Agenda

Warrenton Community Library Advisory Board

Special Meeting

March 19, 2025 - 5:30PM

Location – Zoom (virtual)

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Roll call
- 3. Letter of Recommendation to Warrenton Urban Renewal Agency and Advisory Committee – Discussion and Approval
- 4. Adjournment

Dear Warrenton Urban Renewal Advisory Chair and Board Members:

The Warrenton Community Library (WCL) is a highly utilized, valuable community space in downtown Warrenton. The WCL has found that it has substantially outgrown its current location, and is in desperate need of relocation; the current square footage is 3,500 and the feasibility study done last year by Stuart Emmons recommends at least 4,500 square footage for the library to expand. It is our understanding that the City of Warrenton has been in conversation with the Northwest Oregon Housing Authority regarding the sale of their building at 147 S Main Ave. This building would be an ideal location for the WCL and their ever-growing programs. The Northwest Oregon Housing Authority have indicated that they are in full support of the City's library and services and are interested in possibly working with the City and Urban Renewal on this purchase in the next 12-18 months.

The Warrenton Community Library Advisory Board respectfully requests that the Warrenton Urban Renewal Advisory Committee give priority to WCL and its aspiration to move to a larger, permanent location in the heart of Warrenton, and considers funding this project in the joint work session scheduled this month as they consider the final push for revitalization of the downtown area of Warrenton. This move will also create new opportunities for the School District building where the Library currently resides. Please give this project your utmost attention and support.

Sincerely.

Andrew Walker, Chair Warrenton Community Library Advisory Board