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I just become aware of the new OMI branch library. The proposed building is a monstrosity, 30,000 square feet, over 3 stories, towering over the community and built on open space to boot. It's not in the heart of the neighborhood and will be harder to reach on foot and is built next to a busy street meaning pedestrian accidents. The building at 345 Randolph is just over 20 years old and supposedly can't be adapted for newer users? You can't have everything and listening to a wish list from the few people who showed up at community meetings who "shared that the existing building does not look like they would expect a public library to look" , really you're spending a fortune for looks? is abdicating your responsibility to act prudently and within some cost boundaries.

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