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Imagine Your Bigger, Better Ridgefield Community Library on May 7

Public invited to share with library staff and architects their vision for expanded library

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries (FVRLibraries) is seeking public input for an expanded Ridgefield Community Library.

Earlier this year the Ridgefield Community Center Board donated their building to the Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation to ensure that the new library remained a community resource in the heart of Ridgefield's downtown civic core. The facility will take advantage of the full community center – which the current library occupies only a small percentage off – allowing the library to grow from its existing 2,055 square feet to up to 11,000 square feet.

The public is invited to join library staff, Friends of Ridgefield Community Library, Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation, and project architects from Johansson Wing Architecture to help identify the features they want to see in their new library on May 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the community center, 210 North Main Avenue, Ridgefield, WA.

FVRLibraries recently hired Johansson Wing Architecture to develop options and architectural

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designs for the expanded library. A general contractor will be hired once designs have been solidified. The library district hopes to begin construction this fall.

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About Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Established in 1950, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (FVRL) provides a vast range of information and cultural services to more than 464,000 Southwest and South Central Washington citizens in Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties, and the city of Woodland and Yale Valley Library District in Cowlitz County. FVRL provides a collection of more than 750,000 items, online library services at www.fvrl.org, two bookmobiles, telephone information services, 24/7 online help, outreach programs, and 15 public library locations: Community Libraries in Battle Ground, Cascade Park, Goldendale, La Center, North Bonneville, Ridgefield, Stevenson, Three Creeks, Vancouver, Washougal, White Salmon Valley and Woodland; The Mall Library Connection at Vancouver Mall; and Library Express facilities at Yacolt and Yale.