

September 25, 2025

**RATIFY THE FOURTH (FINAL) OPTION TO RENEW THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & SUPPORT SERVICES (DFSS) – THE CITY OF CHICAGO**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify the fourth (final) option to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) – the City of Chicago to provide professional learning at a cost set forth in the compensation section of this report. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided and no payment shall be made to DFSS prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

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Chicago, IL 60622
Cerathel Burgess-Burnett, Deputy Commissioner
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Leslie McKinily, Chief Officer, Office of Early Childhood Education
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ORIGINAL TERM: The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 21-0526-EX3) in the amount of \$1,500,000 was for a term commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, with the Board having four (4) options to renew for one (1) year terms. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report 22-0525-EX2) in the amount of \$1,500,000 for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report 23-0628-EX4) in the amount of \$1,500,000 for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report 23-0628-EX3) in the amount of \$1,500,000 for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

OPTION PERIOD: The term is being renewed for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

DESCRIPTION: The Chicago Early Learning Workforce Scholarship (CELWS) supports Chicago residents and early childhood professionals in pursuing credentials, degrees, or licenses to work with young children in Chicago by offering financial and academic support through partnerships with local institutions. Launched through a citywide collaboration, CELWS helps strengthen the early learning workforce and expand access to high-quality early childhood education across Chicago.

COMPENSATION: DFSS shall be paid as set forth in the agreement. The estimated annual cost not to exceed \$1,500,000. The total amount authorized by this Board Report is \$1,500,000.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to execute all documents required to administer or effectuate the agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt as this agreement is an intergovernmental agreement.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

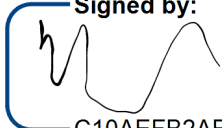
FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Early Childhood Education Fiscal Year: 2026

Fund 362: Early Childhood Block Grant - \$1,500,000.

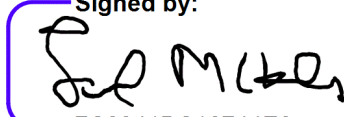
GENERAL CONDITIONS:

The agreement shall contain general conditions including but not limited to the following: Inspector General provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1; Conflicts provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3; Indebtedness provision, in accordance with the Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 pursuant to Board Report 96-0626-PO3; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended, and a Contingent Liability provision.

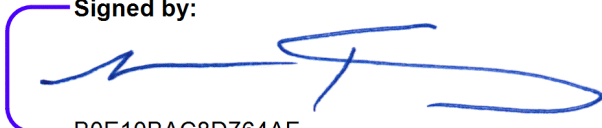
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Macquiline King, Ed.D
Interim Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

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Acting General Counsel

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