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July 22, 2024

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Adopted Resolution of the Board of Trustees Antelope Valley Union High School Re:

Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024

Dear Mr. Yen, Mr. Logan and the Kern County Elections Division:

We attach to this letter (and email) the adopted Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Antelope Valley Union High School District Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an

Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing

Pursuant to the requirements of a Proposition 39 general obligation bond election with the 55% voter threshold, the Resolution includes:

- Exhibit A Full Text Ballot Measure and Project List
- Exhibit B Short Form of Bond Measure (75-word ballot measure question)
- Exhibit C Tax Rate Statement, signed by the District Superintendent/President

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Edward yen

August 6, 2024

EXECUTIVE OFFICER



See attached ballot measure letter designation form for the District's preferences of Measure AVH, Measure SS or Measure CC. Should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

Gregory Nehen

Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

cc: Ann La Morena Rohlin, Bond Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP (via email ann.rohlin@nortonrosefulbright.com)

Jesse Landre, Municipal Advisor, California Financial Services (via email jlandre@calschools.com)

Enclosures/Attachments



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April 22, 2024

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Downey, CA 90242-2890

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KRISTINA RAMOS Assistant Superintendent Human Resources Dear Ms. Bernstein:

In compliance with LACOE Informational Bulletin #6819, Biennial Governing Board Member Elections – November 5, 2024, enclosed is a copy of our District's Resolution No. 2023-24-24: To Order Biennial Governing Board Election. This resolution was approved at the Board's meeting held on April 18, 2024.

Sincerely,

Rachel Orosco

Executive Assistant

Superintendent's Office



Agenda Item Details

Apr 18, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting and PINCO Meeting Meeting

11. Administrative Services - Action Items Category

D. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-24-24 To Order Biennial Governing Board Election Subject

Action Type

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 2023-24-24 To Recommended Action

Order Biennial Governing Board Election, as directed by the Los Angeles County

Office of Education.

Submitted by:

Greg Nehen Superintendent

Summary Statement:

Pursuant to Education Code Section §5000, elections will be held on November 5, 2024, to elect members to the governing boards in most of the school districts in Los Angeles County. A blanket "Order of Election," which will cover all governing board elections held on this date, will be issued by the Los Angeles County Office of Education and transmitted to the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder. Governing boards of districts scheduled to hold elections on this date are required to take action to initiate the regular biennial governing board election by adopting the attached resolution.

Recommendation:

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Resolution No. 2023-24-24 To Order Biennial Governing Board Elections.pdf (118 KB)

Motion & Voting

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Motion by Charles Hughes, second by Carla Corona.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Carla Corona, Charles Hughes, Jill McGrady, Miguel Sanchez IV, Donita J Winn

APPROVED

APR 18 2024

AVWHSID BOARD OF THRUSTIEES

RESOLUTION 2023-24-24 TO ORDER BIENNIAL GOVERNING BOARD ELECTION

Order of Election for the Antelope Valley Joint Union High School District of Los Angeles County, California.

RESOLUTION ORDERING GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

RESOLVED that pursuant to Education Code (EC) §§5000-5030, the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools (County Superintendent) is hereby ORDERED to call an election for the purpose, and in accordance with the designations contained in the following specifications of the Election Order made under the authority of EC §5302, §5304, and §5322.

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The election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The polling hours shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on multiple days at the Voting Centers leading up to Election Day.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the district is hereby directed to furnish two copies of this order to the County Superintendent not less than 130 days prior to the date set for the election.

The foregoing Resolution and Order was adopted and affirmed by the Governing Board of Antelope Valley Joint Union High School District of Los Angeles County, being the Board authorized by law to make the designations contained therein, by formal vote as follows:

Ayes:	Nays: Absent:
	Signed: Miguel Sanchez IV, Clerk of the Governing Board
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REGISTRAR-RECORDER INFORMATION

Public Notice Election Announce	ment
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By Anjanette Allen at 8:33 am, Jun 21, 2024

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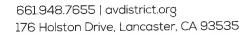
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Via Federal Express and

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Norwalk, California 90650 Email: ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov

Re: Adopted Resolution of the Board of Trustees Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024

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Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

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Enclosures/Attachments



Agenda Item Details

Meeting

Jul 18, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting and PINCO Meeting

Category

10. Business Services - Action Items

Subject

B. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-25-06 - Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting

Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024

Type

Action

Recommended

Action

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5,

2024.

Submitted by:

Greg Nehen Superintendent

Summary Statement:

The District has been exploring the feasibility of placing a general obligation bond measure on the ballot of the November 5, 2024, general election. This Resolution requests that Los Angeles County and Kern County consolidate, with their respective November 2024 elections, a new general obligation bond authorization for the District in the amount of \$398 million, with a tax rate not exceeding \$0.02 per \$100 of assessed (not market) valuation. The Resolution includes a bond package comprised of certain exhibits that will be submitted to the respective County Registrar of Voters, which includes the 75-word ballot measure question, Project List, and Tax Rate Statement.

Impact of Approval: A general obligation bond measure to support the District's facilities needs will be placed on the November 2024 General Election ballot. Adoption of this Resolution will allow District voters to decide whether to authorize \$398 million in general obligation bonds at a tax rate not exceeding \$0.02 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

This is a Proposition 39 general obligation bond with the lower voter threshold of 55% with certain Accountability Requirements, including the appointment of an independent citizens' oversight committee, independent performance and financial audits, and annual report filings.

Should the Governing Board approve this Resolution, and subsequently the voters approve the bond measure, the District would be able to complete necessary capital improvement projects, utilizing State matching funds.

Budget Implications:

None

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

07-18-24 - Antelope Valley UHSD - Resolution Calling 2024 General Obligation Bond Election.pdf (366 KB)

Motion & Voting

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

Motion by Carla Corona, second by Miguel Sanchez IV.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Carla Corona, Charles Hughes, Jill McGrady, Miguel Sanchez IV, Donita J Winn

APPROVED

JUL 18 2024

AVUHSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND KERN COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024

WHEREAS, the Governing Board (the "Board") of the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") is devoted to maintaining a high standard of education for all students, including classrooms and facilities that support excellent academic programs and high-quality instruction to prepare students for college or technical careers; and

WHEREAS, the District offers local students the ability to enroll in Career Technical Education ("CTE") courses, which are industry-valued certification programs, in preparation for careers in local aerospace companies and other workforce needs in the community, and by repairing and upgrading classrooms and facilities, the District can continue to increase opportunities for local students; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that District facilities need to be upgraded, repaired, expanded, improved, and better equipped in a fiscally prudent manner to enable the District to also improve student safety and campus security; and

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State") provides very limited funding for school facility improvements and in order to repair and upgrade aging school facilities, the District must identify local funding sources such as a school facilities improvement bond measure; and

WHEREAS, if approved by 55% of local voters, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would provide locally-controlled funding to complete basic repairs and upgrades like replacing leaky roofs, older plumbing, faulty electrical systems, and repair or replace outdated electrical, water and irrigation systems to improve energy efficiency and water conservation; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would modernize classrooms, labs, and equipment to keep pace with current industry standards and technology, including keeping computer systems and instructional technology up-to-date, and upgrading classrooms and career training facilities for science, technology, engineering, arts, math, and CTE; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would help ensure local school facilities are accessible by improving access for students; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would help ensure student safety and campus security by improving security lighting, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors, fire alarms, removing hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes from older buildings, and retrofitting older buildings to make them earthquake safe; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District must include a clear system of accountability, including a project list detailing exactly how the funds would be used, a Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits to ensure the funds would be spent properly, mandatory public disclosure of all spending, and a requirement that all funds raised would stay local and no funds could be taken away by the State; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds shall be issued and sold for the purpose of funding the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing or equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities and paying costs incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39, adopted by the voters of the State on November 7, 2000 ("Proposition 39"), comprising Article XIIIA, Section 1, paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIIIA"), the District may incur bonded indebtedness upon the vote of fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the qualified electors of the District voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Education Code ("Education Code") Section 15264 et seq. (the "Act"), the Board is specifically authorized, upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Board, to submit to the electorate of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes pursuant to paragraph (3) of said subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIIIA and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings to be applicable to the within election order and to establish compliance with Proposition 39 and the applicable requirements of the Education Code and the California Elections Code (the "Elections Code"), as further specified herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board has obtained reasonable and informed projections from experts of assessed property valuations and has determined that, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the maximum tax rate permitted by Section 15270 of the Education Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq*. of the Elections Code requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10403 et seq. of the Elections Code, the Board now deems it appropriate and necessary to request consolidation of the election authorized hereby (the "Election") with any and all other elections to be held on November 5, 2024, and to request the respective Registrar of Voters (the "Registrar of Voters") of Los Angeles County and Kern County (together the "Counties") to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Bond Measure (defined below) to be considered at the Election includes requirements for strict accountability, including establishment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent annual financial and performance audits to ensure all bond proceeds are used effectively and as promised, with no funds going towards District administrators' salaries or pensions; and

