



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: December 21, 2010
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Interim Director of Community Services/City Librarian
Subject: Recognition of AYSO Region 76-Beverly Hills and Friends of the Beverly Hills Library for their donation of \$18,600 to restore the hours that the Library would have been closed due to furloughs (Dec. 27-Dec. 30)

Attachments:

INTRODUCTION

This report asks the City Council to recognize the AYSO Region 76 – Beverly Hills and the Friends of the Beverly Hills Public Library for their generous donations to restore the hours that the Library would have otherwise been closed due to furloughs on (December 27-December 30). AYSO Region 76 - Beverly Hills is contributing \$14,600 and the Friends of the Library \$4000.

DISCUSSION

As part of the budget reduction strategy that was necessary to close the \$9 million budget shortfall for fiscal year 2010-11, the City needed to implement furloughs of nonemergency staff during the week of December 27-December 30. As with many of the City operations, the Library was to be closed these four days.

AYSO Region 76 – Beverly Hills initially stepped forward and offered to raise the funds required to restore basic service at the Library for these four days. The Friends of the Library have also offered the funding to help close the gap to provide some additional services during this time, such as telephone customer service. While basic library service and phone service will be available during these days, any ancillary services will not be offered during these four days, including literacy services, passport issuance, meeting room rental, ordering and processing of library materials, etc. Additionally, the Library will be open a shortened schedule (10 a.m. -6 p.m.) each of these days. The Library's regular schedule provides for the facility to be open to the public until 8 p.m., Monday –Friday.

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This report recommends that the City Council members recognize AYSO Region 76 – Beverly Hills and the Friends of the Library for these generous contributions.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$18,600 is being donated to the City by AYSO Region 76 – Beverly Hills and the Friends of the Library which will allow for the Library to provide the basic services and hours on December 27-30.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council members recognize AYSO Region 76 – Beverly Hills and the Friends of the Beverly Hills Public Library for their donation to keep the library open on December 27-30.


Nancy Hunt-Coffey
Approved By