To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
Of the City of Los Angeles

Public Works Committee

Transmittal:

Transmitted herewith, is the City Engineer's report dated MAY 2 1 2010 for Council review and approval of:

VACATION APPROVAL - VAC-E1401130 - Council File No. 08-3320 - 88th Place and Crocker Street Vacation District.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the City Council finds that it has imposed all of the mitigation measures that are within control of the City, as described in the Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearing House No. 2006051043) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, dated February 26, 2008, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.

2. Adopt the City Engineer's report dated MAY 2 1 2010 with the conditions contained therein.

3. Fiscal Impact Statement:

To date, an estimated $7,167.33 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering.
4. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the streets, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street easements.

5. There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Attachment: 

Edmond Yew  
Manager  
Land Development Group

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To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
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Honorable Members: C. D. No. 9

SUBJECT:

Vacation Approval - VAC-E1401130 - Council File No. 08-3320 - 88th Place and Crocker Street Vacation District.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. That street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of the public rights-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B":

1. 88th Place between San Pedro Street and Avalon Boulevard.

2. Crocker Street between 87th Place and 88th Place.

3. Mettler Street between 87th Place and 88th Place.

B. That the vacation of the areas shown colored orange on Exhibit "B", be denied.

C. That the City Council finds that it has imposed all of the mitigation measures that are within control of the City, as described in the Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearing House No. 2006051043) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, dated February 26, 2008, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.

D. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the streets, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street easements.
E. That, in conformance with Section 556 of the City Charter, the Council make the findings that the vacation is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan.

F. That, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determine that the vacation areas are not needed for nonmotorized transportation facilities.

G. That, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determines that the vacation areas are not necessary for present or prospective public use.

H. That the Council adopt the City Engineer's report with the conditions contained therein.

I. That the City Clerk schedule the vacation for public hearing at least 30 days after the Public Works Committee approval so the City Clerk and Engineering can process the public notification pursuant to Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To date, an estimated $7,167.33 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering. Maintenance of the public easement by City forces will be eliminated.

NOTIFICATION:

That notification of the time and place of the Public Works Committee and the City Council meetings to consider this request be sent to:

1. Los Angeles Unified School District
   Attn: Michael Scinto
   1055 W. 7th Street, 10th Floor
   Los Angeles, CA  90017

2. Techna Land Company
   Attn: Hayk Matrirosian
   1545 N. Verdugo Road, Suite 2
   Glendale, CA  91208
CONDITIONS FOR STREET VACATION:

The Conditions specified in this report are established as the requirements to be complied with by the petitioner for this vacation. Vacation proceedings in which the conditions have not been completed within 2 years of the Council's action on the City Engineer's report, shall be terminated, with no further Council action.

1. That a suitable map, approved by the Central District Engineering Office, delineating the limits including bearings and distances of the areas to be vacated be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to the preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.

2. That a suitable legal description describing the areas being vacated and all easements to be reserved, including copies of all necessary supporting documentation, be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to the preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.

3. That title reports indicating the vestee of the underlying fee title interest in the areas to be vacated be submitted to the City Engineer.

4. That any fee interest of the street areas except for 88th Place being vacated within the proposed South Region High School #12 site which may be vested in the City of Los Angeles be acquired.

5. That suitable evidence be submitted showing the downgrade of 88th Place from a collector street to a local street is completed.
6. That the following dedications be provided adjoining the petitioner's properties in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer:

   a) Dedicate 2-foot and 12-foot wide strips of land along the westerly side of Avalon Boulevard (Major Highway Class II Standards) to complete a 52-foot wide half street dedication, together with a 20-foot radius or a 15-foot by 15-foot cut corner at the southwest corner of the intersection of Avalon Boulevard with 87th Place.

   b) Dedicate 2-foot and 5-foot wide strips of land along the easterly side of San Pedro Street (Secondary Highway Standards) to complete a 45-foot wide half street dedication, together with a 20-foot radius or a 15-foot by 15-foot cut corner at the southwest corner of the intersection of San Pedro Street with 87th Place.

   c) Dedicate an sufficient right of way as necessary along the easterly side of San Pedro Street for the purpose of a student drop off/pick up zone as recommended by the Department of Transportation in their letter of August 7, 2007.

   d) Dedicate sufficient right of way as necessary along the southerly side of 87th Place for a proposed bus zone as recommended by the Department of Transportation in their letter of August 7, 2007.

