645.40)

Note: APL is awaiting City Corporate Budget Office approval to transfer \$71,000 from Cepeda Branch Renovation (reserves) to Zaragoza Technical Support Warehouse Contingency.

#### Schedule

The construction phase is scheduled for a 180-day duration. Substantial completion is anticipated August 22, 2021.

#### **Impacts**

Notice to Proceed/start of construction was delayed a week (February 22, 2021) due to the extreme freezing weather event in February, with no associated recovery plan.

### 6014.037 University Hills Branch Parking Lot Expansion



University Hills Branch Library Parking Lot Expansion

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### Scope of Work

The work comprises of constructing a new asphalt 25 parking space expansion at the existing University Hills Branch Library. Work is to include to demolition of existing structures and pavement, installation of erosion/sedimentation control and tree protection fencing, construction of asphalt/concrete parking area, construction of a concrete water quality pond, construction of associated walkways, installation of parking lot

AUH Site Plan Stantec Engineering signage, installation of fencing and stub out for EV Stations.

#### Status

The project is in the construction phase. A Pre-Construction Conference was held on-site, in front of the Library on Friday, May 21; and the Notice to Proceed (NTP) Letter was issued on Monday, May 24 and construction has begun. To date QA Construction Services has set up perimeter fencing, silt guards, and installed the heavy stone riprap for a construction vehicle entrance off Loyola Lane. The City of Austin required Environmental Inspection occurred on Tuesday, May 19; and passed.

#### Budget / Cost

Appropriation \$1,532,458.; Obligated \$1,197,533.38; Balance \$334,924.62

#### Schedule

The construction phase is scheduled for a 180-day duration. Substantial completion is anticipated November 2021.

#### **Impacts**

The Pre-Construction Conference and Notice to Proceed were a couple of weeks delayed past initial plans, due to both scheduling and holding the required Environmental Inspection; but the formal construction schedule hadn't begun, so there is no actual schedule slippage.

#### **Pleasant Hill**

#### Scope of Work

Roof replacement and HVAC system upgrades for the 8,851 SF facility were completed in August 2020. The Roof Replacement and HVAC work represented **Phase I** Improvements at APH. Punctures were discovered in the new roof membrane and had to be patched. APL coordinated the work with the Warranty Company to maintain the integrity of the roofs 20-year warranty. ACFS maintenance team oversaw the warranty repairs.

**Phase II** began in July 2020 with the retaining of an R/L Project Architect to design interior finish upgrades to the facility. The design package included new library friendly hard surface flooring, new interior / exterior painting, Parking lot restriping, LEED night sky compliant exterior LED lighting, Power Washing of the building and fencing / screening of the roof access and power panels.

#### Status

Phase II is progressing rapidly in construction. The NTP established April 19, 2021. The interior painting is completed, and the punch work will be coordinated at substantial completion. Flooring submittal approved on May 21, 2021, waiting for delivery of materials. Exterior painting began on 5/26/21. Library Facilities maintenance team is coordinating the exterior power washing and installation of the LEED night sky compliant exterior lighting.

#### **Budget / Cost**

Appropriation \$1,147,997; Obligated \$1,029,419.75; Balance \$118,577.25

#### Schedule

Phase II construction activities are anticipated to wrap up Jul-Aug 2021 with move-in launch team activities to follow

**Note:** APL's 2012 Bond Program consists of New Construction and Facility Renovation Projects. New Central Library and facility renovation projects completed with FY12 appropriations to date include Millwood Renovation, RFID Installations, Will Hampton Renovation, Austin History Center Fresco restoration, and Faulk Library Roof Replacement. All remaining FY12 Bond projects are tracking to reach substantial completion by Q12022.

### Cepeda Branch / Hampton Branch (Site/Civil) Report

### **Project Description**

The Cepeda Branch Library Trail Project was initiated to provide a safe, well-lighted pedestrian pathway from



the Cepeda Branch Library property at 651 N Pleasant Valley Road through to Gonzalez Street under the adjacent East Seventh Street overpass.

The Will Hampton Branch Library at 5125 Convict Hill Road has experienced heavy use by the community since the facility first opened its doors in 1997. The community facility is public-facing and adjacent to the equally popular Dick

Nichols District Park. The project consists of adding 22 parking spaces to the existing parking lot.

#### **Status**

Site/Civil package continues in the Pre-Design Phase awaiting final proposals from the Citys Consultants. Hampton at Oak Hill Parking Lot Expansion updated scope and the City's Consultant (Halff Engineers) proposal was submitted to the department for review. The design scope of work is being re-evaluated based on the Consultant discussions with Watershed Protection over the potential of securing a site permit from the Texas Commission of Environment Quality.

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#### Schedule

The design and construction deliverables are programmed for a 36-month timeline. The program timeline for the Site/Civil Package will be updated upon receipt of the Consultants revised design proposal. All timelines are estimates and subject to change without notice. Program Construction starts will be staggered to minimize impacts to existing levels of customer service.

