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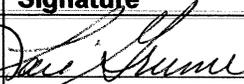
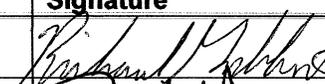
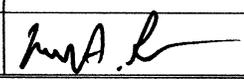
Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 13 Ordinance/Resolution# 10-064 Council District:

For Meeting of August 17, 2009
(Adoption Date)

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE KENNEDY CENTER PARTNERS IN EDUCATION WHICH INCLUDES THE LAS CRUCES MUSEUM SYSTEM.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION: The proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the Las Cruces Public Schools and the Kennedy Center Partners in Education formalizes the relationship and allows the partnership to continue providing educational opportunities for the citizens of Las Cruces.

Name of Drafter: Lisa M. Pugh 		Department: Public Services/ Museum of Art		Phone: 541-2159	
Department	Signature	Phone	Department	Signature	Phone
Originating Department		528 - 3477	Budget		2300
			Assistant City Manager		2271
Legal		2128	City Manager		2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

The Las Cruces Public Schools, Office of Instruction (through the Office of the Visual and Performing Arts) has a partnership agreement with the J.F. Kennedy Center for The Performing Arts. The official title of the partnership is Partners in Education - New Mexico Team'96'. The Museum System of Las Cruces joined the partnership in December 2008. Other members of the partnership are Dona Ana Arts Council and the Las Cruces Symphony Association.

The partnership agreement focuses on planning and implementation of student performance opportunities; professional development both for teachers and administrators; and community arts, events and activities. Event planning, promotion, and partner responsibilities are determined by and with the mutual support of all partnership members.

Each partner agrees to support a share of planned activities and projects based on the availability of resources and the most efficient use of that partner's respective resources - all in accordance with the policies and procedures that govern each entity.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

1. Resolution.
2. Memorandum of Agreement, attached as Exhibit "A".

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. A "Yes" Vote will permit the Museums to participate in the Kennedy Center Partners in Education with the Las Cruces Public Schools.
2. A "No" Vote will prevent the Museums from participating in this program.
3. Modify the Resolution and provide staff with alternate direction.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE KENNEDY CENTER PARTNERS IN EDUCATION WHICH INCLUDES THE LAS CRUCES MUSEUM SYSTEMS.

The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Public Schools, through the Office of the Visual and Performing Arts, has a partnership agreement with the J.F. Kennedy Center for The Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, the official title of the partnership agreement is Partners in Education - New Mexico Team'96'; and

WHEREAS, the Museum System of Las Cruces joined the Kennedy Center Partners in Education in December 2008; and

WHEREAS, the partnership agreement focuses on planning and implementing student performance opportunities; professional development both for teachers and administrators; and community arts, events and activities; and

WHEREAS, each Kennedy Center Partner in Education agrees to support a share of planned activities and projects based on the availability of resources and the most efficient use of each partner's respective resources; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement between Las Cruces Public Schools and the Kennedy Center Partners in Education including the Las Cruces Museum System allows the partnership to continue providing educational opportunities for the citizens of Las Cruces.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces:

(I)

THAT City Council authorizes a Memorandum of Agreement between the Las Cruces Public Schools and the Kennedy Center Partners in Education, including the Las Cruces Museum System designated as Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution.

(II)

THAT City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2009.

(SEAL)

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

VOTE:

Mayor Miyagishima: _____
Councillor Silva: _____
Councillor Connor: _____
Councillor Archuleta: _____
Councillor Small: _____
Councillor Jones: _____
Councillor Thomas: _____

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT



Made between
Las Cruces Public Schools (LCPS) and
and
Kennedy Center Partners in Education

1. **AUTHORITY** The Las Cruces Public Schools Division of Learning, Teaching, and Research, through the Office of Visual and Performing Arts has a formal partnership agreement with the J.F. Kennedy Center for The Performing Arts. The official title of the partnership is "Partners in Education - New Mexico Team'96".
2. **BACKGROUND** The New Mexico Team' 96" collaboration was formalized in 1996 with a partnership agreement signed by all participating parties. Copies of the Annual Agreement Updates are on file in the LCPS Office of Visual and Performing Arts.
3. **PURPOSE** The agreement is updated annually and places a focus area on student performance opportunities; professional development both for teachers and administrators; and community arts events and activities. Each year the participating partners plan and implement the year's activities as outlined in the agreement. Event planning, promotion, selection of venue and organizational responsibilities are determined by and with the mutual support of all Partnership members.
4. **FINANCIAL INFORMATION** During the year, each partner agrees to support a share of planned activities and projects based on the most efficient use of its respective resources including but not limited to technical assistance and expertise, financial support, and/or other available resources - all in accordance with the policies and procedures that govern each entity.
5. **PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE** July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 (renewable annually upon mutual consent and agreement.)
6. **RESPONSIBILITIES** Regular monthly meetings are scheduled for the partners throughout the year and a formal review of all activities is undertaken annually and presented to all interested parties. Each partner's participation and/or fiscal responsibilities may vary from year to year depending on the available resources of each organization and the area of focus for each activity.
7. **MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT** Modifications to or voluntary withdrawal from this agreement, without intent to alter the agreement of the remaining participants, may be made by providing written notification of modification or withdrawal to each of the involved parties.

Dona Ana Arts Council

Las Cruces Symphony Association

Las Cruces Public Schools

City of Las Cruces Museum Systems