7. That the following improvements be constructed adjoining the petitioner's properties in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer:

   a) Widen the westerly side of Avalon Boulevard (Major Highway Class II Standards) to provide for a 40-foot wide half roadway, integral curb and gutter and a new 12-foot wide sidewalk, together with a new curb return with an access ramp for the handicapped at its intersection with 87th Place and a proper transition to join the existing improvements.
b) Widen the easterly side of San Pedro Street (Secondary Highway Standards) to provide for a 35-foot wide half roadway, integral curb and gutter and a new 10-foot wide concrete sidewalk, together with a new curb return with an access ramp for the handicapped at its intersection with 87th Place and a proper transition to join the existing improvements.

c) Construct student drop off/pick up zone along San Pedro Street and a bus zone along 87th Place as recommended by the Department of Transportation in their letter of August 7, 2007.

d) Repair or replace any broken/off-grade curb, gutter and sidewalk along the southerly side of 87th Place.

e) Close the intersections of 87th Place with both Crocker Street and Mettler Street and the intersections of 88th Place with both San Pedro Street and Avalon Boulevard with standard street improvements including curb, gutter and concrete sidewalk.

f) Close all unused driveways along Avalon Boulevard and San Pedro Street with standard street improvements.

g) Relocate any interfering catch basins and its appurtenant piping to a more suitable location.

h) That provisions be made to collect or divert any surface flows from impounding within the areas to be vacated.

8. That arrangements be made with the Department of Water and Power and the Southern California Gas Company for the removal of affected facilities or the providing of easements or rights for the protection of affected facilities to remain in place.

9. That satisfactory arrangements be made with the City Engineer for the relocation or abandonment of the existing sewer and city storm drain facilities located within the areas to be vacated, unless easements are reserved from the vacation for their protection.

10. That a consent to the vacation be secured from the City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks, owners of the property lying southerly of and adjoining 88th Place to be vacated.
11. That street lighting facilities be installed as required by the Bureau of Street Lighting.

12. That street trees be planted and tree wells be installed as may be required by the Street Tree Division of the Bureau of Street Services.

13. That satisfactory arrangements be made with the County of Los Angeles for the relocation or protection in place of county storm drain facilities located within the areas to be vacated, together with the dedication and/or reservation from the vacation of easements for their protection.

14. That the petitioner comply with the requirements identified in the Department of Transportation letter to the Los Angeles Unified School District office of Environmental Health and Safety dated August 7, 2007, to the satisfaction of the Bureau of Engineering and the Department of Transportation.

TRANSMITTAL:

Application dated September 26, 2008, from Michael Scinto.

DISCUSSION:

Request: The petitioner, Michael Scinto of the Los Angeles Unified School District, owners of the properties shown outlined in yellow on Exhibit "B", is requesting the vacation of the public street areas shown colored blue and orange. The purpose of the vacation request is to consolidate the proposed areas to be vacated with the adjoining properties to allow for the construction of South Region High School #12.

This vacation procedure is being proposed under Council File No. 01-1459 adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on March 5, 2002.

Resolution to Vacate: The Resolution to Vacate will be recorded upon compliance with the conditions established for this vacation.

Previous Council Action: The City Council on December 16, 2008, under Council File No. 08-3320 adopted a Rule 16 Motion initiating street vacation proceedings. The City Council on October 21, 2008, under Council File No. 08-2376 adopted a Motion Directing the City Planning Department to downgrade 88th Place to a local street and the Bureau of Engineering to provide
recommendation for the vacation of 88th Place. Crocker Street and Mettler Street, and the conveyance of title and procession of the rights-of-way in their entirety to Los Angeles Unified School District.

Zoning and Land Use: The properties lying southerly of 87th Place and easterly of both San Pedro Street and Crocker Street are zoned M2-1 and are developed with manufacturing businesses. The properties lying southerly of 87th Place between Mettler Street and Avalon Boulevard are zoned M1-1 and are also developed with manufacturing businesses.

Description of Areas to be Vacated: The areas sought to be vacated are:

1. 88th Place between San Pedro Street and Avalon Boulevard.
2. Crocker Street between 87th Place and 88th Place.
3. Mettler Street between 87th Place and 88th Place.

Mettler Street and Crocker Street are both local streets dedicated 60 feet wide with a 36-foot wide roadways and with curbs and 12-foot wide parkways. 88th Place is a collector street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 36-foot wide roadway, curbs and 12-foot wide parkways. 88th Place is currently being processed under Council File No. 08-2376 to be downgraded to a local street.

Adjoining Streets: Avalon Boulevard is an improved major highway class II dedicated 80 feet and 90 feet wide with a 28-foot wide half roadway, concrete curb and a 12-foot wide parkway/sidewalk. San Pedro Street is an improved secondary highway dedicated 80 feet and 83 feet wide with a 28-foot wide half roadway and a 12-foot to 15-foot wide parkway including a 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk. 87th Place is an improved local street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 18-foot wide half roadway and a 12-foot wide parkway (5-foot wide sidewalk and a 7-foot wide planter area).

