DATE: May 30, 2002

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Philip R. Day, Jr., Chancellor

Subject: CAPITAL OUTLAY
Approval of Special Services Contract
With Pacific Communications Associates, Inc.
(Resolution No: 020530-B4)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
In 1999, City College started on a project to modernize its network infrastructure. The infrastructure is now in place on all campuses except John Adams (which is in progress). Currently the campuses are interconnected via T1 phone lines which are relatively slow. In order to maximize the utilization of the new network infrastructure, the connections between campuses must be upgraded to improve the speed and response time of the network. This resolution will authorize a contract with Pacific Communications Associates, Inc. to conduct a study to determine the technical feasibility of interconnecting the campuses via fiber optic cable as an alternative to the current T1 connections. They will also provide estimates of any costs associated with such a transition. A decision on intercampus connectivity must be made before the District can move forward with its plans for upgrading the telephone system as well as the video distribution system, as well as, ITS planned interactive classroom television system.

The GO bond of 2001 will cover the cost of the contract, for an amount not to exceed $45,000 for the period from June 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002.

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLVED: That authorization be hereby given to contract with Pacific Communications Associates, Inc. to conduct a feasibility study of interconnecting the campuses via fiber optic cable for a cost not to exceed $45,000, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration and/or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents on behalf of the District to effectuate this resolution.

Peter Goldstein and Douglas Re, Originators

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