



To: Mayor and Councillors
From: Kim Somerville
Manager, Arts Services

Date: March 30, 2012

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Re: **Additional Information to the Richmond Public Library Strategic Plan Report**

In the minutes of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee, dated March 27, 2012, it was moved and seconded:

1. *That the Richmond City of Readers Strategic Plan 2011-2014 be updated by the Richmond Public Library in consultation with the community;*
2. *That staff identify various sources of funding for the feasibility study for the library system;
and*
3. *That City staff present a revised Strategic Plan to Council in 2013.*

As requested, staff have identified two alternate funding sources for the Library feasibility study, which would include comprehensive community consultation on the library's services (\$110,000), with the option of repaying the source from one-time additional levels at a later date:

- a. Council Provision (current balance: \$632,506.11)
- b. Library accumulated surplus (pre-audit at 2011: \$449,040)

Should Council wish to commence this process immediately, assigning \$110,000 from one of these accounts at Council on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, would allow staff to proceed.

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