



AGENDA

Library Advisory Board Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2022 at 5:30 PM

City Hall Cowles Council Chambers In-Person & Via Zoom Webinar

Homer City Hall

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1. CALL TO ORDER, 5:30 P.M.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA (3 minute time limit)

4. RECONSIDERATION

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 5.A. September 20, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
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6. VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

- 6.A. Comprehensive Transportation Plan & People-Oriented Transportation – Julie Engebretsen, Economic Development Manager & Brad Parson
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7. STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 7.A. Library Director Report for September 2022
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- 7.B. Legislative Update

- 7.C. Fundraising Update

8. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

9. PENDING BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.A. LAB/FHL Soiree

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Offer FHL some possible dates for a get-together.

- 10.B. Guidelines for Partnering with Community Organizations **Page 31 - 32**
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For discussion.

- 10.C. Tags for Endowments on the Giving Tree **Page 33**
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Keep the fundraising for the endowments separate from the fundraising for library materials.

11. INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- 11.A. Articles Re: Right to Read Act **Page 34 - 36**
[American Library Association \(ALA\) Update](#)
[Publishers Weekly Article](#)

- 11.B. Article Re: Library Issued ID Cards **Page 37 - 39**
[American Libraries Article](#)

- 11.C. Articles Re: Condom Dispensers in Library Restrooms **Page 40 - 41**
[Johns Hopkins Newsletter Article](#)
[Herald Sun Article](#)

- 11.D. Librarians in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (2nd edition) **Page 42**
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- 11.E. Ben Walters Park Recognition Ceremony **Page 43**
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- 11.F. LAB 2022 Calendar **Page 44**
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12. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

13. COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

14. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD

15. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting is **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.** All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska and via Zoom Webinar.

Session 22-07, a Regular Meeting of the Library Advisory Board was called to order by Chair Kate Finn at 5:30 p.m. on September 20, 2022 at the City Hall Conference Room located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska and via Zoom Webinar.

PRESENT: BOARDMEMBERS KUSZMAUL, BAILY, FAIR, SPRINGER, DOLMA, MCKINNEY, FINN

CONSULTING: STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON

STAFF: LIBRARY DIRECTOR BERRY
FINANCE DIRECTOR WALTON
DEPUTY CITY CLERK TUSSEY

AGENDA APPROVAL

DOLMA/KUSZMAUL MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

BAILY/KUSZMAUL MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA BY ADDING NEW BUSINESS ITEM B TO INCLUDE DISCUSSION ON PLANNING A LIBRARY FAMILY-WIDE SOCIAL GATHERING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

Boardmember Baily explained how prior to the pandemic there were periodic social functions and he would like it if the board discussed plans to hold another. At Chair Finn's request, Deputy City Clerk Tussey clarified the process for amending the agenda and how any items added can be discussed but action cannot be taken since it was not properly noticed.

VOTE (amendment): NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

There was no further discussion on the main motion as amended.

VOTE (main motion as amended): NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

RECONSIDERATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 16, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

FAIR/BAILY MOVED TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 16TH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Library Director Report for August 2022
 - i. 2021 & 2022 Statistical Reports

Library Director Berry reviewed his written staff report with the board. He responded to questions regarding the new streaming video service Kanopy, the reasoning behind the decision to take down the Plexiglas around the circulation desk and computers, details on some of the special events scheduled, and clarification on the library statistics.

- B. Legislative Update

Chair Finn gave a verbal report. Her contact at the Alaska State Libraries, Archives and Museums Division, Patience Frederickson, is retiring and she has appreciated the information they provide. On a federal level, Congress is set to consider a Senate Appropriations bill that includes crucial funding for library facilities and has been supported by Senator Murkowski. Chair Finn encouraged boardmembers to voice their support to our representatives.

Library Director Berry commented on the staffing changes taking place at the State Library in Juneau.

- C. Fundraising Update

Boardmember Kuszmaul gave a verbal report. Mooserun Metalsmith has completed the order of metal fish and they will need to start working on scheduling an event where the donors are recognized while their fish plaque is installed. Discussion ensued on who would be invited, scheduling logistics, and it potentially taking place this fall.

Boardmember Kuszmaul spoke to her draft Endowment Fund Frequently Asked Questions sheet that was provided as a laydown item. She gathered feedback on the draft's details and facilitated discussion with the board on where they are at with donation outreach. There was discussion with staff on how City Council is involved with approving donated funds and allocating disbursements.

PUBLIC HEARING

PENDING BUSINESS

- A. FY 2024/2025 Budget – Library Infrastructure Needs
 - i. Budget Development Schedule for FY 2024 & 2025

Chair Finn introduced the agenda item by reading the title and deferred to Library Director Berry.

Mr. Berry described the infrastructure repairs needed to the library facility and his plan to request funding for those repairs. He has been working with Building Maintenance to gather estimated costs and determine different options, and explained which projects are the most critical at this time, particularly the exterior siding. In response to his questions, Finance Director Walton explained how the library's infrastructure fund was rolled into the City-wide Capital Asset Repair and Maintenance Allowance (CARMA) Fund and how money is allocated from it.

The board and Mr. Berry discussed which projects were higher in priority, and what could wait for the FY 2024 budget. The following projects were identified as the most urgent, in order of priority: 1) Siding on all the exterior surfaces of the building, 2) Roof leaks, and 3) HVAC system.

There was discussion on the ADA improvements needed in the library. Deputy City Clerk Tussey spoke to the recently-adopted ordinance that accepted and appropriated a State FY2022 Community Assistance Program payment to the CARMA fund specifically for ADA improvements. These ADA-compliant improvement projects included City-wide interior signage and restrooms, and regrading parking lots. She explained how the City has an ADA Transition Plan that identifies all the compliance issues throughout the City, including the Library, and the work the ADA Compliance Committee does to implement that plan.

Mr. Berry did not have any suggested action for the board but requested their feedback on any other infrastructure or budget requests. Discussion ensued on the long-standing request to install a drop-down gate in the entryway, how it remains to be cost-prohibitive at this time but is still of great interest to the library and LAB. Mr. Berry then spoke on the operation budget increases he will be proposing; most of the City departments are requesting similar increases to keep up with cost inflation and he does not see any objections from Council.

In response to Boardmember Kuszmaul's request for direction on where the LAB can assist in the budget process, Mr. Berry commented on which dates in the Budget Development Schedule would be of importance to the LAB. Ms. Tussey noted that this agenda item is another opportunity for the board to voice their support for Mr. Berry's budget suggestions or to recommend some of their own.

KUSZMAUL/DOLMA MOVED TO APPROVE THE LIBRARY INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR NEEDS IDENTIFIED BY THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR THAT PRIORITIZE EXTERIOR LIBRARY SIDING, ROOF LEAKS, HVAC SYSTEM, PARKING LOT DRAINAGE, AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE FY 2024/2025 BUDGET REQUESTS.

Chair Finn inquired on when would be a good time to discuss or propose their "pie in the sky" budget requests, such as the drop-down gate in the entryway and a larger conference room. Mr. Berry commented the best time would be during strategic planning. Boardmember Kuszmaul noted that if the City Manager is wanting to have 5 or 10-year visioning plans then that would be a good time to offer.

Chair Finn confirmed with Ms. Tussey the current motion on the floor.

There was brief discussion on the Budget Development Schedule, how the City Manager's Office is working with various City departments/groups to gather feedback on capital projects and the budget, and the primary dates for the LAB to be involved.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Community Member Outreach Programs To-Date

Chair Finn introduced the agenda item by reading the title. She explained how one of the LAB's goals is to explore opportunities for the library to increase and improve library services to all community members, and requested input from the board on which groups they may feel they are not reaching.

Discussion ensued on the list of programs available at the library for the following user groups: Kids and parents, Teens, Adults, Homebound patrons, Patrons in distress or needing access to social services, and All patrons.

The board discussed the following topics:

- Status of the teen program committee
- Possibility of scheduling events/programs on Sunday when the library closes; logistics of using the library during after-hours and how having a drop-down gate in the hallway would be beneficial.
- If there are any other user groups that are unable to access the library; so far none have come to mind, they see that they are meeting the community needs.
- The library's procedures for handling patrons who are in distress or are in need of assistance.
- Update on collaborations with the REC Room.

