Relations with Local Agencies

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The Board of Education recognizes the importance of collaborating and communicating with other local agencies in order to provide the best possible school facilities and to allocate facility resources in an effective and efficient manner. The Board and district staff shall consult and coordinate with local agencies as required by law and whenever the expertise and resources of these agencies can assist the district in the planning, design and construction of facilities.

Following notification by a city or county of proposed action to adopt or substantially revise a general plan, the Board may request a meeting with the local planning agency to discuss possible methods of coordinating planning, design and construction of new school facilities and school sites.

The Superintendent or designee shall monitor land development proposals within district boundaries and shall ensure that an exchange of accurate information is maintained with city/county planning staff regarding the impact of land development on the district's educational programs and facility needs.

Recognizing that available funds may not suffice to eliminate overcrowding in district schools caused by new development, the Board urges the city/county to adopt in its general plan or other appropriate planning documents, to the extent permitted by law, a provision which ensures that adequate school facilities will be available.

Notifications to Other Local Agencies

The Board shall notify the city council or county board of supervisors whenever it finds, based on clear and convincing evidence:

1. That conditions of overcrowding exist in one or more attendance areas within the district which will impair the normal functioning of the educational programs, and the reason for the existence of those conditions.

2. That all reasonable methods of mitigating conditions of overcrowding have been evaluated and no feasible method for reducing those conditions exists.

The above notice shall specify the mitigation measures considered by the district and shall include a completed application to the Office of Public School Construction for preliminary determination of eligibility for school construction under applicable state law.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the appropriate city or county planning agency of the adoption of a school facility needs analysis or facilities master plan, the acquisition of a school site, or other action regarding school facilities in accordance with law.

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the Board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

Legal References:

STATE

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

14 CCR 15000-15285 Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970

5 CCR 14010 Procedure for site acquisition

EDUCATION CODE

17280-17317 Building approvals

35275 New school planning; cooperation with recreation and park authorities

GOVERNMENT CODE

53090-53097.5 Regulation of local agencies by counties and cities

65300-65303.4 Authority for and scope of general plans

65352.2 Communicating and coordinating of school sites

65850-65863.11 Adoption of regulations

65970-65981 School facilities

65995-65998 Developer fees

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

21000-21177 California Environmental Quality Act of 1970

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

WEBSITES

CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services https://legalservices.csba.org/#

Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction https://www.dgs.ca.gov/opsc

California Department of Education, School Facilities http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa

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