WHEREAS, the District has paid or expects to pay certain expenses with respect to projects on the Project List (as defined herein) (the "Reimbursable Expenses") to which it desires to preserve its ability to reimburse the capital expenditures with proceeds of tax-exempt bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 39 and applicable law (the "Bonds"), as provided under section 1.150-2 of the regulations (the "Treasury Regulations") promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Tax Code"); and

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations provides that such an allocation will be respected only if, *inter alia*, the District has declared its reasonable official intent to reimburse costs of the projects on the Project List incurred prior to but in anticipation of the issuance of debt; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. <u>Call for Election</u>. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in one or more series from time to time in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$398,000,000 (the "Bonds") for the purpose of raising money for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing or equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in a ballot proposition approved pursuant to Section 4 below.
- Registrar of Voters to call the Election within the boundaries of the District on November 5, 2024. The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested, pursuant to Section 5322 of the Education Code, to take all steps to call and hold the Election in accordance with law and these specifications.
- Section 3. <u>Election Date and Consolidation</u>. The date of the Election shall be November 5, 2024, and the Election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District. Pursuant to Section 15121 of the Education Code and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the respective Counties is requested to order consolidation of the school bond election ordered herein with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.
- Section 4. Purpose of Election; Ballot Proposition. (a) The purpose of the Election shall be for the voters of the District to vote on a proposition, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Bond Measure"), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIIIA and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act.
- (b) The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to reprint **Exhibit A** hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters. As required by Elections Code Sections 13119 and 13247, and Education Code Section 15122, the abbreviated form of the Bond Measure to appear on the ballot appears below and is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**:

Antelope Valley High Schools/Job Skills Improvement Measure: To improve local high schools, upgrade vocational classrooms/ labs/ technology for skilled trades, science, engineering, math, aerospace education, practical career skills; fix deteriorating gas/ sewer lines, leaky roofs, ensure safe drinking water; upgrade student/ school safety; attract/retain

quality teachers; shall Antelope Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$398,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, raising \$25,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with citizen oversight, spending disclosure, local control?

Bonds - Yes Bonds - No

The District's Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, or any of their respective designees is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the proposition or its abbreviated form as required to comply with the intent of this Resolution, the requirements of election officials, and requirements of law.

(c) The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to reprint **Exhibit A** hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code. If the full text of the Bond Measure is not reprinted in the voter information pamphlet in its entirety, the respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to print, immediately below the impartial analysis of the Bond Measure, in no less than 10 point boldface type, a legend substantially as follows [Measure designation to be assigned by the respective Registrar of Voters]:

"The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure ____. For a copy of the measure, contact the office of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk at 1 (800) 815-2666, the Kern County Auditor-Controller at (661) 868-3590 or the Antelope Valley Union High School District at (661) 948-7655, and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. Measure ___ is also available at [https://www.avdistrict.org/]."

(d) As required by Section 53410 of the California Government Code (the "Government Code"), a statement in substantially the following form shall be included on the Bond Measure ballot, and the Board covenants to comply with the reporting requirements contained in Section 53411 of the Government Code:

Accountability Measures

As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, the following accountability measures are hereby made a part of the Bond Measure:

- (i) The specific purpose of the Bonds is set forth in the full text of the Bond Measure; and
- (ii) The proceeds from the sale of the District's Bonds will be applied only for the purposes specified in the Bond Measure, and not for any other purpose; and
- (iii) The proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector (the "County Treasurer"), as required by the Education Code; and
- (iv) The Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board, the first report to be filed not later than one year

after the issuance of the first series of the Bonds, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in the Bond Measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

- (e) The District hereby requests that the respective Registrar of Voters include the following statement in the ballot pamphlet, pursuant to Section 15122.5 of the Education Code [Measure designation to be assigned by the respective Registrar of Voters]:
 - "Approval of Measure ____ does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Antelope Valley Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure ____ will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure ____. The District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a Statewide bond measure."
- (f) Pursuant to Section 18, Article XVI and Section 1, Article XIII A of the Constitution of the State, the foregoing Bond Measure shall become effective upon the favorable vote of no less than 55% of those qualified voters voting on the proposition.
- Section 5. The Bonds. (a) The maturity of any bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure and under Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 of the Education Code (commencing with Section 15264), as amended, and Article XIIIA shall not exceed twenty-five (25) years and shall bear or accrete interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum legal interest rate per annum, and (b) the maturity of any bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure and under Article 4.5 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code, as amended, applicable provisions of the Education Code and Article XIIIA of the California Constitution shall not exceed forty (40) years, or, in the case of bonds, the interest on which is compounded, twenty-five (25) years, and shall bear or accrete interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum legal interest rate per annum.
- Section 6. <u>Authority for Election</u>. The authority for ordering the Election is contained in the Act, Article XIIIA, Section 1, paragraph (b), subsection (3) of the California Constitution, and Section 53506 *et seq.* of the Government Code. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Education Code Section 5322.
- Section 7. <u>District Facilities Projects</u>. A list of the specific capital projects (the "Projects") to be funded from the proceeds of the Bonds is set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "Project List"). As required by Article XIIIA, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District in developing the list of capital projects set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>. The District understands that the costs of administering the Election, managing construction projects and costs of issuance of the Bonds shall be lawful charges against proceeds of sale of the Bonds.
- Section 8. Covenants of the Board Upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIIIA and Section 15278 of the Act, if fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the voters of the District voting on the Bond Measure approve the Bond Measure, the Board shall:
 - (a) Use the Bond proceeds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction,

rehabilitation, or replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities, as specifically set forth in **Exhibit A**, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries/pensions and other District operating expenses;

- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond proceeds have been expended only on the capital projects listed in **Exhibit A** until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for capital projects listed in **Exhibit A**;
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act; and
- (e) Limit the amount of bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure so that the tax rate on taxable property located within the District required to repay such bonds will not, based on the District's reasonable expectations at the date of issuance, exceed \$20 per \$100,000 of assessed value.
- Section 9. <u>Delivery of this Resolution</u>. The Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to send or hand-deliver a completed and certified copy of this Resolution to each of the Superintendent of Schools of the Counties, the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the Counties and the respective Registrar of Voters no later than August 9, 2024.
- Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District, the President of the Board, or their designees, is hereby authorized to execute the Tax Rate Statement attached hereto as **Exhibit C** and any other required documents and to perform all acts necessary to place the Bond Measure on the ballot. The Tax Rate Statement shall be delivered to the respective Registrar of Voters on or before August 9, 2024. Any member of the Board is hereby authorized to act as an author of or signer to any ballot argument prepared in connection with the Election, including a rebuttal argument.
- Section 11. <u>Consolidation of Election; Election Services</u>. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the Counties is requested to permit the respective Registrar of Voters, or other appropriate officials of the Counties, to render all services necessary in connection with the Election including, but not limited to, publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election pursuant to Education Code Section 5363 and related law, the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code), the opportunity to submit ballot arguments in connection with the Election, the canvassing and certification of the returns of the Election, and other ballot requirements pursuant to Education Code Section 15123, for which services the District agrees to reimburse the Counties as required by law.
- Section 12. Reimbursement of Qualified Project Expenditures. The reimbursement of the Reimbursable Expenses is consistent with the District's budgetary and financial circumstances. There are no funds or other sources of funds of the District or any related person or controlled entity, that have been, or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside to pay the costs of the projects on the Project List to be paid or reimbursed out of the proceeds of the Bonds of the District which may be authorized following a successful Bond Election, and not otherwise, unless this Board shall take further action. The District reasonably expects to reimburse capital expenditures with respect to the projects on the Project List with proceeds of bonds that may

hereafter be executed and delivered by or on behalf of the District, and this resolution shall constitute a declaration of official intent under the Treasury Regulations. This Resolution is adopted for purposes of establishing compliance with the requirements of section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations. This Resolution does not bind the District to make any expenditure, incur any indebtedness or proceed with the financing, acquisition or construction of the projects on the Project List. The District recognizes that reimbursement allocations to which section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations applies by reason of this Resolution generally include only reimbursements of payments originally for capital expenditures made no earlier than 60 days prior to the date of adoption of this Resolution. The maximum principal amount of Bonds and other obligations expected to be issued for the projects on the Project List is \$398 million.

