

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MENLO PARK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 23.24.21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MENLO PARK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ORDERING SCHOOL BOND ELECTION AND CONSOLIDATING THAT ELECTION WITH  
THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION PURSUANT TO  
ELECTIONS CODE 10403

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Menlo Park City School District (the “District”), of the County of San Mateo, California (the “County”), is authorized to order elections within the District and to designate the specifications thereof, pursuant to Education Code Sections 5304 and 5322; and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to order elections for the purpose of submitting to the electors the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money to fund projects hereinafter specified, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XVI, Section 18 and Article XIII A, Section 1 of the California Constitution, and Education Code Section 15266, school districts may seek approval of general obligation bonds and levy an ad valorem tax to repay those bonds upon at least 55% vote of those voting on a proposition for the purpose, provided certain accountability measures are included in the proposition; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to submit such a bond proposition to the electors; and

WHEREAS, the Board has evaluated the facilities needs of the District, and after thorough assessment and planning, including a comprehensive yearlong review of the District’s safety systems, facilities needs, and funding sources, the Board has determined that a general obligation bond with the goal of maintaining quality schools that are more safe and secure is necessary to meet the Districts’ critical facilities needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined it is critical to improve facilities in four areas:

- Secure Campuses: The District needs to control access to campuses, install systems to detect intruders, and upgrade fire alarms to mitigate risk and improve District safety. Current systems are decades old and no longer represent best safety and security practices.
- Climate Resilience: Climate change means more hot and smoky days than ever before. More than 90 percent of our classrooms do not have air conditioning. These conditions disrupt classroom learning. The District needs better indoor air quality

and it needs to transition from gas to electric HVAC systems. The majority of current HVAC units are greater than 20 years old. Constantly repairing old units is expensive and problematic. New HVAC systems are necessary.

- Seismic Safety and Outdated Construction: It is time to replace buildings that are over 60 years old, which include cinder block construction. Other aging buildings do not require new construction, but do require critical modernization, all of which is more cost effective than the ongoing maintenance costs.
- Modern Technology: The audio visual systems in most classrooms are more than 20 years old. New interactive presentation panels with clear sound that can be broadcast to all classrooms will bring the District up to modern standards and improve safety, emergency communications, connectivity and learning in the digital age; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the facilities needs of the District, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to fund the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List included in the full text of the bond proposition set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto (the "Bond Project List"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the projects listed on the Bond Project List are authorized to be financed with bonds of the District under Education Code Section 15100(a) and are for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and as provided in the full text of the bond proposition, the Board has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and as provided in the full text of the bond proposition, annual, independent performance audits shall be required to ensure that the bond funds are expended only on the specific projects on the Bond Project Lists; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and as provided in the full text of the bond proposition, annual, independent financial audits shall be required of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 15278, if the bond proposition is approved by the voters, the Board shall establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure that (a) bond revenues are expended only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and (b) that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, such a bond election must be conducted concurrent with a statewide

primary election, general election, or special election, or at a regularly scheduled local election, as required by Education Code Section 15266; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2024, is a statewide general election at which all of the electors of the District are entitled to vote;

WHEREAS, the District is located entirely within the County and the San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools has jurisdiction over the District;

WHEREAS, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation and a proposed schedule of bond issuances, the Board has determined that, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the statutory limit of \$30 per year per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property, pursuant to Education Code Section 15268; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 9400 *et seq.* requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education of Menlo Park City School District does hereby RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. All of the above recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. Specifications of Election Order. Pursuant to Education Code Sections 5304, 5322, 15100 *et seq.*, and 15266, a special election shall be held within the boundaries of the Menlo Park City School District on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters of the District the proposition contained in Exhibit B hereto.

Section 3. Order of Election: Specifications of Ballot Measure: Abbreviation of Proposition. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 13247 and Education Code Sections 5322 and 15122, the Board hereby directs the Registrar of Voters of the County (the “Registrar of Voters”) to submit to the voters of the District at said election the proposition contained in Exhibit B hereto, and to use the ballot question of the bond proposition for the ballot contained in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 4. Required Certification. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List of the proposition contained in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 5. Delivery of Order of Election and Tax Rate Statement to County Officers. As soon as practicable following adoption of this Resolution, and in any event no later than August 9, 2024 (which date is not fewer than 88 days prior to the date set for the election), the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to cause one copy of this Resolution to be filed (1) with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County, and (2) with the Registrar of Voters of the County. The copy filed with the Registrar of Voters shall include the Tax Rate Statement (in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C), completed and signed by the Superintendent

of the District.

