

Memorandum

TO: MAYOR REED

FROM: Councilmember Kansen Chu

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 22, 2013

Approved

Date

5/22/13

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Increasing Hours at Existing Branch Libraries to 4.5 Days

Amount of City Funding Required: \$1,476,000

Fund Type (i.e. General Fund, C&C funds, etc.): General Fund

Proposal Description, including anticipated outcomes (describe how change would affect services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc.):

Libraries serve as a hub for our communities and we should try to restore as many hours at our libraries when possible. Libraries are an essential service to our residents as attendance continues to increase at many of our branches. Additional funding will enhance public access to our branch libraries and critical resources to 4.5 days a week (39 hours, Tuesday-Saturday, half day on Friday). Residents, including children, seniors, and job seekers, rely on our public libraries and continue to utilize our branch libraries to access information, computers, programming, job seeking tools, homework assistance, and books.

Funding Source

☐ Essential Services Reserve (\$2 million)

X Other (Program/Project/Fund): \$500,000 from 2013-2014 Future Deficit Reserve \$500,000 from Unemployment Insurance Fund \$467,000 from Construction Excise Fund Balance

Department or Organization: Library Department

Department or Organization Contact (list contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation):

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X One-time Ongoing
The City Service Area to which the change best relates:
☐ Community and Economic Development Services
☐ Environmental and Utility Services
X Neighborhood Services
☐ Public Safety
☐ Strategic Support
☐ Transportation and Aviation Services