

Office of School Facilities
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**SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
FLORIDA, AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO:**

- 1. EXPLORE A COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY OF SUNNY ISLES BEACH THROUGH WHICH OPPORTUNITIES COULD BE PURSUED TO EXPAND THE NORMAN S. EDEL CUP SUNNY ISLES BEACH COMMUNITY SCHOOL (“SCHOOL”) ON CITY-OWNED LAND IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE SCHOOL, INCLUDING POSSIBLE CO-LOCATION WITH MUNICIPAL USES; AND**
- 2. IF DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CITY ARE SUCCESSFUL, BRING BACK TO THE BOARD AN ITEM WITH PROPOSED TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT (“ILA”) BETWEEN THE PARTIES**

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES

District staff and City of Sunny Isles Beach (“City”) representatives have met to preliminarily discuss a possible collaboration to augment available school capacity. The Norman S. Edelcup Sunny Isles Beach Community School (“School”) opened its doors in 2008 and has seen a steady increase in enrollment over time. A 264-student station addition was recently built under a cooperative agreement between the Board and the City, through which the City contributed half of that project’s cost and financed the other half; however, the school is currently at capacity.

Meanwhile, sustained residential development growth in the City is creating a need for additional student stations. This condition was duly recognized by the Board via a Capital Plan appropriation in FY 16-17 of approximately \$9.4M. Due to the lack of affordable land options within the City, conversations between the City and the District have focused on solutions that contemplate the possible co-location of a school facility on City-owned property via a long-term ground lease or other appropriate mechanism and under mutually acceptable terms and conditions. This option would optimize use of the Board-allocated funding.

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Should the Board approve this item, District and City staff will jointly formulate the elements of a collaborative effort, and bring back to the Board at a future meeting the terms and conditions of a proposed Interlocal Agreement for further action.

RECOMMENDED:

That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. explore a collaboration with the City of Sunny Isles Beach through which opportunities could be pursued to expand the Norman S. Edelcup Sunny Isles Beach Community School ("School") on City-owned land in close proximity to the School, including possible co-location with municipal uses; and
2. if discussions with the City are successful, bring back to the Board an item with proposed terms and conditions of an Interlocal Agreement ("ILA") between the Parties.

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