

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of March 17, 1999

February 24, 1999

Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Henry C. Fraind

SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT TO THE CITY OF MIAMI FOR MAINTENANCE COSTS AT SIX PARK/SCHOOL SITES

Since July 1987, the Board has utilized six City of Miami (City) parks for the daily recreational activities of adjacent schools under a license agreement with the City. These sites are Gibson Park/Douglass Elementary, Armbrister Park/Carver Elementary, Lemon City Park/Toussaint L'Ouverture Elementary, Range Park/Edison Park Elementary, Shenandoah Park/Shenandoah Middle and West End Park/Fairlawn Elementary. The Board has exclusive use of these sites during school hours.

In September 1994, the District entered into a new License Agreement for the use of these City parks. The terms of the agreement provide for the City to furnish 100% of the maintenance of the park sites and for the Board to reimburse the City for 60% of its actual costs; with 60% representing the amount of actual usage by the schools each year. Maintenance by the City includes such items as field personnel (whose job descriptions require maintenance functions), equipment and tools, tree trimming, trash disposal, mowing and edging and field maintenance. In addition, the agreement requires the District to pay for those utilities used during the District's period of use and to reimburse the City for a proportionate share of the costs associated with the City's administrative personnel necessary for maintenance of the park sites used by the schools.

District staff, including the six school principals, have reviewed the back-up information supplied by the City for the current billing period, and confirmed that the amount due the City for the period of October 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998, is \$97,890.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize payment of \$97,890 to the City of Miami for 60% of actual maintenance and utility costs incurred for the use of six City of Miami park/school sites for the period of October 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998.

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