



AGENDA

ASTORIA CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017
6:00 PM
2nd Floor Council Chambers
1095 Duane Street · Astoria OR 97103

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA

4. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

All agenda items are open for public comment following deliberation by the City Council. Rather than asking for public comment after each agenda item, the Mayor asks that audience members raise their hands if they want to speak to the item and they will be recognized. In order to respect everyone's time, comments will be limited to 3 minutes.

a) Library Foundation Library Remodel


5. NEW BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS, PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA)

THIS MEETING IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE DISABLED. AN INTERPRETER FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED MAY BE REQUESTED UNDER THE TERMS OF ORS 192.630 BY CONTACTING JENNIFER BENOIT WITH THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE AT 503-325-5824



May 22, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM:  BRETT ESTES, CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: ASTOR PUBLIC LIBRARY RENOVATION

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The Astor Library will celebrate 50 years of service on October 8, 2017. The current building was designed by the local architectural firm Brown & Brown. It is in need of renovation to further its service to the citizens of Astoria. In January 2017 City Council set the goal of renovating the library with the intent of completing the project in 2020.

Director Pearson will present a brief synopsis of library history; discuss changes in the Library that have been made since he became Director; discuss ongoing preparations for a remodel project; and discuss unique items within the library holdings. He will also provide an overview of City of Astoria funds currently available for renovation. This includes approximately \$158,000 for initial design assistance / building maintenance in the proposed budget for next fiscal year and \$1,639,500 in other various City funds for future construction needs. The President of the Library Foundation, Willis L. Van Dusen will discuss the Foundation's fundraising goal of an additional \$3.5 million for the project. The fundraising goal would include grants and / or donations. City Manager, Brett Estes, will discuss the proposed process to initiate design and technical services.

Should Council concur with the proposed budget (including City cash in hand and the Foundation's fundraising goal) staff would initiate the process of securing the design consultant services needed to move forward. Additionally, the Library Foundation would begin a fundraising campaign to secure donations and prepare grant applications in which they would be eligible to receive. City staff would work in conjunction with the Foundation to prepare any grant applications which the City of Astoria would be an eligible recipient. City staff and the Library Foundation would be working hand in hand on this effort.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended City Council provide direction if they wish staff and the Library Foundation to move forward with the library renovation project.

By: 
Jimmy Pearson, Library Director