

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1**

**(Regarding Conditional Approval of the
STEM School Highlands Ranch Charter Replication Application)**

WHEREAS, The Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Charter School, also known as the STEM School Highlands Ranch (hereinafter referred to as “STEM” or the “Applicant”) is a charter school of Douglas County School District (“District”) that is presently authorized to operate one K-12 charter school in the District pursuant to the Charter Schools Act, C.R.S. §§ 22-30.5-101 to -120 (the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, on or about March 15, 2022, STEM submitted a replication application (the “Replication Application”) to the District requesting authorization from the District’s Board of Education (“Board”) to open a second K-12 charter school (the “School”) in the District; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Charter Application Review Team (the “CART”) and District staff have reviewed the Replication Application and recommended to the Board that the Board deny the Replication Application for the reasons set forth in their written recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has considered the Replication Application, District Policy, the Act, oral and written submissions from the public, and the written recommendation from the CART and District staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board that the Replication Application is conditionally approved, and a charter is conditionally granted for a term of four (4) years, with operations to begin in the fall of 2023, subject to and pending satisfaction of the following terms and conditions, as well as other terms and conditions as may be required by law:

1. That a contract acceptable to the Board and the School be negotiated and executed no later than ninety (90) days after the effective date of this Resolution unless the parties jointly waive such timeline pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-30.5-106(2). Such contract shall include the District’s standard terms and conditions, as well as the following provisions specific to the School:
 - a. A provision requiring the School to submit to the District on or before December 16, 2022, letters of intent evidencing at least 150% of the projected enrollment numbers at each grade level.
 - b. A provision requiring the School to submit to the District on or before February 1, 2023, a revised 5-year balanced budget, with adequate funding for facility, personal, and programming costs to serve the School’s target population in accordance with applicable law and which shall not rely on outside funds to be economically sound.
 - c. A provision requiring the School to submit to the District on or before January 15, 2023, a location lease or purchase agreement satisfactory to the District for

an appropriate charter school facility within the District's boundaries that complies with applicable planning, construction, and occupancy requirements for a public charter school that will be available for occupancy by the School on or before August 1 of its first year of operation.

d. [Other]

e. [Other]

f. [Other]

2. The Board hereby authorizes the Board President, the Superintendent, or their respective designees to negotiate and execute a charter contract consistent with this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of June, 2022.

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[SEAL]

By _____
Mike Peterson, President

Attest:

By _____
Becky Myers, Secretary