

THE HOMER SOCIETY OF NATURAL HISTORY, INC. dba PRATT MUSEUM ROOF SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Frequently Asked Questions

Why did the renovation in 2018 not include replacing the Roof System?

The economic climate when the capital campaign began changed quickly and drastically during the fundraising process. As a result, government funding that had previously been expected fell through. The Homer Society of Natural History, Inc. board of directors and Pratt Museum team were then forced to adjust the original campaign and pivot to a two-phase renovation. Phase 1 occurred in 2018 and Phase 2, which included the roof system replacement, was put aside to be completed in the future.

What was the money from the original capital campaign spent on?

The funds secured during the capital campaign were put to use completing Phase 1 of the renovation process, which included **critical updates** to the Museum's ADA Accessibility in the form of ramps and hydraulic lifts as well as **crucial restructuring** of the lower level of the Museum to include an expanded, climate-controlled space and cabinets for the collection.

Why is it so expensive to replace the roof?

- After carefully examining the roof and site, Roof Construction Services, Inc. and Schneider Structural Engineers determined a full Roof System Replacement is necessary at a cost of approximately \$1,362,480.50. The facility the Pratt Museum is housed in has 9,143 +/- square feet of roof to be considered. The Roof System Replacement Project consists of the following:
 - The complete removal of the granular surfaced modified built-up roof system, all insulations and underlying plywood, all flashing and trim metals.
 - The complete installation of a new 3-ply modified membrane roof system, which includes:
 - New base sheet installation installed over a new 3/8-inch plywood substrate over the original tongue & groove wood roof deck
 - New high thermal insulation
 - New perimeter edge metal detailing
 - New gutters, downspouts & all associated accessories
 - Allotment for an on-site Project Manager
 - Allotment for the cost of protecting and moving exhibits, cases, objects, workspaces, etc.