

Lompoc City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: February 1, 2011

TO: Laurel Barcelona, City Administrator

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SUBJECT: Nomination of a City of Lompoc representative to the County Library Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council approve the nomination of Lompoc resident Alice Down to the County Library Advisory Committee (LAC).

BACKGROUND

The County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors created a Library Advisory Committee approximately 30 years ago, and its members are appointed by the Board. Each contracting city, namely Santa Maria, Lompoc, and Santa Barbara, is asked to nominate one member for appointment by the Board of Supervisors. The cities of Carpinteria, Buellton, Guadalupe, Solvang, and Goleta, along with the residents of County Service Area #3 (Goleta area) may also nominate one member. The County Supervisor of each supervisorial district appoints one member. A Supervisor, or designee, is appointed to chair the LAC. Library Directors in the contracting cities serve as non-voting, ex officio members.

The LAC meets at least quarterly to review services and operations, and to make advisory recommendations to the Board of Supervisors as follows:

- 1) Ensure adequate library services to all the inhabitants of the County of Santa Barbara;
- 2) Review annually the operation of the library systems and this agreement;
- 3) Submit advisory recommendations to ensure adequate service to branch libraries;
- 4) Assure adequate exchange of information among libraries.

DISCUSSION

Representation on the Library Advisory Committee is in the best interest of the residents of Lompoc and the Lompoc Public Library System. Lompoc resident Alice Down has agreed to serve as the City of Lompoc representative to the LAC. She is a very active user of the Lompoc Public Library and will be an effective advocate for the Lompoc Public Library System at the County level.

SUMMARY

In accordance with the membership guidelines established for the County Library Advisory Committee by the County Board of Supervisors, Lompoc resident Alice Down is recommended for nomination to represent the City of Lompoc on the Committee.

Molly Gerald, Library Director

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Laurel Barcelona, City Administrator