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**INTERIOR SAFETY BARRIERS  
AT THE  
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
LIBRARY**

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**SEPTEMBER 11, 2018**

**ITEM 5.1**

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## BACKGROUND

- ▶ **Unique partnership with San José State University**
- ▶ **Opened in 2003; 15th Anniversary!**
- ▶ **Serves 2.2M visits annually**
- ▶ **Relationship governed by Joint Operating Agreement and Annual Cost Sharing Agreement**
- ▶ **Building maintenance, security, and capital improvements managed by SJSU Facilities Development and Operations (FD&O)**



## BACKGROUND

- ▶ **Suicide deaths on January 11, 2016, and February 1, 2017**
- ▶ **Urgent need to improve the existing safety barriers surrounding the atrium at King Library**
- ▶ **Additional SJSU goal of completing construction during the summer break to minimize disruption to Library services in the academic year**



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## BACKGROUND

- ▶ Agreement with Blach Construction June 27, 2017
- ▶ Project initiation July 5, 2017
- ▶ Project completion September 2017
- ▶ Total project cost \$3,031,278









## ANALYSIS | COST IMPLICATIONS

- ▶ **Operating Agreement provisions for sharing costs**
- ▶ **Major Capital Projects ~ Initial Investment in the Facility**
  - ▶ **41% City | 59% SJSU**
  - ▶ **41% = \$1,243,000**
- ▶ **Funds available to be appropriated from other previously planned capital projects at King Library**

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## RESULTS

- ▶ Successful completion of glass wall barriers around atrium
- ▶ Internal curtain wall retains natural light and openness
- ▶ Improved safety and sense of security
- ▶ Improved internal procedures for addressing major capital needs



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# RECOMMENDED ACTION

Accept the staff report

Adopt 2018-19

Appropriation and  
Ordinance amendments

Approve \$1,242,824  
expenditure for King Library  
interior safety barriers