

## Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: Annual Report 2023

The Construction Bond Oversight Committee for Measure I (November 2, 2010: \$210 million) was appointed by the Board on September 27, 2017. After the passage of the \$380 million Measure G on March 3, 2020, a committee was created on December 9, 2020 to review Measures G, I and AA. CBOC information can be accessed by typing in 'CBOC' from the main BUSD web page or clicking <a href="here">here</a>. Committee members remain committed to ensuring access and information transparency for bond measure projects.

Membership:

Name	Category	Term		
Wade Skeels (Secretary)	Active Member in a Bona Fide Taxpayer's	December 2022-2024		
Carla Schneiderman	December 2020- 2022 Termed Out			
Ken Berland	Parent of child and an Active Member in a Parent-Teacher Organization	February 2023-2025		
Alejandro Pimentel	ejandro Pimentel Parent of Child enrolled in the District			
Damian Park (Chair) At-Large		December 2022-2024		
David Goldin	At-Large	May 2022-May 2024		
ric Weaver Senior Citizens Organization		April 2023 - 2025		
Vacant	Parent of Child enrolled in the District			
Vacant	Business organization representing the business community within the District			

## The purpose of the CBOC: The Education Code asks us to

- 1) Ensure expenditures are only for projects listed in the Measure
- 2) Ensure expenditures aren't for salaries

## And we may:

- 3) Review efforts by the district to maximize bond revenues
- 4) Review audits
- 5) Review deferred maintenance plans; and
- 6) Inspect grounds

Our primary method of determining compliance with requirements 1 and 2 above is through the financial and performance audits: The CBOC believes the Berkeley Unified School District is in compliance with requirements of Proposition 39. The reports prepared by the District were audited and District procedures deemed in compliance. As they say in the audits, however, they base their conclusions on only a sample of the paperwork. The CBOC rarely reviews the effectiveness of expenditures.

## **Audit Details**

- The CBOC accepted and approved the performance and financial audits for Measures G and I and was pleased to learn there were no special findings for either audit of either measure.
  - Links to the audits:
    - Measure G: June 30, 2022, Performance Audit
    - Measure I: June 30, 2022, Performance Audit:
    - Measure G/I: June 30, 2022, Financial Statements

Bond Sale History					
Year	Measure I bonds sold	Year	Measure G bonds sold	Fund Balances as of June 30, 2022	
2011	\$35,000,000	2020	\$70,000,000	Measure I: \$22,309,598.	
2013	\$40,000,000	2023			
2015	\$50,000,000			Measure G: \$59,890,174.	
2018	\$85,000,000				
Total	\$210,000,000	Total	\$70,000,000		

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- The proposed parking and tennis structure generated a lot of interest. Some of the concerns voiced by the community were: Teacher, staff, and administrator parking needs.
- Rules for Center Street Garage parking.
- Residential parking permits in nearby neighborhoods during school hours.
- Added traffic hazards near Berkeley High School.
- Inclusion of plant operations within garage design.
- Costs.
- Adherence to bond language.
- Other issues were discussed including:
  - OSA report on the seismic issues of the house of the Berkeley Community Theater and how that affects the modernization of the little theater.
  - HVAC as related to COVID-19.
  - Relocation of plant operations.
  - Staff made multiple presentations of completed and upcoming projects including budgets, design and financial reports.
  - Relocation of Oxford.
  - Aspects of Teacher/Staff housing.
- The CBOC toured the Community Theater at BHS.
- Two meetings were canceled March 23 for a storm and April 23 for lack of quorum.
- The committee understands that its primary charge is backward looking, but that doesn't preclude discussion and review of current projects.