



## CITY COUNCIL LATE MATERIALS

### Library Partnership Concept Proposed by Mayor Wagoner January 21, 2016

- OUTCOMES:
1. Consolidated operations between the city and CSRPLD;
  2. New physical location within the city's limits, sized for the population (target minimum of 20,000 square feet), located in or near the city's historic downtown core;
  3. Long-term committed partnership to serve patrons in the Sedro-Woolley School District.
- MECHANISM:
- Contractual agreement between the city and the CSRPLD; 20 year term (does not preclude annexation in the future).
- CORE TENANTS:
1. Mutually beneficial/partnership will produce better library services for more people than either partner could serve separately.
  2. The CSRPLD will operate the library.
  3. Parity in economic commitment based upon CSRPLD's actual millage rate (i.e., 2015's millage rate was \$.4980713976/\$1,000AV multiplied by the city's actual assessed valuation to equal the city's annual economic commitment which would have been \$360,005 in 2015). The city's commitment will be calculated to include the following elements:
    - a. City will own a building, remodeled and/or purpose built for the library, which will be provided for the sole use of CSRPLD. Building to meet all code requirements and jointly designed. The annualized value will be the actual principal and interests payments on councilmanic debt for a term of 20 years (i.e., \$3.0M in debt costs \$207,000/year);
    - b. The difference in capital costs and the city's annual economic commitment will be used to provide maintenance, a building major repair reserve fund and annual operating costs in priority order and proportional amounts to be agreed upon (i.e., \$207,000 + \_\_\_\_\_ for maintenance + \_\_\_\_\_ for building reserve fund + \_\_\_\_\_ operating costs = \$360,005 in 2015).
  4. Existing city staff will be hired by the CSRPLD.
  5. The city's existing library collection will be transferred to the CSRPLD library, along with any furniture, fixtures & equipment that could be reused.
  6. In the event the CSRPLD fails, closes, relocates or terminates the agreement, the city shall receive the CSRPLD collection that is located in the city-location

library. The intent of this provision is to allow the city to reestablish a public library following a failure of the partnership for any reason.

7. CSRPLD and the city may collocate in the city's existing library following execution of this agreement and until opening day of the new main library to provide CSRPLD immediate access to a brick and mortar facility. Details regarding which party will operate the library, hours of operations, etc., during this transitional period to be determined.

8. The library will be known as the Sedro-Woolley Regional Library branded as part of the CSRPLD.

9. The city and the CSRPLD will form a joint advisory committee to consider library operations and make recommendations to the CSRPLD board; the CSRPLD board will meet at least once annually with the city council and provide a report on the prior year's operations and a plan for the following year's operations at that meeting.