B. Planning a Library Family-Wide Social Gathering

This item was added under Agenda Approval by amendment at the request of Boardmember Baily.

Library Director Berry explained the history of the library "soiree", an annual library event held collaboratively with the LAB and Friends of the Homer Library. The event has taken place once but due to COVID has not happened since.

The board agreed to have the topic on their October agenda so they can discuss plans further.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- A. Memo from Library Director Re: New Materials Challenge
- B. Memo from City Clerk Re: Implementation of New Agenda Management Software
- C. Introduction of New Librarians at Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
- D. Photos of the Loved & Lost Bench at the Homer Public Library
- E. Library Infographics
- F. LAB 2022 Calendar
- G. ALA News Article: FReadom Fighters receives AASL Intellectual Freedom Award
- H. The Washington Post Article: Teens fight for the right to read with 'banned-book clubs' and lawsuits

Chair Finn noted the informational materials provided. Discussion ensued on Banned Books Week and materials challenges in general. Chair Finn agreed to give the LAB report at Council's September meeting. Boardmember Baily volunteered to give the report at the October Council meeting, with Boardmember McKinney as an alternate.

Boardmembers Springer and Dolma left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

Library Director Berry and Deputy City Clerk Tussey had no further comments.

COMMENTS OF THE BOARD

Chair Finn thanked the board for all their help.

Boardmembers Fair, McKinney, Kuszmaul, Baily and Student Representative Johnson had no further comments.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Finn adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m. The next regular meeting is Monday, October 17, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. All meetings are scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska and via Zoom Webinar.

RACHEL TUSSEY, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK II

Approved: _____

Comprehensive Transportation Plan & People-Oriented Transportation



Brad Parsons, Independent Living Center
Julie Engebretsen, City of Homer
October 2022

2004 Non-Motorized Plan

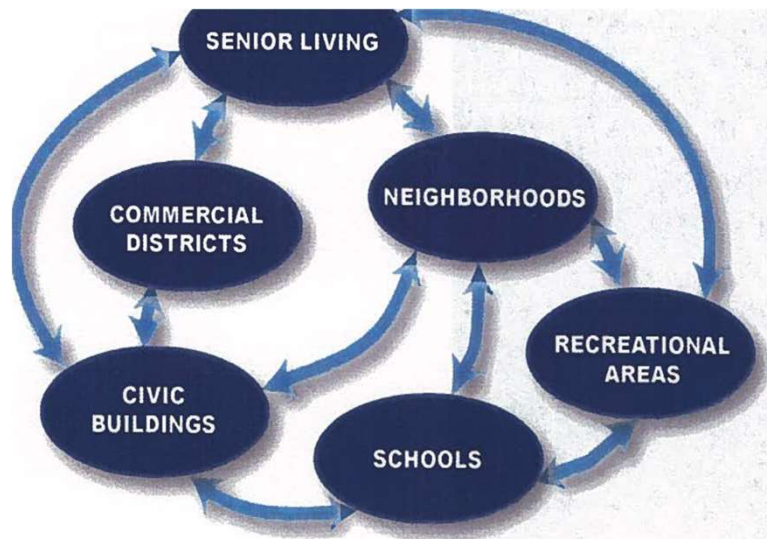


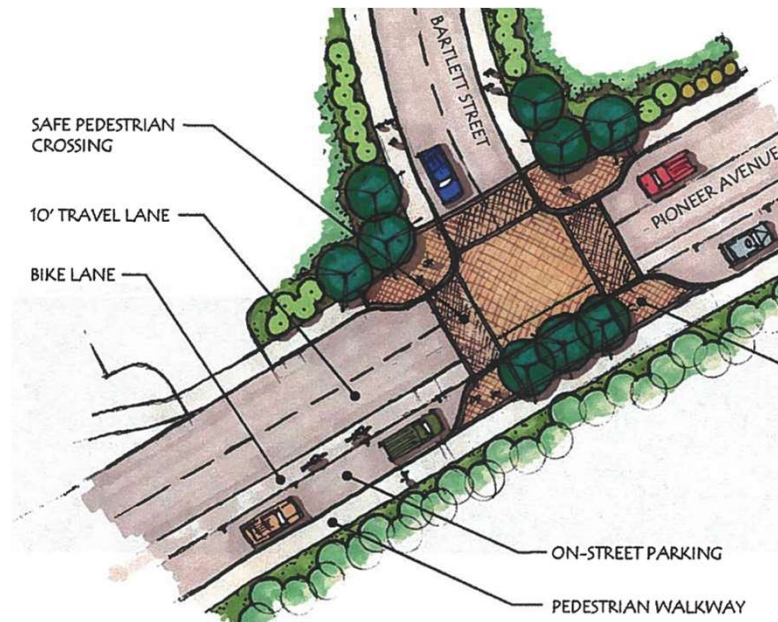
Figure 1: Connectivity Diagram

2005 (1999) Transportation Plan

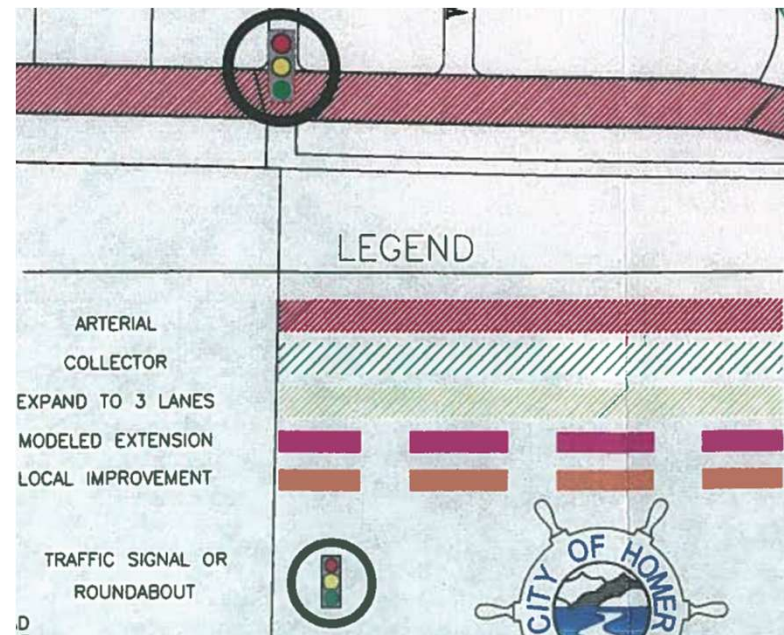
Table I-11: Delay and LOS for Model Intersections

Intersection	Approach	Year	LOS	Year	LOS	Year	LOS
		1999 Summer		2021 Summer		2021 Summer w/New Dock	
Diamond Ridge Road and Sterling Hwy	Southbound	1.6	A	0.6	A	0.6	A
	Westbound	13.5	B	18.3	C	18.5	C
	Northbound	0	A	0	A	0	A
Skyline Drive and East Hill Road	Westbound	5.2	A	8.6	A	8.6	A
	Eastbound	0	A	0	A	0	A
	Northbound	11.8	B	11.5	B	11.5	B
East End Road and Kachemak Drive	Westbound	9.5	A	4.8	A	4.6	A
	Eastbound	0	A	0	A	0	A
	Northbound	14.2	B	19.7	C	20.0	C
Fairview Street and Bartlett Street	Eastbound	11.0	B	11.5	B	10.9	B
	Southbound	4.5	A	4.3	A	2.7	A
	Eastbound	11.2	B	11.5	B	11.3	B
Fairview Street and Main Street	Northbound	2.2	A	3.1	A	3.1	A
	Eastbound	10.5	B	9.9	A	10.7	B
	Southbound	0	A	0	A	0	A
Svedlund Street and Fairview Street	Westbound	11.4	B	11.1	B	10.9	B
	Northbound	4.2	A	1.3	A	1.5	A
	Southbound	0	A	0	A	0	A
	Eastbound	9.4	A	10.3	B	9.6	A
	Northbound	3.1	A	6.1	A	5.7	A
	Northbound	12.4	B	56.6	F	94.8	F

