



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 7.

DATE OF MEETING: July 11, 2011

REQUESTED BY: Mike Taylor, Library Director

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Approval of a FY 11-12 Budget Ordinance Amendment Increasing Revenues and Expenditures by \$4,000 and Authorizing a Purchase Order to Overdrive for Library E-Book Collection Provision: \$6,000

BACKGROUND: A public library consortium in NC composed of libraries serving populations under 100,000 is forming to pool resources to offer a shared e-book collection to their customers. Pender Public Library staff hear inquiries about e-books on a regular basis. Customers complain they are paying New Hanover out-of-county library card fees to have access to their e-book collection. Despite a 19% reduction in funds appropriated for collection development compared to FY 08-09, the director and the library friend groups believe this is the optimum time to begin this service by partnering for the next three years.

The Friends of Pender County Library (Burgaw) and Topsail Township Friends of the Library, along with the library itself will appropriate \$2,000 annually, or one third of the cost for the next three years, the life of the contract. Each Friends organization also wish to express their desire that the county will be able to restore library funding to adequate levels in time for contract renewal consideration saying it is not their mission to fund ongoing library operations. The contract with the vendor, Overdrive, has been reviewed by the county attorney. An escape clause has been inserted for "non-appropriation" should funding not be provided during subsequent years of the life of the contract.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the FY 2011-12 budget to increase revenues and expenditures by a total of \$4,000 from each Friends Group for the Overdrive contract: \$2,000 from Friends of the Pender County Library, and \$2,000 from Topsail Township Friends of the Library. Approve a purchase order in the amount of \$6,000 to Overdrive, Inc.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the Board hereby authorizes an increase in revenues and expenditures of \$4,000 from the Friends of Pender County Library (\$2,000) and Topsail Friends of the Library (\$2,000) for e-book collection development. The board authorizes a purchase order to Overdrive, Inc. in the amount of \$6,000 for e-book service for FY 2011-12. The County Manager is authorized to execute any/all agreements necessary to implement the resolution.

Increase Revenues 10-334103 Library Donations: \$4,000
Increase Expenditures 630-410400: \$4,000
Authorize Purchase Order, Account 630-410400: \$6,000

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Brown ___ Tate ___ Rivenbark ___ Ward ___ Williams ___

George R. Brown, Chairman 07-11-2011
Date

ATTEST Date