



TO: Communications & Development Committee
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SUBJECT: Referendum Information

Referendum Information

To answer residents' questions about what happens if the referendum passes or does not pass I have prepared a list of items for the Committee to review.

IF THE REFERENDUM PASSES:

- The Library will have a balanced the budget with revenue that will support the level of services, materials and programs now being provided.
- All Library hours will be restored.
- Funds to purchase new materials and online resources will be restored, reducing wait times for popular materials and allowing the Library to purchase items to fulfill patron requests.
- Necessary building repairs and improvements can be completed:
 - ◊ Windows repaired throughout the facility
 - ◊ Worn carpet replaced
 - ◊ Lighting replaced Reference Area 2nd floor
 - ◊ Restroom upgrades of circa 1975 and 1955 restrooms
 - ◊ HVAC components replaced

IF THE REFERENDUM DOES NOT PASS:

- Library hours will be further reduced because staffing will be reduced.
- Further reductions will be made to the budget for new materials resulting in longer wait times for popular materials, fewer new materials and online resources and reduced program offerings.
- Repair and improvement projects will be postponed indefinitely
- To increase revenue the Library Board will implement additional fees such as:
 - ◊ Charging registration fees to attend library programs
 - ◊ Increasing late fees
 - ◊ Charging fees to check out materials such as DVDs and Blu-Rays