# **Appendix M**

LAPL Response Letter

Please provide the following information regarding LAPL services and facilities:

- 1. Name and description of the City libraries serving the Project Site, including:
  - a. location and hours of operation
  - b. size of library buildings (square footage)
  - c. number of personnel
  - d. collection size and amenities
  - e. programmed or target service
  - f. 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 proposed project:

Benjamin Franklin Branch Library – see page 3 for answers to 1 a. – f.

Central Library – see page 4 for answers to 1 a. – f.

Little Tokyo Branch Library – see page 5 for answers to 1 a. – f.

Robert L. Stevenson Branch Library – see page 6 for answers to 1 a. – f.

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

# Answer:

There are no current plans to expand the facilities 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

# Answer:

See attached location information sheets for each location.

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 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.

# 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.

#### Branch Name

Benjamin Franklin Branch Library

#### Address

2200 E. 1st Street Los Angeles, CA 90033

## <u>Hours</u>

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.)

9,656

#### **Collection Size**

35,545

#### Annual Circulation

98,218

#### Staffing Level

11

## **Volunteers**

79

## Service Population

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

40,319

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#### **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: Adult Literacy Center Early Learning for Families Area Friends of Library Group Meeting Room Rental

#### Location Name

Central Library

#### Address

630 W. 5th Street Los Angeles, CA 90071

#### <u>Hours</u>

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

#### Size of Facility (sq. ft.)

538,000 square feet

#### **Collection Size**

2.6 million volumes

#### Annual Circulation

1.2 million

## Staffing Level

390

#### Volunteers

250

## Service Population

3,792,662 per Census 2010 est. City of Los Angeles 9,818,605 per Census 2010 est. County of Los Angeles

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

This also has: Adult Literacy Center Computer Training Center Meeting Room Rental The Source Zoom Text Computer for the Visually Impaired

## Branch Name

Little Tokyo Branch Library

## Address

203 S. Los Angeles Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

## <u>Hours</u>

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**

66,634

## **Annual Circulation**

97,402

## Staffing Level

10

## **Volunteers**

44

## Service Population

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

# **Branch Name**

R. L. Stevenson Branch Library

# Address

803 Spence Street Los Angeles, CA 90023

# <u>Hours</u>

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.)

6,000

# **Collection Size**

31,070

# **Annual Circulation**

157,743

# **Staffing Level**

8

# **Volunteers**

50

# **Service Population**

Estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries 35,629

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This branch also has: Adult Literacy Center Friends of Library Group iPad Minis LA PLays Meeting Room Rental