

BACKGROUND/POSITION PAPER
Report to the Board of Directors

Subject: Endorsement of 2010 Lubbock ISD Bond Proposal

Date: September 15, 2010

Date of Board Meeting: September 30, 2010

Report of: Legislative Affairs Committee

Background

The LISD Board of Trustees and administration began the development of a long-range facility plan well over a year ago.

In order to begin the planning process, a comprehensive assessment of every district facility was conducted, as well as, a detailed analysis of student demographic patterns.

At the completion of these two studies, the Board of Trustees convened the LISD 2020 Long Range Facility Planning Committee in January of 2010. This committee is comprised of approximately 30 citizens representing all areas of our community.

The 2020 Committee has worked diligently to support and sustain the district's academic effectiveness, operational efficiency and competitive advantage. The 2020 Committee presented its formal recommendation for the first phase of the long-range plan on Friday, August 20, 2010.

On Tuesday, August 24, 2010, acting on the recommendations of the 2020 Committee, the Lubbock ISD Board of Trustees called for a bond election to be held on November 2, 2010. The election will be held for the purpose of voting for or against the issuance of \$198,000,000 worth of bonds that would fund the aforementioned recommendations.

Breakdown of the \$198 million bond package includes:

School and academic improvements

- Capital improvements: \$44.5 million
- Two new elementary schools: \$34 million
- Elementary renovations: \$5 million
- Elementary expansion: \$3 million
- Middle school renovations: \$7.5 million
- High school renovations: \$8.5 million
- Talkington expansion: \$3.5 million
- Subtotal: \$106 million

Arts and athletics

- Elementary playgrounds: \$3 million
- Renovations to middle school PE/athletics facilities: \$7 million
- Renovations to high school PE/athletics facilities: \$10 million
- Lowery Field stadium renovations and ADA compliance: \$12 million
- Renovations to high school auditoriums: \$7 million
- Subtotal: \$39 million

Safety and security

- Lowrey site (security fencing and lighting): \$6 million
- Safety and security (cameras, controlled access, etc.): \$8 million
- High school cafeteria expansions: \$11 million
- Subtotal: \$25 million



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Technology

•**Instructional technology:** \$29 million

•**Subtotal:** \$29 million The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce Legislative Affairs Committee at its September 10 meeting voted unanimously to recommend that the Chamber endorse the Lubbock ISD Bond Proposal.

Requested Action

Review/take action to endorse the 2010 LISD Bond Proposal and instruct staff to publicize support.



LUBBOCK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Lubbock Independent School District is a vital resource in our community and a major contributor to Lubbock’s workforce and quality of life, and

WHEREAS, Lubbock ISD has conducted a comprehensive assessment of every district facility as well as a detailed analysis of student demographic patterns, and

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees convened the 2020 Long Range Facility Planning Committee comprised of approximately 30 citizens representing all areas of our community, and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Committee has worked diligently to make recommendations that support the district’s academic effectiveness, operational efficiency and competitive advantage, and

WHEREAS, Lubbock ISD has managed its debt efficiently to the extent that this bond measure will not result in a tax rate increase, and

WHEREAS, the measure will benefit every student in Lubbock ISD, and

WHEREAS, the proposed measure will benefit every student in Lubbock ISD, and investing in the quality of education provided to Lubbock students is an investment in the financial and economic future of Lubbock,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce does endorse the Lubbock ISD bond proposal, and further encourages Lubbock ISD residents to vote in favor of this investment in the future of Lubbock’s children and our community.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

Approved by a vote of _____

Witness my signature this _____ day of September 2010.

Joe Rapier
Chairman

Eddie McBride
Secretary

