

MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda Item No. VI.D. 1/27/2015

The City of **OKLAHOMA CITY**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Memorandum of Understanding with Oklahoma City Public Schools and the Oklahoma Afterschool Network to implement the Moon Spring STEAM Academy, an afterschool program at Fredrick Douglas (FD) Moon Academy, 1901 NE 13th Street, beginning January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015. Ward 7.

Location 1901 Northeast 13th Street

Purpose

City staff met with administrators and staff at the Oklahoma City Public Schools (OKCPS) and Oklahoma Afterschool Network (OKAN) and all parties desire to continue the partnership by offering a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math)-focused, afterschool program at FD Moon Academy. The purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to establish a formal working relationship between the parties, based on the intent to meet the service delivery needs of the Moon STEAM Academy and clearly outline the responsibilities for each entity.

In summary, OKCPS is responsible for oversight and payment to OKCPS staff, as well as the facilities, transportation, snacks and program delivery. The City is contracting with OKAN who will assist with program oversight, data collection and provide payment to the STEAM program providers (non-OKCPS staff). The total cost of the Moon Spring STEAM Academy is approximately \$80,708. The City's portion is \$41,000.

The afterschool program at Moon is offered starting January 12, 2015 through the end of the school year. The term of the MOU is January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015.

Background

On January 14, 2014, the City Council approved a Sole Source Agreement with the Oklahoma Afterschool Network (OKAN) to work collaboratively with Oklahoma City Public Schools (OKCPS) and stakeholders to build a STEAM-focused implementation plan for summer and afterschool programming at FD Moon Academy.

Based on that plan, the Moon Summer STEAM Academy was implemented June 4, 2014 to July 3, 2014. The program was a success

with reading and math scores increasing an average of 20 points in each grade level. In addition, student attendance was high and parents and teachers expressed enthusiasm for the program. The entire summer program was paid for by OKCPS.

Previous Action

Resolution and Sole Source Professional Services Agreement with Oklahoma Afterschool Network approved by the City Council on December 30, 2014 (Item No. VII. N.).

Neighborhood Conservation Committee of Council unanimously approved this request on December 2, 2014.

2014-15 Fifth Year Action Plan which included CDBG funds for out-of-school programs at schools located within SNI areas adopted by City Council on April 29, 2014 (Item No. VIII. F.).

Review

Planning Department

Recommendation: Memorandum of Understanding be approved.