LAWA
LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS

Report to the
BOARD OF AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS
Meeting Date: 9/23/2026

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Approved by:	**Rob Lowe** Chief People and Culture Officer	Robert Lowe
ITEM TYPE	☐ Award ☒ Amendment ☐ Appropriation ☐ Policy/Program ☐ Other	
SUBJECT	Request to approve the following report and approve the First Amendment to Contract DA-5527 with La Petite Academy, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Learning Care Group (MI) Inc., to extend the term by one year, for new expiration of February 2, 2028, to provide childcare center operations and management at Los Angeles International Airport.	

☒ Item REQUIRES City Council Approval. ☐ Item is subject only to STANDARD REVIEW by the City Council.

DISCUSSION

1. Background and Necessity of Requested Action

11-19-2015	**Resolution #25816** (DA-5527)	Contract Award
Approved a five-year contract with Children's Creative Learning Centers for the operation and management of the First Flight Child Development Center (FFCDC). As a result of the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the operator terminated the contract effective June 30, 2020, five months prior to the contract termination date of November 30, 2020.		
02-04-2022	**Resolution #27407** (DA-5029)	Contract Award
Approved a three-year contract with La Petite Academy, with two one-year extension options.		

In 1996, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) conducted a childcare survey to determine the need for affordable, quality childcare for its employees. Based on the strong response, LAWA built the $4.3 million FFCDC, which is located north of Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) on Lincoln Boulevard. The center was opened in 1998 and has been operated ever since through contracts with different vendors.

The current provider, La Petite Academy, a wholly owned subsidiary of Learning Care Group (LCG), has been contracted as of February 4, 2022 (Council File 22-0055). The current terms of the contract state that LCG has been approved for a three-year contract, with two one-year extension options, which end on February 2, 2027.

Under this contract, LAWA employees receive priority enrollment and tuition rates that are 20 percent below the standard rates charged by the operator.

The current action proposes that LAWA extend the existing childcare operator and management contract up to February 2, 2028, and will prevent a break in operational service while LAWA conducts a Request for Proposal process and collaborates with the Federal Aviation Administration to improve the childcare center experience for LAWA employees.

2. **Selection Process:** ☐ Competitive process. ☐ Other process. ☒ Not applicable.

☐ Request to find that Charter Sec. 1022 is applicable to this action.

3. **Fiscal Impact:** ☒ None. ☐ Revenue generation. ☐ Cost/cost recovery. ☐ Other.

There will be no fiscal impact since the current existing contract terms will be extended. Under the current contract, the vendor is responsible for covering their operational needs.

4. **Alternative Actions:** ☐ Alternatives considered. ☒ No alternatives considered.

APPROPRIATIONS

☐ Appropriation required. ☒ No appropriation required. ☐ Funding is available.

INCLUSIVITY & IMPACT

☐ Goals/requirements identified. ☒ No goals/requirements stipulated. ☐ N/A or other.

PROVISIONS

The Chief Executive Officer has approved this item.

The Board of Airport Commissioners is hereby requested to adopt staff's determination that the requested action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines, as a continuing administrative activity involving the issuance, amendment, extension, or renewal of an agreement with no expansion of use or alteration of existing facilities or operations.

The Board is hereby further requested to authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to execute said First Amendment to Contract DA-5527 with La Petite Academy, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Learning Care Group (MI) Inc., subject to approval by the Los Angeles City Council and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

Actions taken on this item by the Board of Airport Commissioners will become final pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles City Charter Section 373.