

## **Agenda Item Details**

Meeting May 01, 2013 - El Monte Union High School District Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Category G. Consent Agenda

Subject 7. Consider Approval of Citizens Oversight Committee Annual Written Report of the

Measure D General Obligation Bond Construction Projects

Type

Goals

The district administrative staff recommends approval of COC Annual Written Report (04/25/13) of the General Obligation (GO) Bond construction projects.

The primary function of the Citizen Oversight Committee (COC) is to keep the community informed on the progress of construction projects utilizing Measure D General Obligation Bond monies. In accordance with the by-laws of the Citizen Oversight Committee as adopted by the Board of Trustees the COC has prepared their annual written report for the Board of Trustees and community members. COC Chair Steve Ortiz will be in attendance to discuss and answer any questions.

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COC 04.2013 Report.pdf (45 KB)

## El Monte Union High School District

## COC Annual Written Report

April 25, 2013

The Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) is happy to present the COC Annual Report of the construction projects funded with Measure D General Obligation Bond funds. The COC has recently added it's newest committee member Luis Aguilar (SEMHS) who will also serve as the committee's bonafide tax representative. Mr. Steve Ortiz was re-elected chairman of the COC at it's March 20, 2013 meeting.

As construction comes to an end with some of our existing projects, we have some new and vital ones ready to begin. Our current projects pending closeout are the fire alarm systems at Arroyo H.S., Rosemead H.S., and the District Office.

There has been progress with contractors and D.S.A. on the El Monte H.S. and Rosemead Auditorium front. Both HVAC's are operational and on an exercise schedule. We anticipate full completion and closeout prior to the beginning of the 2013-14 school year. Arroyo's Little Theatre is complete with all new seating. Also completed are the basketball court/batting cage at Arroyo H.S. and the basketball courts at Rosemead H.S.

The committee was also informed of prioritized projects that are in the beginning stages of development. These new projects include Fernando Ledesma H.S. Field/Multi-Purpose & Weight Room Buildings, South El Monte H.S. Field House and CTE Project, Mountain View H.S. CTE Project and the El Monte H.S. Stadium Project. We hope to have an architect soon for the Fernando Ledesma H.S. Multi-Purpose room Construction is expected to begin in the Summer/Fall of 2014 for the South El Monte H.S. Field House. El Monte H.S. Stadium project will include bleachers, restrooms and a snack bar. Conceptual designs will be presented to the board for approval of winning concept.

The COC is pleased to welcome its new Construction Management Firm Bernards. The COC met with a Bernards representative and proceeded with thoughtful Q's & A's. The COC is also looking forward to continue site visits this summer to project locations.

The COC would like to thank its district staff for maintaining a continued line of open and direct communication as well as being clear as possible to ensure that the COC is adequately informed of all happenings.

The COC looks forward to its second quarterly meeting of 2013 sometime around May. It is our understanding that authorization of \$66 million of bonds will be issued when assessed values of property increase enough so that we may complete future projects and upgrades.

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