

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**First Amendment to Reciprocal Use Agreement between the City of Sunrise and The School Board of Broward County, Florida**

Currently, there are a total of 17 Reciprocal Use Agreements (RUA) between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC) and municipalities in Broward County, including the City of Sunrise. The current RUA with the City of Sunrise was entered into on June 2, 2009, and will expire in 2014.

A few years ago, the School District commenced implementation of its Four-Day Summer Work Week (Summer Work Week), with Friday being a non-operational day. Upon commencement of the Summer Work Week, several municipalities expressed concerns that declaring Fridays as a non-operational day would negatively impact their financial budget as it pertains to their utilization of District schools to run their summer camps.

Amongst municipalities that initially expressed concern was the City of Cooper City (Cooper City). As a result, staff at the May 20, 2011 School Board Workshop presented information on requests from several municipalities to revisit language in the existing RUA's, with an attempt to find a resolution to the unintended consequences of implementation of the Summer Work Week on municipalities. At that time, the central issue was the potential financial cost of having the custodian of pertinent schools open and close the schools on Fridays during the Summer Work Week. To address this central issue, and based on consensus reached with Cooper City, which was presented as a component of staff's recommendation at the Workshop, the School Board directed staff to amend the City of Cooper City's RUA. That amendment was approved by the School Board on June 7, 2011. Subsequently, the Board also directed staff to incorporate the same language in the Cooper City RUA into the RUA of the remaining 16 municipalities.

On July 7, 2011, staff sent written correspondence to the 16 municipalities which advised them of the Board's efforts to address the unintended impact of the Summer Work Week, and the Board's desire and directive to incorporate the same language incorporated into Cooper City's RUA into their RUA's. The correspondence sought their feedback regarding incorporation of the language into their RUA's. As a follow-up and reminder, staff sent two additional E-Mails to the municipalities requesting their feedback.

Several municipalities responded and indicated that they did not object to the incorporation of the said language into their RUA; however, the Cities of Coral Springs, Parkland and Sunrise objected to the incorporation of the language into their respective RUA's because they had additional issues with language in the existing RUA which they want addressed. Specifically, the City of Sunrise indicated that it wanted to convene a meeting to include municipalities with RUA's and District staff, to further discuss the additional issues, and reach consensus, before agreeing to the amendment of their respective RUA's.

On September 28, 2011, the City of Sunrise convened the desired meeting at its City Hall. The meeting was attended by several municipalities and the then Facility Management, Planning & Site Acquisition (FMP&SA) Department staff. Since then, FMP&SA Department staff and the District's Chief of Staff have had ongoing periodic discussions on related RUA issues with the City Manager of Sunrise (Bruce Moeller) and staff of the Cities of Coral Springs and Parkland.

In February 2012, Mr. Moeller provided the District's Chief of Staff with three issues, agreed upon by the municipalities, that they want addressed and remedied; and upon such remedy, incorporate the results into their respective RUA's. The three issues are as follows: (1) **Seek credit for services offered to schools at no cost;** (2) **The Incurring of custodial costs on Fridays during the Summer Work Week;** and (3) **The municipalities preference for a school personnel, authorized by the school's principal, to open/close the school facility during the Summer Work Week.**

District staff and subsequently the District's School Board Policy 1341 Committee are currently working on addressing and hopefully resolving these issues with the municipalities. However, in advance of such resolution and consensus, the City of Sunrise recently in June 2012 contacted the District's Chief of Staff and indicated that in the interim, it wants to move forward with the amendment of its RUA and the incorporation of the same amended language in the Cooper City RUA into its RUA. Therefore, based on the City's request, this First Amendment to the City's RUA is being scheduled for the School Board formal action.