

# Measures Q and R Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Wednesday, November 2, 2022 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. John F. Kennedy HS

Minutes

Amended

1.0 Welcome/Call to Order 5:34

# 2.0 Outline JFK High School Modernization

JFK was a Core Academic modernization project. The original budget was \$13.7M. The project began May 2019. The focus of this modernization was the music program and to bring all of the administrators into one building. As well as creating an entry point to the building that was noticeable to the community. In addition, a College and Career Ready Center was created along with a wellness space.

The tour of the modernization project will take place after meeting adjournment. Staff will also take the committee members out to the track area.

**3.0** Public Comment – Individual public comment shall be no more than two minutes in length on each agenda or non-agenda item. No public comment.

## 4.0 Call to Order/Members Present/Absent

Brian Hill, Terrence Gladney, Carolyn Kiesner (via Phone) Absent: Marcia Fritz Staff Present: Rose Ramos (via Zoom), Chris Ralston, Jesse Castillo (via Zoom), Nathaniel Browning, Crystal Hoff (via Zoom), Elena Hankard

## 5.0 Approval of Agenda/Discussion of Tonight's Meeting

Motion by: Terrence Gladney The agenda was approved as presented. All in favor. Second by: Brian Hill

## 6.0 Approval of Minutes

August 3, 2022 – Regular Meeting Motion by: Terrence Gladney The minutes were approved as presented. All in favor.

Second by: Carolyn Kiesner

#### 7.0 Measure H Update

Staff is focused on creating the Measure H Bond Oversight Committee. A group made up of community members and staff has been formed to review all applications. The names of the selected applications will be submitted to the Board for approval by the end of the year or the first part of the new year.

Some bonds have been sold and some of the funds have been allocated. There have been some expenditures on the 3 projects identified/approved. We are still within the regulations of the CBOC Oversight. The goal is to have the committee up and running the first part of the new year.

There are 3 projects identified for Measure H.

*DWK* – Meredith Johnson: The District is meeting the political requirements of the Measure H CBOC process to include timeline requirements. A CBOC needs to be established within 60 days of certifying election results, not formed with meetings set to fulfill the requirement.

Mr. Hill- I'm confused about the 60 days.

DWK- For the Board to establish a committee.

Mr. Hill - I'd say, wow. That sounds like a very very fuzzy interpretation of legislation. I am not a legislation expert. If I read 60 days, I read 60 days. A committee is formed, not acknowledge a committee is formed.

DWK – The word formed is not used. Only the word established.

Brian Hill – There we go. Alright. You can understand my concern. Ah, she's not going to.

#### 8.0 Measures Q and R Bond Fund Update

Measure Q Funding Summary \$346M of authorization in November 2012 \$6.8M of earned interest \$10M E-rate, State Bond and Grant reimbursements

Measure R Funding Summary \$68M of authorization in November 2012 \$369K of earned interest \$177K Grant reimbursements

Project Budget Changes
Hiram Johnson Stadium: Increase \$100,000

In-plant inspections and SMUD fees

John F. Kennedy Roof Replacement: Increase \$500,000

Testing and inspections

Bond Construction Update: Albert Einstein Modernization American Legion Roof Replacement Brett Hart Hardcourt Elder Creek Irrigation/Field Hiram Johnson Stadium Hiram Johnson Baseball/Softball/Golf Irrigation Central Controls Upgrade James Marshall Roof Replacement John F. Kennedy Parking Lot John Sloat Hardcourt and Parking Lot LED Exterior Lighting (25 sites) Luther Burbank New Pool Parkway Playground Security Fencing (7 Sites) Theodore Judah Hardcourt

#### 9.0 How Bonds are Sold/Discussion/Training with DS & C and DWK

Dale Scott DS & C – There are often districts that pass a bond and not spend funds for 2 or 3 years. It makes sense to establish the framework of a CBOC but not to seek the members until the districts begin to spend the funds.

*Comment/Question: Input on oversight of bond sales. What is the regulatory framework for this? This information will be shared in tonight's presentation.* 

Law: Two-thirds must be yes votes in order for a bond to pass.

Law: A project list must be identified prior to the passing of a bond. All expenditures of the bond must be for a project identified on this list. The voters must see this identification (project list) before they are expected to vote yes or no for the bond.

Law: A CBOC must be established to review the projects and the expenditures.

A CBOC reviews the district's projects to insure they are the projects that were originally provided to the voters.

A CBOC should have 7 members. It is important that members to not have a financial relationship with the District.

Comment/Question: Powers (of a CBOC) are not granted, but it is not specified that it is prohibited. Answer/Comment: There is nothing in the statutes that prohibits the Board of Education from granting more power to the CBOC. But the Board is elected by members of the community and the community is expecting the Board to undertake these types of responsibilities. The Board should maintain close connection with these responsibilities.

Question: How is the project list maintained overtime? When a project list is drafted, it is done with the knowledge that the bond proceeds will be spent over a period of years. Typically districts list more projects they will be undertaking knowing that priorities change and that needs, for example from 2012 to 2022, may change. It is not so much that a district did not accomplish a project, it most likely has never been done but there does need to be some flexibility in that list that was drafted to be able to prioritize.

Can the Master Plan be considered the project list? When the project list is drafted, the Master Plan should be considered/referred to.

Having trust between the District and its counsel/advisors is important and trusting that everyone is doing their job. And that their advice/recommendations are in the best interest of the District. Also who else they are working with and that the references coming back are favorable. The District needs to be able to rely on the experts they work with.

## 10.0 Future Business-Next Meeting Dates/Locations

February 1, 2023 – CBOC Training with Dale Scott, DS & C May 3, 2023 August 2, 2023 November 1, 2023

Carolyn Kiesner resigned from the CBOC this evening. She no longer resides in the District. The committee and staff thanked her for her service.

Adjourn: 6:40

Motion by: Terrence Gladney

Second by: Brian Hill