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Division: Facility Support Services

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 3113: Resolution of the Board of Education and the Sacramento City Unified School District Ordering an School Bond Election and Authorizing Necessary Actions Therewith

Background/Rationale: Most Sacramento City Unified School District schools were built between 50 and 100 years ago and have been in use ever since. While all District facilities are in need of upgrades and modernization, some are in far worse condition than others. Although the District has expended tens of millions of dollars over the years to

Financial Considerations: There is no impact on the General Fund. Approval of this measure will help the District qualify for more than $80 million in State matching money that otherwise will go to other school districts.

LCAP Goal(s): College, Career and Life Ready Graduates; Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students; Family and Community Empowerment; Operational Excellence

Documents Attached:

1. Executive Summary
2. Resolution of the Board of Education of the Sacramento City Unified School District Ordering a School Bond Election, and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith

Estimated Time of Presentation:	10 minutes
Submitted by:	Nathaniel Browning, Policy and Governance Manager for the Board
Approved by:	Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

I. Overview/History of Department or Program

Most Sacramento City Unified School District schools were built over 50 years ago and need significant repairs, upgrades and improvements to meet current safety and instructional standards. While some District schools have been upgraded with modern classrooms, science labs, and educational facilities, most have not been upgraded and need improvements to ensure all students have equitable access to the classrooms, labs, and facilities they need to succeed. A Facility Conditions Assessment, that is part of the District-wide Facilities Master Plan, was recently conducted that outlines a total need of over $3.5 billion in current repair needs.

To provide safe, environmentally adaptable, modern schools and playfields, this resolution proposes to place a $750 million school facility improvement bond measure on the March 3, 2020 ballot. All money raised by the measure must be spent locally to upgrade local schools and cannot be taken away by the State or used for other purposes. This measure would require a clear system of accountability to the public including a project list detailing exactly how the money will be used, the development of internal District equity indices to help identify funding priorities based on level of need, a Citizens' Oversight Committee, and independent audits to ensure the money is spent properly. By law, no money from this measure can be used for administrators' salaries or benefits.

II. Driving Governance

Board Policy 7110 states:

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a master plan for district facilities. This plan shall describe the district's anticipated school facilities needs and priorities. It shall also identify funding sources and timelines for building. The plan shall be reviewed at regular intervals specified within the plan.

The plan shall be based on an assessment of the district's short- and long-term facility needs, giving consideration to:

1. Current and projected school enrollments for each grade level, based on residential housing growth patterns in accordance with city/county general plans and other demographic factors
2. The district's educational goals
3. Current and projected educational program requirements
4. Student safety and welfare
5. An evaluation of existing buildings and needs for modernization, renovation, and new construction
6. State planning standards and local zoning requirements

VI. Results

The District is currently finalizing a District-wide Facilities Master Plan that will utilize a formulaic approach to prioritizing projects for implementation, with factors that may include the condition of existing buildings and/or infrastructure, student need, need for adequate space to accommodate programs, demographic data and an analysis of capacity needed to serve the future student population.

VII. Lessons Learned/Next Steps:

1) Approve the resolution before the Board in order to qualify for the March 2020 Primary Election.
2) File required documents with the County of Sacramento to place the bond measure on the March 2020 ballot.
3) Plan a series of community town hall meetings at seven local high schools to gather community input on facilities priorities
4) Finalize the Facilities Master Plan by the spring of 2020
5) If the local bond passes, it will allow the District to capitalize on matching funds provided by the statewide school facilities bond (Proposition 13) if passed by the voters in March 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 3113

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE

ORDERING A SCHOOL BOND ELECTION, AND AUTHORIZING NECESSARY ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, most Sacramento City Unified School District (District) schools were built over 50 years ago and need significant repairs, upgrades and improvements to meet current safety and instructional standards; and

WHEREAS, while some District schools have been upgraded with modern

WHEREAS to provide safe, environmentally adaptable, and modern school

playfields, the Board has decided to place a $750 million school facility improvement bond

WHEREAS, all money raised by the measure must be spent locally to upgrade

financial audits be required and there be oversight by an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure that all funds are spent properly and as promised to the voters; and

WHEREAS

proposition to the electors, which, if approved by 55% of the votes cast, would permit the District to issue its bonds; and

WHEREAS

valuations of the property within the boundaries of the District in connection with developing the

Sacramento City Unified School District Classroom, Lab and Technology Improvement Measure. *To upgrade student classrooms, labs, libraries, and learning technology for quality instruction in math, science, arts and engineering; provide modern career training centers; update schools to meet current academic/safety standards; and acquire/repair/construct/equip school facilities shall Sacramento City Unified School District issue $750,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 5¢ per $100 assessed value ($35,000,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight/audits and all funds locally controlled?*

Word Count: 75

As provided above, the Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to include the phrase "See voter guide for tax rate information." in the statement of the proposition.

(c) *Voter Pamphlet.* The Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to reprint the

. The Clerk of the Board of the District is hereby directed to cause to be filed as soon as practicable, and in any

event no later than December 6, 2019 (which date is not fewer than 88 days prior to the date set for the election), one copy of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters, including the tax

Section 7. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption by a two-thirds vote.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day, November 21, 2019, by the following vote

AYES:

NOES: Ø

ABSTAIN: Ø

ABSENT: 1

APPROVED:

President Board of of
City Unified School District

Attest

Clerk of of the

EXHIBIT A

FULL TEXT OF BOND PROPOSITION

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

CLASSROOM, LAB AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT MEASURE
MEASURE

will be used, the development of internal District equity indices to help identify funding priorities based on level of need, a Citizens' Oversight Committee, and independent audits to ensure the money is spent properly. By law, no money from this measure can be used for administrators' salaries or benefits.

Approval of this measure will help the District qualify for more than $80 million in State

requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (as

Sections 15264 and following of the California Education Code (the "Education Code")).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Education of the District (the "Board") has prepared an updated facilities plan in order to evaluate and address the facilities needs of the District, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List

Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects

Special Bond Proceeds Account: Annual Report to Board

listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for financial audits. The results of the audits shall be included in the annual report

BOND PROJECT LIST

proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part

Fine and performing arts spaces

Classroom furniture and equipment, including, but not limited to future ready furniture and equipment

- Classroom/laboratory spaces and equipment for: culinary arts, woodshop, auto shop, construction trades, drafting, electronics,

- Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") and other required or

- HVAC systems including but not limited to, boilers, gas lines,

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to

describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the

permit, what is authorized under Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local

EXHIBIT B

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of

taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, *not* on the property's market value, which could be more or less than the assessed value, and that such estimated tax rates are in addition to taxes levied to pay bonds authorized under other measures. In addition, taxpayers in all cities for

property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Jorge A. Aguilar, Clerk of the Board of Education of the Sacramento City Unified School District, County of Sacramento, California, hereby certify as follows:

The attached is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the District duly and regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof on November 21, 2019, and entered in the minutes thereof, of which

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21st of November

An agenda of the meeting was posted at least 72 hours before the meeting at 5735 47th