



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 9.1

Meeting Date: February 7, 2019

Subject: Public Hearing on the Renewal Charter Petition for Language Academy of Sacramento

- Information Item Only (Action Anticipated: March 21, 2019)
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Academic Office

Recommendation: To conduct Public Hearing to consider the level of support for the Renewal Charter Petition for Language Academy of Sacramento and approve petition admission preferences.

Background/Rationale: The Governing Board will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with Education Code section 47605 (b) and 47607 (a)(2) to consider the level of support for the Renewal Charter Petition of Language Academy of Sacramento. (Charter petition expiration date: June 30, 2019). The Governing Board will also approve petition admission preferences in accordance with AB1360.

Sacramento City Unified School District received Language Academy of Sacramento's Renewal Charter Petition on January 22, 2019. SCUSD and Language Academy of Sacramento have mutually agreed to a 30-day extension for approval or denial of the charter renewal.

Financial Considerations: Financial and compliance considerations will be made available for this agenda item after staff has thoroughly reviewed the Renewal Charter Petition.

LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment

Documents Attached:

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

Estimated Time of Presentation: 10 Minutes

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Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

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I. Overview/History:

Sacramento City Unified School District originally granted Language Academy of Sacramento's charter petition on February 19, 2004. The charter petition has been renewed two times and is now due to expire June 30, 2019.

Sacramento City Unified School District received a Renewal Charter Petition from Language Academy of Sacramento on January 22, 2019. Language Academy of Sacramento 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 petition and to approve the petition admission preferences for Language Academy of Sacramento.

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) and 47607 (a)(2) to consider the level of support for the Renewal Charter Petition for Language Academy of Sacramento. 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. District and Language Academy of Sacramento have mutually agreed to a 30-day extension. The Governing Board will also approve petition admission preferences in accordance with AB1360.

A charter may be renewed an unlimited number of times; however, each renewal must be for exactly five years pursuant to Education Code 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).)

III. Budget:

The budget for Language Academy of Sacramento should be detailed within the Renewal Charter Petition and Appendices. District staff will present a review of the charter school's financials and provide the Board with a review and analysis of the findings at the Board Meeting on March 21, 2019.

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 Charter Petition and approve the petition admission preferences for Language Academy of Sacramento. District staff will present a comprehensive evaluation of the Renewal

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Charter Petition and provide the Board of Education with a review and analysis of the findings at the Board Meeting on March 21, 2019.

V. Major Initiatives:

Not Applicable.

VI. Results:

Not Applicable.

VII. Lessons Learned/Next Steps:

- District staff conducts a thorough and comprehensive evaluation of the Renewal Charter Petition.
- District staff presents the findings, review, and analysis of the Renewal Charter Petition at the Board Meeting on March 21, 2019.
- The Board considers District staff's findings, review, and analysis to thereafter approve or deny the Renewal Charter Petition at the Board Meeting on March 21, 2019.

Sacramento City Unified School District
Language Academy of Sacramento

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 Charter Petition and Petition Admission Preferences for
Language Academy of Sacramento**

Copies of this program may be inspected at:

**Serna Educational Center
5735 47th 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) and 47607 (a)(2) to consider the level of support for the Renewal Charter Petition for Language Academy of Sacramento. The Governing Board will also approve petition admission preferences in accordance with AB1360. The district received the Renewal Charter Petition on January 22, 2019.

HEARING DATE: Thursday, February 7, 2019

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Serna Educational Center
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824

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