

Measure B Citizens Review Panel Minutes

April 27, 2022 Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Jim Poptanich, Debbie Ikeda, Tammie Wenter, Deborah Janzen,

Kathy Burrows, and April Henry.

Staff Present: Raman Bath, Jeannie Christiansen, and Karen Coletti.

Guests: None.

Regrets: Mary Leal, Judith Pruess, and Rhoda Howell-Gonzales.

1) Call to Order: Debbie Ikeda called meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

2) Introductions: None.

3) Adoption of Agenda: Motion to Adopt Agenda as is by Janzen; Second: Ikeda.

4) Approval of January 26, 2022, Minutes. Motion to Approve Minutes as is by Burrows; Second: Henry.

5) Election of Officer.

Motion made to reappoint James Poptanich by Ikeda; Second: Janzen.

6) Coalinga Librarian - Mary Leal - No Report.

7) County Librarian - Raman Bath.

Facilities Update

- Fig Garden renovation has doubled the branch in size. The Landlord has been very generous to the project. We still need furnishings and shelving; they have been ordered but due to supply and demand taking longer than expected. We will have some sort of reopening celebration, even though the branch has continued with curbside services. The project has turned out very nice.
- Reedley is starting to move forward. We are hosting a meeting at the site on June 1st at 6:00 PM. We are calling the meeting, The New Reedley Library Design Preview. We will share renderings of the building at this time.
- Clovis is a unique situation, the Senior Center and Transit Hub are both under construction. There have been some issues with the soil that the library location. The City and State are working to move forward on the property swap. Debbie Ikeda questioned why the library was the only part of the construction being held up and Raman explained that the City started mitigating before State cleared it.

Programming

 Our Summer Reading Program starts June 20th and runs till July 31st. It will be business as usual this year. We are offering some hybrid programming as well.

Grants

- We received a grant opportunity for building infrastructure. We submitted 5
 applications for Selma, San Joaquin, Parlier, Central and Betty Rodriguez. The
 grant is for 2 million and the State matches it.
- 8) Budget Jeannie Christiansen.

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- Citizen Review Panel reviewed the Report to the Board of Supervisors and approved of it.
 - Panel reviewed the handouts provided by Jeannie. Discussion on increasing from 1% to 2% for fund balance allocation for emergencies.
 Panel all agreed this would be the decision. Raman and Jeannie will meet and discuss.

9) Planning for next meeting.

Next meeting will be August 24, 2022, at 6:00 PM on Zoom.

10) Roster

· Roster was up to date and correct.

11) Attendance

- Everyone is in good attendance.
- 12) Motion to Adjourn at 7:10 PM by Ikeda; Second: Janzen.