Summary/Action Minutes

I. Presentation of Draft Program for Possible County-wide Ballot Measure for Child Care and Early Education

Attachment

Angie Garling, Administrator, Early Care and Education Program, Alameda County General Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation of the draft program for a possible County-wide ballot measure for Child Care and Early Education.

Alameda County is a vibrant, diverse community. It recently has become a destination for technology companies and other industries, which has driven up the cost of living.

Draft Components

Decrease waiting lists - This component would serve homeless and other high priority families throughout Alameda County and would include support with navigation to access available services. The target number of children served: 500 birth to 12 year olds.

Access Community Grants - Incentivizes communities to expand access based on their highest unmet child care and early education needs. The target number of children served: 4650 children 3 to 12 years old.

Improved wages and work support for providers: New and existing programs commit to higher wages and improved working conditions for staff. They would receive a higher rate for new and existing children. The target number of children served: 21,089 children birth to 12 years old (13,649 existing children).

Additional recommendations

- Restore the Centralized Eligibility List
- Robust, Regular Evaluation
- Facilities, Equipment, and Supplies
- Innovation for Emerging Opportunities (modeled on Measure A1)

Proposed Ballot Language

Alameda County Early Education and Child Care Measure

“To expand access to child care for low- and middle-income families; help at-risk and homeless children, attract and retain quality child care workers; and add spaces for child care at existing facilities throughout the County, shall Alameda County enact a half cent sales tax until ended by
II. Review & Discussion of Draft Program for Possible County-wide Ballot Measure for Child Care and Early Education

Supervisor Wilma Chan thanked everyone for coming and recognized the great work of staff from Districts 3 and 4 Erin Armstrong, Claudia Albanos, Dave Brown and Karina Rivera.

Speakers

LeAnna Powell, Kyra Mungia, David Silver, Parent Voices: Tiesha, Asa Lodge, Rachel Harralson, Renee Herzfeld, 4C’s Sanam Jorjani, Oakland Literacy Coalition, Janis Burger, First 5 Alameda County, Pat Davis, SEIU Local 1021, Frankie Izzo, SEIU, Ramsés Teón-Nichols, SEU Local 1021, Bahaar Tadjbakish, SEIU, Stacy Gray, SEIU, Mark Friedman, Renia Webb, EBALDC Melinda King, SEIU, Kym Johnson Luqman, Bananas, Carroll Fife, Noah Stein, Megan Joseph Elizabeth Crocker, Unity Council, Clarissa Doutherd and Lawren Azzon all spoke in support of the Countywide Ballot Measure for Child Care and Early Education.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, November 15, 2017.