- Section 13. <u>Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor</u>. The Board hereby approves the retention of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, as bond counsel, and California Financial Services, as Municipal Advisor, pursuant to separate contracts to be entered into by the District.
- Section 14. <u>Ratification</u>. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, or their respective designees, employees and agents of the Board and the District in connection with the financing of the facilities on the Project List are hereby ratified and confirmed. The officers and their designees, the employees and agents of the Board and the District are hereby authorized to take any and all actions in connection with the financing of such facilities and as may be necessary and consistent with the purposes of this Resolution.
- Section 15. Severability. If any section, subsection, phrase or clause of this Resolution is for any reason found to be invalid, such section, subsection, phrase or clause shall be severed from, and shall not affect the validity of, all remaining portions of this Resolution which can be given effect without the severed portion.
- Section 16. <u>Authorization of Further Acts</u>. The members of the Board, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, any designee thereof, and all other staff or officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.
 - Section 17. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of July, 2024, in Lancaster, California, at which a quorum of the Governing Board was present and acting throughout, by the following vote.

MOTION MADE BY: Carla Corona

SECONDED BY: Migue/Sanchell

STUDENT ADVISORY:

AYES: 3

NOES: 🗘

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bv.

President of the Governing Board

Attest:

By:

Clerk of the Governing Board

EXHIBIT A

FULL-TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Antelope Valley High Schools/Job Skills Improvement Measure: To improve local high schools, upgrade vocational classrooms/ labs/ technology for skilled trades, science, engineering, math, aerospace education, practical career skills; fix deteriorating gas/ sewer lines, leaky roofs, ensure safe drinking water; upgrade student/ school safety; attract/retain quality teachers; shall Antelope Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$398,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, raising \$25,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with citizen oversight, spending disclosure, local control?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

PROJECT LIST

The Governing Board ("Board") of the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") is committed to safe, clean schools with upgraded classrooms, libraries, science technology engineering and mathematics (STEM) labs and up-to-date technology systems to keep pace with 21st century learning standards. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, computer and information technology, enrollment trends and needs analysis in developing the scope of projects to be funded. The District conducted a facilities evaluation and received extensive public input in developing the plan through school site meetings, community presentations, opinion leader input, and interactive materials. Teachers, staff, parents, community members and the Board have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board concluded that if these needs are not addressed now, the problems will only become Because only those acquisitions and capital more pressing and expensive to address. improvements included on this Project List may be funded, in whole or in part, with the proceeds of the bonds, the Board has listed many possible capital improvement projects and/or acquisitions. This does not mean that any or all of the projects listed on this Project List will be completed or funded. The placement of the listing of a particular capital improvement on the Project List does not imply any particular prioritization among such improvements, which remains within the province of the Board by subsequent action. In approving this Project List, the Board determines that the District should:

GENERAL:

• Construct, acquire, modernize, equip, repair and improve facilities including classrooms, labs, and learning spaces for general education and career education

programs in fields including transfer education, nursing, fire and police academies, science, technology, engineering, aerospace and other programs.

- Replace portable classrooms and spaces with new permanent facilities.
- Repair and replace roofs, windows, doors and fixtures, as needed.
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) building for existing and new programs, including, but not limited to the addition of engineering and computer science.
- Expand and improve Career Technical Education (CTE) facilities for programs.
- Replace deteriorating water lines to ensure safe drinking water; upgrade and replace water and plumbing systems including water storage for domestic and firefighting use, supply to shower and locker rooms, science labs, drinking fountains, irrigation, fire sprinkler systems, and hydrants
- Repair deteriorating gas lines and remove asbestos.
- Improve school safety and security by upgrading wiring, lighting, fire alarms, and security and communication systems; including security at main school entrances.
- Improve and enhance disability access throughout the District, replace or renovate facilities and equipment, including elevators, to comply with federally mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and ensure ADA compliance.
- Provide furnishings, fixtures, and equipment to support new and modernized learning spaces.
- Construct and improve roadways, parking structures, parking facilities, walkways, grounds, wayfinding and signage.
- Upgrade and construct restrooms.
- Repair and replace heating, air conditioning, and ventilation (HVAC) systems.
- Upgrade electrical systems, lighting.
- Provide up-to-date information and technology systems and equipment, including cable infrastructure, network expansion to support student access to technology and specialized equipment, wireless access points and administrative systems.
- Upgrade and improve faculty preparation rooms, to accommodate faculty needs.
- Improve irrigation systems and landscaping.
- Construct, improve and repair athletic and physical education facilities.
- Finance or refinance real property leases, or prepay leases.
- Provide temporary facilities during facilities construction and renovations.

- Infrastructure, sewers, streets, plumbing.
- Add lighting and paving.
- Land acquisition for growth/expansion.
- Construct facilities department showers/locker room, emergency treatment area.

The Project List includes, but is not limited to, upgrades and improvements to the following school campuses and facilities to that ALL STUDENTS HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO UP-TO-DATE CLASSROOMS, TECHNOLOGY, AND LIBRARY PROGRAMS:

High School Facilities		
Antelope Valley High School	Eastside High School	
Highland High School	William J. "Pete" Knight High School	
Lancaster High School	Littlerock High School	
Palmdale High School	Quartz Hill High School	
Other Districtwide School Facilities		
Alterna	tive High School Facilities	
Desert Winds	R. Rex Parris	
Phoenix High School	Desert Pathways	
Early Co	ollege High School Facilities	
SOAR High School	SOAR Palmdale Campus	
Academies (of the Antelope Valley Facilities	
Knight Prep Campus	SOAR Prep Campus	
Virtual Academy		
Antelope Va	alley Adult Education Facilities	
Lancaster Campus	Lancaster Career Technical Education	
Palmdale Campus	Rosamond Campus	

The specific types of projects authorized to be financed with proceeds of the bonds under this proposition are as follows:

School Safety, Security and Health Projects

Goal and Purpose: To reduce maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, make a basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Acquire, replace, upgrade and/or install student, teacher and administrator safety and security systems, including lighting, fencing, smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, security alarms, signage, safety doors, safety locks and hardware, cameras and emergency communication systems.
- Upgrade and/or install security window coverings and visitor verification systems.
- Improve, upgrade and/or re-configure entryways and exits at school campuses.
- Reconfigure, renovate, repair, resurface, improve and/or expand roads, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and related areas, and student pick-up/drop-off areas.
- Upgrade and/or replace, gas lines, plumbing and restrooms.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace and/or upgrade portable classrooms and restrooms, and furnish and equip the same.
- Renovate, replace and/or install drinking facilities.
- Upgrade/improve school sites/grounds and facilities and acquire/install equipment and furniture for students with disabilities and compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Upgrade, improve, expand and/or construct facilities that support health, wellness, and mental health of students.
- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install and improve paved and other
 hard surfaces, sports fields/playfields and landscaping, and acquire, improve, replace and/or
 upgrade sports fields/facilities and student recreational facilities, equipment and fixtures.

School Renovation, Repair and Upgrade Projects

Goal and Purpose: To reduce maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, make a variety of basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following types of projects:

- Repair classrooms, restrooms, and deteriorating roofs.
- Repair, replace, and/or install heating, plumbing and air-conditioning systems.
- Improve, update, and/or replace fire safety systems, including fire safety doors, smoke alarms and detectors.
- Improve and increase disabled access.
- Update agricultural facilities throughout District.
- Update sports fields and related facility equipment and fixtures.
- Replace classroom furniture and equipment.
- Improve school site parking, and student pickup/drop-off areas.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace, expand and/or upgrade portable and permanent classrooms, classroom buildings, and school support facilities, including interior and exterior doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, marker boards, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, carpets, drapes, window coverings, lighting, sinks, fixtures, signage, fencing, furniture and equipment.
- Acquire, install and/or construct renewable energy and/or energy-saving systems, improvements and equipment, including photovoltaic solar panels, electricity generation and distribution systems, upgraded insulation, efficient lighting, energy management and conservation systems, windows and structures to support such systems, improvements and equipment and related infrastructure.
- Rehabilitate, renovate, upgrade and/or replace such systems, improvements and equipment as needed in the future.

