



July 1, 2016 Through June 30, 2017
MEASURE U CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

This annual report is submitted in accordance with section 7(b) of the Bylaws for the Lodi Unified School District Measure U Citizens' Oversight Committee. In accordance with the Bylaws, this report is being presented to the Lodi Unified School District (LUSD) Board of Education after the completion of the annual audit of the year-end close of the District's financial records. Accordingly, it meets all of the requirements outlined in the bylaws. The report was reviewed and approved by the full Committee on June 13, 2018.

Overview

In 2000, California voters passed Proposition 39 to amend California's Constitution, including Articles XIII A, allowing school districts the option to pursue school bonds with a lower voter threshold of 55%, but put in place restrictions, oversight, audits and disclosures on the expenditure of bond funds. This proposition, along with accompanying legislation, Assembly Bill (AB) 1908, requires a Citizens' Oversight Committee review and report on the expenditure of taxpayer's money.

In 2016 Lodi Unified School District voters approved Measure U, a Proposition 39 School Bond authorizing the District to issue \$281 million in general obligation funds. In accordance with Proposition 39 and AB 1908, an oversight committee was formed to oversee Measure U activities. The Bylaws of Measure U and Education Code 15278-15282 require the Committee to consist of seven members. During the time period of this report the Committee included the following members: Jeff Seybold, David Mierkey, Crystal Kirst, Jerry Glen, Michael Mark, Alex Aliferis, and Terrie Hedden.

Additionally, regular Committee meeting participants have included Angel Murnan, Warren Sun, Vickie Brum and Leonard Kahn. These individuals are staff members of the Lodi Unified School District, and have provided financial reports, project progress reports and relevant information as requested.

Summary of Measure U Committee's Activities

All activities of the Committee are governed by the Bylaws. The activities performed by the Committee this year included the following:

- Approved Bylaws and agreed to meeting schedule.
- Received and reviewed Audited Financial Statements for fiscal year 2016– 2017.
- Reviewed and accepted the Performance Audit for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.
- Reviewed quick start projects including bids, budget to bid, and performance to bid.
- Reviewed new and ongoing Measure U projects to ensure they are within the scope of the school facilities projects as detailed in the Measure U text.



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- Monitored the project progress reports of proposed, ongoing, and completed Measure U projects.
- Reviewed quarterly financial reports.

Measure U Tax Rate Estimate

In accordance with California Constitution Art. XIII A, Section 1(b) (3), the estimated tax to be levied cannot exceed \$60 per \$100,000 assessed of the property value. The Committee is required to advise the public, under Bylaws Section 7(b) (2), whether the estimated tax to be levied exceeds \$60 per \$100,000 assessed value.

The Average Annual Tax per \$100,000.00 of Assessed Property Value for the year ending 2016-2017 is estimated at \$60.00.

LUSD 2016-2017 Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report

The 2016-2017 Financial Audit Report, prepared by Gilbert Associates, Inc. and presented by the LUSD Director/Controller Angel Murnan, was reviewed during the December 15, 2017 Committee meeting. In addition to the Financial Audit Report, the Committee received the Performance Audit of Measure U Bond expenditures. The findings are as follows:

- Procedures performed verified expenditures agreed to the supporting documentation including requisitions, invoices, purchase orders and construction contracts.
- Procedures performed verified expenditures were in compliance with the regulations of the Article XIII A, Section 1 (b) (3) of the California Constitution and construction projects outlined by Measure L.
- Procedures performed verified expenditures were not used for teacher and administrative salaries or other school operating expenses as required by section 7(b)(3) of the Bylaws.

Conclusion

The Measure U Citizen's Oversight Committee members have concluded LUSD is in compliance with the requirements set forth by the Measure U Bond election and its bylaws.