

**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District
Board of Education Meeting
UPDATE TO THE AGENDA**

September 27, 2007

MAJOR ITEMS

- A.10 Award of Legal Services to Orbach, Huff & Suarez LLP for Environmental Impact Study Services
EDIT: Moved item from Consent to Major (*pages 2-3 of this update*)

- A.13 Award of Consulting Services to Michael Hill for Joint Use and Facility Engagement Consulting Services for the Measure “BB” Program
EDIT: Moved item from Consent to Major (*pages 4-5 of this update*)

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FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / STEPHEN R. HODGSON /
VIRGINIA I. HYATT

UPDATE

RE: AWARD OF LEGAL SERVICES TO ORBACH, HUFF & SUAREZ LLP
FOR ENVIRNOMENTAL IMPACT STUDY SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.10

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with Orbach, Huff & Suarez LLP for legal services as may be needed by the district in conjunction with the preparation of the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR).

Funding Information

Budgeted: Yes

Fund: 21

Source: Building Fund

Account Number: 21-00000-0-00000-85000-5802-050-1500

Description: Consultant Services

Comments: In order to continue the Facilities Master Plan process to completion, the Program EIR must be completed. Part of this process involves various stages of review, public comment, and public meetings. Throughout this process, legal services will be required to review documents for legality and compliance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) regulations.

At the July 12, 2007, board meeting, PCR was hired to conduct the Program EIR. Orbach, Huff & Suarez will work closely with both the district and PCR in completing the Facility Master Plan process.

As the full scope of the EIR is unknown at this time, the contract amount (approximately \$150,000) is estimated and based on other similar work done by the firm. Only actual hours used will be invoiced to the district.

Orbach, Huff & Suarez LLP comes highly recommended as a firm specializing both in environmental and construction matters.

The Measure "BB" Advisory Committee reviewed this recommendation at its meeting on September 10, 2007.

Measure "BB" Bond funds will be used to cover this expense.

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UPDATE

RE: AWARD OF CONSULTING SERVICES TO MICHAEL HILL FOR JOINT
USE AND FACILITY ENGAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE
MEASURE "BB" PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.13

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with Michael Hill for consulting services related to joint use and facility engagement for the Measure "BB" program in an amount of \$25,000.

Funding Information

Budgeted: Yes
Fund: 21
Source: State School Building Fund
Account Number: 21-00000-0-00000-85000-5802-050-1500
Description: Consultant Services

Comments: In order to continue the Facilities Master Plan process and the Measure "BB" program, it is necessary to continue Joint Use discussions with both the Cities of Santa Monica and Malibu, in addition to Santa Monica College. It has been recommended by both the Facility Master Plan document and the Measure "BB" Advisory Committee that a person be hired for this task as there is no one on staff who can perform these duties.

In addition, Mr. Hill will support the communication efforts to the sites and community regarding the Measure "BB" program by implementing procedure, timelines, and program development goals as they relate to site facility projects.

As the full scope of the process is unknown at this time, hours are estimated. Only actual hours used will be billed to the district.

Michael Hill comes highly recommended to the district. Mr. Hill is a long-time resident of the community and has actively worked in both Santa Monica and Malibu City governments, in addition to college level activities throughout his career. He has participated in joint use efforts for the district over the past three years.

The Measure "BB" Advisory Committee reviewed this recommendation at its meeting on September 10, 2007.

Funds from the sale of the Issuance Series "A" of the Measure "BB" General Obligations Bonds will reimburse Fund 21 as they become available.

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