

RESOLUTION NO. 5104

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE VALLEJO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INTENTION TO CONSIDER A FUTURE BOND ELECTION AND RESOURCING THE INVESTIGATION OF A POTENTIAL BOND MEASURE

WHEREAS, Board of Education ("Board") of the Vallejo City Unified School District ("District") in Solano County, California stands for full inclusion and full equity in our schools and practices;

WHEREAS, the Board stands for community-responsive, community-centered, and community-enhancing schooling and service for the city of Vallejo;

WHEREAS, the Board stands for a well-rounded, inquiry-based, culturally-responsive, and intellectually-rigorous course of study delivered by expert educators dedicated to developing these traits and caring for their students;

WHEREAS, the Board stands for the highest standards and expected efforts from all students, teachers, and staff;

WHEREAS, the Board stands for quality and excellence in our learning environments and responsible and accountable stewardship of our resources;

WHEREAS, the Board stands for developing and equipping our people to be the best they can be for our students.

WHEREAS, one pillar of the District's Strategic Plan is Safe and Supportive Learning Environments;

WHEREAS, the desire and need to complete capital improvements to District facilities is critical in order to provide Safe and Supportive Learning Environments to all students in the District, but the cost of these projects is beyond the scope of the District's current operating budget and other existing capital resources; and

WHEREAS, the right-sizing of facilities to students has provided a unique opportunity to consolidate resources and make a greater impact at District school sites so that students learn in the best environments possible;

WHEREAS, a general obligation bond measure can provide many significant benefits and improvements in student outcomes, educational improvements, community engagement and equity and growth including but not limited to:

- Facility upgrades through renovation of aging buildings, classrooms, libraries, and labs and replacement of aging portable classrooms with new kindergarten and transitional kindergarten classrooms;
- Modern learning environments by integrating updated technology and equipment to support 21st-century learning;
- Upgraded security systems, safer entry points, technology and emergency preparedness infrastructure;

- Improved learning conditions such as lighting, ventilation, and classroom spaces to enhance student focus and academic performance;
- Expanded programs including STEM, arts, and vocational programs;
- Increased accessibility and inclusion through compliance with ADA requirements, ensuring all students have equitable access to facilities.
- Increased property values resulting from quality schools;
- Job creation during construction and renovation projects generated by local employment;
- Long-term cost savings through energy-efficient buildings and systems lowering utility costs and reducing future maintenance;
- Multi-use facilities including new or improved gyms, auditoriums, and fields (with lighting) can increase school programs and be shared with the broader community beyond the bell.

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to order elections within the District and pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution (also known as "Proposition 39"), and seek approval of general obligation bonds and levy an *ad valorem* tax to repay those bonds upon a fifty-five percent (55%) vote of those voting on a proposition for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, passage of a bond measure could qualify the District to obtain millions of dollars in state facility program matching funds to provide additional support for facility projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to take affirmative action to evaluate and consider calling a bond election on November 3, 2026, or thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Vallejo City Unified School District as follows:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. The Board determines that it is necessary and in the best interests of the District to conduct a comprehensive bond feasibility study of a bond election within the District in 2026, to improve and upgrade schools and facilities within the District in accordance with the District's updated Facilities Master Plan.

Section 3. The Board hereby authorizes, directs and delegates to the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Operations or their designees to engage in a focused study of a possible future bond election, which may include without limitation, all the following:

- (a) Retaining such planning, construction, architectural and engineering experts as needed to draft and complete capital improvement needs analysis and plans for District sites and facilities to determine construction cost estimates and potential additional funding sources for the project;

- (b) Retaining a survey research consultant and communication consultant to poll and engage the community regarding interest and support for a bond measure and to assist in evaluating feasibility of a bond measure, including engagement of community groups, advisory committees and other stakeholders and interested parties as needed;
- (c) Reviewing financial capacity issues to determine local bond measure amounts, taxpayer cost parameters and sizing options for a bond measure in conference with a financial advisor retained for such purpose;
- (d) Retaining counsel or other experts to evaluate legal issues and questions and to prepare, as needed, legal documents and to assist in preparation of a ballot measure including development of a project list (the "Project List");
- (e) To seek such other services and activities as deemed relevant to the Board's future decision whether to call a ballot measure for the purposes identified herein.

Section 4. Staff is hereby directed to provide regular updates and results of its investigations to the Board, with recommendations and options for addressing capital project needs through a bond measure. All service contracts shall be brought to the Board for approval or ratification in accordance with Education Code Section 17604.

Section 5. The Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Operations or their designees are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and do all things which they, or any of them, may deem necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of January 2026, by the following vote of the Board of Education of the Vallejo City Unified School District:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

Clerk of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education