



RUSD

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Measure O Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Annual Report

July 1, 2022 Through June 30, 2023



CBOC Members

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Executive Summary

The Riverside Unified School District (RUSD) voters successfully passed the Measure O General Obligation Bond on November 8, 2016. With a 70% approval rate, the voters approved to issue up to \$392,000,000 in school facilities capital improvement funding. Measure O will help to improve existing school facilities and build new capital facilities in Riverside Unified School District.

The Long-Range Facilities Master Plan completed in 2016 serves as the guide to implement Measure O projects based on condition, educational program, capacity needs, and available state funding. The Board of Education held three workshops to discuss the needs of district facilities and identify priorities. The workshops primarily focused on educating the Board and public on the prioritization process, providing data on the facilities, determining focus goals, and identifying priority projects.

2016 Measure O Ballot Language

The following is the ballot measure summary presented to the voters by the Riverside Unified School District:

“To repair and upgrade Riverside schools, including deteriorating roofs, plumbing and electrical systems, improve student safety, security, and seismic safety, upgrade classrooms, science labs, career-training facilities, computer systems and instructional technology to support student achievement in math, science, engineering and skilled trades, and construct, acquire, repair classrooms, sites, facilities and equipment, shall Riverside Unified School District issue \$392 million in bonds at legal rates, with citizen oversight, no money for administrator salaries, all money staying local...”

To view the full ballot proposition:

<http://riversideunified.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=14033820>

Purpose of the Committee

Pursuant to Section 15278 of the Education Code, the District is obligated to establish an independent Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) in order to satisfy the accountability requirement of Proposition 39. The Board of Education approved the formation of the Measure O CBOC and appointment of its members at its March 20, 2017 Board meeting.

The purpose of the CBOC shall be to inform the public concerning expenditure of the bond proceeds. The purpose of the CBOC is to review bond program expenditures and outside audits to ensure the will of the voters is strictly followed in accordance with the wording of the original ballot measure.

To carry out its stated purpose, the Committee shall perform the duties set forth in the CBOC bylaws as listed below:

- 3.1 Inform the Public. The Committee shall inform the public concerning the District’s expenditure of bond proceeds. In fulfilling this duty, all official communications to either the Board or the public shall come from the Chair acting on behalf of the Committee. The Chair shall only release information that reflects the majority view of the Committee.
- 3.2 Review Expenditures. The Committee shall review expenditure reports produced by the District to ensure that (a) bond proceeds were expended only for the purposes set forth in Measure O; and (b)

no bond proceeds were used for teacher or administrative salaries or other operating expenses in compliance with Attorney General Opinion 04-110, issued on November 9, 2004.

3.3 Annual Report. The Committee shall present to the Board, in public session, an annual written report for Measure O, which shall include the following:

- (a) A statement indicating whether the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution; and
- (b) A summary of the Committee's proceedings and activities for the preceding year.

Committee Membership

CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE, SECTION 15282.

(a) The citizens' oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members to serve for a term of two years without compensation and for no more than three consecutive terms. While consisting of a minimum of at least seven members, the citizens' oversight committee shall be comprised, as follows:

(1) One member shall be active in a business organization representing the business community located within the district.

(2) One member shall be active in a senior citizens' organization.

(3) One member shall be active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization.

(4) For a school district, one member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the district. For a community college district, one member shall be a student who is both currently enrolled in the district and active in a community college group, such as student government. The community college student member may, at the discretion of the board, serve up to six months after his or her graduation.

(5) For a school district, one member shall be both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the district and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the Parent Teacher Association or school site council. For a community college district, one member shall be active in the support and organization of a community college or the community colleges of the district, such as a member of an advisory council or foundation.

