Council Agenda Form



MOTION #	DRAFT # 1
DATE SUBMITTED: 01/31/2022	DATE TO GO BEFORE COUNCIL:
SUBMITTED BY: Solomon	
CO-SPONSORS: Sandino	
DEPARTMENT: Legislative	
TITLE: FY24 Budget Initiative - Language Partnership	

RECOMMENDATION:

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure of \$120,000.00 in the FY24 budget for the establishment of a Hyattsville Language Learning program. The program will authorize partnership with **Berlitz Language Service in the amount** \$60,000 for the purpose of offering non-english language classes to English speakers. Additionally the program would offer \$60,000 to Centro de Alfabetización en Español for the purpose of offering English classes and Spanish literacy to non-english speakers.

SUMMARY BACKGROUND:

The City of Hyattsville is a diverse and growing community. That diversity includes the languages we speak.

Based on a quote obtained from the Berlitz Language Service. This program will be virtual, and students will meet twice per week for 1 hour for a duration of 8-10 months. They are very open to creating a schedule based on our needs. The total cost is based on \$4,627, which includes material for 10 participants who want to learn Spanish. Another aspect of the program can be included, such as a practice language meeting day once per month with participants so they can put into practice what they learned.

This proposal accounts for 3 languages, with 2 classes of 10 students per year for each language. This would provide a cost of \$60K

https://www.cenaes.org/testimonies

ANTICIPATED STAFF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT:

TBD

NEXT STEPS:

Input from Community Services.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR / DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR COMMENT:

N/A

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

N/A

STRATEGIC GOALS AND ACTIONS:

Goal 3 - Promote a Safe and Vibrant Community

LEGAL REVIEW REQUIRED?

N/A