# Measure C - Annual Report

Citizens' Oversight Committee
Pleasant Valley School District
FY 2018-2019

Measure C Citizens' Oversight Committee January 23, 2020

Dear PVSD School Board Members,

We the members of the Measure C Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) would like to respectfully submit the following report to the residents, voters and taxpayers of the Pleasant Valley School District. This report fulfills the requirement of a Proposition 39 bond requiring that the School District Board of Trustees (School Board) form an independent COC, and that this committee report to the public on the proper expenditure of bond funds at least once annually. This report covers expenses in the time frame of September 2018 to June 30, 2019.

The committee was appointed by the Board on September 11, 2018. Our first meeting occurred on October 25, 2018. Since that time, we have met four times. Once in 2018 and three times in 2019. The COC has worked diligently to understand its role in the oversight process as well as working with staff to develop reporting tools to track expenditures against the bond project budget. Staff has been transparent and timely in providing requested data to the committee. During the meetings, committee members have asked many questions to understand the data presented as well as the procedures used in implementing the bond projects to make sure bond funds are being spent efficiently and according to bond language. Staff responded to these inquires without hesitation and as completely as possible.

In September 2018, the district sold \$40,000,000 of the Measure C bonds. As of June 30,2019, \$3,383,213 has been spent. With bond sale fees paid, and interest earned, \$37,168,789 remains from this sale of Measure C bonds.

In August of 2019, the site visit team went to several school sites to see projects using bond funds. The team is a small group of the committee members who volunteered to visit the sites. Staff and school board members also joined us on these visits. They answered many questions and provided even greater insight into the process.

Upon reviewing the information provided by the district, visiting project sites and reviewing the performance audit for July 1 2018 - June 30 2019, the Measure C Citizens' Oversight Committee is pleased to report that the funds have been spent on Measure C projects and the associated resources to administer the projects and bond delivery costs. No funds have been spent on teacher salaries, administrative salaries or operational costs.

The committee appreciates the willingness and effort of the district to provide the committee the support and information needed so we can effectively carry out our responsibility of oversight to the community.

This report was approved by the committee at their meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020.

Please do not hesitate to contact the COC with any questions regarding the expenditure of Measure C funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Lerner, Chairman Measure C Citizens' Oversight Committee

Attachments:

Annual Report 2018-2019 Power Point Presentation Measure C Full Text Initial Budget and Expenditures Report FY 18-19 Measure C Performance Audit COC Site Tour 8.15.19 COC Site Tour 8.16.19

# **APPENDIX A**

# **FULL TEXT OF BOND MEASURE**

## INTRODUCTION

To improve the quality of education; repair/replace leaky roofs; increase energy efficiency; modernize and construct classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; and improve student access to modern technology; shall Pleasant Valley School District issue \$119,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, raising between \$4,400,000 - \$10,800,000 annually through 2048 at a rate of approximately \$0.03 per \$100 assessed value, with annual audits, an independent citizens' oversight, NO money for salaries, and funding that cannot be taken by the State?

# **BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Pleasant Valley School District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$119.0 million in aggregate principal amount at interest rates not to exceed legal limits and to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

# **ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS**

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

**Evaluation of Needs**. The School Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond. The School Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

**Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee.** Following approval of this measure, the Board of Trustees will establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, under Education Code Sections 15278 and following, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the types of school facilities projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the School Board.

**Performance Audits**. The School Board will conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

**Financial Audits**. The School Board will conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the Ventura County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Trustees of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

# NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), those being for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

# **STATE MATCHING FUNDS**

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which, if available, could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

# INFORMATION ABOUT ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN BALLOT

This measure authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the types of projects set forth on the Bond Project List set forth below, to be repaid by tax collections for the years that bonds are outstanding. The measure presented to District voters on the Ballot, as set forth above under the heading "INTRODUCTION", includes information regarding the expected average amount of money to be raised annually to pay issued bonds, the estimated rate of the approved tax per \$100 of assessed valuation, and the year through which it is approximated the proposed tax will be levied and collected. Each of these estimates and approximations are provided as informational only. Such amounts are estimates only, and are not maximum amounts or limitations on the terms of the bonds or the tax rate or duration supporting repayment of bonds. The approximations and estimates provided depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan, including but not limited to the amount of bonds issued and outstanding at any one time, the interest rates applicable to issued bonds, market conditions at the time of sale of the bonds, when bonds mature, timing of project needs and changes in assessed valuations in the District. As such, while such estimates and approximations have been provided based on information currently available to the District and its current expectations, such estimates and approximations are not limitations and are not binding upon the District.

