

ARTICLE I. **LIBRARY SERVICES**

Sec. 50-1. **Library board established.**

(a) **Established.** There shall be and is hereby established a library board which shall have the primary responsibility as an advisory board to city council with regard to the provision of library services to the Lafayette community.

(b) **Membership.** The board shall consist of seven (7) citizens of Lafayette, who shall be appointed by the city council. A city employee appointed by the city administrator shall serve as a nonvoting staff liaison to the board.

(c) **Term.** All appointments to the board shall be for a period of three (3) years. The board may recruit and recommend nominees to city council for appointment. Vacancies on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by city council appointment as soon as possible. A member of the board shall not receive a salary or other compensation for services as a board member, but necessary traveling and subsistence expenses actually incurred may be paid from the general fund. City council may, upon recommendation of the board, appoint up to two (2) alternate members, which member(s) shall be called upon to serve and vote in the absence of a regular member(s), and the board may recommend any alternate member for appointment by council to a vacant position. Board members serve at the pleasure of city council.

(d) **Powers and duties.** The library board shall advise the city council in matters concerning the library, and the board shall have the following duties:

- (1) Adopt bylaws, rules, and regulations for its guidance and government.
- (2) Prepare and submit to the city council a plan for the development and maintenance of the library and as necessary, amend the plan.
- (3) Review the library's annual budget request.
- (4) Monitor gifts of money which shall be segregated in the accounting records of the city or property or endowments as may be granted to and accepted for library purposes and to encourage grants or gifts in support of the library.
- (5) Adopt policies that provide for the orderly operation of the library. Such policies shall be effective upon adoption or at the time specified in the policy, unless and until city council disapproves of the policy. The library board shall promptly submit adopted policies to city council for its review.
- (6) Review the qualifications of all final candidates for the position of library director. The library board shall have no authority over any decisions or policies involving city personnel.
- (7) Do all other acts necessary to assist in the orderly and efficient management of the library as directed by the city council.

(Ord. No. 2006-40, § 1, 9-19-06; Ord. No. 2011-04, § 5, 2-1-11)