Surrounding Properties: The City of Los Angeles, an adjoining owner to the proposed areas to be vacated has been notified of the proposed street vacation.

Effects of Vacation on Circulation and Access: Crocker Street and Mettler Street are local streets providing access to the adjacent properties so the proposed vacation of Crocker Street between 87th Place and 88th Place and Mettler Street between 87th
Place and 88th Place would not have any adverse effect on vehicular circulation since the adjacent properties will be part of the school site. The Department of Transportation in correspondence dated April 16, 2009 stated the effects and potential impacts of vacating 88th Place were addressed under the project's environmental document. Project requirements for the school project have been included as conditions herein.

The streets are not needed for the use of pedestrians, bicyclists and equestrians.

Objections to the Vacation: There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Reversionary Interest: Joel Alvarez of the Department of Recreation and Parks in a correspondence dated April 23, 2010, and Robin Brown of the Los Angeles Unified School District in a correspondence dated April 26, 2010 both indicated that the vacated street area of 88th Place will be divided according to the current reversionary rights and therefore no conveyance of property from the City to Los Angeles Unified School District is necessary. No additional action is therefore necessary from Recommendation 3(b) of Council File No. 08-2376.

Dedications and Improvements: It will be necessary that the petitioner provides for the dedications and improvements as outlined under Conditions.

Sewers and Storm Drains: There are existing sewer and storm drain facilities within the areas proposed to be vacated.

Public Utilities: The Southern California Gas Company maintains facilities in the areas proposed to be vacated. The Department of Water and Power did not respond to the Bureau of Engineering's referral letter dated October 24, 2008.

Tract Map: Since the required dedications can be acquired by separate instruments and the necessary improvements can be constructed under separate permit processes, the requirement for the recordation of a new tract map could be waived.

City Department of Transportation: The Department of Transportation states that the vacation is not opposed if all abutting property owners are in agreement with the proposed vacation and that the applicant complies with their recommendations per their letter dated August 7, 2007.

City Fire Department: The Fire Department did not respond to the Bureau of Engineering's referral letter dated October 24, 2008.
Department of City Planning: The Department of City Planning did not respond to the Bureau of Engineering's referral letter dated October 24, 2008.

Conclusion: The vacation of the public street areas as shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B" could be conditionally approved based upon the following:

1. They are unnecessary for present or prospective public use.
2. They are not needed for vehicular circulation or access.
3. They are not needed for nonmotorized transportation purposes.

The areas shown colored orange should not be vacated because they are needed for public street purposes.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Land Development Group
Bureau of Engineering

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APPLICATION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

DATE: 09/26/08

ORIGINAL - (No copies or faxes)

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

1. Area proposed to be vacated is: Mettler Street
   and is located between:
   - San Pedro Street
   - Avalon Blvd.
   - 88th Place
   - 87th Place

2. The vacation area lies within or is shown on:
   - Engineering District: (check appropriately)
     - Central
     - Harbor
     - Valley
     - West Los Angeles
   - Council District No. 9
   - District Map No. 96A205

3. Area (in sq. ft.) of the proposed vacation area is approx. 30,968 sq. ft.
   If over 10,000 sq. ft. of buildable area, the vacation is not categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and will require a Notice of Determination. Contact a Vacation staff member to discuss the effect of this on the processing of your application prior to submittal. If the vacation is located within a Coastal Development Zone, prior approval from the California Coastal Commission will be required before the vacation application can be submitted.

4. Purpose of vacation (future use of vacation area) is: to allow
   for construction of South Region High School #12 (LAUSD)

5. Vacation is in conjunction with: (Check appropriately)
   - Revocable Permit
   - Tract Map
   - Parcel Map
   - Zone Change
   - Other

PETITIONER/ APPLICANT:

6. Petitioner(s): Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
   Print Name(s) of Petitioner(s) in full - Name or Company Name

Signature(s):

7. Mailing Address: 1055 W. 7th Street, 10th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
   (Address, City, State, Zip Code)

8. Daytime phone number of petitioner is: (213) 972-5105
   FAX number: ( )
   E-mail number: mike.scinto@lausd.net

9. Petitioner is: (check appropriately) ( ) Owner OR ( ) Representative of Owner

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South Region HS #12
Preferred Site # 1

Number of Classrooms: 75
Number of Seats: 2,025
Local District: 7

APN: 6041-020
6041-021
6041-022

L. W. ReinHold Plastic
Recycling Center
APN: 6041-022-016
8751 Crocker St.

Glassworks Mfg.
APN: 6041-021-021
8605 Metller Ave.

Quality Steel
APN: 6041-020-007
8750 Metller Ave.

