



Los Alamitos Unified School District
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
for the
2008 Measure K and 2018 Measure G
ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR
2021-22

January 2023



Message from the Chairperson

The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) proudly presents this annual report highlighting the achievements of the Los Alamitos Unified School District's bond program during the fiscal year spanning July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

The 2022-23 fiscal year welcomed students back to a brand-new state of the art multi-story STEM building at Los Alamitos High School. The three story 86,000 square foot STEM building contains 30 science, math, and career technical education classrooms as well as student and staff support spaces. The building includes dedicated areas for staff on each floor. The large courtyard and stadium seating grand staircase function as outdoor opportunities for flexible learning, performances, and social activities.

The ground floor of this facility also houses a specialized CTE fabrication lab for manufacturing, engineering, robotics, a new college and career center, student media center, and computer lab. This remarkable building along with other completed bond projects will support our students and enhance the campuses and facilities to ensure our current and future students leave the Los Alamitos schools with the skills to succeed and thrive.

The CBOC actively reviewed expenditures, financial statements and staff reports on various capital projects funded by Measure G and Measure K bonds. After a rigorous review process, an independent audit firm granted the District its highest financial accountability and performance rating.

We are pleased to affirm the auditor's findings, and we are proud to oversee a program that provides unwavering support and prioritization of our students' education.

Janet Murphy

Chairperson

Los Alamitos Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Introduction

The Los Alamitos Unified School District, which serves the cities of Los Alamitos, Seal Beach, and the communities of Rossmoor, Surfside, and other unincorporated areas of Orange County, is the recognized leader in providing top quality education to Orange County students.

The District has a long-standing legacy of excellence in Academics, Athletics, Activities, and the Arts. All of the District's nine schools have been recognized as California Distinguished Schools and Gold Ribbon Schools. Our highly talented teachers and staff ensure that our students are prepared for unlimited possibilities now and following high school graduation. The students of Los AI USD are diverse, high-achieving and contribute greatly to the District's culture of excellence. Los AI USD prepares students for post-secondary opportunities through unparalleled professional development for teachers, by maintaining and prioritizing low class sizes in grades TK-12, by providing enrichment and intervention programs for all students, and emphasizing school connectedness through the Academics, Athletics, Activities, and the Arts.

The community at-large supports Los AI USD by way of strong PTA, Booster, "Friends Of", and other fundraising groups. A quarter of Los AI USD's population has attended District schools and over 90% of Los AI residents claim they chose to live in Los AI because of the high-quality schools. Los AI USD continues to be at the forefront of achievement evidenced by its graduation rate, A-G completion rate, being on the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Roll for seven consecutive years, and its overall performance on CAASPP.

Los Alamitos Unified School District students regularly win honors in county, state, and national competitions, including:

- 93 National Merit Scholars in the past five years
- AP Honor Roll for the past seven years
- Military Academy appointments
- Academic and athletic scholarships
- Reigning Show Choir National Champions
- Multiple Sunset League Athletic Championships
- Reigning World Champion Cheer Team
- Reigning National Champion Song Team
- Marching Band, Jazz Band, Drama
- Robotics, STEAM
- Model United Nations and Speech/Debate tournaments

In addition, students from the District schools volunteer thousands of hours each year to community and environmental causes.

These achievements have been accomplished by the District as a result of the long history of visionary leadership from the Los Alamitos USD Board of Education (the “Board”), as well as from staff members, parents, and members of the District communities. During its long history, the District has benefited from a community which supports its educational institutions by establishing high standards for academic achievement, while at the same time providing the means required to meet and even to surpass those expectations.

Although well maintained, the average age of District schools was almost 50 years. Los Alamitos Elementary School, the oldest District school, had been serving students and the community for more than 63 years before being modernized.

In order to provide local students with the same standard of classrooms and school facilities as other California school districts, major repairs, upgrades, and classroom construction are necessary to ensure these buildings will remain functional for future generations.

