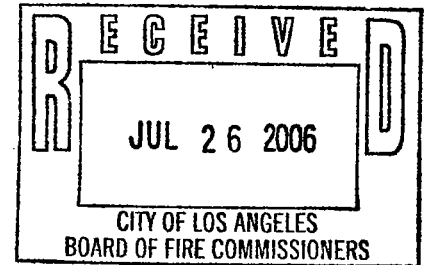


LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT



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TO: The Honorable Board of Fire Commissioners
City of Los Angeles

FROM: William R. Bamattre, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A NEW FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT ON BEHALF OF EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE, AND CORRECTION TO A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMENDMENT

SUMMARY

Honorable Board of Fire Commissioners, at the meeting on May 2, 2006, you authorized the Fire Department to execute a First Amendment to Agreement C-108389, which exercises extending this contract for another one-year term, effective 7/1/06 to 6/30/2007. Effective July 15, 2005, the City of Los Angeles, through the Fire Department (LAFD), entered into Agreement C-108389 with the Los Angeles Community College District on behalf of East Los Angeles College (ELA). Pursuant to the Agreement, the College agrees to award college credit to Department training courses completed by uniformed members and to share with the City, Vocational Educational Training (VET) funds received by the College from the State of California based on student instructional hours.

Due to administrative error (s), the original approved LAFD First Amendment (5/2/06) indicates the Department's per hours share of State funds will increase an additional twenty-five cents (\$.25) from three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$3.25) per hour to three-dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) per hour effective 7/1/06 to 6/30/07. The College agreed verbally in April 2006, with the In-Service Training Section, then subsequently, in the written (ELA) First Amendment, to increase the Department's per hour share of state funds from \$2.75 to \$3.25 per hour, effective January 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2006. The College forwarded their First Amendment to the LAFD. However, the Bureau Contract Administrator (BCA) received the documents after the LAFD approved First Amendment was transmitted to the Mayor's Office. The College still wants to pay the LAFD the \$3.25 rate per hour effective 1/1/06 to 6/30/06, not just the \$2.75 rate per hour as stated in the original Agreement C-108389. The LAFD is willing to accept the

additional rate increase that will amount to approximately \$200,000 in additional revenue for the six-month period. The BCA, City Attorney, and Chief of Staff have been in communication with the Mayor's staff proposes to amend the original Agreement upon execution of the attached College's First Amendment, and to change the approved LAFD First Amendment to the Second Amendment.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is respectfully recommended that the Honorable Board of Fire Commissioners:

1. Authorize the Fire Department to execute the new (ELA) First Amendment to increase the student instructional rate per hour to \$3.25 from \$2.75 per hour for part of the initial Contract term period (1/1/06 – 6/30/06).
2. Authorize the Fire Department to correct the title of approved (LAFD) First Amendment for the new term to the Second Amendment, extending the term of the Agreement for one year, and the rate per hour from \$3.25 to \$3.50 effective 7/1/06 to 6/30/07.
3. Forward to the Mayor for concurrence and approval of these actions.

FINDINGS

In May of 2000, a trust fund for the Department's In-Service Training Section was established so that its Training Center could qualify as a State Certified Regional Training Center. This trust fund created by City Ordinance No.173341, is known as the "LAFD Special Training Fund, 40J." The LAFD received \$593,745.50 from the College for the period 7/1/05 to 12/30/05.

Upon presenting an invoice to East Los Angeles College, the Department can expect a approximate net payment of VET funds of \$890,000 for the period beginning January 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2006 with funds to be paid no sooner than August 15, 2006 and not later than October 28, 2006.

The proposed First Amendment Agreement from the College has been reviewed and approved as to form by the City Attorney. The Risk Management Section of the CAO has reviewed the document and set insurance requirements. The Department has complied with all other City procedures, laws and policies applicable to the execution of the agreement.

The original Agreement C-108389, as amended by the attached new First Amendment, and subsequent approved Amendment—to be renamed the Second Amendment, will be administered by staff assigned to the Bureau of Training and Risk Management and the In-Service Training Section, and does not require the expenditure of additional City

funds. This proposed Agreement, with a governmental entity, does not need City Council review and approval.

CONCLUSION

Approval of the recommendation to accept the new First Amendment, as corrected and Second Amendment with the District will provide the Department with an additional \$1,463,345 of net revenue, and another year of college accreditation for in-service and regional training.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William R. Bamattre", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

WILLIAM R. BAMATTRE
Fire Chief

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Attachments