



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: August 6, 2013
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Assistant Director of Community Services
Subject: Addition of new hours to the Beverly Hills Library

Attachments: 1. None

INTRODUCTION

Through the recent budget process, City Council approved additional hours for the Library during the week and on holiday weekends. This report summarizes the proposed additional hours.

DISCUSSION

Through the recent budget process, the City Council generously approved additional operating hours for the Beverly Hills Public Library. With this funding, the Library will no longer be closed for three days over holiday weekends but will only be closed on the holiday itself. This addition of hours for holiday weekends is effective immediately. Additionally, the Library proposed to change the weekly schedule as follows:

Day of the Week	Current Hours	Proposed
Monday	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM	9:30 AM – 9:30 PM
Tuesday	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM	9:30 AM – 9:30 PM
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM	9:30 AM – 9:30 PM
Thursday	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM	9:30 AM – 9:30 PM
Friday	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Sunday	12:00 PM – 5:00 PM	12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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Staff feels that this new schedule will both accommodate early users of the library, such as preschoolers and their parents, and evening users, such as local high school students. Additionally, on an hourly basis, Sunday is the busiest day, and many patrons have requested that the library stay open till 6 PM. The proposed schedule will also minimize the amount of negotiation required with the various bargaining groups. As a result, the new schedule could go into effect in September.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds for the additional library hours were approved through the budget process, so there is no additional fiscal impact at this time

RECOMMENDATION

Unless directed otherwise, staff will proceed with implementing the new Library hours as delineated in this report.

Don Rhoads, Director of
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Nancy Hunt-Coffey
Approved By