The District’s Board of Education responded on August 5, 2008 by authorizing placement of a general obligation school construction bond on the November 2008 ballot, Measure K. As approved, Measure K provided \$126 million for a wide array of District facility needs with every campus to receive improvements by having classrooms and facilities repaired, upgraded and modernized as necessary, along with \$2 million for technology needs and \$2 million for athletic projects.

Measure K was presented to the voters through the State’s Proposition 39 program under which a measure is passed with 55 percent voter approval. On November 4, 2008, Measure K was passed with a strong 62.2% voter approval. Though funds from Measure K have helped complete numerous projects that are serving our students well, it was only meant to address a portion of the capital improvement needs identified through the Facilities Master Planning process.

On November 6, 2018, Measure G was passed with a 58.73% voter approval. Measure G, a \$97 million-dollar bond, will renovate, construct, acquire classrooms, science labs, instructional technology/equipment for student achievement in math, science, arts, engineering/careers; repair/upgrade 50-year-old high school classrooms/school facilities, deteriorating roofs, plumbing, sewer/electrical systems and improve student safety.

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Proposition 39 includes a number of requirements the sponsoring school district must meet before a measure can go before the voters. The Los Alamitos Unified School District had to provide in advance of the election a complete and detailed list of all projects to be undertaken with bond funds. Proposition 39 also includes a number of requirements the sponsoring school district must meet after a measure is approved.

Proposition 39 requires the sponsoring school district of an approved measure to establish a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee to oversee, monitor and inform the public concerning the expenditure of general obligation bond revenues. The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee must provide annually a report of how bond funds were used in the past year. This is the Los Alamitos Unified School District Measure K and Measure G Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee's annual report for the calendar year 2022.

The committee consists of nine members who serve for a term of two years without compensation.

The committee must include:

- A. One member who is active in a business organization representing the business community located within the school district.
- B. One member active in a senior citizens' organization.
- C. One member who is a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the school district.
- D. One member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the school district and active in a parent-teacher organization; and
- E. One member who is active in a bona fide taxpayer's organization.

The committee is currently made up of the following individuals:

**The Los Alamitos
Unified School
District's School
Facilities Improvement
District No. 1 Citizens'
Bond Oversight
Committee met on the
following dates:**

- January 26, 2022
- March 30, 2022
- October 12, 2022

It is planned that at the April 4, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Education, the Committee will present the 2022 Annual Report of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

Keith Crafton
Member of Taxpayer Organization

Trini Jimenez
Business Representative

Brett Lorber
Vice-Chairperson; At-Large Community
Member

M. Brady Metcalfe
At-Large Community Member

Janet Murphy
Chairperson; Active PTA Member

Lorraine Navarro
At-Large Community Member

Marilynn Poe
Active Senior Citizens Group

Chad Stuart
Parent of District Student

Paurvi Trivedi
At-Large Community Member

Budget

The following is a chart that represents the current budget expressed both by school and by expense categories as they stand on June 30, 2022:



CURRENT ONGOING PROJECTS		FUNDING SOURCE		
SITE	PROJECT	A MEASURE G	B MEASURE K	C OTHER FUNDS
All Projects	Program Management	\$ 1,633,540.00	\$ -	\$ -
Los Alamitos High School	New 2nd Gym	\$ 12,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 7,000,000.00
Los Alamitos High School	Aquatics Center	\$ -	\$ 7,207,513.00	\$ 5,488,297.00
Los Alamitos High School	Multistory STEM Building	\$ 55,321,533.00	\$ 11,744,467.00	\$ -
		\$ 68,955,073.00	\$ 20,951,980.00	\$ 12,488,297.00

