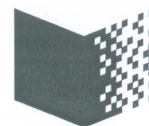


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Date: May 28, 2010

To: Chair J.J. McCament and Members of the Board

From: Neel Parikh, Executive Director

Subject: City of Roy: Reciprocal Borrowing

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, I had an excellent meeting with the Roy City Council. The mayor and four of the five city council members were present. I gave an overview of the features of the library system and described our services and features of our collection. I had shared with them sample reciprocal borrowing agreements with Puyallup and Tacoma.

The council asked some questions and then expressed support for reciprocal borrowing. One of the council members has a Pierce County Library card already and his wife is an active user of the Parkland/Spanaway library. The group was generally positive and agreed to pursue reciprocal borrowing. At the end of the discussion, the council made a point of telling me about a celebration at the Roy Library for opening on Saturday. They proudly described how the youth in Roy had raised money to keep the library open through the end of the fiscal year last year. The youth requested open hours on Saturday and the upcoming Saturday was to be a celebration of the first Saturday opening of the library.

Since the meeting, I contacted Mayor Yates and asked if we could move this month in developing the reciprocal borrowing agreement. Youth Services librarians will be visiting the Roy school to promote summer reading and they would like to be able to promote the summer reading program with all students there, inviting even the students living in Roy to attend. The mayor felt there would be no issues. She was quite willing to move quickly an agreement. She will revise one of the agreements and send it to me in time for the Board to review it at this meeting. Based on our action at the June 9<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, the Roy city council would approve the agreement on June 14<sup>th</sup> during their regular meeting.