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BUILDING OUR FUTURE

WILLIAMSBURG UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

STEP BY STEP

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A building project challenges every aspect of parochial life. In a real sense it is a test of a congregation's service, worship, education, evangelism, pastoral care, and stewardship. Rather than being something done in isolation from the daily life and work of a congregation, it is the material expression of that life and work.

--Charles N. Fulton III

This week:

The BOF Steering Committee will interview representatives of the three firms which have submitted Proposals for expansion at WUU. The BOF Committee has carefully reviewed the proposals from each firm and will conduct the interviews on Wednesday and Thursday. From the architects' presentations and BOF's follow-up questions, we can determine the experience, technical competence, and available staff resources provided by each firm. We will also discuss the costs involved and the time frame. Most importantly, we learn whether the firm understands WUU's mission and vision and is excited to work with our congregation.

The BOF Steering Committee will compare notes to narrow the selection of an architectural firm and prepare a recommendation for the Board

In February:

With Board approval, a contract will be prepared to engage the services of the selected firm. The selection will be announced to the congregation. Focus groups will be scheduled to address special areas of concentration. Congregational input and feedback will be essential during this phase.



BUILDING OUR FUTURE TIMELINE

Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

Congregational Meetings: Shown in Blue

Steps beyond Phase 1 are contingent on results of Phase 1

2013

PHASE 1 EXPLORATION

June	Board charges Building our Future
July 7	Kickoff Sunday
July-Sept	Visioning Circles
Oct. 20	Congregational Informational Meeting
Oct. 21	Evening Information Session
Nov 17	Congregational Meeting & Vote on proceeding through remainder of Phase 1
Nov	Prepare for architect selection process
Dec	Issue Request for Architectural Service Proposals

2014

Jan	Receive proposals, interview architects, recommend architect to board WE ARE HERE
Feb	Announce Architect Selection
Feb	Initiate architect/congregant focus meetings
	Begin Preliminary architectural design options preparation
May	Presentation & Review of building options
June-Sept	Fundraising Feasibility Study
Sept	Determination of affordable building options to pursue -vote

PHASE 2 FUNDRAISING

Oct-Dec	Capital Campaign commences
Nov	Architect proceeds with drawing of chosen options

2015

January	Capital Campaign concludes
March	Final Determination of options to build - vote
April	Bidding for construction
May	Awarding of construction contract

PHASE 3 CONSTRUCTION

June	Begin Construction
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2016

April	Building ready for occupancy
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IT HAPPENS ONCE A GENERATION OR TWO: AFFIRMING & ENABLING OUR VISION, BUILDING OUR FUTURE

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