Ace Wrought Ironwork
(APN: 6041-020-001)
530 E. 87th Pl.

Tony's Furniture Finishing
(APN: 6041-020-002)
8765 Avalon Blvd.

Parking Lot (Part of
Ghonim Steel)
APN: 6041-020-003
8775 Avalon Blvd.

Savin OK Welding
APN: 6041-020-004
8756 Avalon Blvd.

Aguran Furniture
(APN: 6041-020-005)
8805 Avalon Blvd.

American Leisure
Industries
APN: 6041-020-006
8815 Avalon Blvd.

L. W. ReinHold Plastic
(APN: 6041-022-011)
8750 S. San Pedro St.

Part of Reinholds Plastic
APN: 6041-022-003
8799 Crocker St.

Zayatas Steel
Ornamental Supply
APN: 6041-022-009
8600 S. San Pedro St.

Kelmark Towing
APN: 6041-022-014
8606 S. San Pedro St.

Vegas Machine
APN: 6041-022-015
8816 S. San Pedro St.

Mex & Peter Recycling
Center/Transmission Parts Store
APN: 6041-022-013
8809 Crocker St.

Azlan Trucking School
APN: 6041-021-014

Composing Facility
APN: 6041-021-003
8810 Towne Ave.

Ghonim Steel
APN: 6041-020-009
8768 Metller Ave.

Quick Revolution Upholstery and Other Mfg.
APN: 6041-020-008
8766 Metller Ave.

Trinity Waste Disposal/Auto
Depot (Auto Auction)
APN: 6041-021-005
8823 Metller Ave.

Axil Trucking School
APN: 6041-021-019; 6041-021-017
8818 Crocker St.

Part of Composing Facility
APN: 6041-021-007, 6041-021-002

Part of Axil Truck School
APN: 6041-021-016
8818 Crocker St.

Property Description

Number of Single-Family Residential (SFR):
0

Number of Multi-Family Residential (MFR):
0

Number of Commercial (OFF/RET/IND/BB):
20

Number of Parking Lots (PL) / Vacant (VAC):
9

Number of Other:
0

Total Number to be Acquired:
29

Units
0
28
0
0
28

Site Size Description

Total Acres from Parcels:
13.28

Total Acres from Street & Alley Vacations:
1.42

Total Acres to be Acquired:
14.70

NOTE: Preliminary site information is subject to verification
Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent’s Report on Transformation Metrics

1. Dropout Prevention Program

Receipt of Bargaining Unions Proposals for 2007-2008

2. Associated Administrators of Los Angeles – Mr. Michael O’Sullivan

Old Business for Action

3. Board of Education Revised Report No. 155 – 07/08 WITHDRAWN
   Human Resources
   (Rescission of Board Rule 1912: Method of Submitting Personnel Assignments for Board
   Action) Recommends rescission of Board Rule, which specifies the details necessary for
   personnel actions to come forward from District staff for approval by the Board. The revision is
   to delete the rule rather than to amend the Rule. A Delegation of Authority supersedes this Rule.

   Facilities Services Division
   (Designation of the Site Located at the Northeast Corner of Walker Avenue and Randolph Street
   as the Preferred Site for South Region High School No. 8) Approves designation as preferred
   site property located at Randolph St. and Walker Ave. in the City of Maywood in order to
   conduct planning and feasibility studies for a 1,215 student high school at an anticipated cost of
   approximately $130 million.

5. Board of Education Report No. 253 – 07/08 ADOPTED
   Office of the General Counsel
   (Initial Bargaining Proposals for 2007-08 Reopener Agreements for All Classified Bargaining
   Units)
Business Services
(Agreements) Recommends approval of task order for technology consulting services with SAIC.

New Business for Action

Student Health and Human Services Division  (AMENDMENT: POSTPONE ACTION ON CASE NO. 089-07/08 PENDING REPORT BY STAFF)  
(Student Expulsion Issues) Recommends approval of expulsion and appropriate placement of 6 students, including the suspension of enforcement of 5 students, the conditional enrollment of 1 student expelled from another district and the denial of conditional enrollment of 1 student expelled from another district.

8. Board of Education Report No. 261 – 07/08  ADOPTED  
Student Health and Human Services  
(Student Reinstatements) Recommends approval of the reinstatement of 7 previously expelled students.

