



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 8.1

**Meeting Date:** November 17, 2016

**Subject:** Public Hearing on the Renewal of the Charter Petition for St. HOPE  
**Public Schools:** Public School 7

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: December 8, 2016)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Office of Strategy and Innovation

**Recommendation:** To conduct Public Hearing to consider the level of support for the renewal of the charter for St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7 (PS7).

**Background/Rationale:** The Governing Board will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with Education Code section 47607 (b) to consider the level of support for the renewal of St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7 (Charter petition expiration date: June 30, 2017). Sacramento City Unified School District received PS7's charter renewal petition on September 26, 2016. SCUSD and St. Hope Public Schools have mutually agreed to waive the 30 day Public Hearing requirement as well as mutually agreeing to a 30-day extension for approval or denial of the charter renewal for PS7.

**Financial Considerations:** Financial and compliance considerations will be made available for this agenda item after staff has thoroughly reviewed the charter renewal petition.

**LCAP Goal(s):** Family and Community Empowerment

**Documents Attached:**

1. Public Hearing Notice
2. Executive Summary
3. Charter Petition (Proposed): <http://www.scusd.edu/charter-petitions>

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** 10 Minutes

**Submitted by:** Jack Kraemer, Innovative Schools and Charter Oversight, Director

**Approved by:** Al Rogers, Ed. D., Chief Strategy Officer

**Sacramento City Unified School District**  
St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Sacramento City Unified School District hereby gives notice that a  
Public Hearing will be held as follows:

### **Topic of Hearing:**

**Public Hearing on the Renewal of the Charter for St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7**

Copies of this program may be inspected at:

**Serna Educational Center**  
**5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue**  
**Sacramento, CA 95824**

The Sacramento City Unified School District Governing Board will hold a public hearing in accordance with Education Code section 47605 (b) to consider the level of support for the renewal of the charter for St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7. The district received St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7's charter renewal petition on September 26, 2016.

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**HEARING DATE:** Thursday, November 17, 2016

**TIME:** 6:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Serna Educational Center  
5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95824

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jack Kraemer at [jack-kraemer@scusd.edu](mailto:jack-kraemer@scusd.edu) or (916) 643-9079.

# Board of Education Executive Summary

## Strategy and Innovation Office

Public Hearing on the Renewal of the Charter for St. Hope Public Schools:  
Public School 7  
November 17, 2016



### I. OVERVIEW / HISTORY

Sacramento City Unified School District originally granted St. Hope Public Schools: Public School 7's (PS7) charter petition for establishment on June 2003. The charter petition has been renewed twice and is now due to expire June 30, 2017.

Sacramento City Unified School District received a charter renewal petition from PS7 on September 26, 2016. PS7 is seeking a five-year renewal term for their proposed independent charter school for students in grade levels K-8. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the level of support for the renewal of the charter for PS7.

### II. DRIVING GOVERNANCE

The Charter Petition process is guided by Education Code 47605. The Governing Board will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with Education Code section 47605 (b) to consider the level of support for the Charter Petition for PS7. Public Hearing must be held within 30 days of receiving a petition and Board Action must take place within 60 days of petition receipt unless both parties mutually agree to an extension of an additional 30 days.

A charter may be renewed an unlimited number of times; however, each renewal must be for exactly five years. (EC 47607). If a school district fails to make written factual findings to support a denial within 60 days of the district's receipt of a petition, the charter school's petition is automatically renewed. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, §11966.4(c).)

Sacramento City Unified School District and St. Hope Public Schools have mutually agreed to waive the 30 day Public Hearing requirement as well as mutually agreeing to a 30-day extension for approval or denial of the charter renewal for PS7. The 30-day extension is beneficial because it allows staff adequate time and latitude to review the charter renewal application, and it ensures compliance with deadlines while considering the set schedule of Board of Education meetings.

### III. BUDGET

The budget for PS7 should be detailed within the charter renewal petition and appendices. District staff will present a review of the charter's financials and provide the Board with a review of the analysis and a recommendation for approval or denial at the Board Meeting on December 8, 2016.

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### IV. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND MEASURES

The goal of the Public Hearing is for the Board of Education to consider the level of support for the renewal of the charter for PS7. District staff will present a comprehensive review of the charter renewal petition and provide the Board of Education with a review of the analysis and a recommendation for approval or denial at the Board Meeting on December 8, 2016.

### V. MAJOR INITIATIVES

Not Applicable.

### VI. RESULTS

Not Applicable.

### VII. LESSONS LEARNED / NEXT STEPS

- District staff conducts a thorough and comprehensive review of the charter renewal petition.
- District staff presents the analysis and a recommendation for approval or denial of the charter renewal petition at the Board Meeting on December 8, 2016.
- The Board reviews District staff's analysis and recommendations, and the Board approves or denies the renewal of the charter at the Board Meeting on December 8, 2016.