


CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE EARLY EDUCATION FUNDS FROM FIRST 5 ALAMEDA COUNTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX MILLION FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND SEVEN DOLLARS (\$6,580,607) FOR OAKLAND HEAD START PROGRAMMING FROM JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO:

- 1. SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY, ADD SEVEN FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) POSITIONS FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY HEAD START PROGRAM;**
- 2. SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY, ENTER INTO A LEASE WITH OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO OPEN A NEW HEAD START CENTER AT MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LOCATED AT 960 10TH STREET, OAKLAND IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$14,436 PER YEAR FOR THREE-YEAR TERM WITH OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE FIVE-YEAR TERM;**
- 3. SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY, ADD FOUR ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS TO OPERATE THE NEW CENTER AT MARTIN LUTHERN KING JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; AND**
- 4. ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL EARLY EDUCATION FUNDS IF THEY BECOME AVAILABLE FROM FIRST 5 ALAMEDA COUNTY WITHIN FY 2023-2024 AND TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY FOR THE CITY TO RECEIVE THE FUNDING.**

WHEREAS, the Oakland Children's Initiative (Measure AA, codified at Oakland City Charter, Art. XVI) is a 2018 Charter Amendment passed by the citizens of Oakland establishing the Early Education Fund to deepen the early investment in children by dramatically expanding access to high quality preschool; and

WHEREAS, Measure AA established the Oakland Early Education Fund, funded by 62% of the parcel tax proceeds, to support programs to expand access to, or to enhance the quality of, early care and education and preschool for children and parents who reside in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. 89517 C.M.S., the City Council approved First 5 Alameda County as the Early Education Implementation Partner, as the entity responsible for implementing the Early Education Fund, for a five-year term; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023, pursuant to Resolution No. 89802 C.M.S., the City Council accepted and appropriated Measure AA Early Education Funds from First 5 Alameda County in an amount not to exceed \$4,926,986 for Head Start Programming; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland desires to apply for, accept and appropriate an estimated sum of six million five hundred and eighty thousand and six hundred and seven dollars (\$6,580,607) from the Oakland Children’s Initiative (Measure AA) Early Education Fund through the implementation partner, First 5 Alameda County to operate program services from July 1, 2023 through to June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Section 1606(b)(2) of the Charter states that for the first five years of the Early Education Fund, first funding priority shall be given to public agencies to expand public programs in all areas of the City that meet a baseline quality level and can accommodate more children using empty classrooms and/or filling vacancies, particularly programs at Oakland Unified School District and City of Oakland Head Start; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 1606(a) provides Early Education Guidelines for the first five years of the Early Education Fund, including prioritized outcome and funding measures, such that plans to fund a lower priority outcome may only be implemented if the Early Education Implementation Partner has determined that the next highest priority goal is reasonably achievable with the five-year period; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 1604(d) provides that moneys in the Early Education Fund shall only be used to expand access to, or enhance the quality of, early care and education, provided, however, that if federal, state, non-City, or restricted Oakland Unified School District funding was committed for the purpose of providing such services and subsequently ceases to be provided and is not replaced by other federal, state, non-City, or restricted Oakland Unified School District funding committed for that same purpose, then moneys in the Early Education Fund may be expended to the extent necessary for such services to continue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland federal grant award for the Head Start in FY2021-22 was \$4,926,986 less than what was previously awarded in FY2020-21, and has not been replaced by other external sources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland costs for Head Start have grown by \$9,473,229 since the loss of federal grant award funding; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2021, the Oakland City Council passed Resolution No. 88801 C.M.S. to amend the City of Oakland FY 2021-2023 Biennial budget to reallocate up to \$1,836,000 million in onetime funding from the General-Purpose Fund to keep Arroyo Viejo,

Tassafaronga and Franklin Head Start sites open and prevent families from being forced to travel to another location or lose services altogether for FY 2021-2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland Budget for FY 2023-24 had budgeted a negative \$6,083,360 in the General Purpose Fund (1010), HS Classroom and Seasonal Organization (78231), DP900 Administrative Project (1000021), Placeholder – Budget Only Program (PH01) in anticipation that costs would get reimbursed by Measure AA, due to the growing costs of the Head start program coupled with prior loss of federal funding; and

