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NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE OF BALLOT MEASURES TO BE DECIDED UPON, NOTICE OF TIME WITHIN WHICH ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST MEASURES MAY BE FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, NOTICE OF CENTRAL COUNTING LOCATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS FOR SACRAMENTO COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ELECTIONS LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, THERE WILL BE A PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT AT THE PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION THE FOLLOWING MEASURE SHALL BE PUT TO A VOTE FOR THE QUALIFIED VOTERS IN THE FOLSOM CORDOVA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOLS FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4. FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION OF FOLSOM CORDOVA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOLS FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4 (RANCHO CORDOVA) OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND HIGH SCHOOLS IMPROVEMENT MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters of School Facilities Improvement District No. 4 (Rancho Cordova) by the Folsom Cordova Unified School District.

"LOCAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER RETENTION, CLASSROOM REPAIR, SAFETY MEASURE. To repair/upgrade existing Rancho Cordova middle/high schools' vocational/career classrooms/labs, deteriorating electrical systems/wiring, leaky roofs; improve safety/security systems; acquire, construct, repair, facilities, sites, equipment, shall Folsom Cordova Unified School District's School Facilities Improvement District No. 4's measure authorizing \$144,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted levying 6¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation (approximately \$8,800,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, requiring disclosure of spending, oversight, and to recruit/retain quality teachers?"

PROJECT LIST

The Board of Education of the Folsom Cordova Unified School District is committed to improving the quality of education in our Rancho Cordova middle schools and high schools by providing safe, secure, modern classrooms, labs and technology needed to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, technology and the skilled trades. To that end, the Board evaluated the urgent and critical facility needs of schools within School Facilities Improvement District No. 4 (Rancho Cordova) of the Folsom Cordova Unified School District, including safety issues, class size reduction, basic repairs, computer and information technology in developing the types of projects to be funded by this measure as described below.

In approving this Project List, the Board of Education determines that the District must:

(j) Retain And Attract Quality Teachers For Local Schools.

(ii) Remove Asbestos.
(iii) Ensure That All Students Have Safe Places To Play And Learn.
(iv) Upgrade Deteriorating Electrical Systems And Wiring.
(v) Provide Safe Drinking Water.
(vi) Expand And Upgrade Vocational Education And Job Training Programs.
(viii) REQUIRE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ALL SPENDING.

The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements at schools, facilities and sites within School Facilities Improvement District No. 4 (Rancho Cordova).

UPGRADE AGING CLASSROOMS, LABS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES TO IMPROVE STUDENT HEALTH AND SAFETY

Goals and Purposes:

Every students needs a classroom that is clean and safe. But many local schools were built close to 60 years ago and need basic health and safety improvements. This measure will address the most urgent and basic repairs such as deteriorating electrical systems and wiring, water and sewer lines, and restrooms, and repair leaky roofs.

All money raised by this measure will stay within Rancho Cordova to support our students; cannot be taken by the County, State or federal governments, or spent in other parts of the District.

- Repair deteriorating classrooms and school facilities, including repairing leaky roofs.
- Upgrade deteriorating electrical systems and wiring.
- Improve fire safety, and emergency communication systems.
- Remove asbestos.
- Upgrade special education classrooms and improve accessibility for disabled students.
- Improve and upgrade student safety and campus security systems, including security lighting, fencing, gates, and emergency door locks.
- Upgrade air conditioning, heating and ventilation systems.
- Provide safe drinking water.
- Ensure students have safe places to play.

LOCAL SCHOOL FUNDING TO SUPPORT HIGH QUALITY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND JOB TRAINING

Goals and Purposes:

This middle and high school bond measure will allow our local high schools to expand and upgrade vocational education and job training programs in high-need fields such as nursing and other medical careers, agriculture, engineering and others and will allow students who choose not to go to college to acquire real-world skills and technical knowledge to compete for a job when they graduate.

- Upgrade wiring and school technology.
- Upgrade science, engineering and technology classrooms and labs.
- Upgrade career training facilities and programs for careers including health, agriculture and farming, engineering and construction.
- Provide classrooms and facilities needed to support well-rounded education, including visual and



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performance arts classrooms, facilities and equipment.

In addition to the projects listed above, the repair and renovation of each of the existing school facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: add or renovate student and staff restrooms; repair and upgrade electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies and financial savings, including solar panels; repair and replace worn-out and deteriorated roofs, windows, walls, floors, doors and drinking fountains/hydration stations; construct or renovate offices and facilities for multipurpose and indoor/outdoor learning spaces, more efficient areas for professional development and administration and for the safety of students on campuses; install wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices; upgrade or construct support facilities including administrative, physical education, music, art, and performing and fine arts classrooms or facilities, science, computer labs/classrooms, career technical facilities, media centers/libraries and buildings, covered eating areas, shade and rain shelter, administrative and maintenance facilities and yards; acquire or replace modular/portable classrooms; repair and replace fire alarms, emergency communications, public address and security systems; improve facilities to satisfy ADA and seismic requirements; resurface or replace asphalt, broken concrete and improve hard courts, turf, tracks, irrigation, and downspout drainage systems and campus landscaping; install signage, solar panels systems and fencing; expand parking and improve pick-up and drop-off areas; improve all site utilities; acquire land; construct new school buildings; upgrade or replace interior and exterior painting and floor covering, including carpets and school facades; demolition; upgrade kitchens, food service and school cafeterias; construct various forms of storage and support spaces and classrooms; improve outdoor learning environments and quads; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems and back-up power generators; improve playgrounds, play structures, gyms, athletic fields, lockers and facilities to support student health, fitness and safety; replace outdated security systems, including security cameras, upgrade facilities for single-point entry; provide lunch shelters, indoor space for assemblies or for rainy day lunch; upgrade music labs, multi-purpose rooms, learning centers and media centers. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the Project List; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, DSA oversight, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects.

The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, network rewiring, cabling, computers/tablets, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, laser printers, scanners and copiers, digital white boards, document projectors, upgrade voice-over-IP, clock/telephone/intercom systems, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems, refresh instructional equipment, data storage and phones, and the construction and installation of a data center in the cloud for the District's enterprise systems, such as resource planning, websites, domain name systems, cloud applications and information security.

The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of portable classrooms and existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable or modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation or drainage systems, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, connection fees, program and project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District bond audits and staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the types of projects and purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY: THIS MEASURE REQUIRES PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ALL SPENDING, INCLUDING AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AND INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ENSURE MONEY IS SPENT PROPERLY. ALL FUNDS CANNOT BE TAKEN BY THE COUNTY, THE STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS.

In accordance with Education Code Section 15272, the Board of Education will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that funds are spent only on District projects and for

no other purpose. The expenditure of bond money on these projects is subject to stringent financial accountability requirements. By law, performance and financial audits will be performed annually, and all bond expenditures will be monitored by an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure that funds are spent as promised and specified. The citizens' oversight committee must include, among others, representation of a bona fide taxpayers association, a business organization and a senior citizens organization. No District employees or vendors are allowed to serve on the citizens' oversight committee.

No Administrator Salaries: Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and school administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

**TAX RATE STATEMENT
LOCAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
TEACHER RETENTION, CLASSROOM
REPAIR/ SAFETY MEASURE**

An election will be held in the Folsom Cordova Unified School District School Facilities Improvement District No. 4 (the "District") on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$144,000,000 in general obligation bonds. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of ad valorem tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9406 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

The following information is provided pursuant to Elections Code Section 9401:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$60.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is currently expected that the tax will be collected until fiscal year 2058-59.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, for each year that bonds are outstanding, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$60.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, which is projected to be the same in every fiscal year the bonds remain outstanding.

3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold will be approximately \$299 million.

Voters should note that these estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills

and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Erik Swanson
Superintendent
Folsom Cordova Unified School District
**ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTALS
TIMELINE**

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. is hereby fixed as the final date and time for the filing of arguments. Arguments for or against the measures listed are not to exceed 300 words in length. The 10-calendar day required public viewing period will be from Wednesday, August 14, through Friday, August 23, 2024.

Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. is hereby fixed as the final date and time for the filing of rebuttal arguments. Rebuttal arguments are not to exceed 250 words in length. The 10-calendar day required public viewing period will be from Friday, August 16, through Sunday, August 25, 2024.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that California Elections Code Section 9600 governs the form of said arguments and/or rebuttals. Arguments and/or rebuttals submitted to the Sacramento County Elections Office must follow E.C. 9600. Authors of said arguments/rebuttals may call the Elections Office at (916) 875-6276 for more information on submitting an argument for or against a measure. To be eligible for printing and distribution as provided by law, such arguments and rebuttals must be received and filed at Voter Registration and Elections, 7000 65th Street, Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95823, no later than said date and time. All arguments and rebuttals must be submitted in block format. Limited use of bolding, underlining, capitalizing, italics or bullets (small solid circle only) is permitted. Arguments and rebuttals that are not in compliance will be reformatted and set in uniform type.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Vote by Mail processing may begin on the 29th day before the election, which is Monday, October 7, 2024. All ballots cast in the November 5, 2024 Presidential General Election shall be tallied at the central counting place, the Voter Registration and Elections Office at 7000 65th Street, Suite A, Sacramento, California. Initial results will be available at 8:15 p.m. on election night and continue until the count is completed. Persons interested in viewing these procedures should contact the Office of the Voter Registration and Elections at (916) 875-6276 for further information. (EC §§ 12109, 15101, 15104)

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