

Mayor and Council Communication

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M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 21-0932

LOG NAME: 84BOOK DONATION FOR ATWOOD MCDONALD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT

(CD 4) Authorize the Fort Worth Public Library to Donate Withdrawn Books to the Atwood McDonald Elementary School and Find that the Donation of Books Serves a Public Purpose

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the Fort Worth Public Library to donate withdrawn library books to the Atwood McDonald Elementary School in response to the loss of its books from a recent fire; and
 2. Find the donation serves to carry out the public purpose of promoting literacy by providing books 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 1,500 books to the Atwood McDonald Elementary School in Fort Worth, Texas. The school recently lost books as a result of smoke, fire and water damage from a fire that caused the total loss of the school library. The books the Library identified for donation are no longer needed in the public library's collection but could continue to benefit the community and support the Library's relationship with local teachers, educators and school librarians in the community. This donation would help keep books accessible to the students of the Atwood McDonald Elementary School and promote literacy and learning through reading during a critical and challenging time. The City will ensure adequate controls are in place to carry out such public purpose through the donation process.

Atwood McDonald Elementary School is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 4.

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

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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