### **Budget**

Hampton Parking Lot Expansion: Appropriation; \$751,000; Obligated \$104,082.72; Balance \$646,917.28 Cepeda Branch Trail: Appropriation; \$307,000; Obligated \$58,489.56; \$248,510.44

### **Issues**

Hampton at Oak Hill parking lot expansion is in the Edward Aquifer Watershed and may be subjected to more stringent environmental requirements. Fiscal impacts on the budget are being evaluated for project feasibility.

# Faulk Building / Austin History Center Monthly Report Facility Improvements & Archival Repository Expansion

### **Project Description**

The Faulk Library and Austin History
Center are grouped together to meet
the growth demands of the City's
burgeoning population by adding much
needed archival storage space, security
for collections, and upgrading
environmental controls.

The campus will be reinforced as a single destination that will facilitate seamless interchanges between the Faulk Building, the Austin History Center, adjacent Wooldridge Square and many nearby historical sites.

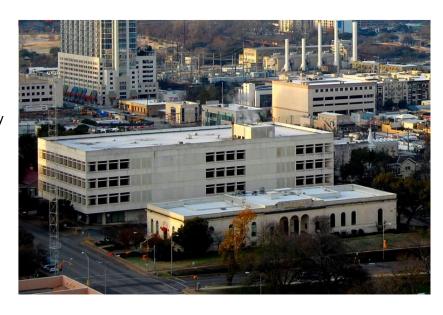


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### **Budget**

Appropriation; \$19,382,247; Obligated \$1,191,563.30; Balance \$18,190,683.

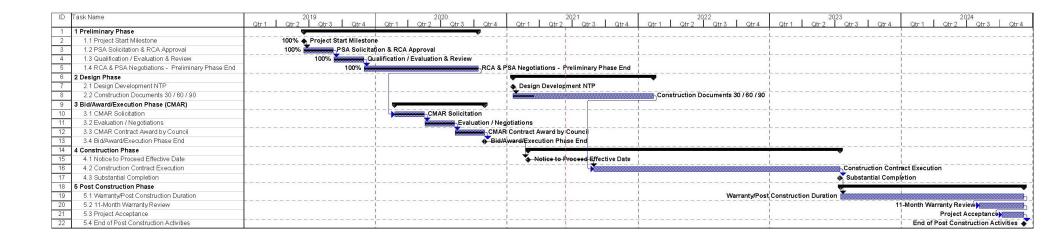
### **Schedule**

The project is currently transitioning from Project Definition to Schematic Design. (See Gantt Chart)

### **Schedule**

There is potential for JHF to have a sprinkler system added due to code requirements. We will be carrying this risk as an alternate until a meeting with DSD to confirm applicable codes. The potential cost impact is \$500k to 700k and has the potential to decrease scope from the project.

### Faulk Library Building / Austin History Center Schedule



### **Interior Renovations Monthly Report**

### **Project Description**



The Interior Renovations Program combines five library branch projects with similar modernization and refurbishment scopes of work. The work requires project designs that are reflective of the emerging architectural styles of our region and sympathetic to the City of Austin initiatives including citizen participation in the design processes, Art in Public Places, and project team participation by minority and women-owned businesses.

The scope consists of selective demolition of the finishes of the existing building and renovations to the same that include interior finishes, floor finishes and base, new suspended ceilings and electrical service, lighting and plumbing, new gypsum drywall assemblies, storefront window systems and new furnishings. The project includes miscellaneous asbestos abatement. Compliance with current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards and

the City of Austin Sustainability objectives are project goals. The projects are as follows;

- The Old Quarry Branch
- Little Walnut Creek Branch
- Manchaca Road Branch
- Willie Mae Kirk Branch.
- St. John Branch

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### **Budget Estimates**

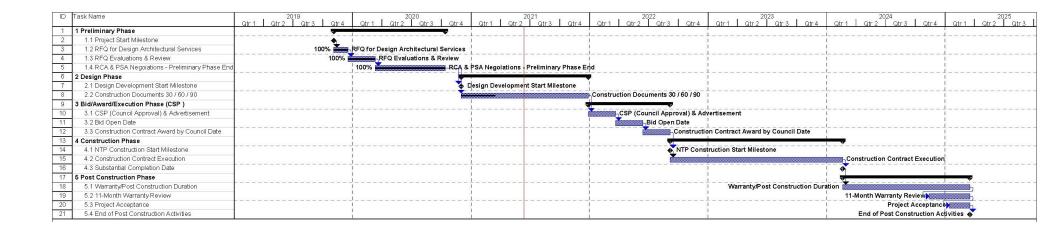
Design Budget \$685,261; Construction Budget \$4,768,

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#### Interior Renovations Schedule



### Roof Replacements & Systems Upgrades Monthly Report

#### **Project Description**

Austin Public Library 2018 Bond Program Roof Replacements & Systems Upgrades, combines six library branch



projects with similar scopes of work for roofing system rehabilitation to extend the life-cycle and or HVAC Systems and controls upgrades. Warranty requirements for roofing systems shall be 20 years for leakage and weather and 10 years for HVAC Systems.

