



# UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**TOPIC:** Update re: agreement with Laredo Housing Authority regarding Payment in Lieu of Taxes ("PILOT")

**SUBMITTED BY** Roberto J. Santos **OF:** Superintendent

**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:** October 20, 2010

The \$27,000 is included in Fund Balance.



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August 11, 2010

*(Via Facsimile Transmission  
And First Class Mail)*

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***Re: United I.S.D./Laredo Housing Authority***

Dear Mr. McKamie:

Please be advised that I understand you and Doug Poneck with our law firm have been communicating regarding a potential agreement between the United Independent School District ("District") and the Laredo Housing Authority ("LHA"). Given that Doug is out of town for the next couple of days at meetings, I wanted to follow up with you on discussions I had with Doug and with the District's board members at the business committee meeting, which was held last night, August 10, 2010. The following are issues/questions that our law firm needs a respond from the LHA in order to be able to examine whether an agreement with the LHA is advisable.

In your letter of July 9, 2010, you stated that the proposed terms of the Agreement between the District and LHA would allow repayment of the PILOT funds in recognition of public housing services rendered to the District and the community.

1. Why would the District, legally or otherwise, have to give back the twenty seven thousand it received in 2007 to the LHA?
2. What services has LHA provided to the District?
3. What about payments by the LHA to the District for years 2008 and 2009? The District has not received any payments. Please let me know status of payments, if any.

Our law firm intends to work cooperatively with the LHA; however, we need adequate responses to the foregoing before proceeding. Please direct your response to Doug and copy me given that Doug is in charge of reviewing the details of any possible agreement.

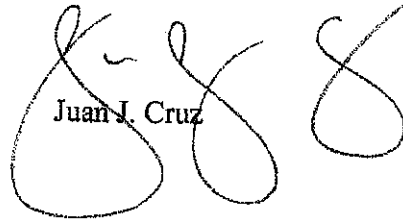
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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*Escamilla, Poneck & Cruz, LLP*

  
Juan J. Cruz

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Enclosures

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