EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Reappointment of School Board Representative to the Oversight Committee

Additional Background Information:

In 2002, the state legislature passed legislation that mandated all school districts and local governments to enter into an interlocal agreement to address the coordination of growth management issues and the provision and availability of public school facilities. The legislation also required an oversight of the agreement to enable public participation.

In May 2003, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, the Broward County Commission, and 26 municipalities entered into the Interlocal Agreement for the Implementation of Public School Facility Planning (ILA); and thereafter, the agreement became effective in Broward County. In compliance with the law, the ILA required the establishment of a 15-member Oversight Committee (OC), five (5) each appointed by the School Board, the Broward County Commission, and the 26 municipalities, to monitor implementation of the agreement. Through a mutually agreeable process, the 26 municipalities elected to have the Broward League of Cities appoint the five municipal representatives to the OC. The current municipal composition of the Committee is 27 Municipalities.

The ILA requires the OC to meet at least annually to conduct a public hearing and issue a report to the parties to the agreement and the general public regarding the successes and failures of implementation of the ILA in the preceding calendar year. However, the Committee By-Laws require the OC to meet quarterly during each calendar year and conduct public hearings. In 2004, the OC held its first meeting.

The agreement has been amended three times; the first time to incorporate public school concurrency (PSC) provisions in compliance with a 2005 state law. The second and third amendments made changes to the way that school capacity is calculated in the implementation of public school concurrency. Due to these amendments, the agreement is now referred to as the Third Amended and Restated ILA.

Additionally, the agreement requires the Superintendent to organize and staff the meetings of the OC. The Facility Planning and Real Estate (FP&RE) Department has fulfilled this function for Broward County Public Schools since the inception of the OC.

Prior to automatically re-appointing the incumbent School Board Representative for another term, the FP&RE Department implemented procedures whereby it looks to the community to seek interest from new individuals. Therefore, the Legislative Affairs Department, who has staff that regularly liaises at the grass roots of the community, proffered a name for consideration as the potential appointee. Upon completion of this outreach procedure, the candidate did not express interest in serving on the OC, while the incumbent, Roy Rogers did. Therefore, Mr. Rogers is recommended for re-appointment to the OC.