

Los Angeles Public Libraries Letter

Our Lady of Mt. Lebanon Project Request for Library Services Information Los Angeles Public Library Response November 22, 2019

Please provide the following information regarding LAPL services and facilities:

- 1. Name and description of the City libraries serving the Project Site, including:
 - (1) location and hours of operation; (2) size of library buildings (square footage); (3) number of personnel; (4) collection size and amenities, (5) programmed or target service population; and (6) actual population served including the assigned census tracts upon which service population is determined;

Answer:

The following Los Angeles Public Library facilities would serve the project area:

Fairfax Branch Library Robertson Branch Library

Please see page attached location profiles for answers to the above questions.

2. Planned, funded, and/or scheduled improvements or expansions to the City library facilities that would serve the Project;

Answer:

There are currently no planned improvements or expansions to any locations in the project area.

3. Special facilities available for public use (i.e., children's reading assistance, homework centers, space for community meetings and programs); and

Answer:

Please see attached location profiles.

4. City library service standards and/or goals that would assist in analyzing the Project's potential impacts from development on local library services.

Answer:

On February 8, 2007, The Board of Library Commissioners approved a new Branch Facilities Plan. This Plan includes criteria for new Libraries, which recommends new size standards for the provision of LAPL facilities – 12,500 s.f. for community with less than 45,000 population and 14,500 s.f. for community with more than 45,000 population and up to 20,000 s.f. for a Regional branch. It

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also recommends that when a community reaches a population of 90,000, an additional branch library should be considered for the area.

5. Would the Project, either individually or combined with other past, present or anticipated future projects, result in the need for new or altered library facilities? If so, please describe the nature, approximate location and approximate size of the new or altered facility. (Please see related projects list provided with this Request for Information.)

Answer:

Any increase in the residential and/or commuter-adjusted population that is in close proximity to a library has a direct impact on library services with increased demands for library staffing, materials, computers, and information services. Therefore, mitigation measures may be necessary in order to lessen the impact to these services to a level that is appropriate for a given service population in accordance to the February 8, 2007 Board of Library Commissioners approved Branch Facilities Plan.

The Los Angeles Public Library recommends a mitigation fee of \$200 per capita based upon the projected population of the development. The funds will be used for staff, books, computers and other library materials. It is recommended that mitigation fees be paid for by the developer.

Los Angeles Public Library Location Information for EIR/ Request for Information

Branch Name

Fairfax Branch Library

Address

161 S. Gardner Street Los Angeles, CA 90036

Hours

Mon: 10-8, Tue: 12-8, Wed: 10-8, Thu: 12-8, Fri: 9:30-5:30 Sat: 9:30-5:30, Sun: Closed

Size of Facility (sq. ft.)

12,500

Collection Size

50.218

Annual Circulation

91,328

Staffing Level

11

Volunteers

77

Service Population

Estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries 36,336

The Los Angeles Public Library does not make future population projections.

Special Features

All branch libraries provide free access to computer workstations which are connected to the Library's information network. In addition to providing Internet access, these workstations enable the public to search LAPL's many electronic resources including the online catalog, subscription databases, word processing, language learning, literacy and a large historic document and photograph collection.

All branch libraries have: Free Public Wi-Fi Wireless & Mobile Printing Reserve a Computer

This branch also has:
Friends of Library Group
Zoom Text Computer for the Visually Impaired

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Branch Name

Robertson Branch Library

Address

1719 S. Robertson Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90035

Hours

Mon: 10-8, Tue: 12-8, Wed: 10-8, Thu: 12-8, Fri: 9:30-5:30 Sat: Closed, Sun: 1-5

Size of Facility (sq. ft.)

9,035

Collection Size

45,234

Annual Circulation

84,449

Staffing Level

10.5

Volunteers

147

Service Population

Estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries 79,345

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This branch also has: Adult Literacy Center Early Learning for Families Area Friends of Library Group Meeting Room Rental