Gladstone Library
Project Background

January 29, 2019
Presentation Overview

- Gladstone Library
- Library District
- Settlement Agreement
- Joint Planning Process
  - Concord Property
- Role of Task Force
Gladstone Library

- Currently serves over 21,000 residents
  - Approx. 12,000 City residents
- Currently located at 135 E. Dartmouth street
  - Approx. 5100 square feet
- Total circulation over 201,000*
- 6,100 registered borrowers*
- Over 260 program offerings with over 2,900 participants*

*In Fiscal Year 2017-18
Library District

Clackamas County

Measure 3-310

**Ballot Title**
ESTABLISH A COUNTYWIDE LIBRARY SERVICE DISTRICT IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY

**QUESTION:** Shall District be formed for countywide libraries to restore hours and retain services; $0.3974 per $1,000 assessed value beginning FY2009?

**SUMMARY:** If approved, the “Library Service District of Clackamas County” (“Library District”) would be formed. Its territory would be countywide, exempting the cities of Damascus, Johnson City, and that portion of Tualatin within Clackamas County. Creation of the Library District would do the following:

- Provide permanent and dedicated library funding;
- Allow libraries to make basic repairs and library improvements;
- Restore all libraries’ ability in the Library District to purchase more books and materials; and
- Prevent reductions in services and closure of some city libraries.

Declining federal funding to counties creates a shortfall for local programs, including libraries. The creation of a Library Service District would ensure a dedicated long-term funding source for library services, allowing libraries to retain educational resources and programs.

The Library District would be governed by the Board of County Commissioners and advised by an independent citizen committee. All of the monies shall be spent on library operations and services. An annual audit is available to the public.

- Created by ballot measure in November 2008
- County to fund centralized services and support
- Intent for County to exit the “retail” library business
  - Hoodland Library transferred to the City of Sandy
  - Sunnyside Library transferred to the City of Happy Valley
Library District

- Original intent for the City of Gladstone to construct and operate a library to serve the patrons of the Oak Lodge and Gladstone service areas

- These plans didn’t come to fruition, and eventually became the subject of litigation between Clackamas County and the City of Gladstone
Library Settlement

- County and City of Gladstone resolved litigation in October 2017
- County agreed to build and operate two libraries
  - Approximately 19,500 sq. ft. library in Oak Lodge Library service area
  - 6,000 sq. ft. library in Gladstone on current site of City Hall
Library Settlement

• During Spring 2018, a Task Force met to draft amendments to the Library District Master IGA to permit implementation of the Settlement Agreement

• In May 2018, Gladstone voters approved necessary charter amendments

• In November 2018, the Library District Master IGA was amended
Settlement Agreement

“One library, two building” solution

- Oak Lodge and Gladstone to share staff, realize efficiencies and economies of scale
- Joint construction of both buildings to minimize costs
Joint Planning Processes to Date

- Two aligned efforts, opportunity to share staff and resources, gain efficiencies
Concord Property

Location: 3811 SE Concord Road
          Oak Grove, OR 97267

Site Size: 6 acres

Building Size: 47,000 sq. ft.

Owner: NCPRD
Concord Property

CONCORD SCHOOL
PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE
Role of Task Force

• To assist in the assessment, evaluation, and prioritization of the needs of Gladstone library users

• To assist with and advise on the creation of a Master Plan for the development of the Gladstone library
Role of Task Force

- To make recommendations on the future role of the Gladstone Library Advisory Board
- To serve as a community liaison group
Thank you