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City Council Memorandum

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 2017

FROM: LIBRARY DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: ACCEPT \$60,000 DONATION FROM RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION FOR TOY LENDING LIBRARY - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUE:

Accept a donation in the amount of \$60,000 from the Riverside Public Library Foundation to establish a Toy Lending Library.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept funds in the amount of \$60,000 from Riverside Public Library Foundation for Toy Lending Library at all Riverside Public Library locations; and
2. Upon acceptance, authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$60,000 and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or designee to appropriate expenditures in the same amount in a project account to be established by the Finance Department for the Toy Lending Library.

BACKGROUND:

The ER Carpenter Foundation awarded a \$60,000 grant to the Riverside Public Library Foundation to establish a Toy Lending Collection at Riverside Public Library. On December 27, 2016, Riverside Public Library Foundation donated the funds to the Riverside Public Library to implement Toy Lending Library collections at all Riverside Public Library locations.

DISCUSSION:

On February 21, 2017, the Riverside Public Library Foundation Grants Committee Chair, Barbara Shackelton, is scheduled to present the donation to the City Council.

The donated funds provided will build a collection of age-appropriate, high-grade toys (including toys adapted for children with special needs) to help young customers build basic learning skills and to develop children's literacy by engaging parents and children in stimulating and educational

play. Toy Lending Library collections will be established at all library locations beginning in Fall 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

With the receipt of the donation and appropriation of funds in the same amount, there will be a net \$0 impact to the General Fund. The \$60,000 donation will be utilized to create a toy lending library.

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