



## **DRAFT MINUTES LIBRARY COMMISSION**

Monday, July 23, 2018

### **LIBRARY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Due to a lack of quorum, Chair Wang called the meeting to order at 8:00pm at the Cupertino Library, 10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino in the Story Room.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioners: Gopal Kumarappan, Christie Wang, Liana Crabtree

City/County Library Staff: Jeff Milkes, Jacqueline Guzman, Katy Nomura, Nancy Howe

Absent: Amanda Jia Wo, Rose Grymes

Attendees: Danessa Techmanski, Kathy Stakey, Kitty Moore

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Danessa Techmanski, Cupertino Resident, commented that it would not be a good idea to decrease the number of commissions due to the increasing Cupertino population. Also the Public Safety Commission is already too busy with Emergency Management and other concerns and volunteers will be less likely to volunteer without a Library Commission.

Kathy Stakey, Cupertino Resident and had served on the Commission for 11 years, commented that the Library Commission was the eyes and ears of the Library in the community and accomplished a lot.

Kitty Moore, Cupertino Resident, said the municipal code 2.48 needs to be updated, since the Recreation Director's title is still written as "Parks & Recreation Director" and 1995 was the last time the Library and Public Safety Commission's purpose in the code were updated.

#### **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

#### **STUDY SESSION**

Study session to explore consolidation of Senior Citizen, Library, and Safety issues into Parks & Recreation Commission.

Item wasn't heard by the Commission due to a lack of quorum. Was presented during the community meeting held at 7:00pm.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Library Commission's recommendation regarding consolidation of Senior Citizen, Library, and Safety Issues into Parks & Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Kumarappan said this would dramatically reduce the quality of service, as both commissions already have their plates full. Asked what opportunities are there to expand the Library Commission's responsibilities.

Chair Wang commented that all of the cities in the county operate their own commissions and could add to the Commission's scope to increase communication of what they do. Their mission should be more systematic to bring more people into the Library and this issue has brought a passionate response. Suggested gathering signatures on a petition to show support.

Vice Chair Crabtree said their most important mission is to interact with community members to provide more engagement opportunities, which wouldn't occur with a larger commission.

Commissioner Kumarappan motioned to advocate against consolidation of the Commissions. Vice Chair Crabtree seconded. Motion passed with 3 yes and 2 absent.

Vice Chair Crabtree motioned to introduce a petition, recommending not to consolidate the Commissions. Commissioner Kumarappan seconded. Motion passed with 3 yes and 2 absent.

Nancy Howe, County Librarian, said the Santa Clara Library will respond to the City Council's decision on this subject.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:59pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Jeff Milkes, Director of Recreation and Community Services

*Minutes approved at the \_\_\_\_\_ meeting.*