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MEMBERS OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to enter into an Agreement for Use of Facilities and Services with the Long Beach Unified School District for the facilitation of the District's Work-Based Learning Community Classroom at the Long Beach Senior Center, located at 1150 East 4th Street, through June 20, 2021, with one three-year renewal option at the discretion of the Director. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

In November of 2018, the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) requested that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (Department) facilitate its Work-Based Learning Community Classroom (Community Classroom) at the Long Beach Senior Center, located at 1150 East 4th Street (Senior Center). Community Classroom is a program for LBUSD students to volunteer at offsite locations within the community, in lieu of traditional classroom learning environments. The aim of Community Classroom is to prepare these students for careers in the disciplines of health, psychology, community service and/or gerontology, by giving them practical work-based experience alongside working professionals in those fields.

This iteration of Community Classroom would take place at the Senior Center on a pre-scheduled weekly basis, under the direct supervision of Department staff. The students, who will range in ages from 17 to 18 and will have completed Advanced Placement Psychology, would have the opportunity to shadow Department staff and work directly and indirectly with Senior Center patrons. Examples of some possible volunteer opportunities at the Senior Center would be helping staff coordinate and run classes and programs, assist with administration of Senior Center programs and other general duties as assigned.

LBUSD will monitor the overall direction of each student and will bear all applicable costs for the students' involvement in the program. Department personnel will directly supervise Community Classroom students and oversee their day-to-day activities. LBUSD shall ensure that all Community Classroom students are insured, provided student orientations and placement while they are enrolled in the program, at no cost to the City. In exchange for The facilitation of this program, the City will receive the benefit of free volunteer labor at the Senior Center. At no time, shall the LBUSD students be considered City employees or entitled recipients of any City benefits, such as Workers' Compensation Insurance.

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Parks and Recreation Commission approval is requested to allow LBUSD to establish the Community Classroom program at the Senior Center at no cost to the City.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,



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APPROVED:



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