

**WILLIAMS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE A
EXHIBIT A
FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION OF THE
WILLIAMS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND ELECTION
FOR MARCH 3, 2020**

ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the Williams Unified School District's voters and taxpayers may be assured that their money will be spent wisely to address specific facilities needs of the Williams Unified School District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees has prepared an updated facilities plan in order to evaluate and address all of the facilities needs of the Williams Unified School District, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Project List.

Limitation on Use of Bond Proceeds. The State of California does not have the power to take locally approved school district bond funds for any State purposes. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (pursuant to Education Code Section 15278 and following), to ensure bond proceeds are spent only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Annual Performance Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in the Project List.

Annual Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Project List.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary pursuant to Government Code Section 53410 and following to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31, 2021, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

PROJECT LIST

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, describes the specific projects that the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The District does not expect to complete all of the listed projects but will prioritize among the projects to the extent funds are available.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities on the Bond Project List, including the furnishing and equipping of said school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for said school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of funding sources. These sources may include joint-use funds, development impact fees, state funds (if available) and other available funds. The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for and mainly applied to projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted in Education Code section 17070.63(c).

Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, construct, acquire, equip, furnish and otherwise improve the school facilities of the District, including the District office and other support facilities.

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include, without limitation, the following:

- **High School Classroom Building**
Construction of a classroom building with 21st century learning environments, academic support spaces, staff and student break out areas and associated site work. The goal of this project is to create permanent learning spaces for all classrooms and to eliminate aging portable classroom buildings.
- **High School North Wing Modernization**

Upgrade, repair and modernization of the North Wing of Williams Jr. Senior High School and the relocation and upgrading, repairing and modernization of the Science Relocatable Building. Modernizations will include new Science Classrooms, Chemical Storage, and Prep Rooms, a Welding Shop Classroom with modern equipment and new walkways and shade structures.

- **High School South Wing Modernization**

Upgrade, repair and modernization of the South Wing of Williams Jr. Senior High School including 21st century learning environments, new classrooms, a new roof for the entire building and student and staff break out spaces.

- **Elementary School Classroom Building**

Construction of a classroom building with 21st century learning environments, staff and student break out areas, and associated site work. The goal of this project is to create permanent learning spaces for all classrooms and to eliminate the aging portable classroom buildings.

- **Campus Infrastructure Improvements**

Utility improvements, upgrades, replacement and repairs to the domestic and fire water systems, sanitary sewer systems, storm drain systems, electrical systems, and natural gas systems.

- **Gymnasium Project**

Repair, replace, upgrade and modernize sports flooring and bleachers, restrooms, entrances, exits and throughways to gym facilities, drinking fountains, and physical education facilities.

School Renovation, Repair and Upgrade Projects

- Repair/replace existing plumbing systems, including drainage.
- Renovate, repair, expand and/or upgrade the interior, exterior and/or infrastructure of existing classrooms and school facilities.
- Replace existing wiring systems to meet current electrical and accessibility codes and increased capacity.
- Upgrade, acquire, expand, repair and/or equip science labs, multi-purpose rooms, food service facilities, auditoriums, libraries, and other school facilities.
- Construct and acquire new classrooms and school facilities.
- Furnish and equip new and renovated classrooms, science labs, libraries and other school facilities.
- Renovate and repair restrooms
- Replace existing window systems with energy efficient systems.
- Repair or replace outdated temporary portable classrooms or replace with permanent classrooms.

School Site Health, Safety and Security Projects

- Upgrade or replace buildings that do not meet current minimum building code standards.
- Remove all dry rot and repair damage caused by dry rot.
- Replace/upgrade existing signage, bells, clocks and fire protection systems.
- Install, repair, upgrade, or replace safety and security systems for students and staff.
- Install energy efficient systems including "green" building projects and sustainable building practices to promote energy-efficiency.
- Upgrade and repair play areas, hard courts and play fields.
- Upgrade, repair, or expand school site parking, driveways, walkways, ground, and utilities.
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior or during construction.
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, landscaping and other grounds to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas.

District-Wide Wiring and Technology for Instructional Support and Effective Learning Environment Projects

- Replace, upgrade and expand campus wide-intercom and wireless systems, and telecommunications, internet, and network connections, infrastructure and equipment.
- Upgrade media, audio/visual equipment, and other technology for effective learning environments, including smart boards and "distance learning".
- Upgrade and replace classroom equipment and instructional technology.
- Provide enhanced computer labs.
- Update technology and technology infrastructure to improve student access to computers and modern technology.

The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, retirement of outstanding certificates of participations, leases or interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, storage and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects.

Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms,



including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410. The order in which projects are listed in the foregoing Bond Project List does not suggest an order of priority. Project prioritization is vested in and will be determined by the District Board of Trustees.

