

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SIGN A LETTER OF INTENT TO PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AFFIRMING NEVADA COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO EXPLORING A REGIONAL APPROACH TO THE DELIVERY OF LIBRARY SERVICES IN EASTERN PLACER AND EASTERN NEVADA COUNTIES AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE INTENT OF THE TRUCKEE LIBRARY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY TO FINANCE THE NEW REGIONAL TRUCKEE LIBRARY INCLUDING SEEKING GRANTS AND IMPLEMENTING A BOND MEASURE

WHEREAS, a new Truckee Library facility has a been a long-time goal of the County of Nevada, Town of Truckee, Friends of the Truckee Library, and the community; and

WHEREAS, the need for a larger Truckee Library has been included in the County's Capital Facilities Master Plan for over 10 years and has been presented and discussed at the Board of Supervisors annual workshop for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, the key partners involved in the development and construction of the new Truckee library are the County of Nevada, the Town of Truckee, and Friends of the Truckee Library; and

WHEREAS, in January 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 24-050 which accepted and executed the Joint Powers Authority Agreement (JPA) for the new Truckee Library; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County and the Town of Truckee are the initial Members of the JPA; and

WHEREAS, the JPA Agreement also provides the option for additional members to join after the initial formation of the Library JPA; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County will be represented on the JPA by the County Executive Officer and the Assistant County Executive Officer; and

WHEREAS, the JPA is responsible for constructing and maintaining the new regional library and acquiring land tenure for the facility; and

WHEREAS, active dialogue with the Truckee Donner Recreation and Park District (TDRPD) has been occurring towards the goal of constructing the library within the Truckee River Regional Park, approximately 1 mile north of the Nevada County/Placer County boundary; and

WHEREAS, the JPA is also actively collaborating with community partners to secure financing for the construction and maintenance of the new regional library; and

WHEREAS, this includes actively pursuing grant funding, pursuit of donor funding through a capital campaign being led by the Friends of the Truckee Library, and consideration of a bond measure; and

WHEREAS, for several years the possibility of pursuing a bond measure to finance some portion of the construction costs has been discussed; and

WHEREAS, initial polling was completed by the Town of Truckee in March of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the JPA has the authority to issue debt as a potential source of financing for the project, and the JPA partners believe that the appropriate geographic area for this bond measure to apply to would include properties in the Town of Truckee; unincorporated Eastern Nevada County; and the Donner Lake, Sierra Meadows, Martis Valley, and Northstar areas of unincorporated Eastern Placer County; and

WHEREAS, timing for this bond measure is targeted for calendar year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the new Truckee Library will physically reside in Nevada County, but will serve as a regional facility and will be available for use by Placer County residents; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the development of the new Truckee Regional Library facility, Nevada County is committed to continued discussions with Placer County to explore a regional services delivery model; and

WHEREAS, the primary goals of this collaboration would be to enhance programming and facility access for residents in Eastern Placer and Eastern Nevada Counties and promote efficient service delivery for each of the respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, collaborating toward enhanced regional library services builds on a foundation of our existing successful regional partnerships, including collaboration in addressing workforce housing, sheltering, and collaboration in the shared delivery of health and human services; and

WHEREAS, the Letter of Intent is attached hereto in substantially the form to be signed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby authorizes the County Executive Officer to sign the Letter of Intent to Placer County Board of Supervisors affirming Nevada County's commitment to exploring a regional approach to the delivery of library services in Eastern Placer and Eastern Nevada Counties and acknowledging the intent of the Truckee Library Joint Powers Authority to finance the New Regional Truckee library including seeking grants and implementing a bond measure.