REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
June 13, 2006

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Agreement Approval With Elk Grove Unified School District to Continue START Operations at Union House Elementary

Location/Council District: 7850 Deer Creek Drive, Council District 7

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign all agreements and documents, including any extensions or amendments thereto, with the Elk Grove Unified School District to allow Sacramento START to continue providing an after-school program on a subcontracting basis at Union House Elementary School during the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2008.

Contact: David Mitchell, Program Manager, 808-6076

Presenter: N/A

Department: Parks and Recreation

Division: Recreation and Human Services

Organization No: 4726

Summary:

For many years the Sacramento START (Students Today Achieving Results for Tomorrow) program has been operating an after-school program at Union House Elementary School in the Elk Grove Unified School District (the District). The District has its own grant from the California Department of Education (CDE) to operate an after-school program at Union House, and since November 2003 the District has subcontracted the operation of the program to Sacramento START.

The District has requested that Sacramento START continue to take responsibility for daily operation of their after-school program on a contractual basis. The District will continue to be responsible for managing all aspects of their CDE grant, including grant compliance, attendance and financial reporting, and evaluation. The District will reimburse Sacramento START for all labor and operating costs associated with the operation of the program at the

site, plus an amount for administrative overhead. All funds required for the operation of the program are available within START's approved budget - no appropriation is required.

Committee/Commission Action: None with this item.

Background Information:

Sacramento START has been operating at elementary schools throughout the City and County of Sacramento since 1995. The program provides literacy, homework assistance and enrichment programs in schools where more than half of their students are eligible for the free and reduced-price lunch program. A majority of the funding for this program comes from a grant from the California Department of Education (CDE), with additional support from the City's General Fund, participating school districts, and private contributions.

Union House has been the one Sacramento START school at which the CDE grant has been applied for by and awarded to a school district rather than to the City. The City originally supplemented the District's grant and other support provided by the District. As a result, more children were able to attend the START program at this site than the District could support on its own.

When funds from the County of Sacramento no longer were available to the Sacramento START program, the financial contribution by START at Union House was reduced. At the same time, Union House's principal believed it would be more efficient for the District to subcontract with START for the daily operation of the program because START had the infrastructure and expertise to deliver a quality program. Consequently, an agreement was negotiated whereby START began subcontracting the after-school program at Union House in November 2003. An average of 95 students per day were served last year and START was fully reimbursed for all costs incurred last year in the amount of $120,000.

The District's CDE grant has been renewed for three years, and the District has asked START to continue its subcontracting role through June 30, 2008. As was reported to Council on August 23, 2005, when authorization was received to accept the City's grant renewal from CDE and to continue our relationships with all six partner school districts, the State delayed the delivery of the final contract documents until several months into the school year. After the Elk Grove Unified School District concluded their grant acceptance process with the State, they were able to enter into final negotiations with the City on the Union House program. Those negotiations are complete, and the agreement is available for review in the City Clerk's Office.

Program staff will continue to be employees of the City, which is the case at all other Sacramento START sites. All supervision and administration will be handled through START. The District will be billed quarterly for the cost of all labor and supplies used at Union House Elementary, plus an additional amount for administrative costs spent on behalf of the program. The City will be fully reimbursed for all costs.

Financial Considerations:

The agreement with the Elk Grove Unified School District provides for the attendance of up to 130 students and for a maximum expenditure by the City and reimbursement by the District of $170,600 for the operation of the program in the current school year. All funds required for the operation of the program are available within START's approved budget, and no appropriation is required.

Environmental Considerations:

There are no environmental considerations with this report.

Policy Considerations:

This report is consistent with the City's strategic plan to achieve sustainability and enhance livability.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):

There are no ESBD considerations with this report.

Approved by: _____
Robert G. Overstreet II
Parks and Recreation Director

Recommendation Approved:

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for RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SUBCONTRACT THE DISTRICT'S AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT UNION HOUSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BACKGROUND

A. The Elk Grove Unified School District has a grant from the California Department of Education to operate an after-school literacy and educational enrichment program at Union House Elementary School.

B. The District has asked the City's Sacramento START program to continue to be a subcontractor for the daily operation of the program at Union House through June 30, 2008.

C. The District will continue to be responsible for managing all aspects of their grant, including grant compliance, attendance and financial reporting, and evaluation. The District will reimburse Sacramento START for all labor and operating costs associated with the operation of the program at Union House.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to sign all agreements and documents, including any extensions or amendments thereto, with the Elk Grove Unified School District to allow Sacramento START to continue providing an after-school program on a subcontracting basis at Union House Elementary School during the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2008.