2004 Non-Motorized Plan



2005 (1999) Transportation Plan



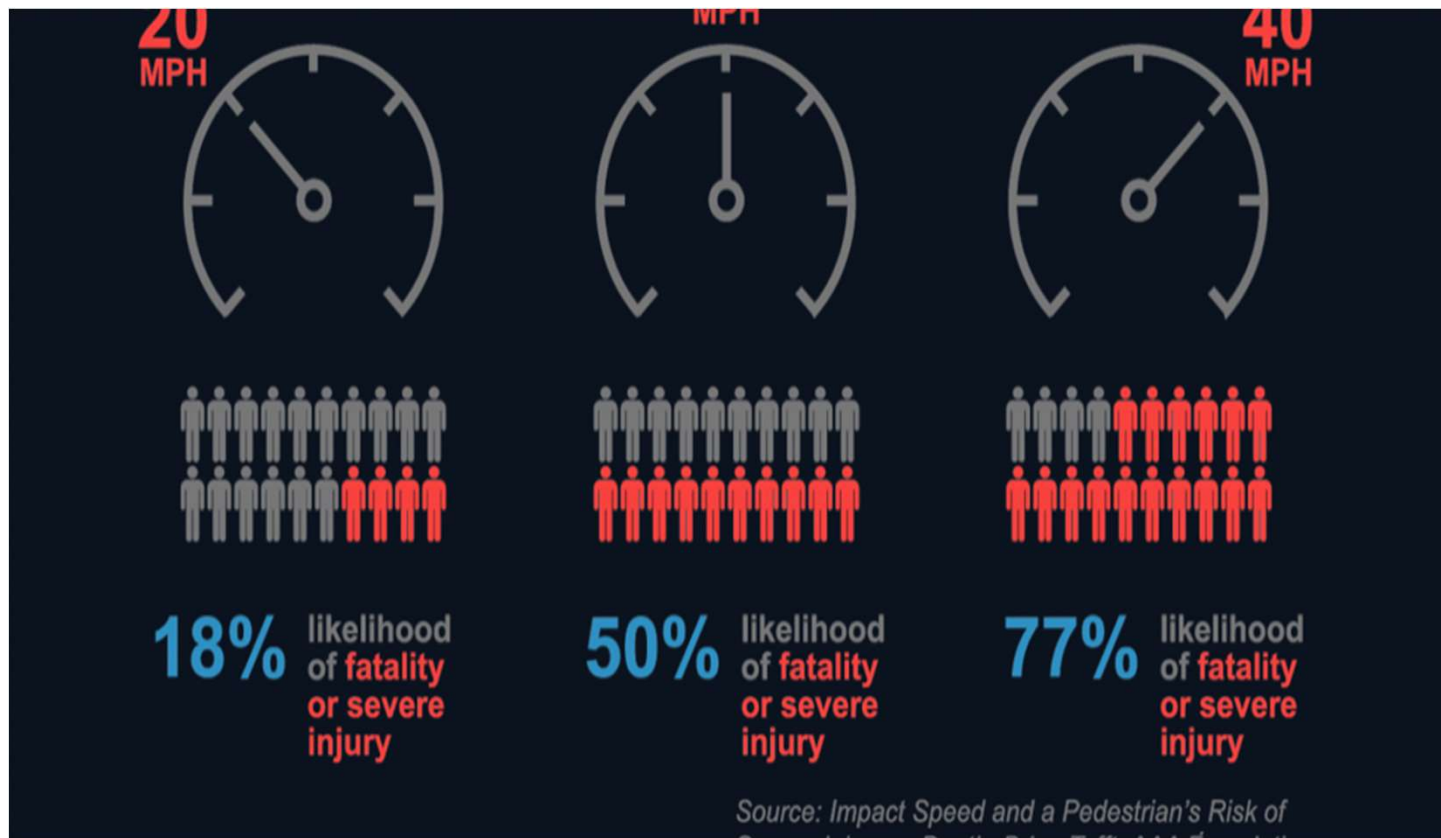


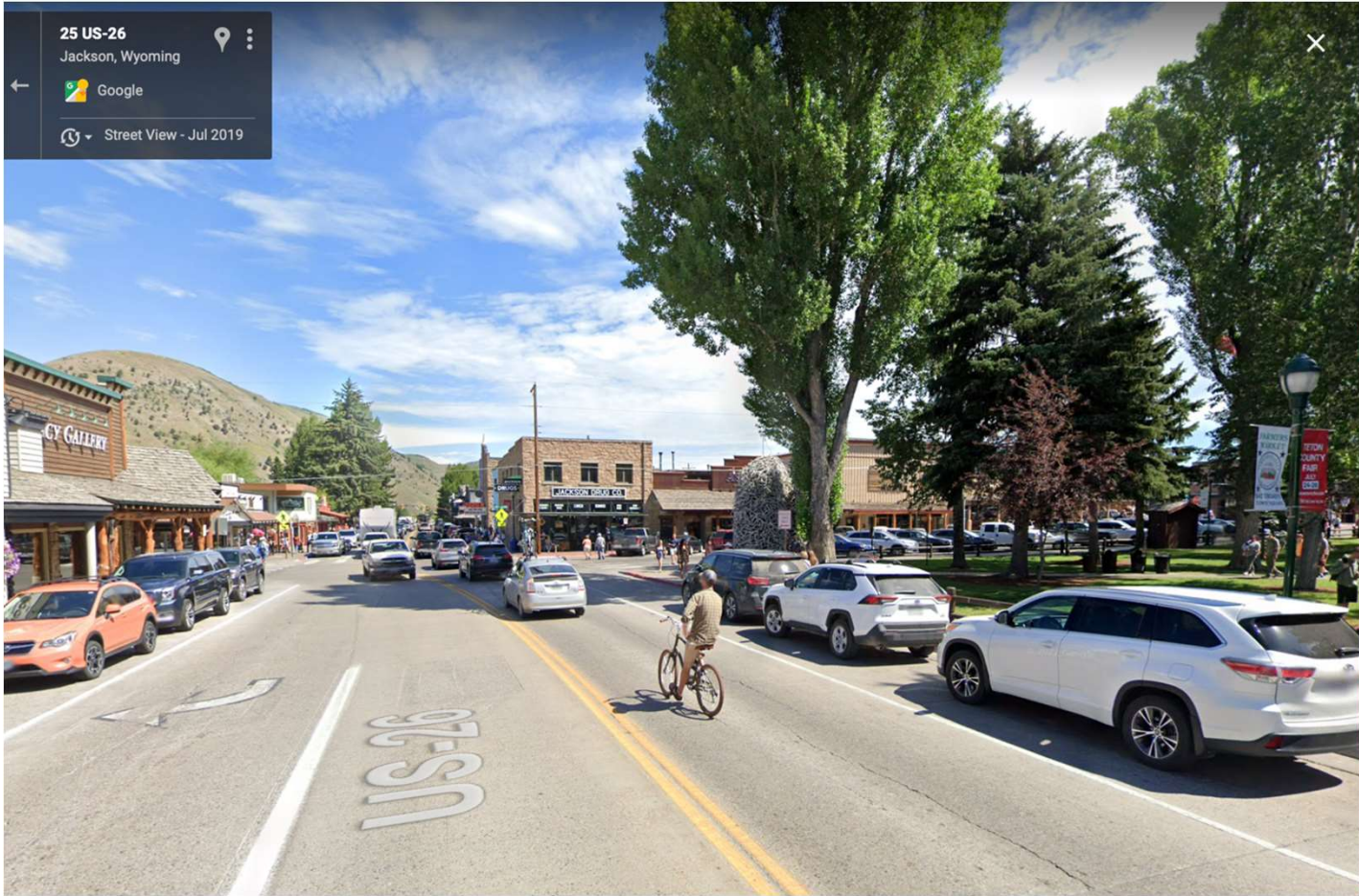


Vision Zero Action Plan



VEHICLE SPEED DETERMINES HUMAN OUTCOMES









Hamburg, NY (15 Miles south of Buffalo)
US ROUTE 62 (11,000+ ADT)
COMPLETED 2009



Commercial building permits: from 16 in 2005 to 96 in 2010.
Property values along the corridor more than **doubled** in this time period.

