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**RESOLUTION 2022-46**

**BOARD REPORT NO. 092-22/23**

**RECOMMENDING BOARD APPROVAL TO DEFINE AND APPROVE SIX SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENT DEVELOPMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (SEEDS) PROJECTS AND AMEND THE FACILITIES SERVICES DIVISION STRATEGIC EXECUTION PLAN TO INCORPORATE THEREIN**

WHEREAS, District Staff proposes the Board of Education define and approve six Sustainable Environment Enhancement Developments for Schools (SEEDS) projects at Dayton Heights Elementary School, Atwater Avenue Elementary School, Victoria Avenue Elementary School, Clinton Middle School, Gage Middle School, and Hesby Oaks Leadership Charter, which have a total combined budget of \$600,000, and amend the Facilities Services Division (Facilities) Strategic Execution Plan (SEP) to incorporate therein, as defined in Board Report No. 092-22/23, a copy of which is attached hereto in the form it was presented to the BOC and is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, The SEEDS Program was established to support the development of projects that will enhance school sites by creating outdoor learning spaces in collaboration with school-based and community-led efforts; and

WHEREAS, Potential projects are identified through proposals submitted by schools, and or partners. A school site by itself, or in cooperation with a partner organization, may submit a SEEDS application to receive up to \$100,000 to create or improve an outdoor learning space. An additional \$50,000 ("SEEDS+" funding) is now available to schools ranked in the top 150 on the Los Angeles Unified Greening Index of schools in need of green space; and

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WHEREAS, District Staff evaluated proposals based on the specific criteria and requirements outlined in the SEEDS program guide to ensure each proposal meets the eligibility requirements and includes a written project narrative describing the project scope, an explanation of how the project will be integrated into the school's curriculum, and confirmation of the availability of resources to outfit and maintain the outdoor learning space, and the projects being recommended were reviewed and are found to be in compliance with the program requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Unified Greening Index ranks Dayton Heights Elementary School (191), Atwater Avenue Elementary School (600), Victoria Avenue Elementary (214), Clinton Middle School (578), Gage Middle School (284), and Hesby Oaks Leadership Charter (599); and

WHEREAS, Dayton Heights Elementary School, Atwater Avenue Elementary School, Victoria Avenue Elementary School, Clinton Middle School, Gage Middle School, and Hesby Oaks Leadership Charter will receive \$100,000 for their SEEDS projects. The projects will be funded with Bond Program funds earmarked specifically for school upgrades and reconfigurations to support wellness, health, athletics, learning, and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the long-term permanence of each SEEDS project, the school site and/or its partner organization must enter into a Maintenance Agreement that provides for the on-going maintenance of the proposed outdoor learning space; 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 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee recommends the Board of Education define and approve six SEEDS projects at Dayton Heights Elementary School, Atwater Avenue Elementary School, Victoria Avenue Elementary School, Clinton Middle School, Gage Middle School, and Hesby Oaks Leadership Charter, with a total combined budget of \$600,000, and amend the Facilities SEP to incorporate therein, as defined in Board Report 092-22/23, 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. The District 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 3, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: 10

ABSTENTIONS: 0

NAYS: 0

ABSENCES: 5

*/Margaret Fuentes/*

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Chair

*/Michael Hamner/*

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Vice-Chair