CITY OF TEMECULA AGENDA REPORT

TO: City Manager/City Council

FROM: Erica Russo, Interim Director of Community Services

DATE: August 10, 2021

SUBJECT: Approve Agreement with County of Riverside for Library Services at the Ronald

H. Roberts Temecula Public Library

PREPARED BY: Lacy Sisler, Management Analyst

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve a five-year agreement with the County of Riverside for library services at Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library in the amount of \$153,000 annually.

BACKGROUND: The Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library opened in December of 2006, and was rededicated in honor of former Mayor/Council Member Ronald H. Roberts in 2016. Under normal operations, the Library serves over 1,200 patrons daily, and has the highest circulation of any library in the Riverside County Library System. Since the opening of the Library, the City has been in contract with Riverside County to provide library staffing, collections support, and a variety of other services through their contract with Library Systems and Services, Inc. (LS&S). The City provides all facility maintenance and public-facing technology needs.

The approval of this item will renew the agreement for Library services with the County of Riverside for continued operation of the Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library. The terms of this new agreement will remain functionally the same as the previous agreement. The County will continue to receive the City's Library Tax Credit as payment for the operation of the Grace Mellman Library and the operation of the Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library for 40 hours per week. The City of Temecula will continue to pay the County for \$140 per hour for library operations in excess of 40 hours per week. At the current projected schedule of 59 hours per week, this totals approximately \$138,320 per year. The contract allows for some flexibility in scheduling, however, it shall not exceed \$153,000 in a given fiscal year.

The County of Riverside provides excellent library services for the community through their contract with LS&S. The Temecula Public Library has a monthly circulation of approximately 50,000 items. This agreement will ensure quality library operations, programs, and services through June 2026, with an option to extend upon mutual agreement of the parties for an additional five-year term.

Should Council approve this agreement, it will go before the Riverside County Board of Supervisors on August 24, 2021 for their approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: This agreement will provide library services for an amount not to exceed \$153,000 per year. Sufficient funds have been budgeted for FY 2021-22 and will be included in each year thereafter in the Library Annual Operating Budget.

ATTACHMENTS: Library Services Agreement