

Office of School Facilities
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SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO FURTHER EXPLORE A POSSIBLE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE CITY OF AVENTURA, THROUGH WHICH A TWO-ACRE VACANT PARCEL COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD FOR THE DEVELOPMENT BY THE BOARD OF A NEW DISTRICT OPERATED HIGH SCHOOL FACILITY, AND BRING BACK AN ITEM TO THE BOARD AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION

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Introduction

The City of Aventura (“City”) is in the process of acquiring an approximate two acre parcel of undeveloped land at NE 213 Street and theoretical NE 34 Avenue (the “Site”), immediately adjacent to the City’s Waterways Park (see location map) to develop the Site as a Charter High School for a 2019 school opening, and to facilitate articulation from the existing City-operated Aventura City of Excellence School, which operates grades K-8. Recently, City and District staff discussed a possible collaboration between the School Board (“Board”) and the City through which the City would make the Site available to the District for development by the Board of a District-operated High School. The Site is adjacent to Waterways Park, which could potentially be jointly used by the High School and the community.

District staff have been invited to attend a November 16, 2017 workshop of the City Commission. If the Board approves this item, District staff will attend the Commission meeting to facilitate further discussions between District and City staff. If these discussions are successful, a subsequent recommendation will be submitted to the Board for consideration at a future meeting.

This agenda item does not appear in the regularly published agenda. There is a good cause to vary from the published agenda in order to allow District staff to attend the City of Aventura Council workshop on November 16, 2017, and, as appropriate, pursue immediate discussions with City representatives on a possible collaboration.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to further explore a possible collaboration between the Board and the City of Aventura, through which a two-acre vacant parcel could be made available to the Board for the development by the Board of a new District operated high school facility, and bring back an item to the Board at the appropriate time.

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Location Map