(b) No employee or official of the district shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee. No vendor, contractor, or consultant of the district shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee. Members of the citizens' oversight committee shall, pursuant to Sections 35233 and 72533, abide by the prohibitions contained in Article 4 (commencing with Section 1090) and Article 4.7 (commencing with Section 1125) of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

Measure O – Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee Members

Current Members	Group Representation	Terms Served	Term Start	Term End	Present Status
Art Alcaraz	Community Member	2 nd Term	1/21/2021	1/12/2025	
Chani Beeman	Community Member	1 st Term	1/12/2023	1/12/2025	
Nick Corbo	Business Representative	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Martin DeCampos	Taxpayer Organization	2 nd Term	1/21/2021	1/12/2025	
Ventrice Diggs-King	Community Member	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Bob Garcia	Senior Citizen Organization	3 rd Term	3/20/2017	1/12/2025	Final Term
Douglas Kroon	Senior Citizen Organization	2 nd Term	2/24/2024	2/24/2026	
Lara E. Martin	Business Representative	2 nd Term	1/12/2021	1/12/2025	
Jag Patel	Parent Active in PTA	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Ashley Peake	Parent Active in PTA	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Matthew Stowe	Parent	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Beiwei Tu	Parent Active in PTA	1 st Term	7/14/2022	8/22/2026	
Richard Vandenberg	Business Representative	1 st Term	8/22/2024	8/22/2026	
Past Members		Terms Served	Term Start	Term End	
Robert Beaty	Business Representative	1 Term	3/20/2017	8/10/2018	
Mary Ann Bowman	Taxpayer Organization	1 Term	3/20/2017	4/10/2018	
Adriana Curiel	Parent Active in PTA	1 Term	3/20/2017	5/29/2019	
Richard Davis	Community Member	1 Term	3/20/2017	2/14/2019	

Tom Evans	Community Member	2 Terms	3/20/2017	12/17/2021	
Tina Grande-Field	Parent Active in PTA	3 rd Term	3/20/2017	7/14/2024	
Keith Nelson	Community Member	3 Terms	3/20/2017	2/24/2024	
Gabriela Plascencia	Community Member	1 Term	3/20/2017	5/1/2018	
James Rush	Community Member	1 Term	3/20/2017	8/14/2019	
Terry Walling	Community Member	3 rd Term	3/20/2017	7/14/2024	
Julie Williams	Community Member/Parent	1 Term	3/20/2017	4/6/2018	
Kathy Wright	Community Member	1 Term	3/20/2017	7/22/2019	
Jose Alcala	Community Member	1 Term	8/21/2018	8/22/2020	
Janice Bielman	Business Representative	1 Term	8/21/2018	8/22/2018	
George Frahm	Community Member	1 Term	10/2/2018	10/1/2020	
Jason Hunter	Taxpayer Organization	1 Term	8/21/2018	8/22/2020	
Dale Kinnear	Community Member	1 Term	7/9/2019	11/1/2020	
Dave Bristo	Parent Active in PTA	1 Term	1/21/2021	1/21/2022	
Amanda DeLao	Community Member/Parent	1 Term	1/21/2021	1/21/2023	
Diane Kwasman	Parent Active in PTA	1 Term	1/21/2021	1/21/2022	
Marylin Robinson	Taxpayer Organizations	1 Term	1/21/2021	1/21/2023	
Sarah Simpson	Community Member/Parent	1 Term	1/21/2021	1/21/2022	
Jessica Gomez	Parent	1 st Term	7/14/2022	7/14/2024	
Sandra Roy	Parent Active in PTA	1 Term	7/14/2022	7/14/2024	
Cheryl Tavaglione	Community Member	1 st Term	7/14/2022	7/14/2024	

Committee Activities

In accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Public Act, the Committee conducts meetings for the public's attendance and participation. Meeting agendas and notices are sent to Committee members and posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Notices are posted at the Riverside Unified School District Administrative office, Business Services office, Facilities, Planning & Development office, and on the District website. Meeting notices, agenda, minutes and all other documents received by the Committee are a matter of public record and are available on the Riverside Unified School District website:

<http://riversideunified.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=580805&pageId=2305262>

The Committee conducts quarterly business meetings, which include review of facilities projects and project expenditures. The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee held meetings on the following dates, times and locations:

School Year 16/17

- June 7, 2017 at 4:30 pm at the District Office

School Year 17/18

- October 4, 2017 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- February 7, 2018 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- April 10, 2018 at 4:30 pm at the District Office

School Year 18/19

- July 31, 2018 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- October 9, 2018 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- February 12, 2019 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- May 29, 2019 at 4:30 pm at the District Office