Section 6. Conduct of Election.

(a) *Request to Registrar of Voters.* Pursuant to Education Code Section 5303, the Registrar of Voters is required to, and is hereby requested to, take all steps to hold the election in accordance with law and these specifications.

(b) *Ballot and Voter Pamphlet.* The Registrar of Voters is requested to cause the exact wording of the ballot question contained in Exhibit A to appear on the ballot, and to print the full text of (1) the Measure contained in Exhibit B, and (2) the Tax Rate Statement contained in Exhibit C, in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307.

(c) *Consolidation.* Pursuant to Education Code Section 15266(a) and Elections Code section 10403, the election shall be consolidated with the regularly scheduled statewide general election on November 5, 2024, and pursuant to Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the Registrar of Voters and the Board of Supervisors of the County are hereby requested to order consolidation of the election with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.

(d) *Canvass of Results.* The Board of Supervisors of the County is authorized to canvass the returns of the election pursuant to Elections Code Section 10411.

(e) *Required Vote.* Pursuant to Article XVI, Section 18 and Article XIII A, Section 1 of the State Constitution, the proposition contained in Exhibit B shall become effective upon the affirmative vote of at least 55% of those voters voting on the proposition.

(f) *Election Costs.* The District shall pay all costs of the election approved by the Board of Supervisors of the County, pursuant to Education Code Section 5421.

Section 7. Ballot Arguments. The President of this Board, or any member or members of this Board as the President shall designate, is hereby authorized, but not directed, to prepare and file with the Registrar of Voters by 5 p.m. on August 13, 2024, a ballot argument in favor of, and a rebuttal argument by 5 p.m. on August 20, 2024, to any ballot argument opposing the proposition contained in Exhibit B hereof which shall be considered the official ballot argument of this Board as sponsor of the proposition.

Section 8. Further Authorizations. The members of this Board, the Superintendent, and all other officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things that they deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in accordance with the terms hereof and of applicable provisions of law.

Section 9. Effective Date; Required Vote. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption by a two-thirds vote of the Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day, June 6, 2024, by the following vote:

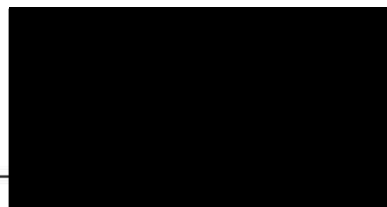
AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

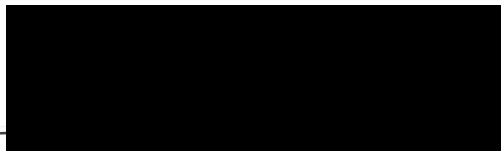
ABSENT: 1 (Saywell)

APPROVED:



President of the Board of Education  
of the Menlo Park City School District

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board of Education of the Menlo  
Park City School District

**EXHIBIT A**

**BALLOT QUESTION FOR THE BOND MEASURE**

**Menlo Park City School District Safety Measure.** To upgrade Encinal, Laurel, Oak Knoll and Hillview schools, improve campus security, upgrade seismic safety, replace/repair aging buildings, acquire classroom air conditioning, and modernize learning technology, shall Menlo Park City School District's measure authorizing \$123.6 million in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying approximately \$18.60 per \$100,000 of assessed value (raising \$8.5 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, with annual audits, citizen oversight committee, no money for administrators, and all funds benefitting local public schools?

## EXHIBIT B

### FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE

#### BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the Menlo Park City School District (the “District”) shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$123.6 million in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List below, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the District’s voters and taxpayers may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific school facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the Constitution of the State of California (the “California Constitution”), and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Sections 15264 *et seq.* of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. In order to address the facilities needs of the District, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to fund the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The Board of Education hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District in developing the Bond Project List.

