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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 6, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Laura Pappani, County Librarian**

SUBJECT: Resolution to establish and adopt a revised fines and fees schedule for the Nevada County Community Library; and a first reading of an ordinance amending Section A-II 24.20 of Article 24 of Chapter II of the Administrative Code pertaining to the fines and fees for the Nevada County Community Library

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution.

FUNDING: There is no fiscal impact from adopting this revised fines and fees schedule. None of the fee amounts are changing. The schedule has simply been streamlined and updated.

BACKGROUND: The Library's schedule of fines and fees was last updated in September 2009. The Library charges fees for Community Room rentals; refundable security deposits for Community Room rentals; fees to recoup the material costs of repairing damaged items and replacing lost items; and overdue fines meant to encourage timely return of library materials so that others may borrow them.

The Library reviewed the 2009 fines and fees schedule and determined that none of the amounts should be adjusted. The Library wishes to remain accessible to all users by keeping fines and fees at an affordable level, and existing fine amounts are sufficient to cover the cost of materials. The schedule did, however, need to be streamlined to remove obsolete references (e.g., cassettes) and to consolidate several items that were similar in nature.

The Auditor Controller, County Counsel and the County Executive Office have reviewed and approved this revised Library fines and fees schedule. The proposed fee schedule is attached as Exhibit A, and the revised fee schedule is included for reference as Exhibit B.

Previous Library fines and fees schedules have been set by ordinance and require an ordinance to amend. This agenda item includes an ordinance that authorizes the setting of Library fines and fees by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Laura Pappani, County Librarian