9. Board of Education Report No. 262 – 07/08  ADOPTED  
Facilities Services Division  
(Ratification of Facilities Contracts Actions and Approval of Professional Services Contracts)  
Recommends award of 9 new construction and 31 existing facilities construction contracts and amendments for approximately $15 million; 1 job order contract for $100,000 and 4 job order contract amendments for approximately $6.6 million; change orders for new and existing facilities for approximately $8 million; awards 77 unadvertised contracts totaling $1 million; awards 5 architectural and engineering contracts for approximately $12 million, 3 task order contract awards totaling approximately $1.6 million; and 3 new contracts for professional services totaling approximately $264,000, 3 amendments for professional services agreements, and 3 option year amendments not to exceed $400,000; real estate purchase and sale agreements for approximately $42.5 million and loss of rent agreements; and amendments for 2 design services agreements $1.3 million and 10 general maintenance service agreements for property acquired for new school construction totaling $6.6 million for the initial term.

Facilities Services Division  (AMENDMENT: ADD BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND RESOLUTION)  
(Amendment to Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Fund Alternation and Improvement and Board Member Priority Projects at Various Schools) Recommends approval of amendment to Strategic Execution Plan to add 25 projects in Local Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 using Measure K, Measure R and Measure Y school bond construction funds for approximately $2 million.
11. Board of Education Report No. 264 - 07/08 ADOPTED AS AMENDED
Facilities Services Division (AMENDMENT: ADD BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND RESOLUTION)
(Amendment to Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Add Eight and Cancel Two Modified Consent Decree On-Demand Accessibility Projects) Recommends approval of amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to include 8 disabled access projects to be funded by Measure K school construction bond funds for a total cost of approximately $900,000 and cancel two existing projects.

12. Board of Education Report No. 265 - 07/08 ADOPTED AS AMENDED
Facilities Services Division (AMENDMENT: ADD BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND RESOLUTION)
(Approval of the 2008 New Construction Strategic Execution Plan) Updates the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to include the 343 projects to provide 6,410 classrooms authorized by the Board since the 2007 update of the plan.

Facilities Services Division
(Designation of the Site on the Southeast Corner of West 68th Street and South Vermont Avenue in the City of Los Angeles as the Preferred Site for South Region Elementary School No. 11) Recommends approval of designation of property at West 68th St. and Vermont in Los Angeles as the preferred site for construction of an 800 student elementary. The current estimated project budget is approximately $63.7 million.

14. Board of Education Report No. 267 - 07/08 ADOPTED
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed South Region High School No. 12 Project) Recommends approval of certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report; adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan; and adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations for the construction of a 2,025 student high school to be located at 88th Place and San Pedro St. in Los Angeles with an anticipated cost of $183 million.

15. Board of Education Report No. 268 - 07/08 ADOPTED
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Proposed South Region High School No. 12 Project) Recommends approval of authorization for staff to proceed with site acquisition and construction of a 2,025 student high school project to be located at 88th Place and San Pedro St. in Los Angeles with an anticipated cost of $183 million.

16. Board of Education Report No. 269 - 07/08 ADOPTED
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed South Los Angeles Area New High School No. 3 Project) Recommends approval of certification of the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report; adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan; and adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations for the construction of a 2,025 student high school to be located at Hoover St. and 60th St. in Los Angeles with an anticipated cost of $196 million.
17. Board of Education Report No. 270 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Proposed South Los Angeles Area New High School No. 3 Project)
Recommends approval of authorization for staff to proceed with site acquisition and construction of a 2,025 student high school project to be located at Hoover St. and 60th St. in Los Angeles with an anticipated cost of $196 million.

18. Board of Education Report No. 271 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval Relocation Plan for South Region Span K-8 No. 1) Approves relocation plans for those displaced by the construction of a 1,278 student, grades K through 8 school, to be located at L St. and Avalon Blvd. in the Wilmington area of the City of Los Angeles.

Facilities Services Division (AMENDMENT: ADD BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND RESOLUTION; ADD ADDITIONAL RFP PROCESS WITH CRITERIA TO BE ACTED ON BY THE BOARD ON MARCH 11 WITH IMPLEMENTATION BY JUNE)
(Amendment to Add 35 Charter Schools Facilities Expansion Projects to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan) Recommends approval of amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to include 35 charter school facilities expansion projects to allow for the purchase and lease of furniture and equipment for 31 schools and portable buildings for 4 schools.

20. Board of Education Report No. 273 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Human Resources Division
(Routine Personnel Actions) Recommends approval of 1,036 routine personnel actions such as promotions, transfers, leaves, terminations, separations, etc.

Human Resources Division
(Nonroutine Personnel Actions) Recommends the dismissal of a classified employee and the rescission of dismissals of classified employees.

22. Board of Education Report No. 278 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Human Resources Division
(Teacher Recruitment and Retention Program Funding Request to California Department of Education) Recommends authorization for staff to request the second Teacher Recruitment and Student Support funding allocation of $11.1 million available from the California Department of Education. This funding provides teacher recruitment and retention incentives and tuition reimbursements.

