FERGUSON LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION
TO IMPROVE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY AND RENOVATE PLAZA

STAMFORD, September 3, 2015 – This fall, The Ferguson Library is undertaking three major construction projects at the front entrance of the Main Library, DiMattia Building. A project to improve handicapped accessibility to the entrance to Starbucks is currently underway. The work, being done by J. Forrest Development, involves creating a platform from the library’s front door to Starbucks’ main entrance. Starbucks will remain open during the project, although for a period of time customers will be redirected through the library and into the interior entrance of Starbucks. The library will provide access to Starbucks during Starbucks’ regular hours, even when the library is not open.

Work will also be done to restore a damaged column in front of the Library and repair the building façade. The Library is an historic building, and The Ferguson is proceeding according to preservation guidelines. Both these projects are made possible with capital funds from the city and state.

Finally, the library will renovate the plaza in front of the building, revitalizing and
restoring the entrance to the library. This project, which is funded by contributions to the Ferguson Library Foundation, will create a mini urban oasis, with planted areas, granite benches and café seating that will create an accessible open space for the entire community to enjoy. The plaza design was donated by Doyle Herman Design Associates.

Construction is expected to continue through the fall.