<https://www.cnu.org/publicsquare/2018/01/30/bigger-not-better-main-street>

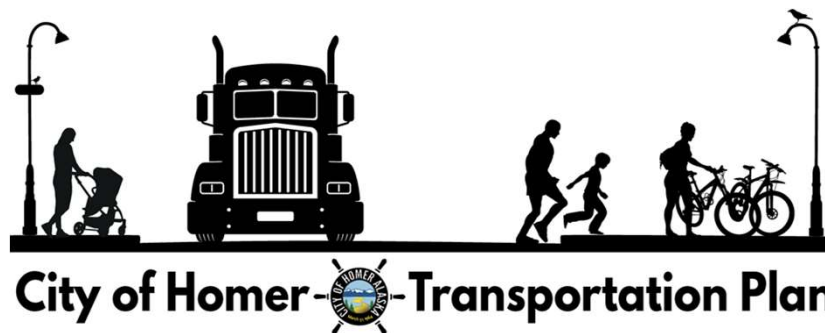
Homer Transportation Plan

Happenings & Engagement Opportunities

October

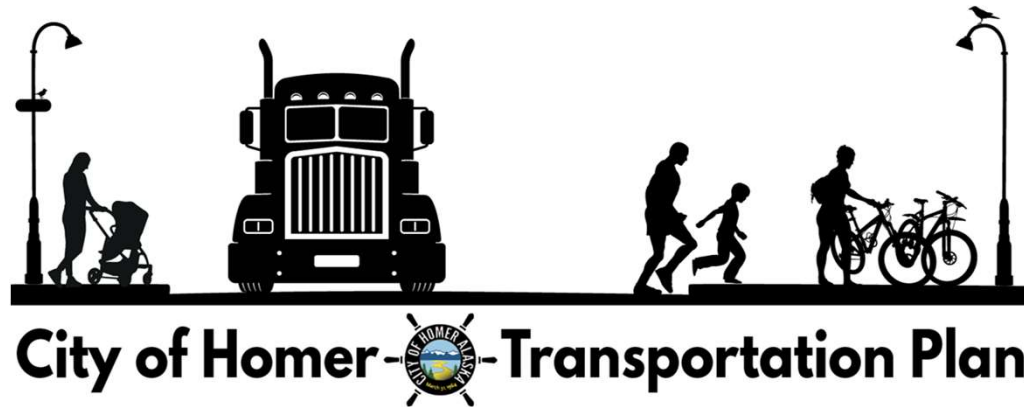
- Outreach, short presentations at City Meetings
- Input collected via web survey (paper copies at the library) & GIS-based public comment
- Focus groups

November 9: Community Meeting at Kachemak Bay Campus



City of Homer project goals -

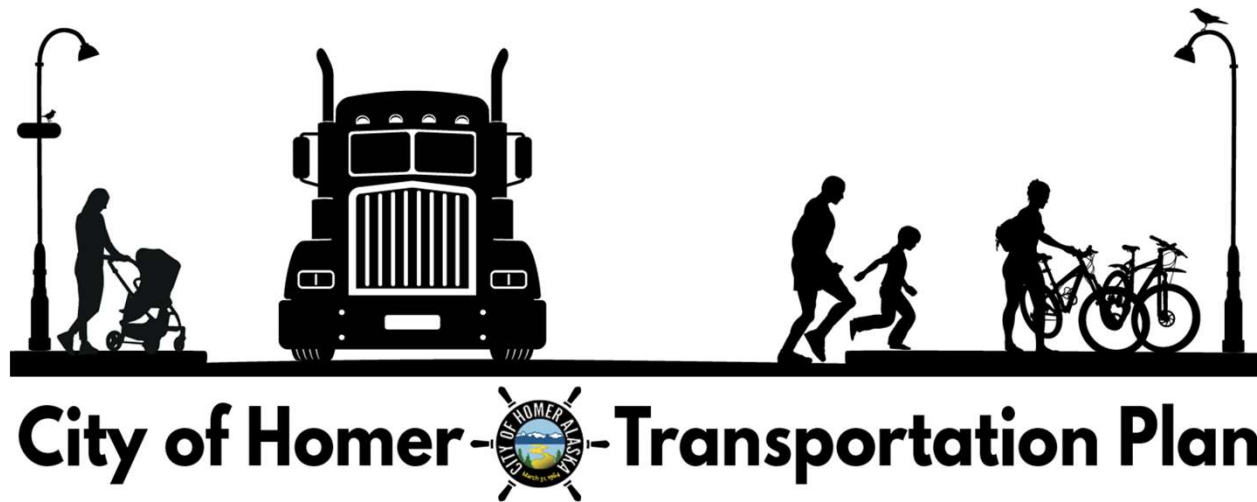
- Need for a truck route (get them off of Pioneer!)
- Need to prioritize new sidewalk construction
- Identify new trail/non motorized routes
- Give special attention to Old Town for all modes of transportation
- And more!



City of Homer  **Transportation Plan**

Visit the Project Website

<https://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/publicworks/transportation-plan>



TAKE the SURVEY



Scan here

You can help the City update the Transportation Plan that will provide framework to improve roads, sidewalks and recreational trails for the next 20 years. Please take a few minutes to share with us how you travel in and around Homer. We want your feedback!

Want to learn more?

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City of Homer Transportation Plan

Library Director's Report

September 30, 2022

General Notes

We had three virtual author talks in September, provided by the Library Speakers Consortium. The Kanopy streaming video service is live as of Oct. 1.

We wrapped up the ARPA Easy Grant and the ARPA Project Grant. Separately, the library received \$8,058 from the Alaska State Library to replace the microform reader.

Staff Notes

The staff meeting on Sept. 30 debated whether to adopt a formal policy on collaborations between the library and charity groups. Numerous charities have reached out to us, wanting to use the library facilities for various purposes. Staff are broadly in agreement about the outlines of such a policy.

The library will:

- Distribute information, including flyers and posters
- Allow use of the meeting room for charitable purposes, subject to the same rules as everyone else

The library will not:

- Promote or endorse particular causes
- Serve as a collection point for donations
- Serve as a distribution point for physical goods
- Allow solicitation of funds or in-kind donations
- Provide advertising other than the bulletin board or the handouts station (i.e. no lawn signs or distribution of flyers inside the building)
- Provide staff time or services; charities are responsible for their own staffing and logistics

All arrangements are still subject to approval by the Library Director. Programs run by library staff or the Friends of the Library are exempt from the above restrictions.

The staff also discussed a proposal for a partnership between the Homer Public Library and the Seldovia Library to create a cross-bay library service. There are many logistical details still to be ironed out, and much depends on whether a consistent and reliable connection can be established.

Director's meetings:

- Staff: 3
- LAB: 1
- FHL: 5
- Council: 2
- Department Heads: 4
- Other: CivicRec demo; Recreation champions; Libraries Build Business discussion

Facility

The railing along the ramp at the back door has been partly replaced. Cleaning crews treated all the carpets in the building.

Library Advisory Board (LAB)

The LAB discussed various fundraising questions, including scheduling installation of the fishes honoring donors from 2021-2022 on the fish wall outside the library. The LAB debated adding tags for the endowments on the Giving Tree and highlighting the endowments in City newsletters during December.

The body also reviewed its progress towards the annual goals established in February and briefly debated ongoing challenges to library materials around the nation.

The LAB is interested in reviving the joint LAB/FHL Soiree, first held in 2019.

Friends of the Homer Library (FHL)

FHL had a busy September.

The book and plant sale on Sept. 9-10 was a great success, and we will have an ongoing plant sale to match the ongoing book sale in future. The Alaska World Arts Festival provided four poets for a reading on Sept. 21. On Sept. 23 the Art in the Library committee met and selected artworks for the coming year. Later that evening, local authors Richard Chiappone and Tom Kizzia discussed their

writing process in a video recorded for Alaska Book Week. On Sept. 28 FHL co-hosted a candidate forum with the Homer Chamber of Commerce. A well-attended beekeeping event took place Sept. 30.

