



## Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: March 23, 2023

TOPIC: Beyond Green Partners Contract for Food Service Assessment Proposal

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### **Recommended for:**

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

### **Purpose/Background:**

The most recent assessment of SD74's Food Service Program took place in 2015 during the Lincoln Hall renovations & additions planning phase. Similar to the District's curriculum adoption cycle, the Administration Team is recommending a review of the Food Service Program to be guided by Beyond Green Partners (BGP), a Chicago-based team of food service experts. BGP will provide thorough assessments and a strategy plan for how SD74 can improve operations & efficiencies from purchasing to preparation, service and clean up. The District's legal counselor reviewed this proposal and stated the contract is acceptable because their service agreement does not contain anything problematic regarding liability, insurance, or arbitration/venue for dispute resolutions. BGP is located in Chicago, which would make Cook County Circuit Court the venue if any legal issues were to arise.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

\$7,000

### **Recommendation:**

The Finance Committee concurs with the Administration to recommend to the Board of Education to approve this proposal in the amount of \$7,000 from Beyond Green Partners for food service consultation including assessments and a strategy plan to be delivered on or before December 31, 2023.