



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Report

Report Number:	066-11/12
Date:	October 11, 2011
Subject:	Amendment to the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Define and Approve Two Additional Modified Consent Decree On-Demand Accessibility Projects
Responsible Staff:	
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Action Proposed: Staff proposes that the Board of Education adopt an amendment to the Facilities Services Division (FSD) Strategic Execution Plan (SEP) to define and approve two Modified Consent Decree (MCD) on-demand accessibility projects with a combined project budget of \$223,602 as follows:

- Apperson Elementary School – located in Local District 2 and Board District 6 (Nury Martinez)
 - Project scope: Replace concrete steps to boy's and girl's restroom building with American Disabilities Act (ADA) - compliant ramp and landing, and modify the door thresholds and hardware
 - Project budget: \$107,760
 - Project schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in the fourth quarter of 2011 and to be completed in the first quarter of 2012
- Bonita Elementary School -- located in Local District 8 and Board District 7 (Richard Vladovic)
 - Project scope: Upgrade boy's restroom to include ADA-compliant fixtures, restroom stall, changing table and access; provide and install one ADA – compliant drinking fountain; Modify the door thresholds and hardware to classroom #18 to meet ADA code requirements
 - Project budget: \$115,842
 - Project schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in the fourth quarter of 2011 and to be completed in the first quarter of 2012



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Background:

On January 28, 2003, as part of the Chanda Smith litigation, the Board of Education committed to allocate \$20Million of Measure K Leveling Funds for program accessibility projects. The Board's commitment was confirmed in the MCD, which was approved by the Board and the Court in May 2003.

Under Paragraph 78 of Section 10 of the MCD, on-demand accessibility projects are minor facilities renovations to provide accessibility for an individual student with a qualified disability under Section 504, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or the Americans with Disabilities Act, so that the student is able to participate in a District program, service or activity (program accessibility). The on-demand projects are reviewed, approved and administered by the On-Demand Unit of the Division of Special Education and executed by the Facilities Services Division.

This proposed Board action would add two projects to the FSD SEP that have been approved by the Division of Special Education and were developed by FSD staff in consultation with the Local District, Division of Special Education, school administrators, and community representatives. These two projects continue the District's good faith effort to provide accessibility for District students.

Expected Outcomes: Execution of these projects will remove accessibility barriers at two school sites to enable qualifying students with disabilities to access required educational programs. It will also further the District's on-going efforts to bring the school facilities and Special Education programs into compliance with all applicable Federal laws and the District's MCD.

Board Options and Consequences: Should the Board approve this proposed action, staff will proceed with the execution of the listed projects. This action will also demonstrate the District's commitment to provide the Special Education program code compliant facilities renovations for students in need. If the Board does not approve the proposed action, the District will not be able to execute these projects, and additional costs, project delays and/or schedule delays may result.

Policy Implications: The proposed action does not change the current District policies.

Budget Impact: These projects will be funded with MCD on-demand Bond program funds. There will be no impact to the General Fund.



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Issues and Analysis: This report includes two ADA "path-of-travel" projects that have been deemed critical by school administrators and the Division of Special Education.

Bond Oversight Committee Recommendations: This item was considered by the School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee (BOC) on September 21, 2011. The BOC adopted the attached resolution by a vote of (xx) ayes and (xx) nays.

Staff has concluded that this proposed SEP amendment will help facilitate implementation of the SEP, and therefore, it will not adversely affect the District's ability to successfully complete the SEP.

Attachments:

- ☐ **Informative**
- ☐ **Desegregation Impact Statement**



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Respectfully submitted,

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