



Closure and Facilities Advisory (7-11) Committee Report with Findings and Recommendations

Presented by the Closure and Facilities Advisory Committee on



VALLEJO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Facilities Advisory (7-11) Committee Report on Findings and Recommendations

Executive Summary

On **May 22, 2024** the Board of Education ("Board of Education") of the Vallejo City Unified School District ("District") approved the formation of a Facilities Advisory (7-11) Committee ("Committee") and authorized Superintendent Ruben Aurelio to convene such a committee to fulfill the requirements of California Education Code sections 17387-17391.

The following community members were approved by the Board of Education on **September 18**, **2024** and agreed to serve on the Committee:

- 1) Ralph A. Gross
- 2) Hazel A. Wilson
- 3) Tony Vargas
- 4) Evangeline Espiritu
- 5) Ruby Acevedo
- 6) Kevin Steele
- 7) Melissa Tigbao
- 8) Joe Hatchett
- 9) Ydelita Valera Gonzales
- 10) Katrina Rodgers

These members represent a cross section of the community and met the requirements stated in California Education Code sections 17387-17391. In accordance with the California Education Code, the Committee was charged with the following duties:

- a. Review pertinent information (i.e., projected enrollment trends) to determine the amount of surplus space and real property.
- b. Establish a priority list of use of surplus space and real property that will be acceptable to the community and develop recommendations about the properties generally (declare it to be surplus, sell it, lease it, etc.).
- c. Circulate throughout the attendance area the priority list of surplus properties and provide for a public hearing for community input to the 7-11 Committee regarding the acceptable uses for the surplus properties.
- d. Make a final determination on the "limits of tolerance" related to the uses of surplus properties.
- <u>e.</u> Forward a report to the District's Board of Education recommending uses of the surplus properties.

Properties at Issue:

On **September 18, 2024**, the Board of Education authorized the Committee to consider the following four (4) properties ("Properties"):

1. Steffan Manor Elementary School

815 Cedar Street, Vallejo, California 94591

2. Vallejo Charter School

2833 Tennessee Street, Vallejo, California 94591

3. Loma Vista Environmental Science Academy

146 Rainier Avenue, Vallejo, California, 94589

4. Mare Island Health and Fitness Academy

400 Rickover Street, Vallejo, California 94592

The Committee met on September 25, October 9, October 23, and November 4, 2024 to gather relevant data, learn about potential property options, and solicit community feedback about the Properties. In conformance with the Education Code, the Committee held a public hearing on October 23, 2024 in order to obtain input from the community. Minutes from the public hearing are attached as **Exhibit A.**

During the Committee meetings, enrollment information and other data, as well as options for current and possible future uses of the Properties, were discussed, reviewed and evaluated. The Committee also received a presentation from Total School Solutions regarding an equity impact analysis for each of the Properties during its meeting on **October 9**, **2024** The Committee also received feedback from District staff and the Board of Education about District needs and goals. Based upon the information presented to the Committee, the following findings and recommendations are presented to the Board of Education.

Committee's Findings:

- 1. **[Finding]**
- 2. **[Finding]**
- 3. **[Finding]**
- 4. Based upon the Committee's review of this information, and after studying the real property owned by the District at issue, the Committee came to the following Recommendations:

Property Address	Property Designation
Steffan Manor Elementary School 815 Cedar Street, Vallejo, California 94591	[Surplus?]

Vallejo Charter School 2833 Tennessee Street, Vallejo, California 94591	[Surplus?]
Loma Vista Environmental Science Academy 146 Rainier Avenue, Vallejo, California, 94589	[Surplus?]
Mare Island Health and Fitness Academy 400 Rickover Street, Vallejo, California 94592	[Surplus?]

Committee's Recommendations:

- 1. [Recommendations]
- 2. [Recommendations]
- 3. [Recommendations]
- 4. [Recommendations]
- 5. [Recommendations]
- 6. [Recommendations]

We, the members of the Committee, appreciate the opportunity to serve the Board of Education in this important capacity. We hope this report will assist the Board of Education with its decisions regarding school closures and consolidations and potential future uses and dispositions of the Properties.

Ralph A. Gross, Committee Chairperson

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A—Minutes from Public Hearing

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