

**To the Mayor and Members of the City Council****January 24, 2023**

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**SUBJECT: CENTRAL LIBRARY HOURS REDUCTION**

The purpose of this IR is to inform City Council about a change of public hours coming to the Central Library. On Tuesday January 31, 2023 the Central Library will move from being open 7 days per week to 5. The library will be open Tuesdays-Saturdays 10am-6pm. Reduction of hours is part of the Fort Worth Public Library's drawdown of service in anticipation of closure.

Property Management continues to explore spaces in the downtown for a library presence and the size of the new location will determine the programs and services offered. The library welcomes suggestions for locations.

As closure planning continues, the Fort Worth Public Library will bring more information to City Council. Community engagement has begun, as well. For those interested in the fundraising bricks, we ask that they fill out this form: <http://fwpl.info/bricks>.

Interested community members can stay updated by visiting the Central Library sale information site at <https://fwpl.info/downtown>.

If you have any questions on this report, please contact Manya Shorr, Director, Fort Worth Public Library, at 817-392-7707 or [manya.shorr@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:manya.shorr@fortworthtexas.gov).

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