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Citywide Youth Development Brief [Oral Report]

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Recommendation:
Review and comment.

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Issue Detail: In FY17-18 City Council approved several items to prioritize children and youth investments and formalize a youth-forward agenda for the City of Sacramento, including;

- Reorganizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to align core youth programs into a consolidated Youth Division while realigning the remainder of the Department to support and optimize youth development and community enrichment. Under the new title of the Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment Department (YPCE), this revised structure reflects the City's commitment to put youth-forward.
- Unanimous Council adoption of the City's primary youth policy and unified framework to guide the design, operations, and evaluation of children and youth investments; *City of Sacramento*

Citywide Youth Development Plan & Framework for Children and Youth Programs.

In FY18-19 the Office of the City Manager selected the first Youth Development Policy Manager (YDPM) to oversee and facilitate greater cohesion across multiple intersecting systems and priorities that touch young people through stakeholder driven strategies framed around sustainable integration of the Citywide Youth Development Plan & Framework (Plan). Additionally, YPCE adopted a strategic plan that reflects the City's commitment to lead, align, and improve youth development programs and opportunities.

Since then, the YDPM and YPCE-Youth Division have been closely aligned and work collectively to steward, prioritize and respond to emergent City needs related to children and youth. Animated and guided by the Citywide Youth Development Plan, this synergy has reached across all Departments having youth touch points, laying the foundation for a mutually supporting mosaic of youth-oriented efforts that share a common set of principles and purpose.

Citywide efforts have focused on strengthening and designing a sustainable, integrated system of continuous quality improvement to enable and support high-quality, data-informed strategic youth investments. Indeed, as youth priorities continue to increase, adopting clear Citywide processes for identifying, administering, delivering and evaluating children and youth investments is paramount.

The Citywide youth development team has made substantial progress and looks forward to briefing Mayor and Council.

Policy Considerations: This report is consistent with implementation of the Council-approved Citywide Youth Development Plan & Framework for Children and Youth Programs.

Economic Impacts: There is vast research demonstrating that only high-quality programs produce positive youth development outcomes. Likewise, research shows that investing in the healthy development of young people can have long-term impacts both on an individual's future outcomes and on the public in the form of broader tax base.

Environmental Considerations: This report involves administrative activities and is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2).

Sustainability: Not applicable

Commission/Committee Action: TPCE's youth workforce development programs were reviewed by the Sacramento Youth Commission at its December 2, 2019 meeting.

Rationale for Recommendation: The Citywide youth development team leads the City's efforts to better meet the needs of its youth through implementing and promoting strategic resource

investments including policies and infrastructure that supports sustainable integration of the Citywide Youth Development Plan & Framework for Children and Youth Programs.

Financial Considerations: Staff will identify needed resources to support deeper and sustainable integration of the Citywide Plan during the next budget cycle.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): Not applicable