

PERRIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE W – CITIZENS’ OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
155 E. 4th Street, Perris, CA 92570 – District Administrative Center
Meeting conducted virtually via Zoom
(Measure W – Approved by District Voters on November, 2018)
May 4, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

SUMMARY

Citizens’ Oversight Committee

Members Present:

Eric Kroencke - Chair
Sheila Curtis - Vice Chair
Joshua D. Naggar
George Mills

Committee Members Absent:

Samantha Robles
Robert McKinney
Marilee Menez

District Administrative Staff:

Grant Bennett, Superintendent
Candace Reines, Deputy Superintendent
Hector Gonzalez, Director of Facilities

Others in Attendance:

Sylvia Hinojosa, Administrative Assistant
Xochitl Molina, Accountant - Attended Virtually
Chad Goodwin, Facilities Supervisor

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Eric Kroencke called the meeting to order at 4:28 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Sylvia Hinojosa conducted a roll call of Committee Members and indicated that a quorum was established.

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Kroencke led the Committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

5. Adopt Meeting Minutes: 03/02/2021

Joshua Naggar motioned to approve the Minutes from the past meeting 3/02/2021 as presented; George Mills seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

VOTE: 4 Ayes , 0 Noes , 3 Absent , 0 Abstain

6. Bond Expenditure Report:

Xochitl Molina summarized the Expenditure Report and asked the committee members if they had any questions or concerns.

Mr. Kroencke asked about the \$1.5 million for EMWD on the Expenditure Report for the Liberty High School Project. Hector responded by confirming that that amount was specifically for the Water and Sewer fees imposed by EMWD to provide water throughout the campus. Hector gave further detail as to the services that are included and provided by EMWD. As an example, the ability to have the campus connected to the sewer system.

Sheila Curtis commented on what the cost is per house for water and sewer start-up services and thought that, considering, it was a good deal.

7. Presentation/Discussion of School District Facilities Projects:

Hector Gonzalez presented updates of all the facility projects.

PHS - is in the completion phase; Mr. Gonzalez spoke to the underground work, administrative buildings, theater building, and the agricultural area. He was excited to announce that construction of the new animal barn had commenced.

LHS - the B5 building is substantially complete and the B4 building is almost complete. Buildings B2, B3, and B1 are still in progress; the schedule is going to be tight, but the plans are to work until school opens, and continue even after the school year has begun. The focus on construction is being placed on areas that will be used by students when the school opens in August; and then move on to areas that are not being utilized by students after school opens. One of the main issues for the delay was the pandemic. An important milestone reached this week - we now have power throughout the campus. Images of the palm trees that have gone up and the football stadium turf were presented. Pool hole has been excavated, and that project has begun. The pool is scheduled to be completed by November/December.

Mr. Naggar asked if our contractors were experiencing any material shortages. He explained how he knew that in the private industry they were facing high demands and material shortages and was wondering if the district had come across the same issue. Mr. Gonzalez replied that we had in fact experienced mainly a shortage of concrete; which also caused delays. With these high demands and shortages in material, Mr. Gonzalez explained that another issue the district was running into was contractors wanting to increase the cost of their services. In these instances Mr. Gonzalez has to remind contractors of the Bidding procedures and the district's compliance to them.

CMI - the gym is complete and has been turned over to the school; the demolition of old locker rooms is being done this week; work of the covered walkway has begun as well. Tour taken before the meeting commenced to view project progress.

8. Other Updates by the District or Consultants:

Candace Reines gave a brief update on the Waiver Pursuant to Section 33050 of the California Education Code. The CDE is reviewing the waiver at this time and has been in contact with clarifying questions. We anticipate the waiver

to be ready for July/August. Everything is looking good at this time. The end result would be a savings for our tax payers, which is the ultimate goal.

9. Designation of Next Meeting Date:

It was established that the next COC meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021. Meeting will commence at 4:00 p.m. We will attempt to meet in person at Liberty High School providing State Orders allow for us to do so.

Ms. Hinojosa will create this event and send a calendar invite to all Committee Members.

10. Comments from Committee Members:

There were no additional comments.

11. Adjournment:

Ms. Curtis motioned to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Mills seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

VOTE: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 3 Absent, 0 Abstain

The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.