School Year 19/20

- August 21, 2019 at 4:30 pm at the District Office
- October 30, 2019 at 4:30 pm at Nutrition Services Training Room
- January 29, 2020 at 4:30 pm at Highgrove Elementary School
- May 27, 2020 at 4:30 pm at Virtual Meeting

School Year 20/21

- August 26, 2020 at 5:30 pm at Virtual Meeting (Meeting stopped)
- September 10, 2020 4:30 pm at Virtual Meeting
- January 29, 2021 at 4:30 pm at Virtual Meeting
- February 26, 2021 at 4:30 pm at Virtual meeting
- April 28, 2021 at 4:30 pm at Virtual Meeting

School Year 21/22

- July 8, 2021 4:30 at pm Virtual Meeting (Canceled due to no quorum)
- August 12, 2021 at 4:30 pm at Virtual Meeting
- October 13, 2021 at 4:30 pm at Riverside Polytechnic High School
- March 15, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Thomas Jefferson Elementary - Library
- June 9, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Louisa May Alcott Elementary - Multi Purpose Room

School Year 22/23

- September 8, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Arlington High School-Lecture Hall

- October 20, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Riverside Unified Board Room
- December 7, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Riverside Unified Nutrition Services -Conference Room
- March 2, 2023 at 5:00 pm at Fremont Elementary School-Multi Purpose Room
- June 14, 2023 at 5:00 pm at Sierra Middle School-Multi Purpose Room

School Year 23/24

- August 17, 2023 5:00 pm (Special Meeting) at District Office-Susan Rainey Conference Room
- September 20, 2023 5:00 pm at Longfellow Elementary School – Building G –Classroom G28
- December 6, 2023 5:00 pm at District Office - Conference Room 1
- February 13, 2024 5:00 pm at North High School – Library
- June 4, 2024 5:30 pm at University Heights Middle School – Classroom 119

It was desired by the Board of Education, that the Committee provide an update that includes the most recent meetings as possible for the annual report; therefore, the committee reporting period extends beyond the 22/23 School Year.

All meetings conducted during this period were done in person. At every meeting, staff presents a report updating the CBOC on the projects and project financials.

At every meeting, the Committee encourages community input related to any questions or concerns with Measure O funding allocation. These concerns have and will continue to be discussed by the Committee as brought forth in public comment.

The Chair may be asked by a majority vote of the Committee to communicate a question or concern at a Board of Education meeting. Committee members are invited to attend any public meetings held by the District. A member may speak on behalf of themselves at any public meeting.

An independent performance and financial audit is provided to the Committee on an annual basis. The Committee is invited to Town Hall meetings, Board Study Session meetings, and regular Board meetings when Measure O Bond projects are discussed.

Committee Findings

September 8, 2022

- District staff presented a new resource handbook for current and incoming CBOC members.

October 20, 2022

- No Action Taken

December 7, 2023

- Training on Proposition 39 and Citizens' Bond Oversight Committees by Mr. Robert E. Anslow of Atkinson Anndelson Loya Ruud. The presentation included:
 - An overview of the history and guidelines of Proposition 39
 - Statutory provisions and ballot statements
 - The principle purpose of the CBOC, CBOC composition, the appointment of CBOC members
 - Authorized activities of the CBOC, CBOC proceedings, the CBOC website
 - The school District support of the CBOC annual audit requirements, and CBOC completion.

- Review of the Brown Act

March 2, 2023

- Amended Bylaws to allow the CBOC Chairperson to create ad-hoc committees to the CBOC.
- Received the annual audit report from Nigro & Nigro PC – a clean audit. Committee acknowledged this was a late report and request that it be provided sooner the in subsequent years.
- Presentation on Construction Delivery Methods by Mr. Jason Howarth from Tilden-Coil Construction.
- The Committee discussed the importance of member attendance and determined to have the Chairperson communicate to the BOT of any attendance problems.
- Tour of Fremont Elementary School

June 14, 2023

- Committee received a presentation on Community WorkForce Agreements by Mr. Sergio San Martin and how/when they are utilized in District construction projects.
- Committee members requested information about a lawsuit filed against the District on use of Measure O funds. It was determined that the lawsuit was outside of the committee's jurisdiction.
- Tour of Sierra M.S.