Improvements and Equipment to Support 21st Century Learning And Classroom Instructional Technology Academic Programs

Goal and Purpose: To ensure all students have equal access to up-to-date classrooms and library programs, and to upgrade classroom computers and computer technology to allow our teachers and students to use up-to-date teaching methods and enhance instruction in core academic subjects like math, science and technology, make improvements, including, but not limited to, the following types of improvements:

- Improve and update classroom instructional technology needed for improved student learning.
- Upgrade and/or install up-to-date technology, data and communication equipment.
- Update, expand and install science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) lab facilities and technology equipment.
- Upgrade and expand school library facilities and equipment.
- Rehabilitate and replace such equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as needed in the future; technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure includes existing technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as well as technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure developed in the future.
- Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and integrate electrical (including wiring and related infrastructure for modern technology) and data systems, equipment, power sources and supplies and related technology infrastructure.
- Acquire, install and upgrade technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including interactive educational technology and projection systems, computers, tablets, laptops, printers, scanners, digital projectors and cameras, audio systems, video systems, phone and sound projections systems, peripherals, smart boards, education software, telecommunications software, security software, monitors, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), as needed for classroom instructional technology systems.

Other School Facility and District-Wide Projects

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings and structures to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, Field Act requirements and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements.
- Acquisition and improvement of real property and the construction of new school facilities needed to accommodate future increases in student enrollment and/or from reductions in the number of students per classroom.
- Acquisition of all or a portion of any school site or facility, or an interest therein, or make lease
 payments with respect to any school site or facility, encumbered in order to finance or refinance
 the listed bond projects pursuant to a lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond
 financing.
- Improve, upgrade, renovate and/or construct visual and performing arts facilities, including performing arts centers and auditoriums.
- Construct, renovate, repair and replace District facilities, including faculty and administrative offices.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Furnishing and equipping of school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/construction management, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation and modernization of existing and new classrooms and other facilities to serve students; the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations, as applicable; repairs and replacement of faculty and administrative support spaces and other District-wide support facilities, including, but not limited to transportation and nutrition services facilities; the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring) and construction documentation; and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not

limited to: projectors and display systems; media control stations; portable interface devices; centralized storage and backup systems; uninterruptible power supplies; racks; servers; switches; routers; modules; sound systems; access control systems; printers; digital white boards; document projectors and cameras; upgraded voice-over IP; communications software and systems; collaborative systems; network management software; enterprise-wide software system replacement or upgrade; network security/firewall; wiring and cabling; Wi-Fi capabilities, access points and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

In addition to the projects listed above, the acquisition, construction, repair and renovation of District facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; repair and replacement of heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiency and to reduce fire risks; repair and replacement of worn-out and leaking roofs, insulation, windows, walls, doors and drinking fountains; demolition of unsafe facilities; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computing devices, technology and other electrical devices and needs; repairing and replacing fire alarms, emergency power, communications and security systems; resurfacing or replacing of hard courts, turf and irrigation systems and campus landscaping; upgrading or replacing libraries, and faculty spaces; updating gymnasium and other athletic venues; installing artificial surfaces, flooring, field seating, bleachers, concessions, lighting and restrooms; improving sanitation and recycling; expanding parking; installing interior and exterior painting and floor covering; installing covered walkways; demolition; and construction of various forms of storage and support spaces; replacing water and sewer lines and other plumbing systems; improving food services, purchasing and warehouse facilities, and replacing outdated security systems.

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State of California (the "State") matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may undertake fewer than all of the projects listed above. Some projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies.

Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, storm drain, and utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating or repairing fire access roads and paths of travel, 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 costs 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.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS MEASURE SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF DISTRICT FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES OR PENSIONS OR OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL STRINGENT SUBJECT TO IS PROJECTS REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15278 ET SEQ.) TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of Measure ____ by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$398 million in aggregate principal amount at interest rates not in excess of the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific District facilities projects listed in the Project List as set forth above, subject to the accountability requirements specified below. The bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the bonds are issued.

FUNDS PROTECTED FOR LOCAL USE

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by Measure ___ will be used solely on local projects and will not be subject to appropriation by agencies outside of the District.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in Measure ___ in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be 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 California Education Code Sections 15264 and following). The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector, as required by the California Education Code, and will be used only for the purposes specified in Measure ___ and not for any other purpose.

Evaluation of Needs: The Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated enrollment growth, student safety, class size accommodation, repairs/upgrades to District facilities, and technology needs in developing the Project List as set forth above.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee: The Board shall establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee under California Education Code Section 15278 to ensure bond

proceeds are expended only on the District facilities projects listed above. The Committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board.

Performance Audits: The Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the District facilities projects listed as set forth above.

Financial Audits: The Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the District facilities projects listed above.

Annual Report: The Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District is required to cause an annual report to be filed with the Board, the first report to be filed not later than one year after the issuance of the first series of the bonds, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in Measure __ as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the California Government Code.

COMPLETION OF PROJECTS

Completion of the bond projects listed above is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the Bond Measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the Bond Measure. The District's proposal for the projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure or additional measures. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Measure __, and not for any other purpose.

SCOPE OF PROJECTS

Bond proceeds will be expended to update, repair, replace, renovate, construct, acquire, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve educational and support facilities within the District. Projects which are described above include all related and incidental costs, including their share of the costs of the election and bond issuance and costs of design, engineering, architectural and other professional services, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning, legal, accounting and similar costs, independent annual financial and performance audits, a customary construction contingency, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects.

Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property (or any interest in real property) for future educational and support facilities and to acquire and install furniture, fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other educational facilities within the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects which are described above as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction.

Whenever specific items are included in the above list, they are presented to provide examples and are not intended to limit the generality of the broader description of authorized projects. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to indicate priority for

funding or completion. Projects at each site will be accomplished to address the individual site deficiencies and priorities as enumerated in the District's Facility Needs Analysis (FNA). Such FNA, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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EXHIBIT B

SHORT FORM OF BOND MEASURE

Antelope Valley High Schools/Job Skills Improvement Measure: To improve local high schools, upgrade vocational classrooms/ labs/ technology for skilled trades, science, engineering, math, aerospace education, practical career skills; fix deteriorating gas/ sewer lines, leaky roofs, ensure safe drinking water; upgrade student/ school safety; attract/retain quality teachers; shall Antelope Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$398,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, raising \$25,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with citizen oversight, spending disclosure, local control?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

EXHIBIT C

TAX RATE STATEMENT

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS MEASURE __

An election will be held in the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring bonded indebtedness of the District in the principal amount of \$398 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of taxes levied on the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given in compliance with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. This information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the assessed valuations of taxable property in the District, and assuming the entire debt service on the bonds will be paid through property taxation:

- 1. The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$19 per \$100,000 (\$0.019 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed. It is estimated that the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2062-63.
- 2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$20 per \$100,000 (\$0.02 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed and the year is 2025-26.
- 3. The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$797,000,000.

Attention of voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual timing of sales of the bonds and the amount to be sold at any time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sale. The actual assessed valuations in future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Assessed valuation is not the same as market price of real property. Therefore, the actual tax rates and the years in which those tax rates will be applicable may vary from those presently estimated and stated above.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on Los Angeles County's and Kern County's official tax rolls, <u>not</u> on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Dated: July 18, 2024

Gregory Nehen, Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

TAX RATE STATEMENT

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS MEASURE __

An election will be held in the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring bonded indebtedness of the District in the principal amount of \$398 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of taxes levied on the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given in compliance with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. This information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the assessed valuations of taxable property in the District, and assuming the entire debt service on the bonds will be paid through property taxation:

- 1. The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$19 per \$100,000 (\$0.019 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed. It is estimated that the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2062-63.
- 2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$20 per \$100,000 (\$0.02 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed and the year is 2025-26.
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Dated: July 18, 2024

Gregory Nehen, Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

BALLOT MEASURES (continued)

REQUEST FOR LETTER DESIGNATION — The RR/CC, in accordance with Section 13116 of the Elections Code, will assign a letter designation for each measure on the ballot.

