



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: February 13, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of the Aledo Growth Committee Recommendation of the 2023 Bond Program

PRESENTER: Dan Reilley and Kelli Stumbo, Aledo Growth Committee Co-Chairs

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Due to the rapid student growth in Aledo ISD, the Administration and Board of Trustees has begun the discussion about looking forward toward planning for facilities to meet the learning needs of our students in both short and long term. As part of the work of the Board's Long-Range Facility Planning Subcommittee, the Administration and Board have discussed and studied demographic and financial data that is informing our long-range planning for growth.

The Aledo Growth Committee (AGC) was appointed by the Board of Trustees at its August 22, 2022 regular Board meeting.

The purpose and charge of the committee are as follows:

2022-2023 Aledo Growth Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Aledo Growth Committee is to represent the Aledo ISD community in:

- the study of data related to enrollment, finances, instructional priorities and facility needs,
- constructing a long-range facility master plan for the district to address districtwide educational infrastructure needs due to rapidly growing student enrollment and aging facilities, and
- recommending to the Board of Trustees a bond program for a possible upcoming bond election.

2022-2023 Aledo Growth Committee Charge

The Aledo Growth Committee is charged by the Board of Trustees to:

- represent the priorities, expectations and values of the entire community,
- consider the needs of all of the district's students,
- use facts and data to make informed decisions,
- understand the district's finances to develop a program that is fiscally sound and efficient,

- recommend a long-range facility master plan that meets the district's building capacity needs into the future, and
- recommend to the Board of Trustees a bond program for a possible upcoming bond election.

The AGC has met as a group during 13 meetings between August 29, 2022 and February 6, 2023. Each month while the AGC met, the AGC Co-Chairs and members updated the Board of Trustees on their work. The AGC also hosted two community meetings at which AGC members gathered feedback and answered questions from the community.

The AGC meetings were as follows:

- August 30, 2022
- September 12, 2022
- September 26, 2022
- October 4, 2022
- October 10, 2022
- October 24, 2022
- November 1, 2022
- November 7, 2022
- November 28, 2022
- December 5, 2022
- December 6, 2022 - COMMUNITY MEETING
- December 8, 2022 - COMMUNITY MEETING
- January 10, 2023
- January 23, 2023
- February 6, 2023

On January 23, 2023 the AGC met and constructed a draft bond program to present to the Board of Trustees and the community for their feedback.

At the January 26, 2023 Special Board meeting, the AGC Co-Chairs, Dan Reilley and Kelli Stumbo, along with other members of the AGC, presented a May 2023 draft bond package to the Board and the community.

From January 26, 2023 through January 31, 2023, the AGC requested that the community provide feedback about the draft May 2023 bond package for the AGC's review.

On February 6, 2023, the AGC met and considered the community feedback. The members reviewed and finalized the recommended bond program for a May 2023 bond election. The members also constructed a Long Range Plan for Growth, outlining likely projects for a 2025 bond program and likely priority projects for future bond programs.

At this Board meeting, the AGC will present its final recommended May 2023 Bond program to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

The final recommended bond package is as follows:

Elementary School #7	\$59,800,000
High School Addition/Repurpose	\$20,200,000
Aledo High School/Daniel Ninth Grade Furniture	\$5,000,000
Land <i>(to include tracts for additional high school facilities)</i>	\$17,800,000
Safety & Security	\$5,000,000
Transportation	\$4,500,000
Technology	\$6,500,000
Maintenance	\$5,000,000
Total	\$123,800,000

FISCAL INFORMATION:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Aledo Growth Committee Presentation of Recommended Bond Program

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the recommended bond program of \$123,800,000 as presented by the Aledo Growth Committee, for a May 6, 2023 bond election.