Timeline

On January 23, 2017, the Board of Library Trustees received an update on the SPC. Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library ("Library") lease, which is due to expire on October 1, 2019. This Library, located at 4033 Chicago Avenue, is the only City library operating in a leased facility. SPC. Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library is the third busiest location in the Riverside Public Library system, welcoming over 111,000 visitors annually, and is currently undersized at 10,816 square feet.

The current monthly base lease payment is \$15,515 plus Common Area Maintenance (CAM) costs of \$4,326 per month, for a total cost of \$19,841 per month or \$238,092 annually.

On May 16, 2017, the City Council approved \$100,000 in Measure Z funding to support a community outreach project to identify available sites to accommodate the replacement of the SPC. Jesus S. Duran Library.

On July 24, 2017, the Board of Library Trustees received an update on potential locations and the community outreach process for a new SPC. Jesus S. Duran Library.

On August 11, and September 7, 2017, community meetings were held for receiving input on a preferred location for the new SPC. Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library.

On August 11, 2017, following a staff presentation of the available properties, four community members in attendance provided feedback. Attendees favored sites in the Eastside community along University Avenue.

Approximately 20 community members attended another community meeting on September 7, 2017. Following the staff presentation, attendees received surveys listing the available sites. Attendees favored sites in the Eastside community, along University Avenue, with a preference for locations along 2015-2039 University Avenue.

On September 25, 2017, the Board of Library Trustees received an update on community outreach efforts. The Board of Library Trustees voted unanimously to recommend a project location at 1910 University Avenue and 3870 Ottawa Avenue for City Council consideration.