# **BOND PROJECT LIST**

**Scope of Projects**. Bond proceeds will be expended on the modernization, renovation, expansion, acquisition, construction/reconstruction, rehabilitation, and/or replacement of school facilities of the Pleasant Valley School District, including the furnishing and equipping of such school facilities. This measure authorizes bond projects to be undertaken at all District sites, including current and future sites. Current sites listed below:

Camarillo Heights STEM Academy	Dos Caminos Elementary School
La Mariposa Elementary School	Las Colinas Middle School
Las Posas Elementary School	Los Primeros School of Sciences & Arts
Monte Vista Middle School	Pleasant Valley School of Engineering and Arts
Rancho Rosal Elementary School	Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School
Tierra Linda Elementary School	Valle Lindo Site
El Rancho Site	Los Altos Site

**School Facility Project List.** The items presented on the following list are the types of projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Specific examples included on this list are not intended to limit the broad types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Renovate and expand labs to accommodate science, technology, engineering, and math
- Repair or replace leaky roofs
- Improve student access to computers and modern technology
- Replace deteriorating plumbing and sewer systems
- Upgrade inadequate electrical systems
- Replace or renovate outdated heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems
- Make health, safety and handicapped accessibility improvements
- Upgrade fire alarm and security systems
- Modernize outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities
- Replace outdated, temporary portables with permanent classrooms
- Construct or renovate facilities to provide adequate kindergarten and TK classrooms and restrooms
- Renovate or construct classrooms for band and music programs
- Make energy efficiency improvements, including installing solar panels
- Make water conservation improvements through drought tolerant landscaping
- Improve playgrounds and playfields for school and community use
- Construct/renovate multi-purpose rooms for school and community use

- Construct a central kitchen for improved food quality and selection
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades including site access, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment, etc.
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior to or during construction
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, and other grounds to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas

Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above. Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration during the duration of such projects, as permitted by law.

The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by unforeseen conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes land acquisition, relocation and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto, for said reason or, alternatively, based on other considerations deemed in the best interest of the District by the Governing Board. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. In addition, authorized projects include reimbursements for paid project costs and paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes, and including payment and prepayment of lease payments relating to projects and/or equipment previously financed.

Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within this Bond Project List will be funded beyond what can be completed with local funds generated by the bond measure. The District plans to pursue funds from the State of California, if available, to complete certain of the identified facilities projects.

The order in which school facilities projects are listed in the foregoing Bond Project List does not suggest an order of priority. Project priorities will be determined by the Board of Trustees. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

# **APPENDIX B**

# ABBREVIATED FORM OF BOND MEASURE

"To improve the quality of education; repair/replace leaky roofs; increase energy efficiency; modernize and construct classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; and improve student access to modern technology; shall Pleasant Valley School District issue \$119,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, raising between \$4,400,000 - \$10,800,000 annually through 2048 at a rate of approximately \$0.03 per \$100 assessed value, with annual audits, an independent citizens' oversight, NO money for salaries, and funding that cannot be taken by the State?"

