

**Tustin Unified School District
Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee
And
Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee
Joint Meeting**

MINUTES

March 14, 2012

Bruce Junor, Chairperson, called the regular meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee to order at 6 p.m., in the Hewes Middle School Multipurpose Room, 13232 Hewes Avenue, Santa Ana, CA.

Members Present

Bruce Junor (Chairperson)
William Teter (Vice Chairperson)
David Albus (absent)
Nancy Gran
George Jeffries
Simon Russek
Margaret Sepulveda

Staff Present

Tony Soria, Chief Financial Officer
Pete Burns, Senior Director, Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities
David Miranda, Manager, Facilities & Planning

Guests

Pete Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Public Comments

None

Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by George Jeffries, seconded by Margaret Sepulveda, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda.

Staff Presentation and Information

Tony Soria, Chief Financial Officer, shared with the Citizen's Oversight Committee (COC) an update as to the two lawsuits with the City of Tustin. The first lawsuit claims

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that the District did not comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and did not perform an environmental/traffic report study for the temporary transfer of programs to the Heritage site. This issue arose when the District decided to temporarily transfer Hillview students and a portion of District Office administrative personnel to Heritage during the modernization of Hillview High School and construction at the District Office. This lawsuit will be heard in Riverside County on a date to be determined. The second lawsuit deals with the bifurcate/permit process, where the City of Tustin is trying to get the District to comply with their regulations during the grading permit process. The District, being a State agency, adheres to a construction and approval process set forth by the Division of the State Architect and the Office of Public School Construction. This lawsuit is set for April 16 in Orange County. Mr. Soria shared that the District has a very strong position in both cases. COC Member, George Jeffries, inquired if the Superintendent has met with the new City Manager and staff replied yes.

General Functions Consent Item:

It was moved by William Teter, seconded by Simon Russek, and carried unanimously, to adopt the Minutes of January 11, 2012.

Discussion/Action Items:

Tony Soria provided a brief summary of the Measure G and Measure L Annual Reports to the Committee. Chairperson, Bruce Junor, and Vice Chairperson, Bill Teter also met with the District's auditors, Nigro and Nigro, PC, to review the Annual Reports for Measure G and Measure L. Afterward a vote was taken to approve the Annual Reports.

It was moved by Simon Russek, seconded by Nancy Gran, and carried unanimously to adopt the 2010-11 Annual Report (Measure G).

It was moved by George Jeffries, seconded by Simon Russek, and carried unanimously to adopt the 2010-11 Annual Report (Measure L).

Informational Items/Presentations:

1. **Building Program/Project Update Report (Measure G and Measure L)**

David Miranda shared that the Measure G and L projects are on schedule and on budget. The following is a brief summary report of projects currently under construction:

- Tustin High School Sports Pavilion is 92% complete with an estimated completion date in early April 2012, at a budget of \$11 million.
- Foothill High School Event Center is 87% complete with an estimated completion date in May of 2012, and a budget of \$12.7 million. It was noted

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that a ribbon cutting ceremony and dedication event would be scheduled at the completion of the Tustin and Foothill High School projects.

- Hillview High School/Foothill High School tennis courts and field reconfiguration is 30% complete (working on grading, irrigation and bioswale), with an estimated completion in June 2012, at a total budget of \$4.9 million.
- Columbus Tustin, Currie, and Hewes middle school Activity Centers are well underway with 18% of work completed and staggered completions between November 2012 – January 2013. The three projects reflect a total project budget of \$21 million.

Future/Upcoming projects were also discussed:

- Utt Middle School Activity Center – Pending DSA approval, approximate construction schedule March 2012-March 2013, estimated budget is \$7 million.
- Currie Middle School Modernization – The architect has secured DSA approval and the project is currently in the bid process. This is an extensive modernization of three buildings which will take place this summer. The original cost estimate for this project is \$4.2 million.
- District Stadium upgrades – The project is in the planning/design phase and includes the replacement of the concessions building, restrooms, lighting, and bleachers. The projected construction timeline is January 2013 - June 2013 and is subject to State Architect approval. This phase of work is estimated at \$3.4 million.
- The Tustin High School all-weather track scope of work will be combined with the District stadium bid and is also in the planning/design phase. The work is scheduled for the same timeframe – January 2013-June 2013 at a projected cost of \$1.4 million.
- Foothill High school all-weather track is in the conceptual design phase and will be presented to the Board at an upcoming meeting. The approximate schedule for construction is April 2013–August 2013 with an estimated budget of \$1.4 million.
- Tustin High School Cafeteria remodel - NTD Architecture is in the planning/design phase and working closely with the site administrators, facilities team and the District’s Nutrition services staff. The approximate schedule for construction is July 2013–November 2013 with an estimated budget of \$2 million.

COC Member Bill Teter inquired if the District has enough maintenance/custodial staff to keep up with the new buildings and improvements completed under its bond program. Tony replied that the District has this under consideration. COC Member, Simon Russek, inquired if the District has received any injunctions from the City to

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stop the above projects, staff replied no not yet. COC Chairperson, Bruce Junor, also inquired if the City lawsuit has affected modernization of these projects and staff replied they are moving forward with the projects based on State approvals.

2. District wide Needs Assessment Update (Measure G and Measure L)

On February 27, the Board approved NTD Architecture to provide a facility needs assessment study for all the high schools, and Rachlin Architects to provide a facility needs assessment study for all the elementary, middle and K-8 schools, and the District Administration facility. Tony Soria shared that many construction/modernization projects are still needed throughout the District and a facilities needs assessment will best identify and prioritize our current needs, i.e., environment, utilities, facility needs, overall assessment, etc.

3. Statement of Economic Interests-Form 700 for 2011-12 (Measure G and Measure L)

Statements of Economic Interests were distributed to the COC to fill out and return.

4. Building Information Modeling – Balfour Beatty Construction

Representatives from Barnhart Balfour Beatty provided a presentation on the Activity Centers using Building Information Modeling (BIM), a virtual design and construction software. In virtual building the designer, builder, and contractors can work together making BIM a great tool in facility management beyond construction. BIM assists the builder, consultants, and the District in virtual building, coordinating meetings, seeing the model and infrastructure of the building beforehand, making it possible for consultants to sign off on their portion of the project, saving on time and change orders and making it possible to give back a savings to the District.

5. Site Visit (Measure G and Measure L)

Tony Soria shared that the May 9, 2012 meeting will be held at Currie Middle School.

6. New Business

None.

Adjourn

It was moved by Simon Russek, seconded by Nancy Gran, and carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. The Citizens Oversight Committee adjourned and toured the Hewes Middle School Activity Center project.