Limitation on Use of Bond Proceeds. The State of California does not have the power to take locally approved school district bond funds for any State purposes. The Constitution allows proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition to be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities listed in this proposition, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. More specifically, the Bond Project List provides for the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition and such proceeds shall be applied only to those specific purposes. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff only when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects.

Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee. The Board shall establish an independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee (pursuant to Education Code Section 15278 and following), to ensure bond proceeds are spent only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date on which the Board of Education enters the election results on its minutes.

Annual Performance Audits. The Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects

listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens' oversight committee in accordance with California Education Code Section 15286.

Annual Financial Audits. The Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds (which shall be separate from the District's regular annual financial audit) until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Education Code Section 15286.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary pursuant to Government Code Section 53410, and following, to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent or the chief fiscal officer of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board of Education no later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31, 2025 stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as such officer shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

#### STATE MATCHING FUNDS

Pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5, approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

#### FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

Specific Purposes. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Education Code Section 15100, and shall constitute the specific purposes of the bonds, and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purposes, pursuant to Government Code Section 53410.

Joint Use. The District may enter into agreements with the City of Menlo Park or other public agencies or nonprofit organizations for joint use of school facilities financed with the proceeds of the bonds in accordance with Education Code Section 17077.42 (or any successor provision). The District may seek State grant funds for eligible joint-use projects as permitted by law, and this proposition hereby specifies and acknowledges that bond funds will or may be used to fund all or a portion of the local share for any eligible joint-use projects identified in the Bond Project List or as otherwise permitted by California State regulations, as the Board of Education shall determine.

Rate of Interest. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum not exceeding the



statutory maximum, payable at the time or times permitted by law.

**Bonds May be Issued in Excess of Statutory Bonding Limit.** Issuance of all of the authorized bonds might require the outstanding debt of the District to exceed its statutory bonding limit (currently 1.25% of the total assessed valuation of taxable property in the District). In that event, the District intends to seek a waiver of its bonding limit from the State Board of Education, which has the power to waive certain requirements of the California Education Code applicable to the District. By approval of this proposition, the voters have authorized the District to seek such a waiver, and to issue authorized bonds in excess of the District's statutory bonding limit as the State Board of Education may approve. No such waiver has yet been sought or granted.

**Other Terms of the Bonds.** When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest shall be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than the statutory maximum number of years from the date borne by that bond.

### **BOND PROJECT LIST**

The Bond Project List below describes the specific projects the Menlo Park City School District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. Certain construction funds expected from non-bond sources, which may include State grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Until all project costs and funding sources are known, the Board cannot determine the amount of bond proceeds available to be spent on each project, nor guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Completion of some projects may be subject to further government approvals by State officials and boards, to local environmental review, and to input from the public. For these reasons, inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be funded or completed. The Board of Education may make changes to the Bond Project List in the future consistent with the projects specified in the proposition.

All bond proceeds will be expended in the District to modernize, replace, renovate, expand, construct, acquire, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve classrooms and school facilities.

The specific school facilities projects to be funded include the following projects at each and all of the District's schools and sites:

#### **School Safety and Security Upgrades**

*Primary Needs:* Current safety systems are decades old and no longer represent best practices when considering the safety risks that the District must plan and prepare for. Projects include actions recommended by experts who conducted a comprehensive safety assessment of the District's sites.

- Renovate and improve security fencing and wayfinding.
- Renovate and improve the fire alarm system.

- Upgrade the alarm and security camera system.
- Acquire and install electrified card key door access.
- Construct and/or acquire and install a battery energy storage system (BESS) for select buildings.
- Construct and/or acquire uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems for intermediate distribution frames and main distribution frames (IDFs/MDFs).
- Bring all schools up to modern safety standards.
- Improve school fire and earthquake safety.

### **Seismic Upgrades and Replacement/Maintenance of Outdated/Aging Construction**

*Primary Needs:* Classroom pod buildings at Laurel Lower Campus are over 60 years old and utilize cinder block construction with now-outdated seismic standards. Other aging buildings do not require new construction, but do require critical modernization, all of which is more cost effective than the ongoing costs of maintenance.

- New construction primarily at Laurel Lower campus.
- Construct new classrooms.
- General modernization of campuses including site work, primarily outdated buildings and structures.
- Renovate, repair and upgrade asphalt.
- Exterior painting of buildings and structures.