23. Board of Education Report No. 275 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Business Services Division
(Agreements and Amendment) Ratifies 1,302 various agreements for amounts less than $250,000; ratifies 98 Task and Work Orders; approves 3 task orders for professional services for technology support, and an agreement for primary language assessments for English learners.
24. Board of Education Report No. 280 – 07/08 ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Business Services Division  (AMENDMENT: ADD EXHIBITS A, B, AND C; POSTPONE
ACTION ON EXHIBITS E AND F)
(Various Purchasing Transactions) Recommends ratification of regular purchase orders and
other transactions for approximately $94 million; authorization to extend contracts already in
effect for pupil transportation services.

25. Board of Education Report No. 283 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Charter Schools Division
(Magnolia Science Academy – 4 Charter Petition) Recommends approval of a charter petition to
the Dialog Foundation for a 575 student, grades 6-11 school for 5 years to be located in the
San Pedro area.

Charter Schools Division
(Magnolia Science Academy – 5 Charter Petition) Recommends approval of a charter petition to
the Dialog Foundation for a 575 student, grades 6-11 school for 5 years to be located in the
Hollywood area of Los Angeles.

27. Board of Education Report No. 285 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Charter Schools Division
(Magnolia Science Academy – 6 Charter Petition) Recommends approval of a charter petition to
the Dialog Foundation for a 575 student, grades 6-11 school for 5 years to be located in the Eagle
Rock area of Los Angeles.

28. Board of Education Report No. 286 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Charter Schools Division
(Magnolia Science Academy – 7 Charter Petition) Recommends approval of a charter petition to
the Dialog Foundation for a 575 student, grades 6-11 school for 5 years to be located in the Van
Nuys area of Los Angeles.

29. Board of Education Report No. 281 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Office of the General Counsel
(Ratification of Actions Taken by the Office of the General Counsel for Settlement and Special
Education Matters for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2007) Approves payment of special
education parent's attorney fees of approximately $850,000 and legal settlements and judgments
of approximately $1.1 million made between October 1, 2007, and December 31, 2007.

30. Board of Education Report No. 289 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Office of the General Counsel
(Designation of Senior Management Positions) Recommends approval of specific list of
positions as Senior Management of the classified service.
31. Board of Education Report No. 276 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Accounting and Disbursements Division
(Report of Warrants Issued and Request to Reissue Stale-Dated Warrant) Approves warrants for things such as salary payments for a total value of approximately $636 million, the reissuance of a stale dated warrant.

32. Board of Education Report No. 259 – 07/08 POSTPONED TO MARCH 11, 2008
Instructional Services
(Recommended Adoption of High School Core and Advanced Placement Mathematics Textbooks) Recommends adoption of specific high school mathematics textbooks with an anticipated cost of $21.7 million.

33. Board of Education Report No. 282 – 07/08 PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTED
SB-IX/Specially Funded Programs
(Adoption of the School Assistance and Intervention Team (SAIT) Report of Findings and Recommended Corrective Actions for Horace Mann Middle School) Recommends adoption of the Report of Findings and Recommended Corrective Actions provided by the Los Angeles County Office of Education Corrective Action Plan.

34. Board of Education Report No. 287 – 07/08 ADOPTED
Treasury and Accounting Controls
(Resolution Authorizing the Conversion and/or Refunding of the 2005 Certificates of Participation and Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Take Any Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith) Recommends authorization to allow staff to convert or refund specific 2005 Certificates of Participation (COPs) and the authority to take the necessary actions to implement conversion or refunding.

Board Members Resolution for Action

35. Ms. Galatzan, Dr. Vladovic – Establishing Lower Speed Limits Around Schools ADOPTED

Whereas, Assembly Bill 321, which went into effect January 1, 2008, allows for speed reduction around schools;

Whereas, California Vehicle Code Section 21351 authorizes cities to place and maintain appropriate signs, signals, or traffic control devices as may be necessary to properly indicate and carry out the provisions of the Vehicle Code or local traffic ordinances, or to warn or guide traffic;

Whereas, Section 22358 of the California Vehicle Code and the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, and other cities in the Los Angeles Unified School District authorizes the Department of Transportation to declare prima facie speed limits to facilitate the orderly movement of traffic;

Whereas, Section 22358 was amended by Assembly Bill 321 to allow for speed limits to be reduced to 15 mph in residential areas when children are present during school hours;
Whereas, Assembly Bill 321 will allow the streets adjacent to schools with a two-lane roadway and a speed limit of 30 mph or less to qualify for a speed reduction to 15 mph; and

Whereas, It is the Los Angeles Unified School District’s objective to ensure the safest speed limit to make walking and bicycling a conducive mode of transportation to schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District urges the Los Angeles City Council, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, and any other City that falls within the Los Angeles Unified School District, to implement the speed limit reduction to 15 mph to facilitate a safer passage for students.

