



## ITEM SUMMARY

**MEETING DATE:** July 17, 2023

**FROM:** Andrea McCue, City Manager, Administration

**SUBJECT:** Education Advisory Committee Establishment

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### BACKGROUND

The City is committed to promoting and supporting excellence in education to the children that reside in the City and those that attend the City's nine (9) schools. The City Council provided direction to staff to explore Education Advisory Committee's in other communities in an effort to determine how to structure a committee in the City.

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### ANALYSIS

The following municipalities provided information on their committees:

#### **Town of Jupiter**

- Advisory board with seven (7) members, one appointed by each member of Council, two (2) At-Large and two (2) alternates appointed by a majority of the Council. Two (2) year terms.
- Appointees must be Town residents. Parents are allowed. No teachers from any of the schools in the Town.
- Quarterly meetings.

#### **City of Boca Raton**

- Established a Task Force in 2018 to review and report on public school capacity, construction, and renovation, extended for an additional year in 2019 to review and report on school safety and technology.
- Seven (7) members, three (3) members must be parents attending schools in the City. All members must be residents of the City.
- Quarterly meetings.

#### **City of West Palm Beach**

- Advisory board with ten (10) members, includes two (2) student members. City Commissioner serves as Liaison to the Committee
  - Appointees must be City residents.
  - Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.
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### **Village of Royal Palm Beach**

- Advisory board with five (5) members and one (1) alternate. Two (2) year terms. Councilmember liaison and one (1) RPBHS student liaison
- Appointees must be Village residents and have a background in education or parent of a child in a Village school. No PBCSD employees.
- Oversees the Villages Educational Scholarship Program.
- Committee meets based on an established schedule to include scholarship activities and school showcases.

### **Village of Wellington**

- Advisory board with seven (7) members, one appointed by each member of Council, two (2) At-Large appointed by a majority of the Council. Two (2) year terms.
- Must be Village residents.
- Quarterly meetings.
- Assists with educational scholarships.

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### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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Committee members are not paid. Any other costs associated with the establishment of

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### **LEGAL**

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City Attorney will assist in the development of a Resolution establishing a Committee should the Council direct staff to do so.

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### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Based on the review of the data received and in order to improve and enhance communication between the City and its nine (9) public schools, the Palm Beach County School District and all other private schools located within the City, staff is recommending the establishment of an Education Advisory Committee which would promote and provide public awareness for programs, opportunities, and initiatives of all schools in the City; recognize and promote accomplishments of students and educators; monitor school district activities and report on those impacting the City as needed.