

From: awinter242@aol.com
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Library Closure
Date: Monday, November 4, 2024 8:29:32 AM

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Hi. Re the above, I was at a recent League of Women Voters meeting where the library closure was mentioned and a member of the panel (the Mayor I think) suggested that the former Bed, Bath and Beyond site might fit the bill. It's large, has the handicapped accessibility already in place and parking would be no problem. It would also be close enough to the present location not to interrupt the after-school programs for the neighborhood kids.

I have concerns about the possible relocation to the Community Center because traffic is such an issue on that stretch of Hollister that I think many people just wouldn't want to go there.

Maybe there's another large warehouse-type facility in Goleta that could work, although I'm sure the council is already looking at that.

Please could you pass on my e-mail to the Council for their consideration at the next meeting?

Thank you!

Annette Winter

From: [Madelyn](#)
To: [Luz Reyes-Martin](#)
Cc: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Library Location - Bed Bath & Beyond retail space
Date: Monday, November 4, 2024 8:19:00 AM

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Dear Councilmember Reyes-Martin,

As you know, the Bed Bath & Beyond store in the Fairview Shopping Center is vacant. It is extremely unlikely they will get a tenant. Has anyone from the City contacted them to ask if they'd like to rent the space for a nominal \$1 / year as a philanthropic gesture to the city? It's a large space, still has shelving, has restrooms, is air-conditioned, and has plenty of parking.

This is the listing:

<https://www.hayescommercial.com/listings/?propertyType%5B0%5D=retail&propertyLocation%5B0%5D=goleta&quickSearch>

Sincerely,

Madelyn Cole, 537 Arundel Rd, Goleta

From: [Molly Kuhn](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Library location
Date: Monday, November 4, 2024 9:00:25 AM

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Hello,
Te: Library temporary location

Is the old Bed Bath and Beyond location an option? Also, the community center would work. None of the schools have air conditioning so I don't see why that's a problem for the library.

Molly Hughes

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From: [Susan Shields](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Relocation of library
Date: Monday, November 4, 2024 9:13:23 AM

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I live in Santa Barbara but have a Goleta library card owing to the fact that the SB library system no longer subscribes to the Black Gold system I frequently reserve books at Goleta. I suggest the Goleta City Council consider using the Goleta Community Center as a temporary home for two reasons: there is ample parking and it can be reached reasonably easily driving from the east and thereby avoiding the traffic in downtown Goleta. Failing that it would be vital to find alternative space that people can visit in person as a library is a vital physical resource for the community in many ways, even a life-saver for some. It has been suggested that Goleta patrons may go to the SB library instead but that does not work well for people who have no car and must rely on the bus. This is an important decision that the city council must make and I urge you to take it very seriously.

Susan Shields
3033 Calle Rosales, SB 93105

Sent from my iPad

From: [Annette Shimada](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Cc: rcaraway@noozhawk.com
Subject: Creative idea for library closure
Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 7:39:06 AM

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Hello! I saw the Noozhawk article about Goleta library closure and temporary library option.

Perhaps shuttle service to the newly reopened SB library is possible and cost effective?

Warm regards,
Annette Shimada
Noleta Resident

From: [Anton Hoffmann](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Library - Option 3
Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 7:15:11 AM

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I think option 3 is essential!

The council was given three options: 1) house services in the recently reopened Goleta Valley Community Center, 2) purchase portables for the community center parking lot to house services, or 3) find a building to lease and turn into a library during construction.

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"Resentment nails you to your ruined past." Jean Amery

From: [josie.castagnola](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Goleta Library
Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 2:44:33 PM

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Hello city of Goleta,

Please consider renting the vacant space in Fairview Shopping center (Bed Bath & Beyond) for the library during the construction.

Plenty of parking for everyone and shopping convenience and children from local schools. Every wins and no traveling to Hollister avenue congestion and construction.

Thank you,
Josie Castagnola

From: [Thomas Edson](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Cc: [Yvonne Hernandez](#); [Cristina Hernandez](#)
Subject: Goleta Library Temp Relocation
Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024 9:53:12 AM

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Goleta City Council Members:

The proposal to relocate the city library to temporary quarters at the community center on Hollister is neither advisable nor acceptable.

Hollister Rd. construction is now producing a nightmare of traffic congestion immediately adjacent to community center throughout the daytime. Approaches to the community center on Hollister (east or west) are severely impacted by ongoing construction. Adding to this congestion by relocating the library to this location is really unwise, if not impractical.

Moreover, the parking at the community center is limited and may not provide adequate space to meet the standard volume of library patrons. Has the city produced a reliable account of the actual traffic produced at the current library location?

I recommend looking at other available venues and buildings to house the library. One such vacancy is the former Bed, Bath, and Beyond Store (@ Fairview Rd). It's larger than the current library, is vacant, has abundant parking, and—importantly—is accessible via multiple routes. Leasing this space may be a viable option for the owner.

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