

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

AUGUST 15, 2017

PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The parking lot safety improvement project is slightly ahead of schedule and is on budget. Work on the outdoor lot is expected to be completed this week. Beginning August 21, the underground parking garage and drive-up window will be closed for two weeks as construction moves to that area. Holds will be available inside the library near the checkout desk. Outdoor parking lot work will be complete by then, with all entrances to the lot open. If work continues on schedule, the project is expected to be completed the week of September 5.

STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTANT

The Board of Library Trustees authorized staff to engage Library Strategies for an amount not to exceed \$25,675 for consulting services to develop a strategic plan, pending attorney review of the contract. Library Strategies have performed their Rapid Results Planning in libraries of all sizes throughout the nation. References for the group were extremely positive. The strategic planning process will begin this fall.

REPLACEMENT OF FURNITURE FOR KIDS' WORLD

The Board of Library Trustees authorized staff to purchase replacement furniture for Kids' World for an amount not to exceed \$43,000. This would finish the renovation work that began in Kids' World in 2010 and the library-wide furniture replacement that began in 2015, with the goal of updating furniture that no longer fits with current library use or contemporary safety standards.

XOXO: AN EXHIBIT ABOUT LOVE & FORGIVENESS

The Board of Library Trustees authorized staff to enter into a contract with the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh for the exhibit *XOXO: An Exhibit about Love & Forgiveness* for an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for rental, inbound transportation, installation, and disassembly, pending attorney review of the contract. The exhibit, part of the library's goal to offer three unique exhibit experience to residents and library customers each year, will be opened in February and March of 2018. The exhibit is highly interactive, and encourages visitors to explore, communicate and share their feelings.