

Minutes of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Meeting
Moreno Valley College, Humanities Building, Room 234
16130 Lasselle St., Moreno Valley, CA 92551
4 p.m. – January 15, 2015

Members Present:

Nick Ferguson
Susan Cash
James Cuevas
Jeff Kraus

Members Absent:

Morrie Barembaum
Rikki Hix
Bob Frost

Staff/Guests:

Aaron Brown, Vice Chancellor of Business & Financial Services
Bart Doering, Facilities Development Director
Robert Schmidt, Senior Public Affairs Officer

Call to Order: 4:42 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Kraus/m; Cuevas/s - Vote: 4-0

Amended Agenda: Cash/m; Cuevas/s – Vote: 4-0

Measure C Financial Update

Aaron Brown, vice chancellor of Business & Financial Services, provided the committee with a financial update, noting a decrease of \$6 million from the October 2014 meeting. Over \$5 million has been directed to the school of the arts and culinary school construction. Recent IT upgrade accounted for \$600,000 and additional \$500,000 was allocated for the Moreno Valley College NOC construction. Currently there is \$85 million left of Measure C funds and the District expects to do a bond issuance in May or June of 2015 for \$35-\$40 million with the balanced to be drawn in a couple of years.

Question, Kraus, what exactly is the La Sierra Fund? Answer: The La Sierra Fund is money received from the sale of land located in western Riverside. Monies from the sale were banked by the District and earmarked for the school of the arts.

Measure C Projects Update

Bart Doering, director of Facilities Development, presented an updated on Measure C projects. Currently the Moreno Valley NOC is 110 days behind schedule. The District has notified the construction bonding company and a new completion schedule has been developed. The new completion date is for June of 2015, with IT conversion scheduled to begin June 15 with a completion window of 13 days.

Question, James Cuevas, is there liquidated damages? Answer: There is, but his bonding company made his schedule. Question, Susan Cash, Does the company have other projects with the District. Answer, No.

HUM 129/Student Services 101 projects have been completed. The Measure C funded projects included lightning design elements in HUM 129 and AV installation of equipment in Student Services 101 should be completed by the end of January of 2015.

State CIP reports has been filed with the state, putting the colleges in line for the next state bond measure.

District staff is working with DTSC to develop an understanding for the monitoring of the Norco College wells. Legal is working with DTSC to see identify the District's responsibility. Currently \$400,000 in Measure C funds has been directed to the project.

Centennial Plaza is on going, reaching the 15 percent completion mark. Expected completion date was originally December of 2015, however, the expected completion date has been extended into January of 2016 and possibly in February. Steel delivers have been slow, due to demand.

Site preparation has begun at Riverside City College for the Student Services/Administration Building. Currently trenches are being prepared for infrastructure needs. The athletic director's office in Wheelock Gym is continuing, but should be completed by February of 2015.

The Americans With Disability Act transition plan has been completed at Norco College. Transition plans at Riverside City College and Moreno Valley College is on going. MVC has been transition has been extensive due to issues with the fire alarm system. The original system was modified and adjusted, however, it was never approved. Plans have been resubmitted and the College is waiting for final approval.

Question, Cuevas, how is it being paid for. Answer, Brown, Measure C funds were allocated to bring the system up to code.

Question, Kraus, is there monies left for capital improvement plans. Answer, Brown, there isn't enough remaining funds. MVC has funds remaining, but funds are currently committed for projects.

Ferguson, Governor Brown did not include a state bond, however, state senator Carol Liu (District 25) has submitted paperwork to place a state construction bond on the state ballot.

Question, Kraus, what qualifies a parking structure for LEED certification. Answer, Doering, Centennial Plaza is one comprehensive block, with the inclusion of the parking structure versus the parking structure being evaluated as a standalone project.

Update on Prop 39 Language

Robert Schmidt, Sr. Public Affairs officer, reported that the RCCD Board of Trustees Governance Committee approved new language for Prop 39, which covers citizen bond oversight committees. The full board will vote at its next board meeting (January 20) on the new language and approve a resolution adjusting the District's language. The new language allows citizen members to now serve three, two-year terms.

Honoring Departing Board Members

Robert Schmidt, Sr. Public Affairs officer, announced that the District will honor departing members of the CBOC at its March board meeting (March 17 at RCC's Board Room). An Outlook invite will be forwarded to the board a week prior to event.

Fair Housing Council of Riverside County

Robert Schmidt, Sr. Public Affairs officer, conveyed Chris Carlson's response to expressed concerns from Rose Mayes of the Riverside County Housing Council. The District continues to express a desire to work the council and has a standing MOA extended.

Public Comment

Mr. Cash stated he found the meeting interesting and didn't realize all that went into the public bond process and didn't realize the roll the public committee plays in the bond success.

Adjournment: 5:18 pm