

City of Brisbane

Agenda Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Clay Holstine, City Manager

DATE: Meeting of July 6, 2009

SUBJECT: Appointment of a City Council Subcommittee to work with the Citizens for a Brisbane High School (CBHS) to establish a High School in Brisbane

RECOMMENDATION:

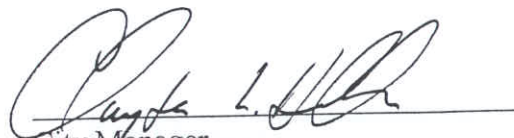
Appoint two members of the City Council to a standing Subcommittee to work with CBHS to establish a High School in Brisbane.

BACKGROUND and DISCUSSION:

During the last Council meeting, Councilmember Barnes proposed that the Council follow the attached General Plan policy that calls for the establishment of a Council Subcommittee to work with the schools and other entities, such as CBHS, to determine the feasibility of a high school in Brisbane.

The Subcommittee would provide a forum to accomplish the following:

1. Provide a broader planning process for the physical location of a HS with the backing of local government
2. Provide a means for getting CBHS group to voice its needs with the City so this information can be included in the negotiation of a development agreement with UPC
3. Give CBHS greater visibility and credibility with the community.
4. Assist in making a Brisbane high school feasible from the Jefferson Union High School District perspective.



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recreational opportunities in the community, and reduce dependence on the automobile for transportation..

Program 100d: Discuss with the Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, YWCA or other non-profit youth agency the feasibility of a youth activity center to serve Brisbane and other neighboring cities.

Educational Facilities

Brisbane has two neighborhood schools: Brisbane Elementary School, built in the 1930s, serves 532 school children from kindergarten to fifth grade and Lipman Middle School serves 180 sixth to eighth grade students from both Brisbane Elementary and Panorama Elementary, located in Daly City. The local schools are strongly supported by volunteers, service clubs, parents groups (the Brisbane/Lipman School Community Club), the Brisbane Educational Support Team (B.E.S.T.) and the general population. When students graduate from Lipman, they attend - one of the high schools in the Jefferson Union High School District or go to private schools. The distance to and lack of community identification with these schools often makes the transition to high school difficult. The General Plan alternatives survey results showed a high school in Brisbane to be of the highest priority to respondents. Also, post-secondary educational facilities like UCSF on the vacant Baylands were supported by 64% of those surveyed.

- Policy 101** **Maintain the neighborhood school concept for all children, from kindergarten through high school in Brisbane.**
- Policy 102** **Encourage development of post-secondary educational facilities in Brisbane.**
- Policy 103** **Work collaboratively with the Brisbane School District to provide neighborhood schooling and comprehensive services for children and their families and the general public.**

Program 103a: Establish a City Council subcommittee to work jointly with the Brisbane Elementary School District and the Jefferson High School District and other entities to determine the feasibility of and make recommendations regarding a high school in Brisbane.

Program 103b: Establish a City Council subcommittee to promote and encourage educational facilities to locate in Brisbane.

Program 103c: Develop a program to require impact and mitigation fees from developers, as appropriate, for constructing and/or operating a local high school.