



# City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: JANUARY 22, 2026

RE: Resolution Number 26-09: Amending the FY2025/26 Adopted Budget for the Library Impact Fees Fund to increase the Library's eBook Collection

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## **Background:**

Over time, the Library's Ebook budget has steadily been increasing to meet demand. When the City's Library joined the County over 6 years ago, the commitment was made to the Commission and residents that in doing so, residents would not experience a longer wait for materials. In order to keep this commitment, the Library kept a separate Ebook collection that was available to Eustis cardholders only. The City's Ebook provider, Baker and Taylor, recently closed unexpectedly and therefore, Eustis cardholders no longer have separate Ebook access.

Upon review of available options to replace Baker and Taylor, the Library chose to use the same Ebook provider as the County, Overdrive. Overdrive offers the City the ability to continue to allow only Eustis cardholders access to the City's Ebooks. Overdrive also accepted the transfer of the City's existing Ebooks, over 4,700 titles. Overdrive also allows Eustis cardholders to access Ebooks on an Amazon Kindle.

The new Overdrive program was implemented in mid-December. Since then, the Library has gone from 1,700 Eustis cardholders accessing Ebooks to almost 6,000 Eustis cardholders accessing Ebooks. The bulk of this is from cardholders who had already been using Overdrive but were not accessing the City's exclusive separate access through Baker and Taylor. This dramatic increase in the use of Ebooks increased wait times to as much 6-10 weeks.

The Library's Ebook collection has been solely funded by Library Impact Fees collected. Based on the increased demand for Ebooks, staff is requesting a budget transfer of impact fees in the amount of \$9,000. Funds would be taken from Fund Balance. There are ample funds in the Library Impact Fees Fund to cover this request.

Upon approval, the Impact Fees Fund FY 2025/26 Adopted Budget will be amended as follows:

069-7190-571-30-54 - Expense - Books	\$9,000
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**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 26-09.

**Budget and Staff Impact:**

This request for approval is for a FY 2025/26 budget amendment in the amount of \$9,000 to be taken from the Fund Balance of the Library Impact Fees Fund.

**Prepared by:**

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**Attachment:**

Budget Amendment Form