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TO: Mayor & City Council
FROM: Mike Greene – City Administrator
DATE: June 15, 2026
RE: Cancellation of Southfield Library Contract

Background Brief: With the Headlee Override Proposal failing in November 2025, the City Council is aware of the budget constraints the City is facing in the coming years. One action item that has been completed is authorizing a Library Services Millage Proposal to be placed on the November 2026 ballot. There is no guarantee regarding the millage results, meaning the City needs to consider the long-term implications.

As the Council is aware, the Southfield Library Board has not been willing to renegotiate our current contract, specifically to add a six (6)- month cancellation clause, rather than the current cancellation language of one (1) year, effective the following July 1. Based on the current contract language, IF the Library Services millage were to fail, and no action was taken before July 1, 2026, the earliest we could get out of the contract would be July 1, 2028. This would leave the City needing to find a funding mechanism for Library Services for Fiscal Year 2027-2028 (approximately \$190,000), with no additional revenue source.

However, based on the Joint Southfield & Lathrup Village City Council meeting held on June 10, the Southfield City Council appeared amenable to updating contract language, specifically reducing the one (1) year cancellation period to six (6) months.

With this new information, it is recommended that the Council authorize modification of the existing contract to reduce the termination/cancellation notice period from one (1) year to six (6) months, **contingent** upon approval of the same modification by the Southfield City Council before June 30. If the Southfield City Council does not approve the proposed modification, the contract shall be terminated in accordance with the current contract provisions requiring one (1) year's notice of cancellation.

Previous Action:

January 26, 2026 – Approved Library Services Millage Proposal Language
April 20, 2026 – Item Tabled
June 10, 2026 – Joint Southfield & Lathrup Village Council Discussions

Economic Impact: N/A

Recommendation: It is my recommendation to modify the current contract with a contingency.

Recommended Motion:

Moved by _____ seconded by _____ to remove the item from the table.

Moved by _____ seconded by _____ to authorize modification of the existing contract to reduce the termination/cancellation notice period from one (1) year to six (6) months, **contingent** upon approval of the same modification by the Southfield City Council. If the Southfield City Council does not approve the proposed modification before June 30, 2026, the contract shall be terminated in accordance with the current contract provisions requiring one (1) year's notice of cancellation.

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