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Beverly Hills Liaison Meeting
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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Friday, June 10, 2022
8:30 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
Date / Time: June 10, 2022 / 8:37 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:
Councilmember Lester Friedman; Councilmember Robert Wunderlich; George Chavez, City Manager; Jenny Rogers, Community Services Director; Patty Acuna, Assistant Director of Community Services; Dr. Michael Bregy, BHUSD Superintendent; Noah Margo, BHUSD Boardmember; Tim Ellis, BHUSD; Mary Wells, BHUSD Chair; Rebecca Starkins, BHUSD Director of Public Relations

1) Public Comment
   a. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

   • No comments from the public

2) BHUSD Joint Task Force Update on Implementation of the Universal Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Program in Beverly Hills

   • Jenny Rogers, Director of Community Services, thanked and welcomed the Beverly Hills Unified School District staff for their research and collaboration with staff on the TK Program with Assembly Bill 22 (AB 22).
   • Dr. Michael Bregy, BHUSD Superintendent, informed the liaisons that Univeral Programming is a big change for the state of California. The district had started it prior to being mandated as they understood the importance of reaching out to the earliest learner. A TK program began in 2014 and this expansion will allow the district to reach the youngest learner in the classroom.
• Patty Acuna, Assistant Director of Community Services, updated the Joint Task Force on the development and implementation of early childhood services that would provide the community with a “wrap around” solution to both education and childcare services in the City. Based upon anticipated BHUSD enrollment of 4 year olds, it was expected that there would be a need for 2-to-3 additional classrooms at Hawthorne Elementary and 1-to-2 additional classrooms at Horace Mann. The new TK program will operate Monday – Friday, 8am – 1pm. At the time of the meeting, the timeframe had not been confirmed.

• With the current numbers of interested parents at each of the schools, City staff identified the impacts and needs required to offer services to new incoming 4 year olds.

• Community Services preschool program would transition from ages 3-5 year olds to mostly 3 year olds. Currently both Hawthorne preschool rooms have 20 students enrolled.

• Afterschool childcare Adventure Camp Program would require an additional classroom at each elementary school to offer childcare to incoming TK 4 year olds.

• The fiscal impact of increasing afterschool childcare programming for one additional classroom at each elementary school would require City funding. It was recommended that the City Council Liaisons recommend to City Council to approve funding for four Part-Time Regular Childcare Counselors.

• This item will be presented to City Council on June 14, 2022.

3) Future Agenda Items Discussion

• No future agenda items were discussed. Meetings scheduled as needed.

4) Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT
Date / Time: June 10, 2022 / 9:11 a.m.