There will be two open houses to solicit community input on the western lot, on Oct. 7-8.

Upcoming topics to discuss include the Big Read and the Giving Tree, among other things.

Ongoing Events

Mondays, 10:30-11:00: Spanish Storytime

Mondays, 1:30-4:30: Knitting Club

Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30: LEGO Club

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:00: Toddler Time

Wednesdays, 12:00-2:00: Community Defined Youth Outreach

Wednesdays, 2:30-4:30: Chess Club

Fridays, 10:30-11:30: Preschool Storytime

Fridays, 1:00-4:00: LARP

Saturdays, 12:30-2:30: Green Dot Bystander Training

First Tuesday, 6:30-8:00: SPARC Radio Club

First Thursday, 1:00-3:00: Literary Ladies

First and Third Saturdays, 10:00-12:00: Tech Help

Second Sunday, 1:00-4:00: Second Sunday Shakespeare

Third Thursday, 10:30-11:30: Radio Storytime on KBBI

Fourth Tuesday, 4:30-6:30: FHL/HPL Book Club

Tuesday following the first City Council meeting of the month, 12:00-1:00: Lunch with a Councilmember

Special Events

- **Sep. 1: HPL officially joins the Library Speakers Consortium, which offers virtual author talks from across the nation.**
- Sep. 8: Virtual author talk by Dr. Michele Borba, author of *Raising Thrivers*.
- **Sep. 9-10: Friends of the Library Book and Plant Sale.**
- Sep. 12, 6:00-7:45: Kachemak Swim Club.
- Sep. 13, 12:00-1:00: Lunch with Councilmember Jason Davis.
- Sep. 14, 10:30-11:30: Be Red Cross Ready.
- Sep. 15, 6:00-7:45: Civil Air Patrol.
- **Sep. 15-Oct. 15: *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything*, by Linda Williams, closes out the StoryWalk® season.**
- Sep. 19: Building maintenance staff remove the last plexiglas panels from the library.
- Sep. 20: Virtual author talk by Simon Winchester, author of *Pacific, The Professor and the Madman*, and others.
- Sep. 20, 5:00-7:00: Homer Trails Alliance.
- **Sep. 21, 6:00-8:00: Rachel “Ray” Ball, Linda Martin, Jeremy Pataky and Marybeth Holleman read their poetry for the Alaska World Arts Festival.**
- **Sep. 23, 6:00-7:30: Local authors Richard Chiappone and Tom Kizzia host a conversation for Alaska Book Week.**
- Sep. 27: Virtual author talk by Hernan Diaz, author of *Trust*.
- Sep. 27, 12:30-2:30: KPBSD Homer Connections.
- **Sep. 28, 6:00-8:00: In partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Library, the library hosts a candidate forum for council seats.**
- Sep. 29, 6:00-7:30: Unitarian Universalists activity planning.
- **Sep. 30, 6:00-8:30: Beekeeping program.**
- **Oct. 1: The library subscribes to the Kanopy streaming video service, which offers access to movies and tv programs online.**
- **Oct. 4, 5:00-6:00: Paul Graci, author of *Surviving Bear Island*, visits the library.**
- Oct. 5, 5:00-6:00: Teentober ‘zines making.
- Oct. 6, 4:45-7:00: Kachemak Bay Recovery Connection.
- **Oct. 7, 4:30-6:30, and Oct. 8, 12:00-1:30: Open house for the Library Western Lot project.**
- Oct. 11, 12:00-1:00: Lunch with Councilmember Donna Aderhold.

- Oct. 11, 6:00-7:45: Kachemak Swim Club.
- Oct. 13: Virtual author talk by Dr. Aziz Gazipura, author of *Not Nice*.
- Oct. 13, 2:45-5:15: KPBSD Migrant Education (repeats every Thursday through Nov. 3).
- **Oct. 14, 6:00-7:30: Astronomy presentation by Stephanie Cortes.**
- Oct. 18: Virtual author talk by Zain E. Asher, author of *Where the Children Take Us*.
- Oct. 19, 5:00-6:00: Teentober book club.
- Oct. 21, 12:00-2:00: Students from Little Fireweed visit the library.
- Oct. 25: Virtual author talk by Kate Quinn, author of *The Diamond Eye*.
- Oct. 27, 6:00-7:30: Beekeeping program.
- Oct. 26, 5:00-6:00: Teentober Halloween crafts.
- Nov. 2: Virtual author talk by Lisa Napoli, author of *The Extraordinary Story of the Founding Mothers of NPR*.
- Nov. 10: Virtual author talk by Bonnie Garmus, author of *Lessons in Chemistry*.
- Nov. 15: Virtual author talk by Kwame Christian, author of *How to Have Difficult Conversations About Race*.
- **Nov. XXXX: Public showing of the Royal Shakespeare Company's *King Lear*.**
- Nov. 29, 12:00-1:00: Lunch with Councilmember Caroline Venuti.
- Dec. 6: Virtual author talk by Geraldine Brooks, author of *March*, *People of the Book*, and others.
- **Dec. XXXX: Giving Tree in the library entryway.**
- Dec. 13, 12:00-1:00: Lunch with Councilmember XXXX.
- Dec. 14: Virtual author talk by Nicole Eustace, author of *A Story of Murder and Indigenous Justice in Early America*.

Homer Public Library Statistical Summary for 2021

Date: 09-Feb-22

CIRCULATION	Jan	Feb (n. 2)	Mar	Apr (n. 3)	May	Jun	Jul (n. 4)	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Y.T.D.
TOTAL (*Included)	5,815	6,915	8,758	9,024	8,281	10,456	11,035	9,828	10,424	10,856	10,692	9,979	112,063
*Physical Print/Audio/Video	3,218	4,669	6,236	6,656	6,259	8,511	9,038	7,755	8,309	8,527	8,391	7698	85,267
*Other Physical items (n. 5)							68	53	58	69	52	48	348
*Alaska Digital Library	2,509	2,174	2,466	2,308	1,973	1,911	1,910	1,989	1,985	2,225	2,180	2183	25,813
*Flipster e-magazines	88	72	56	60	49	34	19	31	72	35	69	50	635
INTERLIBRARY LOANS													
Incoming (Borrowed)	0	6	16	12	13	13	15	12	10	16	12	15	140
Outgoing (Lent)	4	23	19	17	8	13	7	21	25	19	20	13	189
BUILDING USE													
Gate Count	0	1,162	1,810	2,781	3,342	4,702	5,932	4,632	5,026	4,303	4,521	4314	42525
Study Rooms (# of groups)	0	1	9	48	43	87	113	124	130	118	122	91	886
Study Rooms (# of people)	0	1	13	61	93	130	167	170	190	176	198	155	1354
Meeting Room (# of groups)	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	7	6	7	10	11	52
Meeting Room (# of people)	0	0	0	0	0	14	126	68	53	20	63	82	426
INTERNET USE													
TOTAL (*Included)	566	842	953	1,360	1,745	2,085	2,587	2,583	2,355	1,829	1,450	1,461	19,816
*Wireless Internet sessions	556	625	669	896	1,156	1,358	1,802	1,818	1,638	1,175	843	882	13418
*Hardwired Internet sessions	10	217	284	464	589	727	785	765	717	654	607	579	6398
Website visits (sessions)	4,541	4,285	4,931	4,664	4,574	5,162	5,623	5,571	4,569	4,186	3,556	3797	55,459
PROGRAM ATTENDANCE (n. 1)													
TOTAL (*Included)	72	288	116	211	38	79	179	106	96	73	129	224	1611
*Programs for Age 0-5							21	45	0	0	0	40	106
*Programs for Age 6-11							86	0	0	15	0	40	141
*Programs for Age 12-18							31	32	15	0	0	12	90
*Programs for Age 19+	35	32	25	30	38	56	11	8	56	10	117	104	522
*Programs for All Ages							30	21	25	48	12	28	164
*Youth Programs (all types)	37	256	91	181	0	23							588
OUTREACH													
# Events	10	9	14	9	3	5	4	1	1	4	2	2	64
# People	3707	3524	2742	3480	17	25	20	5	4	7	15	8	13554
NEW CARDS ISSUED													
City	11	20	18	20	25	32	26	38	30	25	27	14	286
Borough	2	4	8	16	22	27	35	29	23	21	29	9	225
Temporary	0	0	0	0	4	9	5	1	1	0	0	0	20
Reciprocal	0	1	0	0	2	4	3	5	2	2	0	0	19
VOLUNTEER HOURS													
# of people	15	13	23	69	30	43	37	31	47	51	45	53	457
# of hours	131	114	131	211	155	202	134	124	176	119	127	161	1784
MATERIALS ADDED													
Books	382	210	300	242	187	430	153	233	248	225	165	254	3029
Audio	9	2	4	19	0	0	5	8	50	2	13	19	131
Video	70	45	29	60	51	61	38	36	30	45	20	48	533
Serials	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3
Electronic Resources	0	1	0	0	0	0	284	0	306	35	60	83	769
MATERIALS REMOVED													
Books	238	172	269	510	148	126	299	0	221	378	71	80	2512
Audio	149	56	40	0	0	3	2	0	82	0	0	0	332
Video	38	3	85	20	110	60	1	0	1	2	0	12	332
Serials	0	0	0	3	0	1	2	4	0	0	1	0	11
Electronic Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUES DEPOSITED													
Fines/Fees/Copies	0.00	548.50	436.00	337.00	768.00	325.00	874.00	712.00	698.50	422.00	276.00	604.00	6,001.00
Building Fund (151-)													0.00
Library Gifts (803-)													0.00
Endowment													0.00
Grants								7000.00				25091.00	32,091.00
TOTALS	0.00	548.50	436.00	337.00	768.00	325.00	874.00	7,712.00	698.50	422.00	276.00	25,695.00	\$38,092.00

