

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
July 5, 2016	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors
FROM: Sami Pierson, Library Director
THROUGH: Rodger Craddock, City Manager
ISSUE: Annual Approval of Contract for Library Services

BACKGROUND:

In 1992, the voters overwhelmingly approved formation of the Coos County Library Service District and establishment of a permanent tax base for the taxing district. The county, cities, college, and the Dora library then entered into a contract that ratified provisions of a master plan which was written to govern the district. The Plan outlined governance and operational issues, funding, and powers and responsibilities of the various parties. The Plan called for continuance of the basic library operational structure whereby Coos County would collect tax base dollars and distribute them to the cities, the Dora Library, and to the government organization (currently the City of Coos Bay) contracted to staff and operate the Extended Services Office (ESO). The ESO coordinates a variety of cooperative extended services on behalf of the eight public libraries in Coos County in order to best serve the needs of Coos County residents.

Every year each of the eight public libraries in Coos County sign a contract with the County. The annual contract contains in part the tax disbursement formula for libraries and the contractual amount for the ESO. The annual contract between the City of Coos Bay and the Coos County Library Service District is due for signatures. This contract is for July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

ADVANTAGES:

Approving the contract will allow the City to continue to receive tax revenue from the Library District tax base for the purposes of operating the public library and providing contacted ESO services.

DISADVANTAGES:

None

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The 2016-17 Coos Bay Library budget includes an estimated \$940,000 in revenue from the Library District to cover the annual operational expenses of the library. The contract also provides \$680,998 to operate the Extended Services Office.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff recommends the Council approve the contract amendment and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract.