

LAUSD Board of Education Facilities & Procurement Committee
Proposed - Recommendations from the April 25, 2023 Meeting

Overarching Goals Discussed: Reduce costs of projects and shorten time for completion of projects

- **Recommendation 1**

Review and revise project phasing policies to identify ways to speed up projects including, consideration of temporary student relocation and use of Previously Checked (PC) structures. Report back to the BOE within 120 days.

Rationale: The longer a project runs, the more it costs. Delayed projects adversely impact enrollment.

- **Recommendation 2**

Review and revise practices and policies that impact construction costs, and report back to BOE within 120 days. Practices and policies include, but are not limited to:

- Purchasing items off of California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS)
- Utilizing separate state and federal buying contracts to facilitate expediting projects and certainty on contract price
- Utilizing owner purchased, contractor installed whenever practical
- Advocating to increase the minimum dollar threshold for DSA review of a project

Rationale:

- SB 1422 shows positive momentum in relation to buying contracts including CMAS.
- Legislature and the Governor are in favor of expediting projects and reducing the costs.
- Owner purchased contractor will set prices and reduce time.
- With the current long lead times for HVAC, many districts have chosen to purchase the equipment prior to bidding or at least concurrent to bidding, to get the equipment in a more timely manner. The district saves the markup a general contractor would place on the equipment, which can be upwards of 25%.

- **Recommendation 3**

Review current and possible revenue options that can be utilized for facilities (e.g., state and local grants and developer fees) and report back to BOE within 120 days.

Rationale:

- District needs more funding to green, maintain, and renovate school facilities.
- Green schools with curb appeal and state-of-the-art facilities can attract families increasing enrollment.

- **Recommendation 4**

Determine how to increase funding allocation above 3% for Maintenance & Operations and report back to the BOE within 120 days.

Rationale:

- Well maintained school facilities are safer and can attract families increasing enrollment.