

**MEETING DATE:** September 24, 2020

**TO:** Library Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Judy Booth, Library Director

**SUBJECT:** FULLERTON PUBLIC LIBRARY (FPL) SAFE PRACTICES ADDENDUM

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## SUMMARY

## RECOMMENDATION

Approve the addition of the FPL Safe Practices Addendum.

## FISCAL IMPACT

None.

## DISCUSSION

As public libraries make plans to phase in reopening during the Covid-19 pandemic, they must consider how best to balance the safety of staff and patrons with the mission of providing the community with access to the resources traditionally offered by the library.

The supplemental Code will be in effect once the library reopens to the public and remain in effect until the Board, under the guidance of local officials, health officials and the Governor, deems it safe to relax these codes. These patron guidelines are derived from information from the Center of Disease Control, OSHA-COVID-19, the California State Library, the Governor's office and local officials. Additionally, Library staff have reviewed library code of conducts from a variety of academic and public libraries throughout the country and believe that the addendum items are reasonable and necessary for the safety of staff and members of the community. Our primary concern, at all times, is to keep library patrons and staff as safe as possible.

Covid19.ca.gov has updated industry guidance for the state which includes some updates to the guidance for libraries. See the [guidance for retailers](#) which provides guidance for retailers to support a safe, clean environment for workers and customers. The State Library has also released guidance for the [re-opening of libraries for in-person services](#). See the [State Library's COVID-19 website](#) for more information. Find [resources for public libraries](#) by the California Library Association and the State Library.

The status of activities in each county, effective Aug. 31 can be found at <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>. Libraries should be used as the Activity in the search box.

## Attachment:

- Reg Bus Item 1, Attachment 1 – FPL Code of Conduct Safe Practices Addendum Changes