SAN JUAN ISLAND LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting, Conference Room, Windermere July 2, 2019

Members Present: Fred Henley, Barry Jacobson, Mark Madsen, Lynn

Weber/Roochvarg, Karen Vedder

Staff Present: Laurie Orton, Carrie Lacher

FOL Present: Stan Mayhew, Vice President

Guests: Howard Ryan, OCMI; Leah Martin, Allied8; Sharon Khosla, Fivedot

Call to Order: President Lynn Weber/Roochvarg called the meeting to order at 10:00

a.m.

Public Access: none

Agenda Approval:

MSC Fred Henley moved and Mark Madsen seconded to accept the agenda as presented. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Allied8 Site Study Planning Session

Leah Martin of Allied8 started the session with introductions and by explaining to the group that this session would be for gathering data, information, and feedback from the Board and other attendees regarding the new facility. Leah also noted that Allied8 would use this input and other collected information to develop a matrix for evaluating and comparing potential sites.

Sharon Khosla of Fivedot first led the group in a brainstorming activity of identifying project values and goals. Starting from the catalyst question of "in what way will a new library support and strengthen the San Juan Island Community," responses included but were not limited to the perception of the library as a "community home," the need for a warm and welcoming building and green space; construction flexibility to accommodate future expansion and changes; importance of varied community space and space for library programs; adequate parking and safe pedestrian access; the library perceived by the community as a touchstone; walkability and accessibility for all patrons.

A second small group activity focused on select questions covering library user groups, potential for new services, operating hours, staffing, safety, public feedback on site location, and the physical presence in the community of a new library facility.

A progress report from Allied8 will be shared with the Board via teleconferencing in approximately two weeks (date and time to be determined) with the final report and recommendations presented to the Board at a special meeting tentatively set for August 6th.

Howard noted that OCMI would then add in detailed cost estimates including site acquisition costs, operations and maintenance, overhead, funding sources, etc. for a final report and site recommendation from OCMI presented at the September Board meeting. Allied8 would also plan to be in attendance. It was expected that the Board would vote on selecting a new building site at that meeting. Laurie noted that OCMI would also provide a document reviewing the sites not selected for the site analysis report.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC Barry Jacobson moved and Karen Vedder seconded to adjourn at 12:15 pm. Carried.

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Respectfully submitted:

Board Secretary

Board President

Approved: