

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 11/08/22

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 22-0879

**LOG NAME:** 84DONATION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize the Fort Worth Public Library to Donate Withdrawn Youth Materials to Teachers of Public, Private, Charter and Homeschools in the City of Fort Worth and Find that the Donation Serves a Public Purpose

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the Fort Worth Public Library to donate withdrawn youth library materials to teachers of public, private, charter or homeschools in the City of Fort Worth; and
  2. Find the donation serves to carry out the public purpose of promoting literacy by providing materials to students who lack access to books, and that adequate controls are in place to carry out such public purpose.
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**DISCUSSION:**

The Fort Worth Public Library plans to donate approximately 17,500 withdrawn youth materials to teachers of public, private, charter and homeschools in the City of Fort Worth, Texas. Teachers for grades Kindergarten through 12 will be invited to the "Fill the Bag for Your Classroom" event in November (one bag per teacher). These youth materials (such as books, magazines, graphic novels, and DVD's) identified for donation are gently used but no longer needed in the public library's collection. The materials can continue to benefit the community and support the Library's relationship with local educators in classrooms. This donation will help keep books/materials accessible to the students as well as promote literacy and learning through reading. Because these items are specific to youth interests, they are not accepted by the Library's contracted vendor to resell on the used book market. The City will ensure adequate controls are in place to carry out such public purpose through the donation process.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of these recommendations will have no material effect on City funds.

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