



MEMBERS

Yasmine-Imani McMorrin, Council Member
Albert Vera, Councilmember
Dr. Kelly Kent, Member - Board of Education
Steven Levin, Member – Board of Education

STAFF

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Special City of Culver City/Culver City Unified School District Liaison Committee Meeting
May 20, 2021 (4:00 P.M. – via WebEx)

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mimi Ferrel, City Clerk Specialist, called the meeting to order at 4:04 P.M. with all Members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mimi Ferrel, City Clerk Specialist, reported no requests to speak.

UPDATES FROM STAFF/MEMBERS

Member Dr. Kelly Kent reported that she had a conversation with Culver City Chief Transportation Officer Rolando Cruz about a two year pilot program offering free bus fare for K-12 students.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

MOVED BY MEMBER LEVIN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VERA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY OF CULVER CITY/CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT LIAISON COMMITTEE APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 11, 2021 AS SUBMITTED.

ACTION ITEMS

A. New Discussion Items

1. Ongoing School Safety

Heba El-Guindy, Mobility and Transportation Engineering Manager, discussed ongoing school safety efforts; non-infrastructure components; Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs); education and encouragement efforts; changes due to the pandemic; the partnership between the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) and the Public Works Department; grant funding; special events; giveaway items; school route enhancements; the School Safety Committee; the timeline for implementation; planned enhancements to school routes; corridor and network improvements; the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP); the Bike Boulevard; and addressing missing sidewalk segments.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding signage; the Farragut improvements; multiple ongoing projects; different funding sources for different project components; branded signage; and creating a connection between Fox Hills and El Rincon.

2. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways

Lisa Michel, Director of Secondary Teaching and Learning, provided an overview of Culver City Unified CTE Programs; discussed current pathways; state standards for high quality programs; funding; the auto shop program; the Robotics Club; grants; the Patient Care Pathway; sports medicine; hands on experience; the Architectural Design Pathway; partnerships; credits earned for Otis College of Art and Design; Information and Communication Technologies; the Robert Frost Auditorium renovation; staffing difficulties; the dance program; the theatre and film program; after school programs; technical skills; soft skills; word working; Production and Managerial Arts; diversity; the Exemplary Arts Award; Arts Media and Entertainment (AME) Pathways; the update on 2020 graduates; student survey results; college partnerships; workforce grants; dual enrollment; embedding student leadership opportunities; Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs); the SkillsUSA Framework; the need for support; and upcoming stakeholder meetings.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding appreciation for the detailed presentation; the retirement of Dr. Michel; and appreciation for the work.

3. Need for Affordable Housing

Member Kent discussed recent meetings regarding affordable housing; Abode Housing; Habitat for Humanity; a suggestion to invite Compton Unified School District representatives to a meeting to make a presentation on their project; and

creation of workforce housing on school property.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding interest by the City and CCUSD in creating affordable housing; workforce housing; creative solutions; use of available land; research on a housing program for teachers in New Jersey; continued exploration of county partnerships and funding sources; improving housing choices for residents; keeping CCUSD in mind for partnerships; people driven out of the City due to the high cost of housing; housing for CCUSD employees; City participation in an upcoming meeting with Habitat for Humanity; CCUSD participation in the upcoming City Council meeting regarding land use; and the K-12 free fare initiative.

B. Updates on Past Agenda Items (As Applicable)

1. Continued Discussion Regarding Vaccinations

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding vaccinations provided through CCUSD.

2. School Resource Officers (SROs) Update

Manny Cid, Culver City Police Chief, discussed the intent of the partnership to provide safety around schools; work of the SRO with all schools in the City; the pandemic; Suspected Child Abuse Reports (SCAR); reduced calls for service; the importance of providing a visible presence; and operating in a reactive rather than proactive way.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding a request for data with demographics and sites; student arrests or citations; comparisons with regular arrest data; demographics; differences between sites; parking related calls in and around schools; the balance between what is done by the Police and what is done by District employees; having School Administrators take the lead on non-violent incidents; restorative justice; an incident where students stole a lawn sign; appropriate focus of resources; criminal activity; challenges with victims who want to prosecute; the need for community support; educating the students; fostering positive relationships while addressing low-level violations; discretion; the intent of CCPD to support the administration; threats of violence; social media posts; disturbance calls; and agreement that the item return on the agenda for the next meeting with the intent to receive a brief presentation in order to have a more in depth discussion of data.

3. Joint Use Agreement Discussion

Armando Abrego, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, discussed the joint use agreement between the School District and the City, outreach to the School District regarding reformatting the Joint Use Agreement; and the request of

the Superintendent to delay the process until August.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding transportation related to getting students from CCUSD to Parks and Recreation programming for after care, and clarification that a discussion of space for after care programs is included the Joint Use Agreement.

4. Student Support Services Discussion

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding a suggestion to invite specific CCUSD representatives to the next meeting to provide a presentation on support services; the partnership between the City and CCUSD; support for homeless families; working together to fill in gaps and meet needs; providing access to counseling and psychological support off campus; a suggestion to have Helen Chin provide a presentation on outreach to the unhoused community; and use of City facilities.

C. Next Steps, Items for Upcoming Agendas, Next Meeting Date/Time

Mimi Ferrel, City Clerk Specialist, summarized agreed upon items for the next agenda including:

- Presentation of data by the Police Department
- A joint presentation with Housing and Student Support Services
- A presentation from the Assistant to the City Manager on Homelessness, Helen Chin
- A presentation from Veronica Montes and . Kim Indelicato from the School District
- A presentation from Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, Armando Abrego

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding meeting dates and agreement to meet in September.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:01 P.M. the City Council/CCUSD Liaison Committee adjourned.

Jeremy Green
SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE of the City Council/CCUSD Liaison Committee
Culver City, California

APPROVED

YASMINE-IMANI MCMORRIN
CHAIR of the City Council/CCUSD Liaison Committee
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