COMPLETED PROJECTS		FUNDING SOURCE		
SITE	PROJECT	A MEASURE G	B MEASURE K	C OTHER FUNDS
Weaver Elementary School	Playground Replacement - Primary	\$ 201,208.00	\$ -	\$ -
Hopkinson Elementary School	New Restroom Building	\$ 792,898.00	\$ -	\$ -
Hopkinson Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Kindergarten/Preschool	\$ 135,378.00	\$ -	\$ -
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Upper Primary	\$ 412,387.00	\$ -	\$ -
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 353,868.00	\$ -	\$ -
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Secondary	\$ 234,797.00	\$ -	\$ -
Los Alamitos Elementary School	New Restroom Building	\$ 941,484.00	\$ -	\$ -
Los Alamitos Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Primary	\$ 312,262.00	\$ -	\$ 15,050.00
Los Alamitos Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Secondary/Kindergarten	\$ 329,577.00	\$ -	\$ -
Los Alamitos High School	Infrastructure	\$ 21,792,875.00	\$ -	\$ 1,158,933.00
Los Alamitos High School	Scoreboard Replacements Primary and Secondary Grades	\$ 137,965.00	\$ -	\$ 10,938.00
McGaugh Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 462,708.00	\$ -	\$ -
Rossmoor Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 415,924.00	\$ -	\$ -
Weaver Elementary School	Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 339,756.00	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ 26,863,087.00	\$ -	\$ 1,184,921.00
		Total Funding Sources		\$ 130,443,358.00

Budget by Total Program

In addition to Measure K and Measure G, some projects have other revenue sources that have helped fund these projects including State Bond Funds, Deferred Maintenance Funds, or local donations. The following chart shows “Total” Budget from all sources, both at the time of approval and actual at completion of the project.

CURRENT ONGOING PROJECTS		BUDGET		
SITE	PROJECT	D PRELIMINARY BUDGET	E MODIFICATIONS	F CURRENT BUDGET
All Projects	Program Management	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ (1,866,460.00)	\$ 1,633,540.00
Los Alamitos High School	New 2nd Gym	\$ 21,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ 21,000,000.00
Los Alamitos High School	Aquatics Center	\$ 12,695,810.00	\$ -	\$ 12,695,810.00
Los Alamitos High School	Multistory STEM Building	\$ 67,066,000.00	\$ -	\$ 67,066,000.00
		\$ 104,261,810.00	\$ (1,866,460.00)	\$ 102,395,350.00

COMPLETED PROJECTS		BUDGET		
SITE	PROJECT	D PRELIMINARY BUDGET	E MODIFICATIONS	F CURRENT BUDGET
Weaver Elementary School	Playground Replacement - Primary	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 1,207.53	\$ 201,207.53
Hopkinson Elementary School	New Restroom Building	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 192,897.52	\$ 792,897.52
Hopkinson Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Kindergarten/Preschool	\$ 150,000.00	\$ (14,622.51)	\$ 135,377.49
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Upper Primary	\$ 425,000.00	\$ (12,613.34)	\$ 412,386.66
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 425,000.00	\$ (71,132.18)	\$ 353,867.82
Lee Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Secondary	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 84,796.90	\$ 234,796.90
Los Alamitos Elementary School	New Restroom Building	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 341,483.35	\$ 941,483.35
Los Alamitos Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Primary	\$ 425,000.00	\$ (97,687.85)	\$ 327,312.15
Los Alamitos Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Secondary/Kindergarten	\$ 350,000.00	\$ (20,423.81)	\$ 329,576.19
Los Alamitos High School	Infrastructure	\$ 24,558,933.00	\$ (1,607,125.21)	\$ 22,951,807.79
Los Alamitos High School	Scoreboard Replacements Primary and Secondary Grades	\$ 520,000.00	\$ (371,096.37)	\$ 148,903.63
McGaugh Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 850,000.00	\$ (387,291.68)	\$ 462,708.32
Rossmoor Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 425,000.00	\$ (9,076.04)	\$ 415,923.96
Weaver Elementary School	Playground Replacement-Pre-School/Kindergarten	\$ 425,000.00	\$ (85,243.77)	\$ 339,756.23
		\$ 30,103,933.00	\$ (2,055,927.46)	\$ 28,048,005.54

Revenues and Expenditures

REVENUE

The District sold bonds in 2020 and plans to sale additional bonds in 2023. The revenue this year from interest is \$119,625.12 for both Measure K and G.