August 17, 2023 (special meeting)

- Established an AD HOC committee to develop a draft Annual Report for review and adoption by full committee.

September 20, 2023

- Review and adoption of Annual Report 2021-2022
- Tour of Longfellow E.S.

December 6, 2023

- Officer election with suggestion to explore modifying bylaws to allow succession of Vice Chair role to Chair role. (No action taken)
- Clarified the process by which the Committee may request information and/or resources from the BOT: Passing a motion and sending request via Chairperson during public comment at the next scheduled BOT meeting.

2022/2023 Annual Report

Measure O

Projects in Progress

Henry W. Longfellow Elementary School

Henry W. Longfellow Elementary School was built in 1947. It faced logistical challenges due to its small footprint and no onsite parking. The site had 12 portable classroom buildings. The school is on 6 acres. Under Measure O, the project includes a new classroom building with 6 kindergarten and 6 general education classrooms with a new play area, a new administration building and re-purposing of the existing administration building, new parking lot, and modernization of existing buildings.



Percent Complete: 65%

Anticipated Completion Date: July 2024

University Heights Middle School

University Heights Middle School was built in 1973. Under Measure O, the site received seven (7) new classrooms added to an existing structure, expansion of the music room, created a new STEM lab/maker space new finishes, relocation of existing library, ADA upgrades, new concrete running track and field, fire lane extension, landscaping and security fencing.



Percent Complete: 65%

Anticipated Completion Date: May 2024

John W. North High School

John W. North High School was built in 1965. This Project is currently in the construction phase 2&3. The project includes a new 2-story science building and a new 900-seat auxiliary gymnasium, campus entry site improvements, new seating and shade structure in the quad and the removal of eight portables. ESSER funding project scope will include HVAC and lighting upgrades to campus buildings that will be performed in phased work to minimize disruption to the site. The HVAC lighting upgrade project will also include new paint, flooring, fire alarm upgrades, and restroom upgrades in Building 300.



Percent Complete: In Planning

Anticipated Completion Date: October 2025

Casa Blanca Elementary School

The school site is approximately 9.8 acres located on Lincoln Street. The school will service approximately 750 TK-6 students in the Casa Blanca neighborhood. The new school will include ancillary support buildings, outdoor learning shared spaces, TK-K classrooms with play area, 1st-3rd grade classrooms with play area, 4th-6th classrooms with play area, staff and visitor parking lot, and a new bus drop-off area.



Percent Complete: In Planning

Anticipated Completion Date: July 2025

New Elementary School on the Eastside

The District is acquiring various properties within the Eastside neighborhood for a future elementary school to serve approximately 900 students from TK through 6th grade.

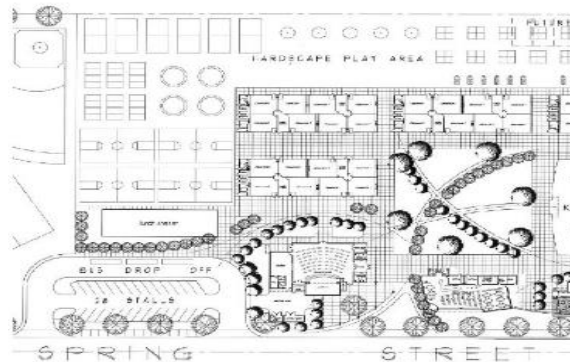


Percent Complete: In Planning

Anticipated Completion Date: August 2027

Highgrove II Elementary School

The site is 13 acres and is located in the Spring Mt. Ranch development area. The location of the site is in the northwestern intersection of the Silverspot Road and Spring Street.



Percent Complete: In Planning

Anticipated Completion Date: TBD

STEM Education Center

A state-of-the-art public STEM Education Center is being planned on the premises of the University of California, Riverside (UCR). This project is currently being evaluated via the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process. The proposed high school will accommodate 800 students at any given time and will focus on computer science, environmental/ agricultural science, biomedical/allied health, and engineering & advanced manufacturing.



