Criteria for Long Term Charter Leases

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Goals of Developing Criteria

- Promote community of schools:
 - Support high-quality charter schools that are serving diverse populations (reflective of OUSD) well
 - Support schools that align with Citywide Plan
- Promote transparency and uniformity around which schools are eligible and/or prioritized for long-term leases
- Incentivize under-performing charter schools to improve and/or come into alignment with Citywide Plan

Plan for Using Criteria

- For a given underutilized building that is not otherwise deemed a "surplus" property, interested charter schools would submit short proposals with follow-up discussions
- Proposals would be made public
- Community feedback would be sought as part of proposal review
- Final recommendation would be brought for a Board vote
- May occur that no charter school is interested or is recommended

Overview of Criteria

- 5 areas, worth 5-15 points each, that long-term lease proposals from charter schools would be rated on
- Highest-weighted area:
 - Alignment with Citywide Plan
- Community feedback would be sought in order to inform "Alignment with Citywide Plan" rating

Proposed Criteria for Long Term Charter Leases

# Points	Category	Criteria Considered	
15	Alignment with Citywide Plan	 Location makes sense given community needs Unique, high-demand programming Planned enrollment aligns with capacity of facility 	
5	Equity of Population Served	 Higher % of in-district students Reflective of OUSD: % of English Learners, students with IEPs, low-income students 	
5	Student Performance & Growth	 Strong growth, esp. for high-needs subgroups Strong subgroup performance Positive trajectory of performance 	
5	Operational Health	 Positive historical relationship with authorizer Efficient use of facilities in the past Priority for OUSD-authorized schools 	
10	Financial Health	 Strong fiscal health and stable past enrollment Lease would not exacerbate district's fiscal distress 3 	

Standard Terms for Long Term Charter Leases

- Length of lease term (# of years) would depend on fit with longterm lease criteria
- Consider whether charters should pay a higher fee for non-Oakland residents than for Oakland residents
- Excess space can be recaptured for Prop 39, if school falls below a certain threshold enrollment
- Other agreements may be negotiated jointly with the school depending on the specific circumstances, e.g., data-sharing agreements, actions to increase percent of high-needs students being served

Next Steps for Finalizing Criteria

Action(s)	Timeline
 Bring proposal for Board first-read 	April 10
 Incorporate Board feedback Incorporate additional stakeholder feedback 	Mid-April
 Bring proposal for Board approval 	April 24