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RESOLUTION 2025-42

BOARD REPORT 154-25/26

RECOMMENDING BOARD APPROVAL TO DEFINE AND APPROVE SIX ACCESSIBILITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS AND AMEND THE FACILITIES SERVICES DIVISION STRATEGIC EXECUTION PLAN TO INCORPORATE THEREIN

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Unified School District (District) Staff proposes that the Board of Education (Board) define and approve six accessibility enhancement projects at Calahan ES, Del Amo ES, Figueroa ES, Frost MS, Gaspar de Portola Charter MS, and Vintage Math/Science/Technology/Magnet ES to support the implementation of the Board approved Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (Transition Plan) under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and amend the Facilities Services Division (Facilities) Strategic Execution Plan (SEP) accordingly; and

WHEREAS, District Staff also requests that the Board authorize the Chief Procurement Officer and/or the Chief Facilities Executive and/or their designee(s) to execute all instruments necessary, as legally permissible, to implement the projects including budget modifications and the purchase of equipment and materials; and

WHEREAS, Under the Transition Plan, each school is assigned to one of three levels of accessibility (Category One, Two, or Three) based on assessments of more than two dozen criteria, including school programs, matriculation options, feeder pattern, geographic location, known (or anticipated/matriculating) population of students with disabilities or parents/guardians with disabilities, type of instructional model, and public input. The assigned category reflects the level of accessibility the site needs to meet. Schools that do not yet meet the criteria for their assigned category will undergo accessibility improvements and are prioritized for project development based on the criteria mentioned above. The three categories of accessibility are as follows:

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- Category One: These are “key” schools and will have the highest level of access, generally in accordance with applicable physical accessibility standards. Category 1A will provide “full accessibility” for the schools that were built to new construction standards, while Category 1B will provide “high accessibility” for schools that have been altered with some limited exceptions.
- Category Two: These will be “program-accessible” schools. The core spaces and features of these schools would be made accessible; in addition, program accessibility would be provided to all programs and activities at the school.
- Category Three: These schools will have “core access,” which means that the core spaces (certain common spaces) would be made accessible, to ensure a basic level of access to the building. These include, for example, parking, the main entrance and main office, assembly areas, and some restrooms.

WHEREAS, The six school sites for which an accessibility enhancement project is being proposed do not yet meet their assigned category/level of accessibility and thus require facilities improvements. The scope, schedule, and budget for each proposed project reflects the existing known conditions at each school site and the improvements necessary to meet each school’s assigned category of accessibility. The conditions of significance include acreage, topography, square footage, existence of multi-story buildings, age of buildings, as well as the number of schools, programs, features, and activities at a school site; and

WHEREAS, The total combined budget, as currently estimated, for the six proposed projects is \$55,059,901 and will be funded by Bond Program funds embarked specifically for ADA Transition Plan Implementation; and

WHEREAS, the District Office of General Counsel has reviewed the proposed Projects and determined that they may proceed to the Bond Oversight Committee for its consideration for recommendation to the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, District staff has concluded that this proposed Facilities SEP amendment will facilitate Los Angeles Unified’s ability to successfully complete the Facilities SEP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee recommends that the Board define and approve six accessibility enhancement projects, and amend the Facilities SEP accordingly, as described in Board Report No. 154-25/26, a copy of which is attached hereto in the form it was presented to the BOC and is incorporated herein by reference.
2. This resolution shall be transmitted to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education and posted on the Oversight Committee’s website.
3. Los Angeles Unified is directed to track the above recommendation and to report on the adoption, rejection, or pending status of the recommendations as provided in section 6.2 of the Charter and Memorandum of Understanding between the Oversight Committee and the District.

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ADOPTED on November 6, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: 10

ABSTENTIONS: 0

NAYS: 0

ABSENCES: 4

/Michael Hamner/

/Robert Campbell/

D. Michael Hamner
Chair

Robert Campbell
Vice-Chair