Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: **Tuesday, August 24, 2021**

TO: **City Council**

FROM: **LIBRARY DIRECTOR MARTINEZ**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING $7,000 GRANT FROM PACIFIC LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP**

STATEMENT OF ISSUES:
Resolution accepting and appropriating $7,000 from Pacific Library Partnership to support pop-up library programming utilizing the Library's BiblioVan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Staff recommends that the City Council accept a grant for $7,000 from Pacific Library Partnership. This grant will provide funds to support pop-up library programming at 9 (nine) summer meal partner community sites.

DISCUSSION:
The Watsonville Public Library was awarded a $7,000 grant from Pacific Library Partnership to partner with a community organization that offers meals during the summer. The Library partnered with Community Bridges to provide pop-up library programming at 9 (nine) community meal sites.

The goal of *Lunch with the Library* is to connect with youth ages 0-18, promote library resources and services, and ensure that all youth at each site receive a free book!

The awarded funds will be used for the purposes as indicated in the "Library Proposed Spending Budget":
1. $1,500 of the funding will be utilized for staff salary time and backfill, which includes Librarian, Senior Library Assistant, Library Assistant and Library Clerk wages.
2. $1,500 of the funding will be utilized for purchase of a custom shade tent and two table cloths. Items will be used to increase library visibility at community outreach programs.
3. $4,000 of the funding will be utilized to purchase English, Spanish and Bilingual giveaway books.

STRATEGIC PLAN:
This grant supports the Strategic Plan: 05-Community Engagement & Well-Being – Library Services & Programs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The grant from Pacific Library Partnership will be awarded in one payment and will go directly towards staffing costs, and purchasing outreach and giveaway materials to support pop-up library propgramming.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:
If this grant is not accepted, the library will need to find alternative funding sources to complete the implementation of this program.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):
None.