

City of Gilroy
Library Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 12, 2023 | 7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	Victoria Coverson-Baxter, Chair Saied Nooshabadi, Vice Chair Sumana Reddy, Commissioner
Absent	Gabriela Kim, Commissioner

3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Library Commission agenda was posted online and in the City Hall kiosk on April 7, 2023.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4.1. **February 15, 2023**

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Sumana Reddy, Commissioner

SECONDER Saied Nooshabadi, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner Nooshabadi,
Commissioner Reddy

ABSENT: Commissioner Kim

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Victoria Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner

SECONDER Sumana Reddy, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner Nooshabadi, Commissioner Reddy

ABSENT: Commissioner Kim

6. **INTRODUCTIONS**

None.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

8. LIBRARY REPORTS

8.1. Library Commission Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Requests

Henig reviewed the guidelines for the Commission's opportunity to provide input for the upcoming two-year budget cycle. The Commission motioned to recommend the following items:

- An annual ceremony to honor a Gilroy resident who has contributed to furthering the issues of social justice and inclusivity within the community. (\$4,000, \$2,000 per fiscal year).
- A commissioner to participate in the annual California Library Association conference in FY25 (\$2,500).

If they were to have to choose one, the Commission would prefer to have Council fund the ceremony.

RESULT:

MOVER: Victoria Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner

SECONDER Sumana Reddy, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner Nooshabadi, Commissioner Reddy

ABSENT: Commissioner Kim

8.2. Santa Clara County Library Report for March - April 2023 (report attached)

Santa Clara County Librarian Jennifer Weeks reported the following: April is National Poetry Month; a financial literacy workshop that focuses on avoiding scammers; and a joint powers meeting.

8.3. Gilroy Library Report

Gilroy Children's librarian Marissa Jacobo reviewed her report and cited the following: Gilroy's library circulation numbers (i.e., how many borrowers there were in 2023 and total number of circulation items).

She also discussed programs that occurred in March and April. Commissioner Nooshabadi asked how the Library tallies the numbers for events. Jacobo explained it's usually counted by hand. She discussed upcoming events such as the "Driving Smart" class and "Gearing up for Pet Chickens." There was also a question about computer classes, which the Library currently provides.

9. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Reddy inquired if there could be an item added for a future meeting about offering academic-focused programs, such as recruiting a scholar to discuss an issue of the day. She recommended reaching out to community members to serve as instructors. Chair Baxter thought it was a great idea and requested that it be added to a future agenda. The Library would be supportive of it. Henig will add it to the next meeting's agenda.

10. STAFF COMMENTS – none

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

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Adam Henig, Recreation Division
Recording Secretary