36. Ms. García, Ms. Canter, Dr. Vladovic – Create School-Community Parks in Partnership with Community Groups and the City of Los Angeles ADOPTED

Whereas, Parks and playgrounds make urban neighborhoods more livable, particularly when they involve community partners, offer recreational opportunities for at-risk youth, and provide places in neighborhoods where residents can feel a sense of community;

Whereas, Access to schools, parks and recreational facilities has been strongly linked to reductions in crime, reduced juvenile delinquency, and improved health and academic performance;

Whereas, A recent national study of the seven largest cities in the United States and ranked Los Angeles the lowest in park access. The study found that two-thirds of children 18 and under in Los Angeles do not live within walking distance of a public park;

Whereas, Public schools serve as the cultural and recreational center of their communities, serving many different needs and interests beyond their daily function of public education, including playgrounds, athletic fields, play courts and open spaces;

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District’s Beyond the Bell Branch serves 400,000 students annually through academic intervention programs in every school, operating daily and when students are off-track and on vacation. The Youth Services permissive recreational program serves 40,000 students daily, Monday through Friday at all elementary and middle schools (511 schools) from dismissal until 6:00 pm. Further, 60,000 students are served daily through grant-funded after-school enrichment and recreation programs at all Title 1 schools and 33 high schools;

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District issues over 4,300 Civic Center Permits annually to youth and community groups, representing 70,000 daily uses at over 600 school sites, including every high school from 6:00 pm through 10:00 pm, Monday through Friday, weekends and summers; and

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is developing partnerships with public agencies, civic foundations, and community based organizations to develop, modernize, staff, operate, and maintain facilities for the mutual benefit of students and families; now, therefore, be it
Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School instructs the Superintendent of Schools or his designee to convene a working group, including representatives of the Facilities Division, Beyond the Bell Branch, the City of Los Angeles, and community organizations to develop a plan for creating School-Community Parks by identifying opportunities to open elementary school playgrounds and play courts during weekends and school break periods for youth and family access; enhance those facilities with physical and landscaping (“greening”) features; design high-quality, supervised programming facilitated by the Beyond the Bell Branch to address physical and educational needs of students; and seek the necessary external fiscal resources to implement, operate and maintain playgrounds during non-school periods;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent of Schools or his designee be instructed to report back in sixty (60) days with a proposed facilities and program structure to facilitate a School-Community Park Partnership during weekends and school break periods, including a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with interested community-based organizations, civic foundations and the City of Los Angeles;

Resolved further, That the facilities component of the School-Community Park Partnership plan should address the following elements:

- Project feasibility;
- Partner contributions;
- School site selection criteria;
- Fiscal requirements;
- Maintenance and operation requirements;
- Potential playground greening and infrastructure improvements;

Resolved further, That the programmatic component of the School-Community Park Partnership plan should address the following components:

- Program design and facilitation;
- Evaluation and accountability; and be it finally

Resolved, That the School-Community Park Partnership, including any new operational expenses, be implemented as funding and resources are made available by community-based organizations, civic foundations and or the City of Los Angeles.

37. Ms. García, Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte - Promote the Dignity and Respect of Los Angeles Hotel Workers and Their Families  ADOPTED

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is the second largest public school district in the nation with a total student population of approximately 700,000;

Whereas, It is the priority and mission of the District to educate all students to their maximum potential;
Whereas, The District recognizes that the academic success of students is correlated to the health, economic conditions, and stability of their families;

Whereas, Many of the parents and guardians of students in the District work in the hotel industry and rely on fair working conditions and adequate healthcare for themselves and their families;

Whereas, Fair negotiations between hotel workers and hotel owners are critical to maintaining steady family income and continued academic success for students whose families work in the hotel industry;

Whereas, Hotel workers in the Los Angeles area earn significantly less than other major cities in the United States despite the fact that they do the same work; and

Whereas, The District does not want to put unionized employees in the position of crossing a picket line or utilizing an entity involved in a labor dispute; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District strongly supports the efforts of hotel workers to reach a just and decent contract with local hotels that protects health care, improves working conditions, and increases the hiring of underrepresented minorities in the hotel industry;

Resolved further, That the Board strongly encourages District staff to avoid booking events at venues that unionized employees will not patronize because the facility is involved in a labor dispute;

Resolved further, That the Los Angeles Unified School District encourages all parties to continue an open dialogue and negotiate in good faith until a fair contract is reached; and be it finally

Resolved that the Board directs the Superintendent to communicate this resolution to all Local District Superintendents and school principals.

