## WAC Bennett Master Space Plan

Vision – Key takeaways from stakeholder consultations

- Key Attributes
  - $\circ$   $\quad$  Located at the heart of the campus with access to nature and views
  - Houses all library collections and staff
- Key Considerations
  - Library should be an academic first responder
  - Library should be a campus hub, a place to go between school and home
  - o Library should connect the physical and digital worlds
  - Library should connect different disciplines
  - Library should provide users with resources they do not have at home
  - Library should have diverse workspaces
  - Library should be open and flexible
  - Library should be friendly, welcoming, diverse, inclusive and accessible
  - Library should be inspiring
- Key Trends
  - o Increase in digital collections, decrease in physical collections
  - o Increase in opening hours and usage during off-hours and off-season
  - Increase in remote working and learning
  - Increase in non-book lending
  - o Increase in technological device mobility and ownership
  - Increase in importance of special collections
- Proposed Building Improvements
  - Increase access to natural light and prioritize access in workspaces
  - o Increase access to charging infrastructure
  - Provide users with ability to store and/or protect belongings
  - Showcase research and special collections
  - Improve wayfinding
  - o Increase connectivity on floors and between floors
  - Improve Wi-Fi connection
  - o Improve thermal comfort and air quality
  - Locate staff contiguously
  - Increase number of bookable meeting rooms
- Proposed Programs
  - Outdoor study space
  - Small meeting rooms
  - Rooms for practicing and recording presentations
  - Food services
  - Lounge areas with comfortable seating for relaxing and resting
  - Multipurpose exhibition and event space
  - Maker space with digital production equipment
  - o Visualization lab
  - o Digitization lab

The above points were repeated a minimum of five times.