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**TO:** Leonard Martin, City Manager

**FROM:** Sue Haas, Library Director

Consider A **Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Interlocal Agreement For Library Services Fiscal Year 2015-16.**

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Carrollton has worked cooperatively with Denton County to provide library service to residents of Denton County since 1985, with Council authorizing an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Library Services each year. Denton County has requested that Carrollton continue to provide library services to all residents of Denton County for FY 2015-16. The proposed agreement states that in return for one or more listed programs of library service, the County agrees to provide \$56,900 during FY 2015-16. The appropriation is based on the City's population per North Central Texas Council of Governments figures and a proportionate share of unserved Denton County residents.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Based on other area libraries' average non-resident fees, the amount remains more than what our library could collect in non-resident fees for library service. The contract amount for FY 2015-16 is \$56,900, which is a slight increase of \$300 from last year's appropriation of \$56,600. Each year has generally seen a reduction in overall funding to the libraries that participate in the Interlocal Agreement. However, when Lake Cities withdrew their participation before last year's allocation, their per capita funds were distributed among the other libraries. As a result, the last two years appropriation has remained over \$56,000.

**IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:**

Library management will continue to obtain and track circulation, fines, and computer usage data and will work with the management analyst group annually to determine whether or not the interlocal agreement continues to provide financial sustainability for the library services provided.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Denton County to provide library services to Denton County residents.