

MOTION

BUDGET & FINANCE

The 2021-22 Adopted Budget included \$20,000,000 in the Unappropriated Balance (UB) to reestablish licensed childcare centers. During the great recession, The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) was forced to shutter 24 of its 26 licensed childcare centers due to lack of funding. Two licensed childcare preschools continued operating, the Ralph M. Parsons Preschool at the EXPO Center (Council District 9) and the Jim Gilliam Child Care Center Preschool (Council District 10).

It has become abundantly clear that there is a lack of licensed child care facilities in the City of Los Angeles. This was highlighted during the COVID-19 crisis as many parents were unable and continue to be unable to return to work due to a lack of childcare. The 2021-22 Adopted Budget included \$20,000,000 to restore licensed childcare sites in economically disadvantaged communities, which would allow refurbishing and reopening 10 licensed preschool facilities. Approximately \$16,000,000 in capital funding is needed to refurbish the 10 centers and \$4,000,000 would provide funding for first year operations. RAP is also requesting Council to authorize 37 resolution authorities to staff and operate the facilities.

I THEREFORE MOVE that City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, authorize the Office of the Controller to transfer \$20,000,000 from the Unappropriated Balance-Child Care and Learning Centers to Recreation and Parks, Fund 302, Department No 89, APPR Account No. TBD, APPR Name Child Care and Learning Centers.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Recreation and Parks Department be authorized to make any technical corrections subject to the City Administrative Officer (CAO) approval to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

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Seconded by: [Signature]

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