Board Members Resolution Initial Announcement

38. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. García –Youth for Positive Change/Global Youth Service Day
FOR ACTION ON APRIL 22

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District’s youth make important contributions to our community’s welfare every day of the year;

Whereas, Young people in the United States, and in many other countries, are volunteering more that in any generation in history;

Whereas, Service-learning, an innovative teaching method that combines service to the community with curriculum-based learning, is a hands-on approach to mastering subject material while fostering civic responsibility;

Whereas, Young people will benefit greatly from expanded opportunities to engage in meaningful volunteer service and service-learning;
Whereas, Young people should be viewed as the hope not only of the future, but also of today, and should be valued for the idealism, energy, creativity, and commitment they bring to the challenges found in their communities;

Whereas, Though community service, your people build character and learn valuable skills, including time management, teamwork, needs-assessment, and leadership, that are sought by employers;

Whereas, Youth for Positive Change has been the Lead Agency for Global Youth Service Day for Los Angeles, a non-profit association dedicated to the development and empowerment of youth;

Whereas, The goals of National Youth Service Day are to mobilize youth as leaders in identifying and addressing the needs of their communities through service and service-learning, to support youth on a lifelong path of service and civic engagement, and to educate the public, the media, and policy makers about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders;

Whereas, Global Youth Service Day is an annual public awareness and education campaign that highlights the valuable contributions that young people make to their communities throughout the year; and

Whereas, The 20th annual Global Youth Service Day, a program of Youth Service America, in partnership with the National Youth Leadership Council, PARADE Magazine, with the State Farm Companies Foundation as the presenting sponsor, takes place on April 25-27, 2008; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District recognizes Youth for Positive Change for their dedication and outstanding service to the community and declares April 25-27, 2008, Global Youth Service Days.

39. Ms. García, Ms. Flores Aguilar - Resolution to Declare March as School Social Work Month

Whereas, School Social Work Practice is a specialized area within the broad professional field of social work;

Whereas, School Social Work Week is on March 2–8, 2008, and is regularly celebrated the first week of March;

Whereas, School Social Work Week aims to advocate for the profession and to more effectively assist students’ focus on learning, remove barriers to achievement, decrease school violence, and improve the school climate for all students and staff;
Whereas, According to the National Mental Health Association, 17.5 million children are in need of mental health services. Less than one in five are receiving those services. School social workers very often help students who otherwise might not receive services due to inaccessibility or lack of availability of services;

Whereas, School Social Workers bring unique professional knowledge, skills, and perspective in the areas of mental health and child welfare and attendance to the school system;

Whereas, School Social Workers are employed by Los Angeles Unified School District’s School Mental Health Unit and other programs to support the academic mission by providing services which strengthen home/school/community partnerships;

Whereas, School Social Workers practice is essential to the schools’ mission and includes activities such as assessment, crisis intervention, home visits, conflict resolution, individual, group and family counseling, parent education, staff consultation and training, program development, and coordination and linking of school and community services;

Whereas, School Social Workers have a minimum master’s level education and adhere to a professional code of ethics to guide students, families and teaching professionals through complex issues and choices;

Whereas, School Social Workers understand family, cultural and community factors as well as social issues such as poverty, violence, and substance abuse, just to name a few, that impact academic achievement and school safety;

Whereas, School Social Workers are uniquely qualified to serve as catalysts to bring people together and create partnerships with teaching staff and other support staff to create learning environments that are socially responsive to all; and

Whereas, School Social Workers use research and evidence-based approaches and evaluate the effectiveness of their services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District declares March as Professional School Social Work Month.

Miscellaneous Business

Correspondence and Petitions

40. Report of Correspondence

Approval of Minutes

41. 10:00 a.m., Regular Board Meeting, November 14, 2006
     2:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, November 13, 2007
     2:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting, December 11, 2007
     10:00 a.m., Special Board Meeting, January 15, 2008
     10:15 a.m., Special Board Meeting, January 31, 2008
     10:00 a.m., Special Board Meeting, February 12, 2008

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Announcements

Announce Special Board Meetings on Thursday, February 28, 2008

Public Comment

Adjournment

Please note that the Board of Education may consider at this meeting any item referred from a Board Meeting five calendar days prior to this meeting (Education Code 54954.2(b)(3)).

The Board of Education may also refer any item on this Order of Business for the consideration of a Standing Committee of the Board of Education, which meets on the Thursday immediately after this meeting.

Members of the public who wish to address the Board regarding items on this agenda should contact the Board Secretariat in person or by calling (213) 241-7002 or toll free (877) 772-6273, extension 128, one hour prior to the scheduled start time of the meeting to determine if they may be added to the speakers' list. Requests for disability related modifications or accommodations shall be made 24 hours prior to the meeting to the Board Secretariat.

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