



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# Board of Library Trustees

**TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES** **DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2016**

**FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**SUBJECT: RECOMMEND TO ACCEPT 30 METAL BOOK SHELVING DONATION VALUED AT \$13,500 FROM THE NATLIE A. COLE REAGINS FOUNDATION**

## **ISSUE:**

Subject to the approval of the City Council, accept thirty (30) metal book shelving donation valued at \$13,500 to the Riverside Public Library from the Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Library Trustees recommends that the City Council accept the thirty (30) double-sided metal book shelves valued at \$13,500 from the Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation to the Riverside Public Library.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation is a tax-exempt non-profit organization under Section 501(c)(3) promotes early childhood literacy and Riverside Public Library through partnership with Mayor Bailey's "Read with the Mayor" program. The program gives away hundreds of books annually to Riverside students in support of literacy.

### **"Read with the Mayor" at Eastside Library**



The Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation has donated thirty (30) double-sided metal book shelves; 90 inches tall (7.5 feet); valued by donor at \$13,500. Special recognition is directed to Mrs. Dorothy Cole, Director, Strategic Partnerships.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The donation provides enough book shelves to address a long-needed shelving reorientation project at La Sierra Library. Currently, shelving is braced to the wall and runs North and South directly in front of the customer service desk, which hinders customers' ability to easily navigate the space and access the collection. The new shelves can be braced to the floor and will run East and West enhancing views through the stacks and the staff's ability to monitor the space.

According to the Board of Library Trustees By-Laws Section 1(f) the Board has the power to accept money, personal property or real estate donated to the City for library purpose, subject to the approval of the City Council.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The thirty (30) metal shelving donation was valued by the donor at \$13,500.

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