

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 21720 Agenda Number 15.

Meeting Date: 1/31/2013 Department: Parks and Recreation

Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Austin Independent School District for mentoring services at Metz Elementary School for a term of nine months beginning August 22, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and ratifying payment of \$100,000 for the 2011-2012 program year, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$200,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$200,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	August 27, 2009 – Council approved negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Austin Independent School District for the Metz HOSTs program.
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Additional Backup Information

This Interlocal Agreement will authorize a payment of \$200,000 to AISD to continue a mentoring program at Metz Elementary School for the 2012-2013 school year and ratifying payment of \$100,000 for the 2011-2012 school year. This funding represents the City's efforts to support educational programs in the Holly neighborhood, and the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) will be the administrators of the Interlocal Agreement. In addition, PARD will receive fee waivers and other services in an amount equivalent to the \$100,000 annual mentoring payment for mutually approved use of AISD facilities.

This is the 8th year of a partnership with AISD for a one-to-one reading intervention program, HOSTS (Helping One Student to Succeed), that serves English and Spanish speaking students in grades K through 5. This program is managed through AISD's Metz Elementary School and tutors over 150 students each year with volunteer mentors providing over 8,000 hours each year of dedicated mentoring services. For the 2010-2011 academic year, 158 students were tutored with 98% improving their reading skills from the prior year and 93% of the students promoted to the

next grade level.
AISD employs and dedicates one full-time teacher and one teacher's assistant specifically for HOST at a cost of \$86,585; program supplies, computer software and other expenses total \$13,415. AISD submits an invoice for payment at the end of the school year to the City for program reimbursement. PARD funding is loaded annually in the PARD, Community Services Division budget.