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Title: PRESENTATION - BARRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING THE MASTER BRANCH LIBRARY PLAN

Catherine Virgo, Chair of the Barrie Public Library Board presented a cheque in the amount of $750,000 to Mayor Lehman on behalf of the Branching Out Campaign. She noted that the funds represent donations from the community donors towards a new library branch.

Ruth Reynolds, a member of the Barrie Public Library Board outlined the strategic plan for the Library Board. She provided a number of statistics related to the services the Library currently provides including a variety of initiatives related to technology and the digitization of information. Ms. Reynolds described the overall Library Branch Master Plan and provided an update regarding the Painswick Branch, noting that is scheduled to open in December 2011.   Rebecca Palmer, a member of the Barrie Public Library Board commented on the library needs in the south end of Barrie including the future needs for the annexed lands. She compared the provincial average of libraries per population to Barrie noting that Barrie is below the provincial average. Lynn McClean, a member of the Barrie Public Library Board reviewed building options for the Holly Area Branch. She compared the cost of building the Holly Area Branch in the Holly Community Centre versus a long term rental. The comparison included examining the operating costs of each facility over a five and ten year period. She concluded by stating that the Board's preference is to build the Holly Area Branch at the Holly Community Centre and provided the rationale for the recommendation.

Members of City Council asked a number of questions concerning the presentation.

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