



City of Buellton

May 30, 2018

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

RE: Library Advisory Committee Recommendations

As the City of Buellton representative to the Library Advisory Committee (LAC), I voted in support of the recommendations in your packet for June 5, 2018, regarding library funding. In particular, rescinding the 5% from the per capita allocation and the 20% cap on administration fees that had a negative financial impact on the Buellton Library.

The City of Buellton is looking forward to a transition to the newly created Zone 4 if that can be arranged. In the interim, we were planning to stay with Zone 1 in FY 18-19 with the same number of hours and days of operation with no additional funding required from the City of Buellton (per the preliminary budget figures from the City of Santa Barbara). The Board's action on April 3, 2018, jeopardized this agreement and would have required the City of Buellton to pay more for the same level of service. Therefore, I respectfully request that the Board of Supervisors accept the LAC recommendations.

The City of Buellton and its residents value the library and we hope solutions can be found to support all libraries and branches within the County.

Please include our comments in the public record.

If you have further questions, please contact City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, at 805-686-7429.

Sincerely,

for Dave King, Vice Mayor, LAC Representative

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