ACTION CALENDAR
November 4, 2026

To: Board of Library Trustees

From: Rebecca Alcalá-Veraflor, Director of Library Services

Subject: 2027 Regular Meeting Schedule for the Board of Library Trustees

RECOMMENDATION
Adopt a resolution approving dates, times and locations for the 2027 regular meeting schedule for the Board of Library Trustees.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION
This report will have no fiscal impacts.

BACKGROUND
The Board of Library Trustees approves the following year's regular meeting schedule during one of its meetings toward the end of each year.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS
The Board of Library Trustees typically holds its regular meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will take place at various library branches on a rotating basis.

For the month of May, the meeting is scheduled for the last week of the month to allow for the receipt of the Personal Income Growth (PIG) and Consumer Price Index (CPI) rates. Consequently, the June meeting will be scheduled for the third week on June 16.

The Board may choose to change any part of their regular meeting schedule, including the date, time or location and to schedule special meetings as needed in accordance with the Brown Act and the City of Berkeley Commissioners' Manual. During August, the Board has chosen to follow the City Council and other City commissions and take a meeting recess.

City Council:
Winter Recess: December 16, 2026 – January 25, 2027
January 26, 2027
February 9 and February 23, 2027
March 2, March 16, and March 23, 2027
Spring Recess: March 24 – April 5, 2027
April 6 and April 20, 2027
May 4, May 11 and May 25, 2027
June 1, June 15 and June 29, 2027

July 6, 2027
Summer Recess: July 7 – August 30, 2027
September 14 and September 28, 2027
October 5 and October 19, 2027
November 2, November 16, and November 30, 2027
December 14, 2027
Winter Recess: December 15, 2027 – January 24, 2028
October 13 and October 27
November 17
December 1 & December 15
Winter Recess: (December 16, 2025 – January 18, 2027)

The proposed *2027 Board of Library Trustees Meeting Schedule* is attached as Attachment 3.

FUTURE ACTION:
No further action is required.

CONTACT PERSON
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Attachments:
1. Resolution
2. City Policy Regarding the Scheduling of City Meetings on All Significant Religious Holidays
3. Proposed 2027 Board of Library Trustee Meeting Schedule

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO: 26-____

APPROVAL OF THE 2027 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees approves next year's regular meeting schedule for the Board of Library Trustees during one of its last meetings each year; and

WHEREAS, the regular meetings of the Board of Library Trustees have been held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. and typically at the West Branch Library, 1125 University Avenue; but now will be hosted at various library branches on a rotating basis; and

WHEREAS, the Board has chosen to follow the City Council and other City commissions and take a meeting recess during the month of August;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Library Trustees of the City of Berkeley to approve the 2027 regular meeting schedule for the Board of Library Trustees, which will occur once per month (generally on the first Wednesday of the month) at 6:30 P.M., except for May when the meeting is scheduled for the last Wednesday of the month, May 26, to allow for the receipt of the Personal Income Growth (PIG) and Consumer Price Index (CPI) rates; and as a result, the June meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of the month, on June 16.

ADOPTED by the Board of Library Trustees of the City of Berkeley at a regular meeting held on November 4, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTENTIONS:

City Policy Regarding the Scheduling of City Meetings on All Significant Religious Holidays

Pursuant to Resolution No. 70,066-N.S., it is the policy of the City to avoid scheduling meetings of City Legislative Bodies (City Council, Policy Committees, Commissions, Task Forces) on religious holidays that incorporate significant work restrictions for common observance in the United States. City legislative bodies must avoid scheduling meetings on the religious holidays listed below.

Religion	Holiday	2027 Dates
Shinto	New Year	1/1/2027 thru 1/3/2027
Hindu	Makar Sankranti	1/14/2027
Cultural	Chinese New Year (Eve, Day, Lantern Festival)	2/5, 2/6, 2/20
Islam	Ramadan (Eve & First Night)	2/7/2027 thru 2/8/2027
Hindu	Holi	3/22/2027
Islam	Eid al-Fitr	3/9/2027 thru 3/10/2027
Cultural	Nowruz*	3/21/2027
Jewish	Passover Nights 1 & 2 (7*, 8*)	4/21 - 4/22 (4/28, 4/29)
Christian	Good Friday	3/26/2027
Christian	Easter Sunday	3/28/2027
Jewish	Shavuot*	6/10/2027 thru 6/12/2027
Islam	Eid al-Adha	5/16/2027 thru 5/17/2027
Buddhist	Vesak	5/20/2027
Shinto	Obon Ceremony*	8/13/2027 thru 8/15/2027
Jewish	Rosh Hashanah	10/1/2027 thru 10/3/2027
Jewish	Yom Kippur	10/10/2027 thru 10/11/2027
Jewish	Sukkot (1st Day) *	10/15/2027 thru 10/16/2027
Jewish	Shmini Atzeret/ Simchat Torah*	10/22/2027 thru 10/24/2027
Hindu	Dussehra	10/9/2027
Hindu	Diwali	10/29/2027
Baha'i Faith	Birth of Bab	10/30/2027
Baha'i Faith	Birth of Baha'u'llah	10/31/2027
Jewish	Chanukah (1st night)	12/24/2027
Christian	Christmas	12/25/2027
Cultural	Kwanzaa	12/26/2027 thru 1/1/2027
Jewish	Shabbat (Friday sunset to Saturday sunset) *	Weekly

* Meetings not prohibited, but avoid scheduling meetings if possible

Berkeley Public Library
Board of Library Trustees
Proposed 2027 Regular Meeting Schedule
1st Wednesday Dates (unless marked*)

Regular Meeting Dates	Location
January 6, 2027	**Claremont Branch, 2940 Benvenue Ave.**
February 3, 2027	**Claremont Branch, 2940 Benvenue Ave.**
March 3, 2027	**Tarea Hall Pittman Branch, 1901 Russell Street**
April 7, 2027	**Tarea Hall Pittman Branch, 1901 Russell Street**
May 26, 2027*	**Tarea Hall Pittman Branch, 1901 Russell Street**
June 16, 2027*	**North Branch, 1170 The Alameda**
July 7, 2027	**North Branch, 1170 The Alameda**
No Meeting in August	
September 1, 2027	**North Branch, 1170 The Alameda**
October 6, 2027	**West Branch, 1125 University Avenue**
November 3, 2027	**West Branch, 1125 University Avenue**
December 1, 2027	**West Branch, 1125 University Avenue**