WITHDRAWAL AND/OR AMENDMENTS — Schools or special districts should file a resolution with the RR/CC by E-83 to amend a measure or if an election is being cancelled because a measure has been withdrawn. (E. C. § 9605)



November 5, 2024

Antelope Valley Union High School District JURISDICTION NAME

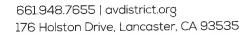
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LETTER DESIGNATION FORM

Please complete this form in order to select your first, second, and third letter designation choice for your jurisdiction's measure to appear on the ballot. In the event your 1st, 2rd, or 3rd choice is unavailable, then please select the letter(s) designations that the jurisdiction DOES NOT want selected for its measure. The 3rd option for letter designations would be to create a unique letter designation that is not identified below using less than three letters of the alphabet. For example: County of Los Angeles USD Facilities Improvement measure could use unique letter designations such as CL, LA, LU, UC, LS.

Select your first, second, and third letter designation choice by checking √ off and listing the designated letters below: F Ι K L G Η M В D E A P Q R S T V WX Y Z N \mathbf{U} BB DD EE FF GG HH IIKK LI. AA NN00 QQ RR XXUU CHOICES $2^{N\!D}$ AVH SS CC

Select the letters that your jurisdiction DOES NOT want assigned to its measure by marking the letter G Η K M D L P T Z U W X Y EE IJ KK ${
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 22, 2024

CARLA CORONA

CHARLES HUGHES

Via Federal Express and

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Via Email: ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov; elections@kerncounty.com

MIGUEL SANCHEZ IV

DONITA J. WINN

Mr. Edward Yen, Executive Officer LA County Board of Supervisors Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Los Angeles, California 90012 Kern County Elections Division 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st floor Bakersfield, CA. 93301-4639 Email: elections@kerncounty.com

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GREG NEHEN Superintendent

SHANDELYN WILLIAMS Deputy Superintendent

KEVIN VENSKO Assistant Superintendent Business Services

DR. CHRIS GRADO Assistant Superintendent Educational Services

KRISTINA RAMOS Assistant Superintendent Human Resources Mr. Dean C. Logan, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Election Coordination Unit 12400 Imperial Highway, Room 2013A

Norwalk, California 90650 Email: ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov

Re: Adopted Resolution of the Board of Trustees Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024

Dear Mr. Yen, Mr. Logan and the Kern County Elections Division:

We attach to this letter (and email) the adopted Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Antelope Valley Union High School District Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

Pursuant to the requirements of a Proposition 39 general obligation bond election with the 55% voter threshold, the Resolution includes:

- Exhibit A Full Text Ballot Measure and Project List
- Exhibit B Short Form of Bond Measure (75-word ballot measure question)
- Exhibit C Tax Rate Statement, signed by the District Superintendent/President

See attached ballot measure letter designation form for the District's preferences of Measure AVH, Measure SS or Measure CC. Should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

Gregory Nehen

Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

Ann La Morena Rohlin, Bond Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP (via email ann.rohlin@nortonrosefulbright.com)

Jesse Landre, Municipal Advisor, California Financial Services (via email jlandre@calschools.com)

Enclosures/Attachments



Agenda Item Details

Meeting

Jul 18, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting and PINCO Meeting

Category

10. Business Services - Action Items

Subject

B. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-25-06 - Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting

Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024

Type

Action

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Action

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5,

2024.

Submitted by:

Greg Nehen Superintendent

Summary Statement:

The District has been exploring the feasibility of placing a general obligation bond measure on the ballot of the November 5, 2024, general election. This Resolution requests that Los Angeles County and Kern County consolidate, with their respective November 2024 elections, a new general obligation bond authorization for the District in the amount of \$398 million, with a tax rate not exceeding \$0.02 per \$100 of assessed (not market) valuation. The Resolution includes a bond package comprised of certain exhibits that will be submitted to the respective County Registrar of Voters, which includes the 75-word ballot measure question, Project List, and Tax Rate Statement.

Impact of Approval: A general obligation bond measure to support the District's facilities needs will be placed on the November 2024 General Election ballot. Adoption of this Resolution will allow District voters to decide whether to authorize \$398 million in general obligation bonds at a tax rate not exceeding \$0.02 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

This is a Proposition 39 general obligation bond with the lower voter threshold of 55% with certain Accountability Requirements, including the appointment of an independent citizens' oversight committee, independent performance and financial audits, and annual report filings.

Should the Governing Board approve this Resolution, and subsequently the voters approve the bond measure, the District would be able to complete necessary capital improvement projects, utilizing State matching funds.

Budget Implications:

None

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

07-18-24 - Antelope Valley UHSD - Resolution Calling 2024 General Obligation Bond Election.pdf (366 KB)

Motion & Voting

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 2024-25-06, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District of Los Angeles County and Kern County, State of California, Ordering an Election to Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024.

Motion by Carla Corona, second by Miguel Sanchez IV.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Carla Corona, Charles Hughes, Jill McGrady, Miguel Sanchez IV, Donita J Winn

APPROVED

JUL 18 2024

AVUHSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND KERN COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024

WHEREAS, the Governing Board (the "Board") of the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") is devoted to maintaining a high standard of education for all students, including classrooms and facilities that support excellent academic programs and high-quality instruction to prepare students for college or technical careers; and

WHEREAS, the District offers local students the ability to enroll in Career Technical Education ("CTE") courses, which are industry-valued certification programs, in preparation for careers in local aerospace companies and other workforce needs in the community, and by repairing and upgrading classrooms and facilities, the District can continue to increase opportunities for local students; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that District facilities need to be upgraded, repaired, expanded, improved, and better equipped in a fiscally prudent manner to enable the District to also improve student safety and campus security; and

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State") provides very limited funding for school facility improvements and in order to repair and upgrade aging school facilities, the District must identify local funding sources such as a school facilities improvement bond measure; and

WHEREAS, if approved by 55% of local voters, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would provide locally-controlled funding to complete basic repairs and upgrades like replacing leaky roofs, older plumbing, faulty electrical systems, and repair or replace outdated electrical, water and irrigation systems to improve energy efficiency and water conservation; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would modernize classrooms, labs, and equipment to keep pace with current industry standards and technology, including keeping computer systems and instructional technology up-to-date, and upgrading classrooms and career training facilities for science, technology, engineering, arts, math, and CTE; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would help ensure local school facilities are accessible by improving access for students; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District would help ensure student safety and campus security by improving security lighting, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors, fire alarms, removing hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes from older buildings, and retrofitting older buildings to make them earthquake safe; and

WHEREAS, a local school facilities improvement bond measure for the District must include a clear system of accountability, including a project list detailing exactly how the funds would be used, a Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits to ensure the funds would be spent properly, mandatory public disclosure of all spending, and a requirement that all funds raised would stay local and no funds could be taken away by the State; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds shall be issued and sold for the purpose of funding the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing or equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities and paying costs incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39, adopted by the voters of the State on November 7, 2000 ("Proposition 39"), comprising Article XIIIA, Section 1, paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIIIA"), the District may incur bonded indebtedness upon the vote of fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the qualified electors of the District voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Education Code ("Education Code") Section 15264 et seq. (the "Act"), the Board is specifically authorized, upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Board, to submit to the electorate of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes pursuant to paragraph (3) of said subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIIIA and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings to be applicable to the within election order and to establish compliance with Proposition 39 and the applicable requirements of the Education Code and the California Elections Code (the "Elections Code"), as further specified herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board has obtained reasonable and informed projections from experts of assessed property valuations and has determined that, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the maximum tax rate permitted by Section 15270 of the Education Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq*. of the Elections Code requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10403 et seq. of the Elections Code, the Board now deems it appropriate and necessary to request consolidation of the election authorized hereby (the "Election") with any and all other elections to be held on November 5, 2024, and to request the respective Registrar of Voters (the "Registrar of Voters") of Los Angeles County and Kern County (together the "Counties") to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Bond Measure (defined below) to be considered at the Election includes requirements for strict accountability, including establishment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent annual financial and performance audits to ensure all bond proceeds are used effectively and as promised, with no funds going towards District administrators' salaries or pensions; and

