Next Steps: Measure G

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Now that the results of Chino Valley Unified School District's Measure G have been certified, activity has begun to kick off the \$750 million bond program. The most common question is when will the community see something built or go up or change as a result of Measure G's passage.

"That should become clearer over the next few weeks as a series of meetings and Board of Education study sessions begin," said Superintendent Wayne M. Joseph. "Make no mistake about it, we are excited to embark upon this process and as anxious as the rest of the community to see a Measure G project begin."

The Board of Education will meet in special session on Thursday, January 12, 2017, to approve the formation of the Citizens Oversight Committee. The meeting will take place in the Board room and is open to the public.

Once the Board has established the formation of the Citizens Oversight Committee, the application process will begin. Beginning January 13, 2017, interested residents can complete an application for consideration of appointment to the Oversight Committee. The Oversight Committee is governed by state law and members are to be appointed within 60 days after the election results were adopted by the Board, or no later than the first Board meeting in February (February 2, 2017).

The purpose of the Oversight Committee is to review and report to the public on the bond expenditures, advise the public as to the District's compliance with Prop. 39, and ensure that no bond funds are spent on teacher salaries or District operating expenses. Additionally, the Committee receives and reviews annual financial audits.

The Oversight Committee consists of a minimum of seven members including representatives from the following: business organization, taxpayer group, senior group, parent of a student in the District, and parent involved in parent-teacher organization.

Applications will be available from January 13 to January 25, 2017, on the District website: <u>www.chino.k12.ca.us</u> or in the Superintendent's Office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

On January 19, 2017, Robert Barna, Managing Director of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, will provide a presentation on the bond sale process at the Board of Education meeting. Stifel, investment advisors, also partnered with the District throughout Measure M, the

previous bond program. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the District Board room and is open to the public.

One week later, the Board of Education will hold a budget study session to begin to plan and prioritize projects.

"The goal of the study session is to begin the prioritization process and build a timeline for projects," said Greg Stachura, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities, Planning and Operations.

The study session will begin at 5:30 p.m. on January 26, 2017, in the District Board room and is open to the public.

On February 2, 2017, at the Board of Education meeting, the Board is expected to appoint the members of the Citizens Oversight Committee. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the District Board Room and is open to the public.

In addition to Board action, the Facilities, Planning and Operations Division is preparing budgets and working with other state agencies to ensure the District can obtain matching funds for eligible projects.

In the first 180 days, the Facilities Division will also oversee the hiring of consultants such as architects, CEQA experts, bond program manager & construction manager. Additionally, it will review other professional services contracts and construction contracts for various delivery methods.

Opportunities for the community to be involved in the process are available through meeting attendance or watching replays of meetings and study sessions on You Tube and/or applying for a position on the Oversight Committee. There will be opportunities for continued community involvement once projects enter the planning stages. Students, parents, community members and school personnel will be invited to learn about those opportunities as school project planning begins.

"The District engaged the community for one and a half years to learn about their priorities and expectations for our schools," Mr. Joseph said. "The valuable contributions from our meetings helped shape the project list that will be before the Board for prioritization later this month."

Mr. Joseph added, "We hope that community members – students, parents, staff, neighbors, business and civic leaders who care about the future of the Chino Valley, its schools and the success of its students - will join us on this journey."

KEY DATES

Board of Education Meetings:

January 12 at 5:00 p.m. – Special Meeting of the Board of Education

• Creation of Citizens Oversight Committee APPROVED

January 19 at 7:00 p.m. – Meeting of the Board of Education

• Presentation on bonds from election to sale by Robert Barna

January 26 at 5:30 p.m. – Board of Education Study Session On Measure G

• Planning and prioritizing projects

February 2 at 7:00 p.m. – Board of Education Meeting

• Appointment of Citizens Oversight Committee members