Data not available yet or incomplete

Note 1: Program attendance includes all programs sponsored by the library or the Friends of the Library. It does not include meetings of community groups. Programs are sorted by the age of the target audience, but totals include all attendees (i.e. parents as well as toddlers, etc.)

Note 2: HPL opened with reservations Feb. 1.

Note 3: HPL opened without reservations and extended hours Apr. 26

Note 4: Program attendance broken out by age, starting in July 2021.

Note 5: Other physical items includes electronic devices, kits, toys, board games, sports equipment and videogames. Prior to July 2021, these circulation figures were included in the overall total but not broken out.

Homer Public Library Statistical Summary for 2022

Date: 12-Oct-22

CIRCULATION	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Y.T.D.
TOTAL (*Included)	11,269	10,348	12,360	11,394	9,965	11,919	12,015	13,136	11,843	0	0	0	104,249
*Physical Print/Audio/Video	8,788	8,085	9,856	8,940	7,892	9,717	9,620	10,614	9,583				83,095
*Other Physical items (n. 2)	93	78	80	109	76	118	122	117	101				894
*Alaska Digital Library	2,295	2,112	2,376	2,297	1,974	2,043	2,242	2,367	2,141				19,847
*Flipster e-magazines	93	73	48	48	23	41	31	38	18				413
*Kanopy streaming video	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
INTERLIBRARY LOANS													
Incoming (Borrowed)	59	46	20	14	21	11	18	22	11				222
Outgoing (Lent)	25	21	28	15	18	13	16	19	22				177
BUILDING USE													
Gate Count	4,929	5,120	6,573	7,613	6,719	7,675	8,905	8,794	12,042				68370
Study Rooms (# of group sessions)	102	136	145	147	269	194	160	261	222				1636
Study Rooms (# of people)	152	214	218	219	370	264	203	342	363				2345
Meeting Room (# of group sessions)	13	13	20	19	19	23	28	22	28				185
Meeting Room (# of people)	55	70	144	115	149	217	222	169	286				1427
INTERNET USE													
TOTAL (*Included)	1,414	1,683	2,053	2,265	2,396	2,995	3,383	3,678	2,399	0	0	0	22,266
*Wireless Internet sessions	765	951	1,147	1,389	1,560	2,075	2,348	2,548	1,488				14271
*Hardwired Internet sessions	649	732	906	876	836	920	1,035	1,130	911				7995
Website visits (sessions)	4,283	3,558	4,217	4,375	4,640	4,583	4,980	4,931	4,618				40,185
PROGRAM ATTENDANCE (n. 1)													
TOTAL (*Included)	1,206	1,153	1,006	1,351	1,286	997	1,096	1,152	607	0	0	0	9854
*Programs for Age 0-5	1130	990	914	1184	665	768	658	983	250				7542
*Programs for Age 6-11	15	19	8	66	329	183	213	80	170				1083
*Programs for Age 12-18	22	1	3	4	2	18	9	0	5				64
*Programs for Age 19+	32	53	49	15	10	3	20	16	60				258
*Programs for All Ages	7	90	32	82	280	25	196	73	122				907
OUTREACH													
# Events	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2				15
# People	6	7	11	8	8	15	6	7	12				80
NEW CARDS ISSUED													
City	14	12	25	27	31	40	32	39	34				254
Borough	20	24	33	33	21	39	34	28	31				263
Temporary	1	0	2	1	2	7	3	3	2				21
Reciprocal	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	3	4				12
VOLUNTEER HOURS													
# of people	60	53	56	39	39	43	46	50	48				434
# of hours	203	206	193	232	159	133	182	183	179				1670
MATERIALS ADDED													
Books	282	207	219	231	277	327	272	285	108				2208
Audio	3	8	33	4	46	11	9	17	1				132
Video	25	23	47	68	73	45	35	43	10				369
Serials	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
Electronic Resources	79	45	183	93	73	118	68	0	163				822
MATERIALS REMOVED													
Books	168	304	543	567	531	139	272	157	270				2951
Audio	0	0	1	44	25	2	68	0	0				140
Video	0	0	0	33	131	72	0	4	1				241
Serials	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	0				8
Electronic Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
REVENUES DEPOSITED													
Fines/Fees/Copies	260.00	679.00	504.00	757.00	901.00	1075.00	517.20	1570.00	566.00	908.00			7,737.20
Building Fund (151-)													0.00
Library Gifts (803-)													0.00
Endowment													0.00
Grants								7000.00	8058.00				15,058.00
TOTALS	260.00	679.00	504.00	757.00	901.00	1,075.00	517.20	8,570.00	8,624.00	908.00	0.00	0.00	\$22,795.20

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AGENDA ITEM REPORT

LAB/FHL Soiree

Item Type: Action Memorandum
Prepared For: Library Advisory Board
Meeting Date: 17 Oct 2022
Staff Contact: Dave Berry, Library Director

Summary Statement:

At the last LAB meeting, Boardmember Baily suggested resurrecting the LAB/FHL Soiree, last held in fall 2019. The Friends of the Library are open to scheduling such a potluck and asked for a range of possible dates.

Staff Recommendation:

Offer FHL some possible dates for a get-together.



AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Guidelines for Partnering with Community Organizations

Item Type: Action Memorandum
Prepared For: Library Advisory Board
Meeting Date: 17 Oct 2022
Staff Contact: Dave Berry, Library Director

Summary Statement:

Charities and social organizations frequently reach out to the library for help with providing goods and services to the community. In the past six months alone, organizations have offered to:

- train library staff to perform social work
- set up a full-time social services office inside the library
- provide a couple of hours of social work outreach per week in the meeting room
- provide weekly trainings in bystander intervention
- set up informational signs on the lawn
- distribute clothing and tents to homeless patrons
- distribute condoms in the restrooms
- collect sanitary supplies for distribution to schools

This is on top of established programs that already have a relationship with the library, including the Food Pantry, Seed Library, Kenai Peninsula Votes and Share the Spirit.

There is no official policy governing community partnerships, so the library director has made decisions on an ad hoc basis. As the number of requests has increased, we see a need for some guidelines, if not an actual policy.

Staff are still debating the proper scope of the library's mission, but the language below is a starting point.

