

Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE FOURTH
 AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL
 CONTRACT WITH THE LIBERTY CITY CHARTER SCHOOL
 PROJECT, INC., ON BEHALF OF THE LIBERTY CITY CHARTER
 SCHOOL**

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

As per Section 1002.33(7)(c), Florida Statutes, a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The initial charter school contractual agreement for The Liberty City Charter School Project, Inc., was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on July 28, 1996, for a term of three years, commencing with the 1996-1997 school year. The contract was renewed and subsequently amended to increase the enrollment capacity and extend the term to expire on June 30, 2014.

The Liberty City Charter School is located at 8700 NW 5 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33150, and currently serves approximately 316 students in grades kindergarten through six.

The following is the Governing Board for the charter school: Dr. Castell Vaughn, Mr. T. Willard Fair, Ms. Anita Jones, Ms. Cheri Perry, Mr. Ronald Demon, Mr. Al Townsel, Ms. Chery Watchel, and Mr. Andrew Bellinson.

The Liberty City Charter School has requested a fourth amendment to allow the school to operate a second campus at a facility located at 13301 NW 24 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33167. This facility has been occupied by North Dade Community Charter School since the beginning of the 2004-2005 school year. North Dade Community Charter School is currently in default of its contractual agreement and may not be able to continue operating the school for the remainder of the school year.

The Charter School Contract Review Committee met on November 10, 2004, and by a unanimous vote made a recommendation for approval of the fourth amendment to the charter school renewal contract with The Liberty City Charter School Project, Inc., on behalf of The Liberty City Charter School.

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Copies of the amendment will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and are available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the fourth amendment to the charter school renewal contract with The Liberty City Charter School Project, Inc., on behalf of The Liberty City Charter School, to open a second campus at a facility located at 13301 NW 24 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33167, for the remainder of the 2004-2005 school year and continuing throughout the term of the contract which ends on June 30, 2014.

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FOURTH AMENDMENT TO CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT

THIS FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT ("AMENDMENT") entered into as of the 16th day of December 2004, by and between THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA ("SPONSOR") and THE LIBERTY CITY CHARTER SCHOOL PROJECT, INC., a non-profit organization organized under the laws of the State of Florida, on behalf of THE LIBERTY CITY CHARTER SCHOOL ("SCHOOL").

RECITALS

A. The Sponsor and the School entered into that certain Charter School Renewal Contract dated as of June 24, 1999, amended February 15, 2001, May 15, 2003 and April 15, 2004 (the "Contract), whereby the Sponsor agreed to permit the School to operate a charter school pursuant to Florida Statutes.

B. The Sponsor and School now desire to amend the Contract to provide for the terms and conditions set forth hereinbelow.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom and of the respective mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto agree to amend the charter school Contract in its entirety as follows:

1. Part IV. C.(3), of the Contract is hereby amended, and substituted in its place and stead is the following:

PART IV. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

C. FACILITIES

(3) The School will operate its program at these locations: 8700 NW Fifth Avenue, Miami, Florida 33150 and 13301 NW 24 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33167.

2. All other conditions of the Contract shall remain the same and are hereby ratified and confirmed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract as of the day and year first above written.

ATTEST: THE LIBERTY CITY CHARTER SCHOOL PROJECT, INC.,
on behalf of The Liberty City Charter School

By: _____
Signature of Secretary Date

By: _____
Signature of Board Chair Date

Name: _____
Secretary

Name: _____
Board Chair

ATTEST: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI - DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D. Date
Secretary

By: _____
Mr. Frank J. Bolaños Date
Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

School Board Attorney Date