Bonds—Yes Bonds—No

## APPENDIX C

# TAX RATE STATEMENT REGARDING PROPOSED

# \$119.0 MILLION PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

An election will be held in the Pleasant Valley School District (the "District") on June 5, 2018, to authorize the sale of up to \$119.0 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

- 1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.03 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed value). The final fiscal year in which it is anticipated that the tax will be collected is 2047-48.
- 2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.03 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed value). It is estimated that such rate would be levied starting in fiscal year 2018-19 and following.
- 3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$219.0 million.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the assessed value (<u>not</u> market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those used to provide the estimates set forth above, due to factors such as variations in the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold and

market interest rates available at the time of each sale, actual assessed valuations over the term of the bonds, and other factors. The date and amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on conditions in the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

By:	
Superintendent	
Pleasant Valley School District	

# Intial Budget and Expenditures: Fiscal Year 2018-19 Totals

Project Category	Initial Budget Estimate (2017)	Fiscal Year Expenditures	% Expended	% Remaining	Notes
Energy efficiency and solar power					
projects	\$8,542,800	\$34,320	0.4%	99.6%	C218
New Construction needs	\$26,897,400	\$13,880	0.1%	99.9%	C222
Interior Remodeling	\$13,360,140	\$589,652	4.4%	95.6%	C221, C211
Heating, Ventilation, and Air					
Conditioning	\$8,018,006	\$287,003	3.6%	96.4%	C203
Modular Building Renovation and					
Replacement	\$19,238,688	\$21,174	0.1%	99.9%	C223
Exterior Renovation and Security	ĆE 00E 740	¢126.462	2.70/	07.20/	C204 C240
projects	\$5,065,740	\$136,162	2.7%	97.3%	C204, C219
Utilities Infrastructure, Pavement, and					
Parking Lot Safety	\$24,869,916	\$115,340	0.5%	99.5%	C205, C207
Roof Restoration and Replacement	\$10,964,484	\$168,369	1.5%	98.46%	C206
Low Voltage System Replacement	\$3,187,080	\$279,697	8.8%	91.2%	C215
Playground, Field, and Landscaping					
renovation	\$4,829,760	\$160,188	3.3%	96.7%	C217, C213
Classroom Furniture	\$2,350,000	\$108,011	4.6%	95.4%	C214
Classroom Technology	\$4,980,000	\$1,163,450	23.4%	76.6%	C216
Construction management, planning,					
and accounting	\$2,430,000	\$305,969	12.6%	87.4%	0000
Total	\$134,734,014	\$3,383,213	2.5%	97.5%	

# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# PROPOSITION 39 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BOND BUILDING FUND MEASURE C PERFORMANCE AUDIT

June 30, 2019



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# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Measure C Citizens' Oversight Committee Pleasant Valley School District Camarillo, California

We have conducted a performance audit of the Pleasant Valley School District (the District) Measure C bond funds for the year ended June 30, 2019.

We conducted our performance audit in accordance with generally accepted *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

Our audit was limited to the objectives listed on page two of this report which includes determining the District's compliance with the performance requirements for the Proposition 39 Measure C bond funds under the applicable provisions of Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIIIA of the California Constitution. Management is responsible for the District's compliance with those requirements.

Solely to assist us in planning and performing our performance audit, we obtained an understanding of the internal control of the District to determine if internal controls were adequate to help ensure the District's compliance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as specified by Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIIIA of the California Constitution. Accordingly, we do not express any assurance on internal control.

The results of our tests indicated that, in all significant respects, the District expended Measure C bond funds for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, only for the specific projects developed by the District's Board of Trustees, and approved by the voters, in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as specified by Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIIIA of the California Constitution.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Glendora, California

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

December 6, 2019



# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF MEASURE C

June 30, 2019

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In November 2000 the voters of the State of California approved Proposition 39 authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by California public school districts and community colleges, under certain circumstances and subject to certain conditions. In June 2018, a general obligation bond proposition (Measure C) of the District was approved by the voters of the District. Measure C authorizes the District to issue up to \$119 million of general obligation bonds to finance various capital projects, and related costs, as specified in the bond measure provisions of Measure C.

Pursuant to the requirements of Proposition 39, and related state legislation, the Governing Board of the District established a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee and appointed its initial members. The principal purpose of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, as set out in state law, is to inform the public as to the expenditures of the proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to the Measure C bond authorization. The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee is required to issue at least one report annually as to its activities and findings.

Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIIIA of the California Constitution requires the District to conduct an annual independent performance audit to ensure that the proceeds of the bonds deposited into the Measure C bond fund have been expended only for the authorized bond projects.

