



## Legislation Text

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### **21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Interlocal Agreement with School Board (NB)**

**This item involves receiving \$247,164 in Year 3 funds from the School Board for the City's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Centers. One 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Center is located at the Eastside Park Community Center and the other at the Reichert House.**

In 2004, the Alachua County School Board received a five-year, \$2.9 million grant for after school and summer programs for children in the eastern part of the County. The award is from the State of Florida Department of Education under the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Grant Program.

By way of Legislative File Number 040634, passed 11/8/04, the City Commission accepted the Year 1 funds from the School Board. By way of Legislative File Number 040634, passed 11/14/05, the City Commission accepted the Year 2 funds from the School Board.

For Year 3, the grant award provides \$247,146 for the City to provide programming for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers at two City-owned facilities. The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers have three objectives:

- To increase the number of students who meet the grade level expectations in reading for the Sunshine State Standards;
- To provide students with enriching, supervised activities that promote their positive development, improve school attendance, and decrease youth crime; and
- To increase the school involvement of the families of participating students.

To meet these objectives, the City will provide after school and summer programs at the Eastside Park Community Center and the Reichert House.

Funds will be available to the City in the amount of \$247,146 upon execution of the Interlocal Agreement. There were no required matching funds in Years 1 and 2. In Year 3, the City is required to provide matching funds (cash or in-kind) in the amount of \$61,791. The Gainesville Police Department will provide \$37,037 in match with in-kind services. The Parks and Recreation Department will provide \$24,754 in cash from the City Manager's requested budget for the Parks and Recreation Department. In Year 4 and 5, matching funds will be required at an increasing rate.

**Recommended Motion:** The City Commission authorize the City Manager to: (1) execute an Interlocal Agreement with the School Board for these funds, (2) issue any program related purchase orders, and (3) execute any other program related contracts as necessary to expend the funds in accord with the approved budget, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

**Alternative Recommendation A:** The City Commission decline the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Interlocal and continue to operate the programs it would have funded. The fiscal impact is that the City would need to provide \$247,146 from an alternative source of funds.

**Alternative Recommendation B:** The City Commission decline the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Interlocal and cancel the programs it would have funded. There is no fiscal impact.