Percent Complete: In Planning

Anticipated Completion Date: TBD

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Measure O

Completed Projects

Alcott Elementary School

Louisa May Alcott Elementary School was built in 1961. Under Measure O, the site received new interior and exterior painting, new t-bar ceiling, new lighting, new HVAC, casework, carpet, restroom and site ADA upgrades, removal of eleven (11) classroom portables, grading, new hard court play yard area, turf, new landscape, irrigation throughout the campus, new fencing, gates, new domestic water, sewer, storm drain, gas line for new building; and a new classroom building with six (6) general education classrooms, four (4) kindergarten classrooms with restrooms, new kinder playground, play equipment and fencing.

Completed: August 2022



Fremont Elementary School

Fremont Elementary School is one of the oldest schools in the District, built in 1917. Under Measure O, the site received a new two-story building with six (6) general classrooms and six (6) kindergarten classrooms with interior restrooms, new play equipment and surfacing, landscape, elevator, covered walkway, exterior restrooms and storage. Site work includes removal of four portables and demo existing building J, new kindergarten play yard, hard court play yard area, turf, ADA upgrades, new visitor parking lot with fifteen (15) regular and two (2) ADA accessible parking stalls, grading, re-stripe and slurry existing parking lot, and domestic water, sewer, storm drain, gas, electrical power upgrades. Existing classroom buildings and administration updates include exterior improvements and roofing, reconfigure administration and interior and exterior paint.

Completed: September 2023



Monroe Elementary School

Monroe Elementary School was built in 1955. Under Measure O, the site received a new 1-story classroom building with 5 kinder classrooms, modernization of existing buildings including fire alarm, HVAC, plumbing, roof, door hardware, paint, new carpet, casework, ADA improvements, new school frontage, replacing kinder equipment, updates to irrigation and drainage systems and twenty-three (23) new restroom facilities. Site work includes new playground fields, new water, sewer, gas lines, new parking, and bus drop-off and lunch shelter.

Completed: March 2023



**2022/2023 Annual Report
Measure O
Financial Reports**

PERFORMANCE & FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

2022/2023 Fiscal Year Project Expenditures

No.	District Project Name	Measure O CUMULATIVE Project Expenditures	Current Project Phase
GROUP A PROJECTS			
1	Harrison Elementary School	\$0.00	Completed
2	Highgrove Elementary School	0.00	Completed
3	Jefferson Elementary School	189.00	Completed
4	Madison Elementary School	0.00	Completed
5	Sierra Middle School	0.00	Completed
	GROUP A PROJECT TOTALS:	\$189.00	
GROUP B PROJECTS			
6	Alcott Elementary School	(\$1,516,367.85)	Construction
7	Jackson Elementary School	(86,596.55)	Completed
8	Monroe Elementary School	(4,517,493.69)	Construction
9	Sunshine Early Childhood Center	30,727.97	Completed
10	Poly High School	20,938.33	Completed
	GROUP B PROJECT TOTALS:	(\$6,068,791.79)	
GROUP C PROJECTS			
11	Adams Elementary School	\$0.00	Completed
12	Fremont Elementary School	(4,325,569.38)	Construction
13	Longfellow Elementary School	(9,350,631.56)	Construction
14	Magnolia Elementary School	0.00	Completed
15	University Middle School	(3,396,347.37)	Construction
16	Arlington High School	(349,080.64)	Completed
	GROUP C PROJECT TOTALS:	(\$17,421,628.95)	
Groups D, E, F, & H and Expanded Projects			
17	New STEM High School @ UCR	(\$234,414.30)	Planning
18	North High School	(1,458,032.88)	Planning
19	Casa Blanca Neighborhood School	(341,317.12)	Planning
20	Eastside Neighborhood School	(49,275.34)	Planning
20	Highgrove II - New School	(129,375.00)	Planning
21	Facilities Projects	(307,464.54)	Ongoing
	GROUPS D, E, F, & H AND EXPANDED PROJECT TOTALS:	(\$2,519,879.18)	
MEASURE O CUMULATIVE PROJECT EXPENDITURES:		(\$26,010,110.92)	

Financial and Performance Audit Report

Current Year

22-23 FY



Previous Years

21-22 FY



20-21 FY



19-20 FY



18-19 FY



17-18 FY



16-17 FY



Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Statement

The Riverside Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee submits this Annual Report to the Board of Education in conformance with the standards of the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bond Act also known as Proposition 39 (2000) (California Constitution, Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)).

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Chani Beeman, Chairperson

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Riverside Unified School District