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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution approving an agreement between the San Mateo County Library and the South San Francisco Public Library to provide staffing for the Big Lift Inspiring Summers program in the City of South San Francisco, and approving Budget Amendment 19.055 to accept up to \$12,700 in reimbursement funding.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Big Lift is a bold social venture intent on transforming early learning. The venture combines high-quality and connected learning experiences for San Mateo County preschool to third grade students. This early learning transformation is focused on literacy, reducing chronic absence and summer learning loss, as well as engaging families and the broader community to support both home and school learning.

BLIS is the portion of the program focused on retaining academic progress through the summer break. This four-week, full day program includes reading, science and art projects, field trips, yoga, fun and games for children entering kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade. Breakfast, lunch and snacks are provided as part of the program which is offered at no cost to qualified families. This year, the BLIS program will be held at Spruce and Los Cerritos Elementary Schools.

To support this important program, South San Francisco Public Library will provide one Site Coach for the Spruce Elementary School site. The Site Coach will work with the principals, teachers and facilitators in the SSF BLIS school to implement a cutting-edge curriculum to ignite youth to have self-confidence, explore, be creative, problem solve, and develop a love of learning.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds will be used to amend the Library Department's current FY 2018-2019 Operating Budget per Budget Amendment 19.055 and unexpended funds will be carried forward to FY2019-2020. Receipt of these funds does not commit the City to ongoing funding.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This agreement supports the Strategic Plan initiative of Strengthening Learning Programs to improve quality of life for South San Francisco residents.

CONCLUSION

Approval of the contract will enable Library staff to participate in the BLIS program, providing an opportunity for SSF children to retain academic and social program during the summer break. It is recommended that the City Council authorize an agreement between the San Mateo County Library and the SSF Public Library and approve Budget Amendment 19.055.