



PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

AGENDA



Tuesday, July 28, 2026

At 5:15 p.m.

This meeting includes in-person and virtual participation.
Conference Room, Albany Public Library,
2450 14th Avenue SE

Or join the meeting here: [Zoom](#)

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Public Comment:
Persons wanting to provide comments may:
 - 1- Email written comments to the elise.schuh@albanyoregon.gov, including your name, before **noon on the day of the meeting**.
 - 2- To comment virtually during the meeting, register by emailing elise.schuh@albanyoregon.gov before **noon on the day of the meeting**, with your name. The chair will call upon those who have registered to speak.
 - 3- Appear in person at the meeting and register to speak.
4. Approval of June 23, 2026 minutes. [Pages 3-4]
5. Scheduled business
 - Library Strategies, Strategic Plan Update
6. Business from the members
7. Staff updates
 - Eric Ikenouye, Library Director
8. Next meeting date: Tuesday, August 25, 2026

albanyoregon.gov



9. Adjournment

This meeting is accessible to the public via video connection. The location for in-person attendance is accessible to people with disabilities. If you have a disability that requires accommodation, please notify city staff at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting at: elise.schuh@albanyoregon.gov or 541-917-7590.

Testimony provided at the meeting is part of the public record. Meetings are recorded, capturing both in-person and virtual participation, and are posted on the City website.



PUBLIC LIBRAR BOARD

MINUTES

June 23, 2026

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

Approved: DRAFT

Call to Order

Chair Amy Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Steve Borst, Jaci Eiquihua, Douglas Hambley, Linda Hart, Scott Kniefel, Amy Roberts, Jane Sandberg

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

Approval of May 26, 2026, Minutes

5:16 p.m.

MOTION: Board member Douglas Hambley moved to approve the minutes as written. Board member Linda Hart seconded it and it passed (7-0).

Scheduled Business

5:17 p.m.

The consultants from Library Strategies provided an overview of the strategic planning process and presented a draft of the Strategic Plan for Board feedback. The Strategic Plan is structured around broad goals, with supporting strategies under each to provide direction. The consultants reviewed each of the five goals, providing context and background information related to the goals and their supporting strategies.

Board members discussed the draft plan, asked questions, and requested more information and clarification about the goals, strategies, expected outcomes, and how the plan would be implemented. Discussion included:

- Clarification of how “spaces” are defined in the Strategic Plan, including both physical and digital spaces.
- Requests for additional examples of community concerns and feedback related to library services, spaces, and programming.
- Discussion about the process for determining specific actions and priorities for each strategy.
- Feedback and questions about the wording and meaning of several strategies.

- A request to more clearly include schools as part of the community in the outreach strategies.
- Questions about possible funding sources and how the strategies would be implemented.

The Board thanked the consultants for their presentation and for seeking feedback on the draft Strategic Plan.

Business from the Commission

6:14 p.m.

Hambley requested an update on the library newsletter and plans related to the recent Carnegie Corporation grant.

Staff Updates

6:18 p.m.

Ikenouye provided an update on Summer Reading Program sign-ups, upcoming programs including the Rainbow Reveal with artist Peter Erskine and a presentation by Cliff Barackman, ongoing outreach efforts, and staffing.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, July 28th, 2026.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Roberts adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Elise Schuh
Administrative Services Coordinator

Eric Ikenouye
Library Director

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityrecorder@albanyoregon.gov.*