### **Climate Resilience and Healthier Learning Spaces**

*Primary Needs:* Climate change means more hot and smoky days than ever before, and pandemics are also something the District must continue to consider. The District needs better indoor air quality and up-to-date electric HVAC systems. More than 90% of our classrooms have no air conditioning. Over 150 units are more than 16 years old, with the majority being greater than 20 years old, well past their useful life. Constantly repairing old units is expensive and problematic. New HVAC systems are necessary.

- Increase shade through constructing and upgrading shade structures and planting trees.
- Acquire air conditioning and install and/or replace heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.
- Expansion of solar panel systems.
- Energy efficiency measures to help reduce operating costs.

## **Modern Technology and Outdated Infrastructure**

*Primary Needs:* The audio visual systems in most classrooms are more than 20 years old. New interactive presentation panels with clear sound that reaches all staff and students will bring the District up to modern standards and improve safety, emergency communications, connectivity and learning in the digital age.

- Repair, replace or modify outdated technology infrastructure.
- Upgrade classroom audio visual equipment, emergency communications, and technology systems.
- Purchase and install interactive presentation screens.
- Construct electric vehicle charging stations.

Each project listed is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance and other construction-related costs, such as construction management, architectural, engineering, inspection and other planning costs, legal, accounting and similar fees, independent annual financial and performance audits, a customary construction contingency, and other costs incidental to or necessary for completion of the listed projects (whether work is performed by the District or by third parties), including:

- Remove, dispose of, or otherwise remediate hazardous materials, including asbestos, lead, etc., where necessary.
- Address unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic, structural, etc.).
- Site preparation/restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, demolition of existing structures, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation and drainage, utility lines (such as gas lines, water lines, electrical lines, sewer lines, and communication lines), trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, traffic lights and mitigation, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property.
- Rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel, and interim classrooms (including relocatables) for students and school functions or other storage for classroom materials displaced during construction.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on the Bond Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements, or execute purchase option under a lease for any of these authorized facilities.
- Furnishing and equipping of existing and newly constructed, modernized, or rehabilitated classrooms and facilities on an ongoing basis, including to replace worn, broken, or out-of-date furniture and equipment for all classrooms, athletic facilities and other facilities, as needed.

For any project involving renovation, modernization, remodeling or rehabilitation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the Board of Education determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost, and other relevant factors.

The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of this ballot proposition, and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

Interpretation. The terms of this bond proposition and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15100 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond, or have an effect on, and shall be interpreted to only permit, what is authorized under Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15100 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. In this regard, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs. The school facilities projects on the Bond Project List only authorize capital expenditures.

Estimated Ballot Information. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond proposition concur, that the information included in the statement of the bond proposition to be voted on pursuant to Section 13119 of the California Elections Code is based upon the District's projections and estimates only and is not binding upon the District. The amount of money to be raised annually and the rate and duration of the tax to be levied for the bonds may vary from those presently estimated due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation 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.

Headings. The headings or titles of the sections of the bond proposition, including any headings or titles included in the Bond Project List, are solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction, or effect of the bond proposition.

Severability. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond proposition concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this bond proposition by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond proposition are severable.

## EXHIBIT C

### TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Menlo Park City School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$123.6 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If the bonds are approved by at least 55% of the voters of the District voting on the bond proposition, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9405 of the California Elections Code. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

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 assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$18.60 per \$100,000 (1.86 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax to be levied to fund this bond issue is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2054-55.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$18.60 per \$100,000 (1.86 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2025-26 and such tax rate is expected to continue through fiscal year 2054-55.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$256.3 million.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The average annual tax rate, the highest tax rate, the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected and the year or years in which they will apply, and the actual total debt service, may vary from those presently estimated for a variety of reasons, including, without limitation, due to variations in the timing of bond sales, the amount or amortization of bonds sold, market conditions at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount or amortization of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% affirmative vote. Market conditions, including, without limitation, interest rates, are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the District and will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation 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. The growth or decline in assessed valuation is the result of a number of economic and other factors outside the control of the District.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property in the District as shown on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market

value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Dated: June 6, 2024.



Menlo Park City School District