

Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System

New Library Site Selection Criteria

General Conditions:

- Is the library located in a place where it will be easily accessed by residents of neighborhoods in the area?
- Does the site provide high visibility and easy identification?
- Will the site provide visibility of the building and its function from the street?
- Is the site affordable?
- Are there existing structures on the site that must be demolished?
- Will the site provide ease of ingress and egress given the traffic flow in the area?
- Is the site easily and quickly acquirable? Are there any title issues?

Location:

- Are there issues that might keep seniors, children, and other clientele from easily getting to the site?
- Is the location in an area that is frequently visited by members of the community for daily activities such as shopping, working, and seeking out other services?
- Is the site located near schools, daycare centers, and other educational and cultural institutions within the community?
- Does the proposed site present a safety issue for patrons and library staff?

Accessibility:

- Is the site on or in close proximity to a public transportation route?
- Does the site and surrounding area encourage bicycle access?
- Is the site accessible to pedestrians? For example, are there sidewalks?

Size:

- Does the size of the site provide adequate space for current needs?
- Will the site allow future expansion of the building?
- Does the site include enough space for appropriate green space, necessary buffers and landscaping that also meet pertinent regulations?
- Is the site large enough to accommodate sufficient on-site parking that would meet the needs of the facility?