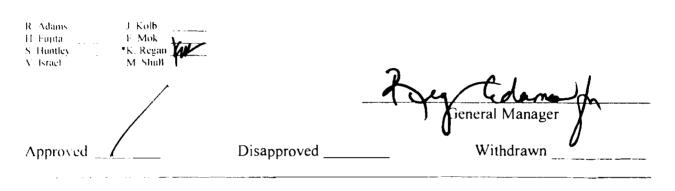


SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION 2008-2009 FISCAL YEAR FUNDING FOR FACILITY REPAIR AND RENOVATION AT VARIOUS CHILD CARE FACILITIES



RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- Approve the submission of an application, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, to the California Department of Education (CDE) for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Facility Repair and Renovation funding for three (3) licensed Department child care centers;
- 2. Direct staff to transmit the grant application to the Mayor and City Council for approval; and,
- 3. Authorize the General Manager to represent the City and to execute the corresponding grant agreement, and any subsequent amendments thereto, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 14.6 et seq. as may be amended, on behalf of the City, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SUMMARY:

The Department is a current recipient of a total of \$694,148 in CDE funding for the current Fiseal Year. CDE provides \$216,454 in General Child Care Program funds, which provide grant monies to the Jim Gilliam Child Care Center for its subsidized preschool program. CDE also provides \$477,694 in Latchkey Program grant funds which are utilized for subsidized after-school child care services at the following seven licensed Department child care centers:

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Baldwin Hills. Echo Park, Eagle Rock, Evergreen, Loren Miller, Hubert Humphrey and South Park. CDE has published notification of funding for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Facility Repair and Renovation Fund to assist agencies in the effort to maintain healthy, safe and accessible environments for children participating in state-subsidized child care and development programs. The Department is seeking \$25,000 in funding for three of the licensed Department child care centers: Jim Gilliam, Hubert Humphrey and South Park.

The Child Care Program is a vital component of the Department's overall recreation services, providing a much needed service to the community. Funding will enable the Department to make necessary repairs and renovations without using City funds and covers costs for materials and labor. The Department expects to receive notification of funding in October 2008. Should the Department receive the grant, the contract period will be September 15, 2008, to June 30, 2011. All projects must be completed by June 30, 2011.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This grant does not require a match and will provide for needed renovations and repairs without using City funds.

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