



Road to Renovation

Measure V

An update on the Santa Barbara High School District's Measure V bond-funded modernization, renovation, and new construction projects.

Bond Oversight Committee

The High School District's Measure V Bond Oversight Committee continues to meet in the District Administration Office (720 Santa Barbara Street) on the third Wednesday of each month. The meeting minutes are posted on the Districts' web site: www.sbsdk12.org

Tomaso Falzone is president of the Bond Oversight Committee. Committee members are: Superintendent Deborah Flores, Jean Blois, Michael Calhoun, David Cash, Moe Claydon, Mike Couch, Mark Edwards, Gerrie Fausett, Ann Fischer, Michael Gonzalez, Robert Gonzalez, Nancy Harter, David Hetynok, Roger Himovitz, Josh Holehouse, Karen Kegg, Barbara Keyani, Nan Madson, Ramona Marten, David Ortiz, Mirna Ramos, Fred Razo, Loretta Reynolds, J.R. Richards, Fred Rifkin, Dr. Kris Robertson, Paul Serka, and Larry Vranish.

Architects: Selection Process and School Assignments

In June 2000, staff presented a report to the Board of Education, requesting Kruger Bensen Ziemer (KBZ) of Santa Barbara and the Bluerock Partnership (tBP) of Newport Beach be selected as two of the Measure V architects. Both firms had a prior working relationship with the District and had previously participated in a Request For Proposal process for other projects. The need for a third, and possibly even a fourth, architect was identified. A Request For Proposal was distributed and five firms were selected for interviews. On June 30, an interview committee met with the five finalists and one firm, WLC Architects of Rancho Cucamonga, was selected to be moved forward as a recommendation to the Board.

The architectural firms were assigned to work with specific school sites: WLC was assigned to La Colina Junior High School and Goleta Valley Junior High School; KBZ was assigned to Santa Barbara High School, Santa Barbara Junior High School, and La Cumbre Middle School; tBP was assigned to Dos Pueblos High School and San Marcos High School.

Quick-Start Projects

Quick-start projects (e.g., minor renovations, carpet replacement, painting, lighting) do not require State Architect approval. They have been identified at each campus and some--Santa Barbara High's dimmer replacement and electrical repairs and Dos Pueblos High's clock replacement--have already been completed. Other quick-start projects (e.g., roof repairs at DPHS, SMHS, and La Colina JHS; and installation of a new phone system at SBHS) have gone to bid and work will soon be underway. Plans are being made to complete additional quick-start projects this summer at several secondary school sites.

Architects: Contract Development

A Bond Oversight Subcommittee was formed to help review the architect's contracts. With information gathered by Secondary Bond Project Manager David Hetynok, the subcommittee reviewed the standard American Institute of Architect's contract as well as architect contracts drawn up by other school districts. The Districts' legal counsel, Michael Cage of Mullen & Henzell, has been assisting the District in the development of the architect's contracts and has reviewed the selection process to make certain that the District has met all legal requirements.

School Site Priorities

Each school developed a list of site needs and repairs to be funded from Measure V. These projects were then grouped into several categories. The District has identified four of the six categories as priorities to be completed and focused on by the architectural firms. The four categories are fire and life safety, structural repairs, infrastructure repairs and upgrades and Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades. The fifth category, "Previously Committed Projects," includes projects that have funding outside of the District's commitment. The sixth category, "Site Based Projects," encompasses all other projects that do not fit into the five previous categories.