



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2019

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

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SUBJECT: LIBRARY AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT REGARDING
THE HUNT BRANCH LIBRARY

SUMMARY

As directed by the City Council, the Library Ad Hoc Committee (LAHC) has prepared a report (Report) identifying and prioritizing future potential uses of the Hunt Branch Library.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Receive and File the Library Ad Hoc Committee Report.
2. Direct any additional potential uses of the Hunt Branch Library for inclusion in a Request for Proposals.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

- Fiscal and Organizational Stability
- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND

At their May 15, 2018 meeting, the City Council formed a Library Ad Hoc Committee to address the future of the Hunt Branch Library. The LAHC was to meet with the goal of determining what funding might be available to fund the property as a Library or other

opportunities for use of the property. City Council Members each made one direct appointment to the Committee and those directly appointed members then appointed four additional members to the LAHC via an application process. The Library Director served as an ex-officio member and meetings were conducted publicly per the Brown Act.

DISCUSSION

Over the course of four meetings, the LAHC worked to identify and prioritize potential future uses of the Hunt Branch Library. The LAHC then produced a report (attached) to serve as a framework for the solicitation of a Request for Proposals (RFP).

The LAHC report prioritizes future uses with examples as follows:

1. Literacy
 - a. Children's Library
 - b. ESL classes
 - c. Enrichment and tutoring
2. Art, Culture, Exhibits, Museum Uses
 - a. Display area for local artists and rotating exhibits and gift shop.
 - b. Museum of Teaching and Learning, MOTAL. Exhibits with interactive
 - c. J Paul Getty Museum, Huntington, Norton Simon Art Foundation, Bowers.
 - d. Mid-Century Modern Museum
3. Events, Activity, Classes
 - a. Hosted piano and other instrumental recitals
 - b. Picnic venue
 - c. Music venue
 - d. Wedding venue
 - e. Yoga classes, folklorico and tai chi
 - f. After school club
 - g. North Orange County continuing education
 - h. Fullerton alanon club
 - i. ICNA relief organization

The LAHC report also identified several funding related questions and includes a list of potential grant opportunities as well as a list of organizations in which to distribute the RFP for possible partnership opportunities.

Pending further direction from the City Council, an RFP will be solicited based upon the framework provided by the LAHC report. Responses to the RFP would tentatively be agendized for City Council consideration early in Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 - Library Ad Hoc Committee Report