WHEREAS, the District has paid or expects to pay certain expenses with respect to projects on the Project List (as defined herein) (the "Reimbursable Expenses") to which it desires to preserve its ability to reimburse the capital expenditures with proceeds of tax-exempt bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 39 and applicable law (the "Bonds"), as provided under section 1.150-2 of the regulations (the "Treasury Regulations") promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Tax Code"); and

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations provides that such an allocation will be respected only if, *inter alia*, the District has declared its reasonable official intent to reimburse costs of the projects on the Project List incurred prior to but in anticipation of the issuance of debt; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. <u>Call for Election</u>. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in one or more series from time to time in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$398,000,000 (the "Bonds") for the purpose of raising money for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing or equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in a ballot proposition approved pursuant to Section 4 below.
- Registrar of Voters to call the Election within the boundaries of the District on November 5, 2024. The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested, pursuant to Section 5322 of the Education Code, to take all steps to call and hold the Election in accordance with law and these specifications.
- Section 3. <u>Election Date and Consolidation</u>. The date of the Election shall be November 5, 2024, and the Election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District. Pursuant to Section 15121 of the Education Code and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the respective Counties is requested to order consolidation of the school bond election ordered herein with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.
- Section 4. Purpose of Election; Ballot Proposition. (a) The purpose of the Election shall be for the voters of the District to vote on a proposition, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Bond Measure"), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIIIA and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act.
- (b) The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to reprint **Exhibit A** hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters. As required by Elections Code Sections 13119 and 13247, and Education Code Section 15122, the abbreviated form of the Bond Measure to appear on the ballot appears below and is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**:

Antelope Valley High Schools/Job Skills Improvement Measure: To improve local high schools, upgrade vocational classrooms/ labs/ technology for skilled trades, science, engineering, math, aerospace education, practical career skills; fix deteriorating gas/ sewer lines, leaky roofs, ensure safe drinking water; upgrade student/ school safety; attract/retain

quality teachers; shall Antelope Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$398,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, raising \$25,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with citizen oversight, spending disclosure, local control?

Bonds - Yes Bonds - No

The District's Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, or any of their respective designees is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the proposition or its abbreviated form as required to comply with the intent of this Resolution, the requirements of election officials, and requirements of law.

(c) The respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to reprint **Exhibit A** hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code. If the full text of the Bond Measure is not reprinted in the voter information pamphlet in its entirety, the respective Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to print, immediately below the impartial analysis of the Bond Measure, in no less than 10 point boldface type, a legend substantially as follows [Measure designation to be assigned by the respective Registrar of Voters]:

"The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure ____. For a copy of the measure, contact the office of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk at 1 (800) 815-2666, the Kern County Auditor-Controller at (661) 868-3590 or the Antelope Valley Union High School District at (661) 948-7655, and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. Measure ___ is also available at [https://www.avdistrict.org/]."

(d) As required by Section 53410 of the California Government Code (the "Government Code"), a statement in substantially the following form shall be included on the Bond Measure ballot, and the Board covenants to comply with the reporting requirements contained in Section 53411 of the Government Code:

Accountability Measures

As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, the following accountability measures are hereby made a part of the Bond Measure:

- (i) The specific purpose of the Bonds is set forth in the full text of the Bond Measure; and
- (ii) The proceeds from the sale of the District's Bonds will be applied only for the purposes specified in the Bond Measure, and not for any other purpose; and
- (iii) The proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector (the "County Treasurer"), as required by the Education Code; and
- (iv) The Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board, the first report to be filed not later than one year

after the issuance of the first series of the Bonds, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in the Bond Measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

- (e) The District hereby requests that the respective Registrar of Voters include the following statement in the ballot pamphlet, pursuant to Section 15122.5 of the Education Code [Measure designation to be assigned by the respective Registrar of Voters]:
 - "Approval of Measure ____ does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Antelope Valley Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure ____ will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure ____. The District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a Statewide bond measure."
- (f) Pursuant to Section 18, Article XVI and Section 1, Article XIII A of the Constitution of the State, the foregoing Bond Measure shall become effective upon the favorable vote of no less than 55% of those qualified voters voting on the proposition.
- Section 5. The Bonds. (a) The maturity of any bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure and under Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 of the Education Code (commencing with Section 15264), as amended, and Article XIIIA shall not exceed twenty-five (25) years and shall bear or accrete interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum legal interest rate per annum, and (b) the maturity of any bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure and under Article 4.5 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code, as amended, applicable provisions of the Education Code and Article XIIIA of the California Constitution shall not exceed forty (40) years, or, in the case of bonds, the interest on which is compounded, twenty-five (25) years, and shall bear or accrete interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum legal interest rate per annum.
- Section 6. <u>Authority for Election</u>. The authority for ordering the Election is contained in the Act, Article XIIIA, Section 1, paragraph (b), subsection (3) of the California Constitution, and Section 53506 *et seq.* of the Government Code. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Education Code Section 5322.
- Section 7. <u>District Facilities Projects</u>. A list of the specific capital projects (the "Projects") to be funded from the proceeds of the Bonds is set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "Project List"). As required by Article XIIIA, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District in developing the list of capital projects set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>. The District understands that the costs of administering the Election, managing construction projects and costs of issuance of the Bonds shall be lawful charges against proceeds of sale of the Bonds.
- Section 8. Covenants of the Board Upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIIIA and Section 15278 of the Act, if fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the voters of the District voting on the Bond Measure approve the Bond Measure, the Board shall:
 - (a) Use the Bond proceeds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction,

rehabilitation, or replacement of District facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of District facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for District facilities, as specifically set forth in **Exhibit A**, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries/pensions and other District operating expenses;

- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond proceeds have been expended only on the capital projects listed in **Exhibit A** until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for capital projects listed in **Exhibit A**;
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act; and
- (e) Limit the amount of bonds issued pursuant to the Bond Measure so that the tax rate on taxable property located within the District required to repay such bonds will not, based on the District's reasonable expectations at the date of issuance, exceed \$20 per \$100,000 of assessed value.
- Section 9. <u>Delivery of this Resolution</u>. The Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to send or hand-deliver a completed and certified copy of this Resolution to each of the Superintendent of Schools of the Counties, the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the Counties and the respective Registrar of Voters no later than August 9, 2024.
- Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District, the President of the Board, or their designees, is hereby authorized to execute the Tax Rate Statement attached hereto as **Exhibit C** and any other required documents and to perform all acts necessary to place the Bond Measure on the ballot. The Tax Rate Statement shall be delivered to the respective Registrar of Voters on or before August 9, 2024. Any member of the Board is hereby authorized to act as an author of or signer to any ballot argument prepared in connection with the Election, including a rebuttal argument.
- Section 11. <u>Consolidation of Election; Election Services</u>. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the Counties is requested to permit the respective Registrar of Voters, or other appropriate officials of the Counties, to render all services necessary in connection with the Election including, but not limited to, publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election pursuant to Education Code Section 5363 and related law, the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code), the opportunity to submit ballot arguments in connection with the Election, the canvassing and certification of the returns of the Election, and other ballot requirements pursuant to Education Code Section 15123, for which services the District agrees to reimburse the Counties as required by law.
- Section 12. Reimbursement of Qualified Project Expenditures. The reimbursement of the Reimbursable Expenses is consistent with the District's budgetary and financial circumstances. There are no funds or other sources of funds of the District or any related person or controlled entity, that have been, or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside to pay the costs of the projects on the Project List to be paid or reimbursed out of the proceeds of the Bonds of the District which may be authorized following a successful Bond Election, and not otherwise, unless this Board shall take further action. The District reasonably expects to reimburse capital expenditures with respect to the projects on the Project List with proceeds of bonds that may

hereafter be executed and delivered by or on behalf of the District, and this resolution shall constitute a declaration of official intent under the Treasury Regulations. This Resolution is adopted for purposes of establishing compliance with the requirements of section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations. This Resolution does not bind the District to make any expenditure, incur any indebtedness or proceed with the financing, acquisition or construction of the projects on the Project List. The District recognizes that reimbursement allocations to which section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations applies by reason of this Resolution generally include only reimbursements of payments originally for capital expenditures made no earlier than 60 days prior to the date of adoption of this Resolution. The maximum principal amount of Bonds and other obligations expected to be issued for the projects on the Project List is \$398 million.