The library will:

- *Distribute information, including flyers and posters*
- *Allow use of the meeting room for charitable purposes, subject to the same rules as everyone else*

The library will not:

- *Promote or endorse particular causes*
- *Serve as a collection point for donations*
- *Serve as a distribution point for physical goods*
- *Allow solicitation of funds or in-kind donations*
- *Provide advertising other than the bulletin board or the handouts station (i.e. no lawn signs or distribution of flyers inside the building)*

- *Provide staff time, services or equipment; charities are responsible for their own staffing and logistics*
- *Programs run by library staff or the Friends of the Library are exempt from the above restrictions. All arrangements are still subject to approval by the Library Director.*

Staff Recommendation:

For discussion.



AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Tags for Endowments on the Giving Tree

Item Type: Action Memorandum
Prepared For: Library Advisory Board
Meeting Date: 17 Oct 2022
Staff Contact: Dave Berry, Library Director

Summary Statement:

At the last LAB meeting, members discussed adding tags to the Giving Tree to encourage patrons to donate to the endowments. After thinking it over and discussing it with the Friends of the Library, I suggest not doing so. There are three main reasons:

1. The Homer Bookstore has been a first-class partner for the library, and diverting donations into the endowments hurts their business
2. The proposal muddies the purpose of the Tree, and
3. The process of donating through the Homer Foundation is complex enough that it should really be treated as a separate item.

The Friends also felt that the Giving Tree should be left as is.

Staff Recommendation:

Keep the fundraising for the endowments separate from the fundraising for library materials.

Rachel Tussey, Deputy City Clerk Denied - 13 Oct 2022



Hello Kate!

Today, Senator Jack Reed (D-RI) and Representative Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ) [announced](#) the introduction of the **Right to Read Act**. ALA and AASL [strongly endorse](#) this bill, which seeks to ensure that every student has a fully resourced school library, staffed by a certified school librarian.

The Right to Read Act will:

- **Support recruitment, retention, and professional development** of state-certified school librarians.
- **Reauthorize funding** up to \$500 million for the Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grants and increase authorization for the Innovative Approaches to Literacy Program to \$100 million.
- **Fight back against book bans** by reaffirming that First Amendment rights apply to school libraries.
- **Provide liability protection** for teachers and librarians acting to provide access to reading materials.

Between the Right to Read Act, the possible [library facilities funding](#) in the FY23 budget bill, and continuing issues on [digital equity](#), the end of this Congress promises to be eventful for libraries on Capitol Hill.

Watch for updates and action alerts - **we will need your voice in the fight!**

Thank you for all you do for libraries!

ALA Public Policy & Advocacy Team

Right to Read Act (S. 5064 and [H.R. 9056](#)), legislation that would ensure all U.S. students have access to a school library staffed by a certified school librarian.

Among the bill's provisions, the Right to Read Act would authorize up to \$500 million in Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grants as well as increase the authorization for the Innovative Approaches to Literacy program to \$100 million, [a significant bump from the \\$28 million currently proposed for FY2023](#)

NOTE: [With just weeks until the November elections and a lame duck Congress, it is unlikely the bill will advance in 2022 and will likely be reintroduced in 2023.](#)



Reed, Grijalva Introduce Bill to Support School Libraries

By Andrew Albanese

Oct 06, 2022

Senator Jack Reed (D-RI) and Arizona Representative Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ) this week introduced the bicameral [Right to Read Act](#) (S. 5064 and [H.R. 9056](#)), legislation that would ensure all U.S. students have access to a school library staffed by a certified school librarian.

Among the bill's provisions, the Right to Read Act would authorize up to \$500 million in Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grants as well as increase the authorization for the Innovative Approaches to Literacy program to \$100 million, [a significant bump from the \\$28 million currently proposed for FY2023](#). The legislation also would also invest in "recruiting and retaining state-certified school librarians," and "school library staff working to broaden access to library collections." And crucially, the legislation also reaffirms that "First Amendment rights apply to school libraries" and would extend "liability protections" to teachers and school librarians—a direct response to [the alarming trend of book bans and educational gag orders](#) disproportionately targeting titles involving issues of race and the LGBTQ+ community and in some cases threatening librarians and teachers with fines, jail time, or job loss for providing access to books.

[Introduced on October 6](#), the bill acknowledges "disparities in access to school library resources in communities across the nation" and the impact on student literacy, and proposes to "surge" federal investment to address the issues. According to the U.S. Department of Education as many as [2.5 million students are enrolled in districts where there are no school libraries](#), and some [30% of students do not have access to full time school librarians](#), notes a release from Reed and Grijalva announcing the bill.

"Literacy is the cornerstone of a high-quality education in every society, yet today we are seeing our nation's children subjected to politically-led efforts to block access to books. Censoring our education system based on bias is national travesty," Grijalva said, in a release. "This legislation will support the development of effective school libraries, including the recruitment and retention of librarians, and provide federal funding for literacy resources in high need communities. This bill will also help protect the right to access diverse, inclusive school library collections. Together, we will build and develop effective school libraries with diverse and robust resources to deliver positive and formative opportunities for students."

"Quality teaching and effective school libraries go hand-in-hand with securing the right to read for our students," added Reed. "The Right to Read Act is about making sure that low-income, minority, children with disabilities, and English language learners have equal access to that opportunity through high quality, appropriately staffed school libraries and diverse and inclusive reading materials both at school and at home."

**"Quality teaching and effective school libraries go hand-in-hand with
securing the right to read for our students."**

ALA officials this week issued strong statements of support for the bill.

“The Right to Read Act...insists that all students have the right to read freely and deserve equitable access to a robust collection in their school library," said ALA president Lessa Kanani‘opua Pelayo-Lozada, in a statement, pointing out that the pandemic shined a spotlight on the many important roles of school librarians. "School libraries bridge the gap between access and opportunity for all learners. Now is the time to scale that success, not take it for granted. Every school library should be staffed by a state-certified school librarian. Strong school libraries staffed by school librarians lead to stronger teachers and greater student success, and ALA applauds Senator Jack Reed and Representative Raúl Grijalva for introducing the Right to Read Act.”

Kathy Lester, school librarian at East Middle School in Plymouth, Mich., and the current president of the American Association of School Librarians, a division of ALA, also applauded the bill.

“School librarians professionally curate diverse, inclusive collections of materials; motivate and guide student reading; teach information/media literacy skills; and integrate technology for teaching and learning," Lester said, in a statement. "An effective school library supports the entire learning community and is essential for student success. AASL endorses the Right to Read Act of 2022 and thanks Senator Reed, Representative Grijalva, and their staff for introducing this important legislation.”

The bill is welcome news for school librarians, who have seen their ranks shrink on recent decades, as well as for Freedom to Read advocates in the wake of [an unprecedented wave of book bans and educational gag orders](#). With just weeks until the November elections and a lame duck Congress, it is unlikely the bill will advance in 2022 and will likely be reintroduced in 2023.



ID Made Easier

Enhanced library cards allow some Texas patrons to establish identification

By [Cass Balzer](#) | September 1, 2022



Patrons display their new enhanced library cards at an April 6 sign-up event at the Fairbanks branch of Harris County (Tex.) Public Library. The cards offer another form of ID. Photo: Nancy Hu/Harris County (Tex.) Public Library

Photo identification is an essential part of American life. But for large swaths of the populace, photo IDs can be difficult, if not impossible, to obtain.

“We saw how hard it was for [residents] to get electricity, rent an apartment, open a bank account, or pick up their children from school” without them, says Damaris Gonzalez, an immigration rights organizer with the nonprofit Texas Organizing Project (TOP), which has been advocating for enhanced library cards in the state.

These cards are designed to address the need for photo IDs, often displaying the holder's photo, name, date of birth, address, and gender. And many public libraries in Texas are leading the way on getting these cards into people's hands.

"Public libraries have been, for generations, very responsive" to the needs of their communities, says Dale McNeill, assistant director for public services at San Antonio Public Library (SAPL). The library began offering enhanced cards in 2020—making it among the first in the nation to do so—after putting out a call for proposals for a new integrated library system (ILS) that had the ability to store photos. With the new ILS in place, incorporating the enhanced cards was "pretty straightforward," McNeill says.

Spurred to action

The demand for enhanced library cards gained urgency in early 2018, with the onset of then-President Donald Trump's immigration policies. The termination of DACA (the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program), for example, prompted members of TOP to act.

Also in 2018, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott signed into law SB4, known as the "show me your papers" law, which requires local governments and law enforcement agencies to cooperate with federal immigration officers.

