



To: MAYOR & COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: VIII. A.

From: Scott Neal
City Manager

Date: February 18, 2014

Subject: City of Edina and Edina Public Schools Partnership Goals

Action
Discussion
Information

Action Requested:

Approve the proposed 2014 Commitment to Partnership Goals by and between the City of Edina and the Edina Public Schools.

Information / Background:

The City of Edina and Edina Public Schools work in close partnership to develop joint operational goals for the upcoming year. The leadership teams from both organizations have been meeting regularly since 2011 to develop and implement the annual goals, and to continue our successful, collaborative working relationship. The Commitment to Partnership goals are monitored jointly by the Superintendent and City Manager.

Attached is the draft 2014 Commitment to Partnership Goals as approved by the Edina School Board at their January 27, 2014, board meeting. Upon adoption by the City Council, implementation of the 2014 goals can begin. Periodic reports will be provided to both the City Council and School Board throughout the year.



2014 (DRAFT) City of Edina and Edina Public Schools Commitment to Partnership

Targeted Partnership Goals

City and School District staff will conduct ongoing conversations and actions in the following partnerships:

1. To **advance** discussions and problem-solving related to **joint facilities use**, including recreational facilities and the Grandview Area Plan (Dressen & Stein / Neal & Kattreh)
2. To **enhance community communications** and public engagement, including neighborhood associations (Bennerotte/Brott)
3. To **coordinate** community **technology services**, including in the areas of cable television, internet access, and system infrastructure (Buettner/Bennerotte)
4. To **improve youth life services and programs** for youth life challenges through coordination of community resources (Smasal & Kodrich / Long & Neal)
5. To **enhance joint community education and volunteer opportunities** (Burke/Kattreh)
6. To **coordinate** select **staff training areas** (Jackson/Schaefer)
7. To seek innovative approaches to **support** the **changing demographics of the Edina** community (Dressen/Neal)

Internal Insights

Keys to Leadership Success

- Commit to transparency and accountability
- Focus on approved goals and work plan (cannot to it all)
- Serve through District and City values
- Maintain open communications and provide accurate information