

## **Library Director Report July 2017**

### ***LIBRARY SITING AND ALLOCATION***

Pinney Project: The pre-design process with OPN, our architects, has begun. OPN has met with various MPL staff and Pinney staff for starters and hosted an open house to introduce themselves to the public. The Purchase Agreement was sent to RDC on July 18<sup>th</sup> and we are still waiting to hear back. We were able to finalize an easement agreement in order for us to do a test bore for the geo-thermal field.

Reindahl Project: Although we do not yet have an approved CIP for the Reindahl project we have been doing some very preliminary work to minimize possible challenges to the project.

### ***2017 BUDGET***

I have had my one-on-one meeting with the Mayor to discuss supplemental requests to the budget. As you are aware we do have a budget gap in trying to achieve a flat operating budget request due to some reduced areas of revenue and some expenses that have increased outside of our control. We have been able to reduce the gap somewhat but it still remains about the equivalent of closing on Sundays in order to balance the budget. We worked very hard to avoid any type of staff reduction. The restoration of Sunday hours will be my first supplemental ask, following by an increase in our programming budget to help replace grants funds that will expire in 2017.

### ***SOCIAL SERVICES AT CENTRAL***

I was recently notified by Community Development that they will be ending the contract to provide case-management services at Central Library. The primary reason is the opening of The Beacon and they are moving that resource to that location. We know we will still have a need at Central and we are starting to look at our options to continue to provide some type of replacement.

### ***RESULTS MADISON***

We are continuing our work with City Finance on the city's pilot program, Results Madison, that is designed to identify all of your operating areas and define what success would look like and how to measure the results. We have also begun incorporating our strategic lens into this process and it has been working very well to help us describe our operations in terms of the lens.

### ***MUNICIPAL ID CARD***

MPL is playing a key role in helping design a possible Municipal ID Card plan for the city. We have been collecting information from various community stakeholders to help inform the process.

### ***LIBRARY BOARD VACANCIES***

The Mayor's office has forwarded two nominations to the Common Council to fill the vacancy for the MMSD representative (Lisa Hempstead) and for the resignation of Tracey Caradine (Jair Alvarez). We will still have one more vacancy to fill.

## ***DIGITAL INCLUSION***

We have renewed discussions with a local Internet Service Provider (ISP) to develop a plan to address digital inclusion in Madison. We are hoping to have a pilot in place beginning sometime in August. As we move forward with many of our programs and connections within the community it becomes even more important to find a way to provide broadband connectivity to underserved populations.

### **Business Meetings**

- Meet with Alder Carter regarding library services to the Bridge-Lakepoint area
- Meeting with Sabrina Madison to discuss sponsorship of job expos
- Results Madison planning meetings
- Reindahl Project meeting with Parks and City Attorney's office
- Meetings with potential Library Board appointees
- Meeting with local ISP to discuss digital inclusion
- Meeting with T-Mobile to discuss digital inclusion plans
- Pinney pre-design planning
- MPLF Grants presentation
- Meeting with Operation Welcome Home

### **Public/Media Appearance**

- Wisconsin Book Festival – Terry Tempest Williams
- TV interview with Channel 3 in regard to the Municipal ID program
- Pinney Library Open House with OPN designers
- Opera in the Park
- Vinyl Sale at Lakeview Library
- West Place Development public meeting

### **City Business**

- Dept/Division Head Meeting with Mayor
- Mayor's Guidance Team
- Mayor's Strategic Management Team
- Long Range Facilities Planning
- Mayor's Management Team
- Mayor's Human Services Committee
- RESJI Strategic Planning committee
- Mayor's Strategic Management Team
- Municipal ID Committee
- Supplemental Operating Budget discussion with the Mayor
- Budget Review meeting
- Guidance Team recognition program
- Common Council
- Finance Committee