According to Gonzalez, libraries are uniquely equipped to provide this form of identification. Compared with municipal IDs available in New York City and elsewhere, enhanced library cards via public libraries are safer, Gonzalez says, because public libraries protect patron privacy and are not subject to SB4.

While TOP and other advocacy groups initiated the project with immigrant and undocumented communities in mind, the cards have also been beneficial for unhoused people, formerly incarcerated individuals, folks working toward ID recovery following fraud or a natural disaster, and LGBTQ people in need of gender-affirming identification. The cards are not accepted as proof of identification at the voting booth or to board an airplane.

Funding and training

Enhanced library card implementation varies by library system. In Harris County, Texas—which includes Houston—a county commissioner contacted Harris County Public Library (HCPL) to ask if it could legally issue photo identification cards. After consulting with county attorneys, the library determined it could issue cards but with a crucial stipulation: Neither the library nor Harris County has the authority to say that anyone is required to take it as legal identification, HCPL Library Director Edward Melton explains.

The library was approved for \$297,000 to implement the project. Funds cover hardware, software, and supplies needed to print the cards and can be used to cover additional supply-related expenses for several years.

Securing funding was similarly simple at San Marcos (Tex.) Public Library (SMPL), which partnered with nonprofit immigrants' rights group Mano Amiga. The group raised about \$6,000 to pay for ink cartridges, a printer, a dedicated laptop, plastic cards, a cart to house everything in one place, and other materials.

SAPL offers enhanced library cards at four of its locations. Program materials—a digital camera and a backdrop—cost around \$600 at each of them, McNeill says.

After establishing enhanced library cards, training and policy changes have been the next key steps. “[Our policy] used to be pretty strict,” SMPL Director Diane Insley says. Until changes were implemented, patrons had to present a Texas driver’s license or photo ID or an electric bill with their name on it to get these new cards. “We added a whole slew of things that people can [now] use to verify who they are,” she says, including school transcripts, expired IDs, and medical records.

Fred Schumacher, circulation services manager at HCPL, says that people applying for an enhanced library card can freely express their gender identity. To make this process go more smoothly and to create an inclusive library environment, he says staff members were trained on how to provide the service without judgment.

Local need

In most cases, enhanced library cards have been a surprising success. HCPL distributed more than 2,000 enhanced library cards in the two months following its mid-March launch. “The response has been more brisk than I anticipated,” Schumacher says.

Libraries that have implemented these cards say that clearly communicating their use is essential. Working with a city or county attorney establishes legality, and partnering with a nonprofit organization can help expand use outside of the library, especially in areas with significant community challenges.

Says SAPL’s McNeill: “A lot of times, the public library isn’t the one [necessarily] advocating for change, but the one ready to change.”

CASS BALZER is a writer in Chicago.

the johns hopkins NEWS-LETTER

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Condoms in Library promote safe sex

October 17, 2013

Earlier this week, the SGA placed condom dispensers in the restrooms on all floors of the Brody Learning Commons and on the M and Q levels of the Milton S. Eisenhower Library. The Editorial Board commends the SGA in its endeavor to promote safe sexual practices among the student body.

Given that the free condom supply was completely depleted within five days, this new resource clearly meets a demand for accessible protection. Additionally, this shows an attempt to extend accessible free condoms to upperclassmen, who may not have the opportunity to request free condoms from Resident Advisors. As Hopkins is such an academically-minded school, placing condoms in library bathrooms will likely reach a greater portion of students. The Editorial Board believes that the SGA will fulfill its goal of minimizing embarrassment for students who may be too shy to procure condoms otherwise.

The SGA has also illustrated that it values quality in its decision to distribute Lifestyles condoms, a brand which is provided to the university by the Maryland State Administration. Lifestyles's variety of flavors and sensitivities will appeal to many.

Hopkins has a history of providing students access to sexual health information. This year's "Sex Signals for College Singles (and Everyone Else)" orientation event (as well as similar events in the past) have taught freshmen safe sexual practices from the beginning of their time at Hopkins. Apart from the library condom dispensers and Resident Advisors, students can also obtain free condoms at the Student Health and Wellness Center.

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Condom vending machines installed at Footscray library

CONDOM vending machines have been installed in the public toilets at a library in Melbourne's west.

Bridie Byrne

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June 22, 2015 - 3:02PM

CONDOM vending machines have been installed in the public toilets at Footscray Library.

The machines have been rolled out as part of a Women's Health West's Action for Equity strategy in partnership with Maribyrnong Council.

The strategy aims to improve access and availability to condoms by increasing the number of vending machines in public places.

Research shows that young men prefer to access low-cost condoms from semi-private places such as local parks, school toilets and shopping malls.

Council chief executive Stephen Wall said the Footscray Library was the only council owned facility that had condom machines.

Mr Wall said if the 12-month pilot project was successful they would look at putting machines in other locations.

"It was a project goal to put the condom vending machines in a location that was as accessible as possible for all community members," he said.

"The Footscray Library is accessed by people of all ages, backgrounds, ethnicities, sexualities and genders and is open beyond the usual business hours, including the weekend."

Women's Health West chief executive Dr Robyn Gregory said the initiative was in response to an increase in sexually transmitted infections and unplanned pregnancies in Maribyrnong.

Dr Gregory said the centre had secured a grant from the Helen Macpherson Smith Trust to allow the condoms to be sold at a reduced fee.

Librarians in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (2nd edition)

Requested by Chair Kate Finn



Mackenzie Henley

She is a SPED aid in the mornings and Chapman Elementary School librarian in the afternoons



Kristy Stevenson

She is the librarian for both West Homer Elementary and Paul Banks schools



Dave Brann



Kachemak Bay Club

BEN WALTERS PARK RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Thursday,
October 20, 2:00–3:30pm

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LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD 2022 Calendar

	AGENDA DEADLINE	MEETING	CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR REPORT*	ANNUAL TOPICS/EVENTS
JANUARY	Wednesday 1/12 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 1/18 5:30 p.m.	Monday 1/24 6:00 p.m.	• Annual Review of Library Fees, Policies, Rules & Regulations
FEBRUARY	Wednesday 2/9 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 2/15 5:30 p.m.	Monday 2/28 6:00 p.m.	
MARCH	Wednesday 3/9 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 3/15 5:30 p.m.	Tuesday 3/29** 6:00 p.m.	• Clerk Reappointment Notices Sent Out
APRIL	Wednesday 4/13 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 4/19 5:30 p.m.	Monday 4/25 6:00 p.m.	• Terms Expire April 1 st • Advisory Body Training Worksession • Election of LAB Officers • Celebration of Lifelong Learning; National Library Week, Library Workers Day, & Library Legislative Day
MAY	Wednesday 5/11 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 5/17 5:30 p.m.	Monday 5/23 6:00 p.m.	
JUNE		No Regular Meeting		
JULY		No Regular Meeting		
AUGUST	Wednesday 8/10 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 8/16 5:30 p.m.	Monday 8/22 6:00 p.m.	• Library Budget Review *may not be applicable during non-budget years
SEPTEMBER	Wednesday 9/14 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 9/20 5:30 p.m.	Monday 9/26 6:00 p.m.	• Library Card Sign-up Month
OCTOBER	Wednesday 10/12 5:00 p.m.	Monday 10/17*** 5:30 p.m.	Monday 10/24 6:00 p.m.	
NOVEMBER	Wednesday 11/9 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 11/15 5:30 p.m.	Monday 11/28 6:00 p.m.	• National Friends of Libraries Week • Approve Meeting Schedule for Upcoming Year
DECEMBER	Wednesday 12/14 5:00 p.m.	Tuesday 12/20 5:30 p.m.	1/10/2022 6:00 p.m.	• Annual Review of Strategic Plan/LAB Goals

*The Board's opportunity to give their report to City Council is scheduled for the Council's regular meeting following the Board's regular meeting, under Agenda Item 8 – Announcements/ Presentations/ Borough Report/Commission Reports.

**The City Council March meeting will be held on a Tuesday due to Seward's Day.

***The LAB October meeting will be held on a Monday due to Alaska Day being on Tuesday 10/18.