WHEREAS, approval of this resolution will likely fund free full-day Center-based early childhood education and development services at Arroyo Viejo, Tassafaronga and Franklin Head Start centers for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 to serve children from ages 3 to 5 years old and prepare them for transition to Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten classrooms, subject to approval by First 5 Alameda County as Implementation Partner, and may cover reimbursement of additional services or expenses allowed under Measure AA; and

WHEREAS, if the City’s full application and request for funding is approved as submitted to First 5 Alameda County, approval of this resolution will authorize the City Administrator to fund seven new Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions to operate the Early Education Fund programming, data requirements and to provide coaching for professional development and specialized services to families enrolled in the program. These positions include 1.00 FTE Project Manager, 1.00 FTE Program Analyst II, 1.00 FTE Administrative Services Manager II, 1.00 FTE Administrative Assistant I, 1.00 FTE Family Services Specialist, 1.00 FTE Coach Coordinator, and 1.00 FTE Head Start Supervisor, with annual costs as indicated in the report; and

WHEREAS, if the City’s full application and request for funding is approved as submitted to First 5 Alameda County, approval of this Resolution will authorize the City Administrator to fund a new free full-day Head Start Center-based early childhood education and development services at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary school through a partnership and lease agreement with Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 to serve children from ages 3 to 5 years old and prepare them for transition to Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten classrooms; and

WHEREAS, the proposed lease with OUSD would be in the amount not to exceed \$14,436 per year for a three-year term, with an option to renew for one additional five-year term; and

WHEREAS, if the City’s full application and request for funding is approved as submitted to First 5 Alameda County, approval of this Resolution will authorize the City Administrator to add an additional four FTE positions to operate the full-day Head Start Center-based early childhood education and development services at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary school, including 1.00 FTE Early Childhood Center Director, 2.00 FTE Head Start Instructors, and 1.00 FTE Head Start Associate Instructor, with annual costs as indicated in the report; and

WHEREAS, funding through the Early Education fund prioritizes City of Oakland Head Start through the first five years of the legislation and the new positions will be part of the annual application process to First 5 Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, the funding will allow the Oakland Head Start Program to continue providing free, high-quality, comprehensive early education programming to low-income children and families in the learning dimension areas of physical health and development; approaches toward learning; communication, language usage, and literacy, and cognition and general knowledge; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby accepts and appropriates Measure AA Early Education Funds from First 5 Alameda County in an amount not to exceed six million five hundred eighty thousand six hundred and seven dollars (\$6,580,607) for Oakland Head Start/Early Head Start programming from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, and authorizes an agreement with First 5 Alameda County to accept said funds; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That funds from First 5 Alameda County shall be appropriated to project and fund numbers to be determined; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That subject to funding availability, the City Administrator is authorized to add the following FTE positions to operate the Early Education Fund programming, data requirements and to provide coaching for professional development and specialized services to families enrolled in the program—1.00 FTE Project Manager, 1.00 FTE Program Analyst II, 1.00 FTE Administrative Services Manager II, 1.00 FTE Administrative Assistant I, 1.00 FTE Family Services Specialist, 1.00 FTE Coach Coordinator, and 1.00 FTE Head Start Supervisor; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That subject to funding availability, the City Administrator is authorized to enter into a lease agreement with OUSD to open a new Head Start Center at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$14,436 per year for a three-year term, with an option to renew for one five-year term; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That subject to funding availability, the City Administrator is authorized to add the following FTE positions to operate the full-day Head Start Center-based early childhood education and development services at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary school—1.00 FTE Early Childhood Center Director, 2.00 FTE Head Start Instructors, and 1.00 FTE Head Start Associate Instructor; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That if additional Early Education Funds become available for Measure AA implementation from First 5 Alameda County for FY 2023-2024, the City Administrator or his designee is authorized to accept and appropriate these funds to fund the Head Start/Early Head Start Program and take all actions necessary to accept the funding.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California