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135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

December 1, 2020

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Professional Development

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided from the General Fund. Procurement procedures for this purchase have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

| <u>Contractor</u> | <u>Period of Contract</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Lesley University | 9/1/20 – 6/30/21 | \$85,328.00 |
| 29 Everett Street | 7/1/21 – 6/30/22 | \$97,920.00 |
| Cambridge, MA 02138 | 7/1/22 – 6/30/23 | <u>\$66,586.00</u> |
| | | \$249,834.00 |

DESCRIPTION: Professional Development Services for CPS Employees

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The FY 2021 Budget included funding to expand the district’s Project Elevate program to include a master’s degree program for paraprofessionals and support for attaining the necessary credentials to advance to teacher positions. CPS has partnered with Lesley University to provide an Elementary Education Initial Licensure M.Ed. Degree Program leading to endorsement for elementary licensure for paraprofessionals.

SUPPORTING DATA, RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 12...” motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money I require the affirmative vote of four members.”

BUDGET REFERENCES:

| Fund | | Account | | Dept. | |
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| 15000 | General Fund | 53107 | Professional Development | 898660 | Human Resources Professional Development |

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth N. Salim, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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