AGENDA ITEM: Joint Discussion with Library Board to Review Library Survey Result and Determine Next Steps

DESIRED MEETING OUTCOMES:

Review the library survey results, discuss if additional data analysis is warranted, and consider next steps in the process with the primary focus being a decision as to whether we submit a proposal to Dakota County asking them to take over South St. Paul library operations or keep the library as a city endeavor.

OVERVIEW:

This past fall, the City and Library Board embarked on a Citizen Engagement process that focused on Library Operation options and culminated with a survey of residents asking for their input/preferences. The survey generated 752 total responses. As you will recall, we had an initial deadline of January 24th. We then extended the deadline to January 31st. We tracked the respondents by those dates as noted below:

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Attached to this memo is a summary of the survey results. In reviewing the results, you will note that the respondents per question does not equal the total number of surveys received. We asked AE2S (the company that provide the survey portal and data analysis) for an explanation of the differences and they said a number of respondents left questions blank (they may have left the survey before completing all questions.) We were able to verify that in the overall survey results as evidenced by Question #14. In this case, the number of respondents to that question was 706. In reviewing the response lines, we were able to see that there were 47 blank responses. Therefore, the 706 responses plus the 47 blank lines ties out to the total of 753.

You will also notice that we included “age ranges” of responses for a few questions in an attempt to provide additional insight into the responses received.

While there is a lot of good information contained in the survey results, I believe the focus of the results are questions 13 through 16. Here is a summary of those responses:
**Question #13:** The City of South St. Paul and the Library Board believe the current library facility needs substantial upgrades to meet the needs of the users and the community now and in the future. Do you agree/disagree with this assessment?

- **Agree** 60.62% (428)
- **Disagree** 16.86% (119)
- **Unsure** 22.52% (159)

**Question #14:** The City Council is considering joining the Dakota County Library System which would provide operational cost savings to the City of an estimated $319,000 annually (2019 Library Levy was $767,739). Any renovation or rebuild costs, estimated at $6 - $8 million, would also be absorbed by the County. Based on that information, should the City pursue these savings by having Dakota County provide library services to South St. Paul residents or should the City continue to operate and maintain the current library?

- **Yes, I support joining DCL** 49.01% (346)
- **No, I support continued City Operation** 35.41% (250)
- **Unsure** 15.58% (110)

**Question #15:** If you support having the City of South St. Paul continue to operate and maintain the library, then: (Note – this answer was only available to those completing the survey who favored continued City operation.)

- The City should substantially upgrade the facility 55.12% (140)
- The City should build a new library at a new site 3.94% (10)
- The library should be kept essentially as it is 38.19% (97)
- Unsure 2.36% (6)
- I do not support the City continuing to operate the library .39% (1)

**Question #16:** If the City of SSP decides the SSP Library will not join the Dakota County Library System, would you be in favor of a community referendum (vote) in support of bonding $6 - $8 million in order for the City to renovate the existing library/build a new library?

- **Yes** 43.70% (302)
- **No** 30.68% (212)
- **Maybe** 25.62% (177)

The key decision we need to focus on relates to City versus County operation of the Library going forward. If we pursue the County option, then we would need to prepare a proposal for presentation to the County Board that outlines the program we feel should be pursued. As has been indicated throughout this process, there is no guarantee the County will accept the proposal. Their initial response may require additional negotiation or they could reject it out-of-hand.

If the decision is continued City operation is the way to go, we will need to embark on a program to identify the nature of the improvements, the location, and how it will be financed.
Assuming the Library Board and City Council can agree upon a broad course of action, each party will have additional input/decisions to make as we move forward with the chosen option.

One caveat I will offer relates to timing. In either case, we need to keep this process moving. If the City option is chosen, we need to keep in mind that there are deferred maintenance items that could become problematic if too much time is taken to implement a final building solution. If the County option is pursued, I believe an initial proposal needs to be submitted in March to give them time to react and to plan from a budgetary standpoint. Again, the deferred maintenance considerations come into play with this option as well.

Finally, it was not necessarily assumed a decision would be reached at Monday’s worksession. If additional data analysis is needed, staff would appreciate the appropriate direction. Additional time for contemplation is also possible assuming we continue the discussion to the next worksession (February 24th). Ideally however, a Council decision should be made at our March 2nd meeting!

**Source of Funds:**

N/A
Q3 - How often do you use the South St. Paul Library?

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Q4 - What programming or services offered by the South St. Paul Library do you use?

(Choose all that apply)

- Adult programs
- Teen programs
- Children’s programs
- Children’s Play & Learn Station (revolving themes throughout the year)
- Technology classes/tutoring
- Public computers with free Internet access/software or free Wi-Fi
- Meeting room reservation
- Fax service
- E-books/audiobooks (Cloud Library, RBdigital, etc.) and streaming service (Hoopla Digital)
- Online resources and databases (Homework Help Now!, JobNow!, Ancestry Library Edition, Novelist Plus, etc.)
- Check out onsite library materials (books, DVDs, magazines, Spanish-language collection, DIY kits, etc.)
- Other (please describe)
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**Q4_12_TEXT - Other (please describe)**

Other (please describe)

- book club one month last summer
- Study carrels
- Book sale
- None of the above

None of the above

Musical or author presentation

Printing

Access to word processor; internet & printing.

Items for sale

Speaker
Q5 - Have you reviewed the Future of the South St. Paul Library Fact Sheet and/or the SSP Final Library Report?

Yes: 70.49% (492)
No: 20.49% (143)
Unsure: 9.03% (63)

Count: 698
Q6 - Do you think the South St. Paul Library's current location and/or building have any deficiencies or issues?

Yes

No

Unsure

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Q9 - Have you used any of the other Dakota County Libraries?

![Bar chart showing the distribution of responses to Q9.]

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Q10 - Which of the following Dakota County Libraries have you visited? (May select more than 1)

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Yes, I support joining the Dakota County Library System

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Q15 - If you support having the City of South St. Paul continue to operate and maintain the library, then:

- The City should substantially upgrade the facility
- The City should build a new library facility at a new site
- The library should be kept essentially as it is
- Unsure
- I do not support the City of South St. Paul continuing to operate and maintain the library

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Yes

Maybe

No

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Yes

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Yes 45.68% 37
Maybe 32.10% 26
No 22.22% 18

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Yes: 43.02% 37
Maybe: 24.42% 21
No: 32.56% 28

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Q17 - What is your age range?

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Q18 - How long have you lived in South St. Paul?

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