- Section 13. <u>Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor</u>. The Board hereby approves the retention of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, as bond counsel, and California Financial Services, as Municipal Advisor, pursuant to separate contracts to be entered into by the District.
- Section 14. <u>Ratification</u>. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, or their respective designees, employees and agents of the Board and the District in connection with the financing of the facilities on the Project List are hereby ratified and confirmed. The officers and their designees, the employees and agents of the Board and the District are hereby authorized to take any and all actions in connection with the financing of such facilities and as may be necessary and consistent with the purposes of this Resolution.
- Section 15. Severability. If any section, subsection, phrase or clause of this Resolution is for any reason found to be invalid, such section, subsection, phrase or clause shall be severed from, and shall not affect the validity of, all remaining portions of this Resolution which can be given effect without the severed portion.
- Section 16. <u>Authorization of Further Acts</u>. The members of the Board, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, any designee thereof, and all other staff or officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.
 - Section 17. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Union High School District at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of July, 2024, in Lancaster, California, at which a quorum of the Governing Board was present and acting throughout, by the following vote.

MOTION MADE BY: Carla Corona

SECONDED BY: Migue/Sanchell

STUDENT ADVISORY:

AYES: 3

NOES: 🗘

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bv.

President of the Governing Board

Attest:

By:

Clerk of the Governing Board

EXHIBIT A

FULL-TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Antelope Valley High Schools/Job Skills Improvement Measure: To improve local high schools, upgrade vocational classrooms/ labs/ technology for skilled trades, science, engineering, math, aerospace education, practical career skills; fix deteriorating gas/ sewer lines, leaky roofs, ensure safe drinking water; upgrade student/ school safety; attract/retain quality teachers; shall Antelope Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$398,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, raising \$25,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with citizen oversight, spending disclosure, local control?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

PROJECT LIST

The Governing Board ("Board") of the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") is committed to safe, clean schools with upgraded classrooms, libraries, science technology engineering and mathematics (STEM) labs and up-to-date technology systems to keep pace with 21st century learning standards. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, computer and information technology, enrollment trends and needs analysis in developing the scope of projects to be funded. The District conducted a facilities evaluation and received extensive public input in developing the plan through school site meetings, community presentations, opinion leader input, and interactive materials. Teachers, staff, parents, community members and the Board have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board concluded that if these needs are not addressed now, the problems will only become Because only those acquisitions and capital more pressing and expensive to address. improvements included on this Project List may be funded, in whole or in part, with the proceeds of the bonds, the Board has listed many possible capital improvement projects and/or acquisitions. This does not mean that any or all of the projects listed on this Project List will be completed or funded. The placement of the listing of a particular capital improvement on the Project List does not imply any particular prioritization among such improvements, which remains within the province of the Board by subsequent action. In approving this Project List, the Board determines that the District should:

GENERAL:

• Construct, acquire, modernize, equip, repair and improve facilities including classrooms, labs, and learning spaces for general education and career education

programs in fields including transfer education, nursing, fire and police academies, science, technology, engineering, aerospace and other programs.

- Replace portable classrooms and spaces with new permanent facilities.
- Repair and replace roofs, windows, doors and fixtures, as needed.
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) building for existing and new programs, including, but not limited to the addition of engineering and computer science.
- Expand and improve Career Technical Education (CTE) facilities for programs.
- Replace deteriorating water lines to ensure safe drinking water; upgrade and replace water and plumbing systems including water storage for domestic and firefighting use, supply to shower and locker rooms, science labs, drinking fountains, irrigation, fire sprinkler systems, and hydrants
- Repair deteriorating gas lines and remove asbestos.
- Improve school safety and security by upgrading wiring, lighting, fire alarms, and security and communication systems; including security at main school entrances.
- Improve and enhance disability access throughout the District, replace or renovate facilities and equipment, including elevators, to comply with federally mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and ensure ADA compliance.
- Provide furnishings, fixtures, and equipment to support new and modernized learning spaces.
- Construct and improve roadways, parking structures, parking facilities, walkways, grounds, wayfinding and signage.
- Upgrade and construct restrooms.
- Repair and replace heating, air conditioning, and ventilation (HVAC) systems.
- Upgrade electrical systems, lighting.
- Provide up-to-date information and technology systems and equipment, including cable infrastructure, network expansion to support student access to technology and specialized equipment, wireless access points and administrative systems.
- Upgrade and improve faculty preparation rooms, to accommodate faculty needs.
- Improve irrigation systems and landscaping.
- Construct, improve and repair athletic and physical education facilities.
- Finance or refinance real property leases, or prepay leases.
- Provide temporary facilities during facilities construction and renovations.

- Infrastructure, sewers, streets, plumbing.
- Add lighting and paving.
- Land acquisition for growth/expansion.
- Construct facilities department showers/locker room, emergency treatment area.

The Project List includes, but is not limited to, upgrades and improvements to the following school campuses and facilities to that ALL STUDENTS HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO UP-TO-DATE CLASSROOMS, TECHNOLOGY, AND LIBRARY PROGRAMS:

High School Facilities	
Antelope Valley High School	Eastside High School
Highland High School	William J. "Pete" Knight High School
Lancaster High School	Littlerock High School
Palmdale High School	Quartz Hill High School
Other Districtwide School Facilities	
Alterna	tive High School Facilities
Desert Winds	R. Rex Parris
Phoenix High School	Desert Pathways
Early Co	ollege High School Facilities
SOAR High School	SOAR Palmdale Campus
Academies (of the Antelope Valley Facilities
Knight Prep Campus	SOAR Prep Campus
Virtual Academy	
Antelope Va	alley Adult Education Facilities
Lancaster Campus	Lancaster Career Technical Education
Palmdale Campus	Rosamond Campus

The specific types of projects authorized to be financed with proceeds of the bonds under this proposition are as follows:

School Safety, Security and Health Projects

Goal and Purpose: To reduce maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, make a basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Acquire, replace, upgrade and/or install student, teacher and administrator safety and security systems, including lighting, fencing, smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, security alarms, signage, safety doors, safety locks and hardware, cameras and emergency communication systems.
- Upgrade and/or install security window coverings and visitor verification systems.
- Improve, upgrade and/or re-configure entryways and exits at school campuses.
- Reconfigure, renovate, repair, resurface, improve and/or expand roads, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and related areas, and student pick-up/drop-off areas.
- Upgrade and/or replace, gas lines, plumbing and restrooms.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace and/or upgrade portable classrooms and restrooms, and furnish and equip the same.
- Renovate, replace and/or install drinking facilities.
- Upgrade/improve school sites/grounds and facilities and acquire/install equipment and furniture for students with disabilities and compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Upgrade, improve, expand and/or construct facilities that support health, wellness, and mental health of students.
- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install and improve paved and other
 hard surfaces, sports fields/playfields and landscaping, and acquire, improve, replace and/or
 upgrade sports fields/facilities and student recreational facilities, equipment and fixtures.

School Renovation, Repair and Upgrade Projects

Goal and Purpose: To reduce maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, make a variety of basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following types of projects:

- Repair classrooms, restrooms, and deteriorating roofs.
- Repair, replace, and/or install heating, plumbing and air-conditioning systems.
- Improve, update, and/or replace fire safety systems, including fire safety doors, smoke alarms and detectors.
- Improve and increase disabled access.
- Update agricultural facilities throughout District.
- Update sports fields and related facility equipment and fixtures.
- Replace classroom furniture and equipment.
- Improve school site parking, and student pickup/drop-off areas.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace, expand and/or upgrade portable and permanent classrooms, classroom buildings, and school support facilities, including interior and exterior doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, marker boards, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, carpets, drapes, window coverings, lighting, sinks, fixtures, signage, fencing, furniture and equipment.
- Acquire, install and/or construct renewable energy and/or energy-saving systems, improvements and equipment, including photovoltaic solar panels, electricity generation and distribution systems, upgraded insulation, efficient lighting, energy management and conservation systems, windows and structures to support such systems, improvements and equipment and related infrastructure.
- Rehabilitate, renovate, upgrade and/or replace such systems, improvements and equipment as needed in the future.