EXPENDITURES

The California Constitution specifically limits the expenditures of bond revenues to: construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

As disclosed in the Proposition 39-required annual independent auditor's report, the total amount expended during the 2021-22 fiscal year for Measure K was \$9,703,813. The total amount expended during the 2021-22 fiscal year for Measure G was \$18,312,615. An itemized list of the expenditures was provided by the Los Alamitos Unified School District accounting staff as additional supporting documentation to the annual audit. The independent accounting firm of EideBailly prepared the audit report, *Los Alamitos Unified School District, Building Fund (Measure K) and (Measure G), Financial Audit and Performance Audits, June 30, 2022*.

Measure K and G Projects

COMPLETED PROJECT LIST

- ✓ Los Alamitos High School Multi-Story Building (Substantially complete)
- ✓ Los Alamitos High School Aquatic Center
- ✓ Los Alamitos Elementary School Restroom
- ✓ Hopkinson Elementary School Restroom
- ✓ Hopkinson Elementary Playground Replacement- Kindergarten/Preschool
- ✓ Lee Elementary School Playground Replacement- Secondary
- ✓ Lee Elementary School Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten
- ✓ Los Alamitos Elementary School Playground Replacement- Primary
- ✓ Los Alamitos Elementary School Playground Replacement- Secondary/Kinder
- ✓ Weaver Elementary School Playground Replacement – Primary
- ✓ McGaugh Elementary School Playground Replacements- Primary and Secondary Grades
- ✓ Rossmoor Elementary School Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten
- ✓ Weaver Elementary School Playground Replacement- Pre-School/Kindergarten
- ✓ Los Alamitos High School Scoreboards
- ✓ Los Alamitos High School Infrastructure

FUTURE PROJECTS TIMELINE

Site	Begin Architectural Drawings	Submit Drawings to DSA/Projection of when Contractor Selection Process will be Completed	Projected Start Date of Construction at Site	Projected Construction Completion
Los Alamitos High School Gymnasium	Complete	August 2023	September 2023	March 2025
Los Alamitos High School Classrooms Renovations	-	-	100 Building March 2023	July 2023
Los Alamitos High School Classrooms Renovations	-	-	300 and 400 Buildings Summer 2023	July 2023

Audit

Proposition 39 requires that the sponsoring school district of an approved measure conduct an annual independent performance audit to ensure that bond funds have been expended only on the specific projects included on the list of projects the district was required to provide before Measure K and Measure G were presented to the voters.

Proposition 39 also requires that the school district conduct an annual independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of the proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects.

The annual audit of the Los Alamitos Unified School District's Measure K and G bond expenditure was conducted by EideBailly, an independent auditing firm. In the firm's report of that audit it states, "In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Building Fund (Measure K and G) of the Los Alamitos Unified School District at June 30, 2022 and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America."

The audit report will be presented by an accountant from EideBailly for review to the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee at its January 25, 2023 meeting. This report will be available online or upon request at the Los Alamitos Unified School District's Business Office located at 10293 Bloomfield Street, Los Alamitos, California.

WEBSITE

Proposition 39 requires the sponsoring school district of an approved measure to establish a website dedicated to bond matters. All documents received by the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee and all reports issued by the Committee are a matter of public record and are made available on the District's website.

That website can be found at the Los Alamitos Unified School District homepage at www.losal.org. By clicking on "Menu", "Our District", "Bond Measures" and selecting "Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee", visitors will find all available documents presented to the committee, including:

- Meeting agendas
- Meeting minutes. (Minutes of a meeting cannot be provided until they are approved by the Committee.)

- Project list
- California Education Code Provisions for Citizens' Bond Oversight Committees
- Reports and other documents prepared and presented to the Committee

CONCLUSIONS

The Los Alamitos Unified School District's Measure K and Measure G Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will meet and review the reports of the audit of bond expenditures conducted by EideBailly for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. The report and the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee website can be found on the Los Alamitos Unified School District's webpage at www.losal.org.

The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee finds the Los Alamitos Unified School District to be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1 (b)(3) of the California Constitution.

Janet Murphy, Committee Chair
Brett Lorber, Committee Vice-Chair
