



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES AGENDA

Civic Center Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660

Monday, July 15, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Board of Library Trustees Members:

Dorothy Larson, Vice Chair
Lauren Kramer, Secretary
Antonella Castro, Trustee
Meghan Murray, Trustee
Chase Rief, Trustee

Staff Members:

Melissa Hartson, Library Services Director
Francine Jacome, Administrative Support Specialist

The Board of Library Trustees meeting is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the Board of Library Trustees agenda be posted at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of each regular meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the Commission and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Library Trustees. The Chair may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally three (3) minutes per person.

The public can submit questions and comments in writing for the Board of Library Trustees to consider. Please send them by email to the Library Services Department at LibraryBoard@newportbeachca.gov by Sunday, July 14, at 4:00 p.m. to give the Board of Library Trustees time to consider your comments. All emails will be made part of the record.

The City of Newport Beach's goal is to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in all respects. If, as an attendee or a participant at this meeting, you will need special assistance beyond what is normally provided, we will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please contact Melissa Hartson, Library Services Director, at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible at (949) 717-3801 or mhartson@newportbeachca.gov.

NOTICE REGARDING PRESENTATIONS REQUIRING USE OF CITY EQUIPMENT

Any presentation requiring the use of the City of Newport Beach's equipment must be submitted to the Library Services Department 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board Library Trustees shall nominate and elect trustees to serve as Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

V. NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City provides a yellow sign-in card to assist in the preparation of the minutes. The completion of the card is not required in order to address the Board of Library Trustees. If the optional sign-in card has been completed, it should be placed in the tray provided.

The Board of Library Trustees of Newport Beach welcomes and encourages community participation. Public comments are generally limited to three (3) minutes per person to allow everyone to speak. Written comments are encouraged as well. The Board of Library Trustees has the discretion to extend or shorten the time limit on agenda or non-agenda items. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.

VI. PATRON APPEALS OF DIRECTOR'S DECISIONS

1. Appeal Hearing of "Flamer" by Mike Curato (pp. 5-12)

The Board of Library Trustees will conduct an appeal hearing for the Director's Decision of "Flamer" by Mike Curato.

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VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under CONSENT CALENDAR are considered to be routine and will all be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. Board of Library Trustees have received detailed staff reports on each of the items recommending an action. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Library Trustees votes on the motion unless members of the Board of Library Trustees request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Members of the public who wish to discuss a Consent Calendar item should come forward upon invitation by the Chair.

A. Consent Calendar Items

2. Minutes of the June 17, 2024 Board of Library Trustees Meeting (pp. 13-29)

[MINUTES](#)

3. Patron Comments (pp. 30-32)

Monthly review of evaluations of library services through suggestions and requests received from patrons.

[PATRON COMMENTS](#)

4. Library Activities (pp. 33-41)

Monthly update of library events, services, and statistics.

[JUNE ACTIVITIES](#)

5. Expenditure Status Report (pp. 42-43)

Monthly expenditure status of the library's operating expenses, services, salaries, and benefits by department.

[JUNE EXPENDITURES](#)

6. Board of Library Trustees Monitoring List (p. 44)

List of agenda items and dates for monthly review of projects by the Board of Library Trustees.

[MONITORING LIST](#)

IX. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. Items for Review

7. Corona del Mar Branch Update (pp. 45-48)

Branch Librarian Nadia Dallstream presents an overview of Corona del Mar Branch's activities and resources.

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8. Approval of Site Placement for A Novel Idea by Craig Gray (pp. 49-52)

Staff recommends the Board of Library Trustees approve the new Balboa Branch Library as the site placement for the sculpture *A Novel Idea* by Craig Gray.

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9. Library Service Policy (Council Policy I-1) (pp. 53-55)

Staff recommends that the Board of Library Trustees review Council Policy I-1, *Library Service Policy*, and suggest no revisions be brought forth to City Council.

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10. Proposed Library Schedule for Winter Holidays 2024 (pp. 56-59)

Staff recommends a proposed Library holiday schedule for the Board of Library Trustees approval.

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11. Lecture Hall Update

Report on activities related to the Lecture Hall project.

12. Library Services (pp. 33-41)

Report of library issues regarding services, patrons, and staff.

B. Monthly Reports

13. Library Foundation Liaison Reports (pp. 60-61)

- A. Library Foundation Board - Report of the most recently attending meeting.
- B. Library Live Committee - Report of the most recently attending meeting.
- C. Witte Lectures Committee - Report of the most recently attending meeting.

[FOUNDATION REPORT](#)

14. Friends of the Library Liaison Report

Trustee update of the most recently attended Friends of the Library Board meeting.

15. Pals4pal Liaison Report

Trustee update of the most recently attended Pals4pal Board meeting.

16. Board of Library Trustees Liaison Assignments

The Board of Library Trustees Chair will appoint trustees to the five liaison assignments.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments are invited, and non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Library Trustees. Speakers must limit comments to three (3) minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The Board of Library Trustees has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on agenda or non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.

XI. BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS WHICH MEMBERS WOULD LIKE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION ACTION OR REPORT (NON-DISCUSSION ITEM) OR RECONSIDERATION

XII. ADJOURNMENT