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NAME: Aaron Nousaine	DATE: 10/11/2012	TIME: 11:32 a.m.
WITH: Sheri Gregory, Executive Assistant, Taft Union High School District		
SUBJECT: School Service Standards and Development Impact Fees		

COMMENTS: The following exchange took place between Aaron Nousaine, CEC, and Shari Gregory, Taft Union High School District, regarding established service standards and development impact fees.

Ms. Gregory described that the district has no development impact fee. There has been little residential growth in the area in recent decades, providing little incentive for the district to administer such a fee. The district does have a default service standard set for in the district's union labor contract. Based on that agreement, the district must maintain a student-to-teacher ratio of less than, or equal to, 30 students per teacher. As there is typically only one teacher per class, this is also the default maximum class size. Special types of classes may have different maximum sizes. For example, special education has a maximum class size of 20 students, while physical education classes can be much larger.

The school currently has student-to-teacher ratios in the mid-teens, which has allowed the school to adapt somewhat to recent budget shortfalls. Over the past year, the district lost 10 teachers. Two teachers have since been hired for positions that require specialized credentials. These include teachers for the special education and agricultural welding courses. If these specialized credentials were not may not have rehired for these positions, allowing for organizational downsizing through attrition, rather than direct lay-offs. The district may develop a master plan document within the next year or so in response to the current year's budget deficit. The plan would outline accepted service standards, facility needs, and financing tools, such as impact fees. It is worth noting that the district is administered by an interim superintendent. They expect to hire a permanent superintendent by January.

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