Improvements and Equipment to Support 21st Century Learning And Classroom Instructional Technology Academic Programs

Goal and Purpose: To ensure all students have equal access to up-to-date classrooms and library programs, and to upgrade classroom computers and computer technology to allow our teachers and students to use up-to-date teaching methods and enhance instruction in core academic subjects like math, science and technology, make improvements, including, but not limited to, the following types of improvements:

- Improve and update classroom instructional technology needed for improved student learning.
- Upgrade and/or install up-to-date technology, data and communication equipment.
- Update, expand and install science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) lab facilities and technology equipment.
- Upgrade and expand school library facilities and equipment.
- Rehabilitate and replace such equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as needed in the future; technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure includes existing technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as well as technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure developed in the future.
- Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and integrate electrical (including wiring and related infrastructure for modern technology) and data systems, equipment, power sources and supplies and related technology infrastructure.
- Acquire, install and upgrade technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including interactive educational technology and projection systems, computers, tablets, laptops, printers, scanners, digital projectors and cameras, audio systems, video systems, phone and sound projections systems, peripherals, smart boards, education software, telecommunications software, security software, monitors, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), as needed for classroom instructional technology systems.

Other School Facility and District-Wide Projects

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings and structures to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, Field Act requirements and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements.
- Acquisition and improvement of real property and the construction of new school facilities needed to accommodate future increases in student enrollment and/or from reductions in the number of students per classroom.
- Acquisition of all or a portion of any school site or facility, or an interest therein, or make lease
 payments with respect to any school site or facility, encumbered in order to finance or refinance
 the listed bond projects pursuant to a lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond
 financing.
- Improve, upgrade, renovate and/or construct visual and performing arts facilities, including performing arts centers and auditoriums.
- Construct, renovate, repair and replace District facilities, including faculty and administrative offices.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Furnishing and equipping of school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/construction management, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation and modernization of existing and new classrooms and other facilities to serve students; the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations, as applicable; repairs and replacement of faculty and administrative support spaces and other District-wide support facilities, including, but not limited to transportation and nutrition services facilities; the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring) and construction documentation; and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not

limited to: projectors and display systems; media control stations; portable interface devices; centralized storage and backup systems; uninterruptible power supplies; racks; servers; switches; routers; modules; sound systems; access control systems; printers; digital white boards; document projectors and cameras; upgraded voice-over IP; communications software and systems; collaborative systems; network management software; enterprise-wide software system replacement or upgrade; network security/firewall; wiring and cabling; Wi-Fi capabilities, access points and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

In addition to the projects listed above, the acquisition, construction, repair and renovation of District facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; repair and replacement of heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiency and to reduce fire risks; repair and replacement of worn-out and leaking roofs, insulation, windows, walls, doors and drinking fountains; demolition of unsafe facilities; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computing devices, technology and other electrical devices and needs; repairing and replacing fire alarms, emergency power, communications and security systems; resurfacing or replacing of hard courts, turf and irrigation systems and campus landscaping; upgrading or replacing libraries, and faculty spaces; updating gymnasium and other athletic venues; installing artificial surfaces, flooring, field seating, bleachers, concessions, lighting and restrooms; improving sanitation and recycling; expanding parking; installing interior and exterior painting and floor covering; installing covered walkways; demolition; and construction of various forms of storage and support spaces; replacing water and sewer lines and other plumbing systems; improving food services, purchasing and warehouse facilities, and replacing outdated security systems.

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State of California (the "State") matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may undertake fewer than all of the projects listed above. Some projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies.

Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, storm drain, and utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating or repairing fire access roads and paths of travel, 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 costs 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.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS MEASURE SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF DISTRICT FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES OR PENSIONS OR OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL STRINGENT SUBJECT TO IS PROJECTS REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15278 ET SEQ.) TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of Measure ____ by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$398 million in aggregate principal amount at interest rates not in excess of the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific District facilities projects listed in the Project List as set forth above, subject to the accountability requirements specified below. The bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the bonds are issued.

FUNDS PROTECTED FOR LOCAL USE

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by Measure ___ will be used solely on local projects and will not be subject to appropriation by agencies outside of the District.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in Measure ___ in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be 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 California Education Code Sections 15264 and following). The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector, as required by the California Education Code, and will be used only for the purposes specified in Measure ___ and not for any other purpose.

Evaluation of Needs: The Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated enrollment growth, student safety, class size accommodation, repairs/upgrades to District facilities, and technology needs in developing the Project List as set forth above.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee: The Board shall establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee under California Education Code Section 15278 to ensure bond

proceeds are expended only on the District facilities projects listed above. The Committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board.

Performance Audits: The Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the District facilities projects listed as set forth above.

Financial Audits: The Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the District facilities projects listed above.

Annual Report: The Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District is required to cause an annual report to be filed with the Board, the first report to be filed not later than one year after the issuance of the first series of the bonds, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in Measure __ as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the California Government Code.

COMPLETION OF PROJECTS

Completion of the bond projects listed above is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the Bond Measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the Bond Measure. The District's proposal for the projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure or additional measures. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Measure __, and not for any other purpose.

SCOPE OF PROJECTS

Bond proceeds will be expended to update, repair, replace, renovate, construct, acquire, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve educational and support facilities within the District. Projects which are described above include all related and incidental costs, including their share of the costs of the election and bond issuance and costs of design, engineering, architectural and other professional services, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning, legal, accounting and similar costs, independent annual financial and performance audits, a customary construction contingency, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects.

Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property (or any interest in real property) for future educational and support facilities and to acquire and install furniture, fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other educational facilities within the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects which are described above as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction.

Whenever specific items are included in the above list, they are presented to provide examples and are not intended to limit the generality of the broader description of authorized projects. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to indicate priority for

funding or completion. Projects at each site will be accomplished to address the individual site deficiencies and priorities as enumerated in the District's Facility Needs Analysis (FNA). Such FNA, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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EXHIBIT B

SHORT FORM OF BOND MEASURE

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Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

EXHIBIT C

TAX RATE STATEMENT

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS MEASURE __

An election will be held in the Antelope Valley Union High School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring bonded indebtedness of the District in the principal amount of \$398 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of taxes levied on the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given in compliance with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. This information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the assessed valuations of taxable property in the District, and assuming the entire debt service on the bonds will be paid through property taxation:

- 1. The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$19 per \$100,000 (\$0.019 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed. It is estimated that the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2062-63.
- 2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$20 per \$100,000 (\$0.02 per \$100) of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed and the year is 2025-26.
- 3. The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$797,000,000.

Attention of voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual timing of sales of the bonds and the amount to be sold at any time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sale. The actual assessed valuations in future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Assessed valuation is not the same as market price of real property. Therefore, the actual tax rates and the years in which those tax rates will be applicable may vary from those presently estimated and stated above.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on Los Angeles County's and Kern County's official tax rolls, <u>not</u> on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Dated: July 18, 2024

Gregory Nehen, Superintendent

Antelope Valley Union High School District

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Antelope Valley Union High School District

BALLOT MEASURES (continued)

REQUEST FOR LETTER DESIGNATION — The RR/CC, in accordance with Section 13116 of the Elections Code, will assign a letter designation for each measure on the ballot.

WITHDRAWAL AND/OR AMENDMENTS — Schools or special districts should file a resolution with the RR/CC by E-83 to amend a measure or if an election is being cancelled because a measure has been withdrawn. (E. C. § 9605)



November 5, 2024

Antelope Valley Union High School District JURISDICTION NAME

County of LA Official Use Only: Date Received Time Received

LETTER DESIGNATION FORM

Please complete this form in order to select your first, second, and third letter designation choice for your jurisdiction's measure to appear on the ballot. In the event your 1st, 2rd, or 3rd choice is unavailable, then please select the letter(s) designations that the jurisdiction DOES NOT want selected for its measure. The 3rd option for letter designations would be to create a unique letter designation that is not identified below using less than three letters of the alphabet. For example: County of Los Angeles USD Facilities Improvement measure could use unique letter designations such as CL, LA, LU, UC, LS.

Select your first, second, and third letter designation choice by checking √ off and listing the designated letters below: F Ι K L G Η M В D E Α P Q R S T V WX Y Z Ν \mathbf{U} BB DD EE FF GG HH IIKK LI. AA NN00 QQ RR XXUU CHOICES $2^{N\!D}$ AVH SS CC

Select the letters that your jurisdiction DOES NOT want assigned to its measure by marking the letter G Η K M D L P T Z U W X Y \coprod EE IJ KK MM BB CC DD FF GG HHП AA TT UU VVWW XXNN PP RR SS YY QQ AV, B, E, F List the Letters here: _