# **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of our performance audit were to:

- Determine the expenditures charged to the Measure C Bond Building Fund.
- Determine whether expenditures charged to the Measure C Bond Building Fund have been made in accordance with the bond project list approved by the voters through the approval of Measure C in June 2018.
- Determine that amounts expended on salaries and benefits were only to the extent employees perform work associated with the Measure C projects as allowable per Opinion 04-110 issued on November 9, 2004 by the State of California Attorney General.

# SCOPE OF THE AUDIT

The scope of our performance audit covered the fiscal period from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. The propriety of expenditures for capital projects and maintenance projects funded through other state or local funding sources, other than the proceeds of the bonds, were not included within the scope of our audit. Expenditures incurred subsequent to June 30, 2019, were not reviewed or included within the scope of our audit or in this report.

# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF MEASURE C

# June 30, 2019

# PROCEDURES PERFORMED

- We identified the expenditures and projects charged to the general obligation bond proceeds by obtaining the general ledger and project listing.
- We selected a judgmental sample of expenditures for supplies, services and capital outlay considering all projects for the year ended June 30, 2019. Our sample included 25 transactions totaling \$2,319,382.
  - We reviewed the actual invoices and supporting documentation to determine that expenditures charged to projects were:
    - Supported by invoices with evidence of proper approval and documentation of receipt of goods or services;
    - Supported by proper bid documentation, as applicable;
    - Were properly expended on the authorized bond projects as listed on the voter-approved bond project list.
- We selected the complete population of salaries and benefits for the year ended June 30, 2019. Our sample of expenditures for salaries and benefits included \$32,575 in payroll expenses.
  - O We reviewed the payroll register and job description to determine that the amounts expended on salaries and benefits were only to the extent employees perform work associated with the Measure C bond projects as allowable per Opinion 04-110 issued on November 9, 2004 by the State of California Attorney General.

# **CONCLUSION**

The results of our tests indicated that, in all significant respects, the District has properly accounted for the expenditures of the funds held in the Measure C Bond Building Fund and that such expenditures were made on authorized bond projects. Further it was noted that the funds held in the Measure C Bond Building Fund and expended by the District, were used for salaries and benefits only to the extent allowable.



Citizen's Oversight Committee Bond Measure C Subcommittee site visit August 15, 2019 Notes and observation By: Bonnie Gilles

We were provided with a comprehensive handout with information on the sites were going to see. The handout detailed the work we would observe and the Measure C Ballot Language that covered each observation.

# **Dos Caminos** (elementary school)

**Observed**: New Playgrounds, classroom furniture and teacher storage, Newline displays and document cameras, upgraded MPR sound system, classroom flooring

**Comments:** We were shown two separate playground areas, one for Pre-K & Kindergarten and one for  $1^{st} - 5^{th}$  grades. The equipment was amazing. Varying types of engagement (climbing, swinging, hands on etc.), and was handicap accessible. The separate areas were appropriate for the age of the children in physical size and type of engagement. In addition, the equipment was substantial enough to support the population anticipated during each recess. The product was well built and assembled, with an anticipated life of 25-30 years (with appropriate ongoing R & M).

The classroom we visited was nicely modernized:

- New carpet tiles (for ease of replacement) with separate built in mat at the doorway very efficient design.
- Good flooring surface around the wet station requiring minimal maintenance
- Teacher's desk and storage were sturdy and allowed for flexible setup.
- Newline interactive display and document camera camera was not yet set up but Newline display was sturdy, adjustable and appears to offer a tremendous amount of functionality.

