

**City of Oakland  
Library Advisory Commission**

**DRAFT RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION IN  
SUPPORT OF A POTENTIAL LIBRARY PARCEL TAX MEASURE ON  
THE JUNE 5, 2018 BALLOT**

**WHEREAS**, at the February 6, 2018 City Council authorized a resolution placing a proposed Library parcel tax measure estimated at \$10 million annually that would fund several areas of need; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland residents will vote on the Library Tax Measure on June 5, 2018 to maintain, protect and enhance Library services; and

**WHEREAS**, the objectives outlined in the proposed measure specifically state that *“The tax proceeds raised by these special taxes may be used only to pay for costs or expenses relating to or arising from efforts to achieve the stabilization of funding for the Library and allow for Library enhancements, following desired outcomes and objectives”*:

1. *Increase Public Library availability and resources for Oakland’s students and residents;*
2. *Enhance library services providing regular open hours at City libraries, maintaining staffing at levels to retain and expand hours at libraries;*
3. *Upgrade and enhance library facilities expanding free access to computers, the internet and technology; and*
4. *Maintain and protect existing direct library services and provide future improvements for library operations and capital needs that directly serve Oakland Public Library patrons.”*
5. *Support the equitable disbursement of Library services, programs, staffing, facilities and resources in order to decrease disparities in life outcomes of marginalized communities and to facilitate equity of opportunity throughout Oakland.*

**WHEREAS**, this parcel tax measure required a minimum maintenance of effort from the City’s General Purpose Fund at the FY 2017-18 level; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Public Library (OPL) provides services to the community from facilities distributed throughout the City of Oakland, including the Main Library, 16 branches, the African Museum and Library and the Tool Lending Library; and

**WHEREAS**, the Library Advisory Commission was created to advise the City Council on matters relating to Oakland Public Libraries; and

**WHEREAS**, the intent of this resolution is to offer such advice; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, we, the undersigned members of the Library Advisory Commission of the City of Oakland, firmly believe that The 2018 Oakland Public Library Preservation Act is critical to support and further the ongoing mission of the Oakland Public library, allowing all of its citizens to “explore, connect and grow.” The measure is designed to ensure that assessed funds will be used expressly for the purposes stated.

IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_February 26,\_\_\_\_\_2018\_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES – CHAIRPERSON BARBERO, VICE CHAIR RACLE, LEWIS, MANDROS BELL, PERKINS, MONTGOMERY, RANDLE, LIANG, LUPOFF, GOODMAN-LUCKER, CONSTANT, MCCLUNG, SANCHEZ, DUMAS, AND JORDAN.

NOES –  
ABSENT –  
ASTENTION –

ATTEST:

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VICTORIA BARBERO,  
CHAIRPERSON