

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2021-0168

Sponsored by: **County Executive Budish/Department of Health and Human Services**

Co-sponsored by: **Councilmembers Jones, Miller, Conwell, Simon, Sweeney, Brown and Tuma**

A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement among Cuyahoga County, Say Yes Cleveland fka Say Yes to Education Inc., Cleveland Metropolitan School District and Breakthrough Public Schools for the Say Yes Cleveland Strategy Program for the period 7/24/2019 – 7/23/2021 to extend the time period to 7/23/2022, to add Near West Intergenerational School, Horizon Science Academy and College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc. as parties, and to change the terms to establish funding responsibilities during Year 3 of the Program, effective 7/24/2021; accepting payments in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,931,300.00 from Cleveland Metropolitan School District; in the amount not-to-exceed \$124,600.00 from Breakthrough Public Schools; in the amount not-to-exceed \$31,150.00 from Near West Intergenerational Schools and in the amount not-to-exceed \$31,150.00 from Horizon Science Academy for said Program; authorizing a payment in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,052,000.00 to College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc. as fiscal agent of Say Yes Cleveland; authorizing an amendment to the Governance Agreement; and authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, the County Executive/Department of Health and Human Services has recommended an amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement among Cuyahoga County, Say Yes Cleveland fka Say Yes to Education Inc., Cleveland Metropolitan School District and Breakthrough Public Schools for the Say Yes Cleveland Strategy Program for the period 7/24/2019 – 7/23/2021 to extend

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WHEREAS, by Resolution R2019-0153, dated July 24, 2019, this Council authorized a governance agreement between the County and the various Say Yes to Education Partners that now requires amending to update the organizational structure; and

WHEREAS, the primary goals of this project are: (1) to increase postsecondary completion rates by addressing barriers to student success while in public or charter schools; (2) to build local endowments that provide tuition scholarships so public and charter school graduates can afford and complete a postsecondary education; (3) to build student support resources that help students during each stage of their education in the local district, including after-school programs, summer programs, tutoring, legal assistance, health services and other services; and (4) to ensure students are on the path to academic success; and

WHEREAS, County Council has determined that entering into the proposed amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement and the Governance Agreement is the best interest of the County; and

WHEREAS, this project will be funded as follows: (a) from the payment of \$1,931,300.00 from the Cleveland Metropolitan School District; (b) from the payment of \$124,600.00 from Breakthrough Public Schools; (c) from the payment of \$31,150.00 from Near West Intergenerational Schools; (d) from the payment of \$31,150.00 from Horizon Science Academy and (e) \$3,933,800.00 from County Contribution (HHS Levy Funds, Federal Title IV-E, Other); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services be provided to students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby authorizes an amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement among Cuyahoga County, Say Yes Cleveland fka Say Yes to Education Inc., Cleveland Metropolitan School District and Breakthrough Public Schools for the Say Yes Cleveland Strategy

Program for the period 7/24/2019 – 7/23/2021 to extend the time period to 7/23/2022, to add Near West Intergenerational School, Horizon Science Academy and College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc. as parties, and to change the terms to establish funding responsibilities during Year 3 of the Program, effective 7/24/2021; accepting payments in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,931,300.00 from Cleveland Metropolitan School District; in the amount not-to-exceed \$124,600.00 from Breakthrough Public Schools; in the amount not-to-exceed \$31,150.00 from Near West Intergenerational Schools and in the amount not-to-exceed \$31,150.00 from Horizon Science Academy for said Program; authorizing a payment in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,052,000.00 to College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc. as fiscal agent of Say Yes Cleveland.

SECTION 2. That the County Executive is authorized to execute the amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement and the Amended and Restated Governance Agreement, and all other documents consistent with this Resolution.

SECTION 3. To the extent an exemption for anything herein is needed, it is hereby granted.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Ms. Simon, seconded by Ms. Brown, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Brown, Stephens, Simon, Baker, Miller, Sweeney, Tuma and Jones

Nays: None


County Council President

7/26/21
Date


County Executive

7-27-21
Date


Clerk of Council

7/21/2021
Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: July 6, 2021
Committee(s) Assigned: Education, Environment & Sustainability

Additional Sponsorships Requested on the Floor: July 20, 2021

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