The HVAC Systems shall be upgraded to contribute to overall building energy goals, shall have low life cycle costs and capable

of providing excellent indoor environmental quality while minimizing maintenance requirements. A Commissioning Agent (Cx) will assist APL Facilities Services with refining the HVAC functional requirements and roofing system rehabilitation requirements. Systems to be commissioned are Roof, Air Conditioning, Heating Systems, Security / CCTV, PV Array and Sub-Metering devices. Work by related trades may include but is not limited to, asbestos abatement, steel, building automation, electrical and plumbing. Project will also feature upgrading of the roof drainage system including scupper's, repair and upgrade of lightning protection system.

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### **Budget Estimate**

The design and construction budget will be revised per the PER Scope reduction noted above.

### **Impacts**

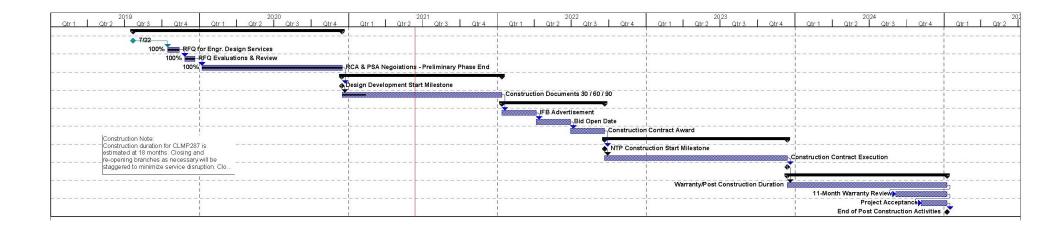
University Hills Branch (AUH) experienced extensive water damage during the extreme cold event that occurred in February of this year. Emergency repairs were made however air quality testing at the facility detected high concentrations of mold spores.

Per City safety protocols AUH was shut down in May for more detailed testing and analysis. Under the direction of the City's Asbestos, Lead, and Mold Management Group (ALMMG) Environmental Consultant the work required the removal of books, shelving, carpets, RFID Gates and all furniture from the building for additional testing. The additional testing resulted in the discovery of additional hazardous materials in the drywall cavity in the building. Per ALMMG and EPA protocols a remediation plan was implemented to remove and dispose 3FT of drywall from the finished floor and clean the contaminated area per EPA standards.

In addition, the department is tasked with making repairs to the suspected source of water infiltration, the membrane roofing system. The roofing system was also identified in the PER to be in poor condition. Defects included roof membrane splits, base flashing deterioration, exposed roof membrane with little UV protection, deteriorated flashings, unsealed base flashing laps and water blisters. To accelerate the repairs the department pulled the AUH Roofing Replacement Scope from the 18 BOND CIP.

A 90-day timeline from 04 Jun 21 has been established for the removal and replacement of the TPO roofing system at AUH. Clearance to move-in and reoccupy AUH is anticipated late Aug - early Sept. 2021

### Roof Replacements & Systems Upgrades Schedule



### **AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER**

### **Highlights**

- Austin History Center (AHC) opened two days beginning May 10 and it is great to have researchers back in the building.
- AHC will reopen fully in August, including a return to normal use of the O. Henry Room for the Austin History Center Association, and a normal use of Holt Gallery/Reception Room for AHC programs, and reserved public use of it, including AHCA meetings
- AHC now plans to remain open during the upcoming renovations since most of the work on AHC will be
  exterior. There will be intermittent closures and the parking lot will be closed during construction.
- Exhibit Coordinator Steve Schwolert and Interim Manager Nancy Toombs installed a new display at the Central Library, on the 4th floor, entitled, Keeping Austin Cool! It explores the history of advertising hand fans.

### **Programs**

- Ayshea Khan participated in the Virtual Senior Family Archiving Workshop with the Asian American Resource Center's Rice Program
- Marina Isla presented "Cinco de Mayo is Not a Mexican Holiday" virtual presentation to the Office of Lifelong Learning Institute at UT Austin

### **APL BY THE NUMBERS**

### **Cardholder Stats May**

- Total cardholders 686,472
- New cards 1,682
- Total eCards 11,489

### **Programs**

46 live virtual programs, 469 attendance

### **Website Page Views**

Library website 1,504,243

#### **Wi-Fi Connections**

Total connections 13,560

### Circulation

- Physical circulation 203,044
- Virtual Library 215,973

Roosevelt Weeks
Director of Libraries