#### Monte Vista (middle school)

**Observed**: Classroom furniture and teacher storage, Newline display and document cameras, Gymnasium updates/upgrades

**Comments:** We toured a Science Lab classroom and spent a good amount of time in the Gymnasium.

#### Science Lab:

- New lab tables with chemical resistant surface and a long life
- New lab stools with backs (better ergonomics)
- I don't know if this room included the Newline display or a Smart Board or both, but the product was very interactive and adjustable
- The Document camera allows the teacher to use technology to project data from his/her iPad onto the master display while facing the classroom to improve interaction

MPR/Gymnasium – there were a lot of project discussed and I don't believe I captured them all in my notes:

- Large projector TV in the smaller MPR room
- Very large projector TV in the main gym
- New Scoreboards
- Six (6) basketball backboards with remote control retractors
- New LED lighting
- New and extended wall padding to prevent injury during play

# Tierra Linda: (elementary school)

**Comments:** This is one of the largest elementary schools in the district, and is undergoing an extensive roof renovation. We were not able to go up onto the roof for obvious reasons, but were provided with details of the renovations. There were workers and equipment that provided evidence of the substantial work being performed. In addition to the roof observations, we saw the newly installed playground equipment. There is a massive structure on the playground for the 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders. There is a second structure for the Kindergarten aged kids. Both areas have a new surface that helps prevent head/brain injury if a child falls. Both playgrounds are appropriate in size and activities for the age of the kids, are handicap accessible and even have shade elements. I have personal experience with this school and playground and this is an amazing upgrade. These kids had virtually nothing before. These structures were well built and assembled, are anticipated to last from 25-30 years with the appropriate R & M.

We also toured the newly created reading lab (aka the Bubble Room). The room is very conducive to reading, with benches, carpeting, good colors and lighting. Some of the furniture had not yet arrived. This room was upgraded partially with PTA dollars, with the furniture being provided with Bond money.

**Additional comments**: The specific classrooms we visited were randomly chosen and there was clearly a lot of work in progress. The classroom furniture is standard between the schools for similar grades. There are common colors between the schools, with added colors for the individual schools. This allows for the movement of furniture between schools, as needed for changing enrollment.

It is evident that there is a lot of thought and planning going on around the multitude of projects. They provide efficiencies and include many observable safety features. At two of the locations we were able to see furniture and equipment that was being replaced, and it was clearly time for replacement. There was nothing to indicate that the work visible on our tour was not in compliance with the language of the bond measure.

### Measure C site Visit- August 16, 2019

I had the pleasure of being able to go visit some of the school sites that are currently receiving funds from Measure C. The tour started at the district office with the underground tunneling that took place to help install fiber optics for PVSEA. It saved money by going underground and not having to repave or pour new concrete- which would have proven costly. We then boarded a bus, where several safety measures have been implemented (not with Measure C money) to protect the safety of the children and driver. This is a definite improvement.

Our first stop was Dos Caminos School. We had the pleasure of seeing Measure C money implemented into the classrooms and playgrounds. We were able to see the new playground equipment fully installed, and all of the amazing features available to the children. The new underlay flooring, which is very soft, will be a nice feature for the children and teachers alike- no more sand. The new equipment for both the younger children (pre-k, t-k and kinder) as well as the larger play structure, which is ADA accessible, is a great improvement.





We were able to go into a room with new furniture and new carpeting. The greatest thing, in my opinion, was that they asked the teachers and staff that would be using the equipment and materials every day, what they wanted and needed. Measure C provided the funding to allow them to get updated items that are very sturdy as well as functional. The carpeting is flush to the floor, so minimalizing a possible tripping hazard, as well as the ease to change out carpet tiles that get damaged or stained. The furniture is sturdy and well built.

Our next stop was Monte Vista Middle School. We had the pleasure of going into the Gymnasium and Music Room, where Measure C money helped to install new equipment in the form of padding on the walls, a projection board/screen, new backboards, new music stands and seating. These improvements are a great addition to the school district and its relationship to PVSD in sharing facilities.







Our final visit was to Tierra Linda School. There were several things happening at this site. The new roofing, furniture as well as play structures is a vast improvement from what was installed there over 20 years ago. Seeing the new playground equipment will definitely put a huge smile on the children's faces. With multiple slides and climbing areas, more than one child at a time will be able to enjoy it.









Overall, it was more than exciting to see all of the new and updated equipment at all of the locations we visited. As someone who attended schools in PVSD (Many years ago), it was refreshing to see the new desks, materials and equipment that will be available to our children and community for many years to come.