

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2016

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY WARD: 7

SUBJECT: ACCEPT THE DONATION OF 30 METAL BOOK SHELVES FROM THE NATLIE

A. COLE REAGINS FOUNDATION VALUED AT \$13,500

ISSUE:

Acceptance of thirty (30) donated, metal book shelves to the Riverside Public Library from the Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation, valued at \$13,500.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council accept the book shelving donation from the Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

This report is published on October 20, 2016 for the November 1, 2016, City Council meeting.

On October 24, 2016, the Board of Library Trustees will hear this item for consideration to accept thirty (30) double-sided metal book shelves valued at \$13,500 from the Natlie A. Cole Reagins Foundation, subject to the approval of the City Council. If the Board approves the recommendation, we respectfully request the City Council consider the item.

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.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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

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