



## City Council Agenda Item

**City Council Meeting Date:** September 7, 2021

**TO:** Jim Throop, City Manager

**FROM:** Sarah Bleyl, Library Director  
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**SUBJECT:** Reappointment of a City of Lompoc Representative to the County Library Advisory Committee

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### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the City Council approve the reappointment of Lompoc resident Alice Down to the Santa Barbara County Library Advisory Committee (LAC), with a term expiration of June 30, 2022.

### **Background:**

The County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors (Board) created an LAC approximately 30 years ago, and its members are appointed by the Board. Each city, namely Santa Maria, Lompoc, and Santa Barbara, that contracts with the County for funding for libraries, nominates one member for appointment by the Board. In addition, the cities of Carpinteria, Buellton, Guadalupe, Solvang, and Goleta, along with the residents of County Service Area 3 (Goleta area), may nominate one member for appointment by the Board, and the County Supervisor of each supervisorial district appoints one member. The Board also appoints one member of its Board, or a designee, 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 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 the Agreement for Operation of a County-wide Library System;
- 3) Submit advisory recommendations to ensure adequate service to branch libraries;
- 4) Assure adequate exchange of information among libraries;

- 5) Consider site locations and building programs; and
- 6) Receive citizen input regarding library-related issues and make recommendations thereon.

**Discussion:**

Alice Down has been serving on the LAC since 2011. The term of office of each member of the advisory committee shall run concurrently with the term of the library agreement, or until discharged at the pleasure of the Board. Ms. Down would like to continue her service to the LAC.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The action of appointing or reappointing the City's representative to a new term of office on the LAC has no fiscal impact on the City.

**Conclusion:**

In accordance with the membership guidelines established for the LAC by the Board, Lompoc resident Alice Down qualifies as a member of the LAC and is recommended for reappointment to the LAC as Lompoc's City Representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sarah Bleyl, Library Director

**APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:**

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Jim Throop, City Manager