

# Request to Appear as a Delegation

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Name of Delegation: Port Moody Public Library Board

Name of Primary Contact Person: Marc Saunders

Name(s) of Delegation Member(s) in Attendance:

Board Trustees Daphne Herberts, Jennifer Smith, Jacquie Boyer, Bill Lawrie, Valerie Simons, Kasturi Ghosh, Brenda Seraphim, Jennifer Kasuya, and Marc Saunders (Director of Library Services).

Purpose of Delegation:

To advocate for Port Moody City Council to approve a new facility for the Port Moody Public Library on the old Firehall lands.

Details of Request:

The Library Board has spoken with City Council about the need for a new library facility since 2004 and most recently in 2019. The history of advocacy for a new library facility can be found on the library's website at <https://www.portmoodylibrary.ca/en/about-us/vision-for-the-future.aspx>.

The results of the Community Opinion Question in 2018 as well as the COVID-19 pandemic have raised doubts about how and where a future library could be built. The Library Board would like to express to Council the current need for a new library facility, and that it would be best located on the old Firehall lands. The Library Board would like to receive a commitment from City Council to address the library's space needs in the near future.

Additional Information in Support of Request: