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Now on to Life Enrichment, which is starting late due to over long CED

There's only two items here, but they may be weighty. Both have to do with Oakland Head Start, a subject of political tension in Oakland, while under attack by Trump who recently closed the entire region office, which includes California, Nevada and Hawaii

First item is a contract for subs for the program, its a five year contract that's being extended

26-0126 Version: 1

City Resolution

9/29/2025

10/21/2025

Status:

In Council

In control:

* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council

Final action:

Subject: Early Childhood And Family Services Division Amended Agreement With Childcare Careers, LLC FY 22-27 From: Human Services Department Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Waiving The Local/Small Local Business Enterprise Program Requirement And Waiving The Competitive Bidding Process And Authorizing The City Administrator To Execute A Second Amendment To A Professional Services Agreement With Childcare Careers, LLC To Increase The Amount Of The Previous Contract By An Additional \$500,000 For A Total Amount Not To Exceed \$1,250,000 For As-Needed Substitute Teacher Staffing Services For The Contract Period Fiscal Year 2022-2027

Human Services Department

1. [View Report](#), 2. [View Legislation](#)

Apparently, the city already owes 100K to the company---the contract would pay that off, and continue the services

Fife says Head Start is under attack from Trump administration, notes the closure of regional offices in April

Now on to accept and appropriation of the Head Start federal funds of about \$13.7MM, which requires an approx \$6 MM city match, which would serve 622 kids

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution:

1. Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Head Start Basic Training And Technical Assistance, Early Head Start Basic And Training And Technical Assistance Grants For Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 From The US Department Of Health And Human Services, Administration For Children And Families, Office Of Head Start (DHHS/ACF), In An Estimated Amount Of Thirteen Million Seven Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Fifty-Seven Dollars (\$13,797,057), And Committing The Necessary Local Match; And
2. Authorizing An Estimated Offset of Three Million Four Hundred Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$3,414,981) For FY 2025-2026 Central Services Overhead Charges; And
3. Awarding Grant Agreements To Fund Comprehensive Early Care, Education, And Family Services To Community Service Providers Identified In Table 3 For FY 2025-2026 For A Total Amount Not To Exceed Two Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand One-Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$2,760,120); And
4. Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Additional Federal Head Start/Early Head Start Funds If They Become Available Within FY 2025-2026 And Amend The Grant Agreements Within The Limits Of The Federal Award.

the current enrollment is 408, of about 600 slots...rep says that numbers can grow as ed year just began

Also mentioned this is about 97% capacity, based on teaching capacity

Also going through D7 stats, where about about 20% of the HS clients are Black, and a vast majority are Latino.

I believe that last stat is for Home Base, with many families using other district centers. The rep said that if they had more teachers, there would be more centers, which is what is preferred

Fife is asking about operational costs at Parks and Rec for the program---some of the programs are held at Parks and Rec, but the rep says that there aren't charges for that.

Not making too big a point about it, but a speaker comes to meetings once in a while who speaks in confident, enunciated streams of nonsense, that nonetheless have few neologisms, and references proper names, courts, departments, laws, and personages. Its

remarkable actually

They forwarded the item to Council on consent. Without this vote there is no Head Start program in Oakland, so...

Okay, that's it for me and for committee meetings today. PSC was shifted to morning slot left open by cancelled Finance Committee meeting

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