



Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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TO: Dr. Carol Kelley, Superintendent of Schools
Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Alicia Evans, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations

SUBJECT: Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of
\$57,500,000 School Building Bonds to the voters of School District Number 97

DATE: January 10, 2017

Attached is the resolution for the building bond referendum question. The resolution and the question had to be finalized before the January 10, 2017 meeting. Thus, William Blair, Robbins Schwartz and Chapman and Cutler, along with the referendum committee came to consensus on the attached wording for the building bond ballot question. It is believed the ballot question provides the correct balance of clarity in intent and sufficient flexibility. The question included in the resolution is,

“Shall the Board of Education of Oak Park School District Number 97, Cook County, Illinois, improve the sites of, build and equip additions to, and alter, repair and equip school buildings of said School District and issue bonds of said School District to the amount of \$57,500,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?.”

The timeline of activity is as follows:

1. The Election Resolutions will be considered by the Board of Education on January 10, 2017.
2. Certified copy of the Election Resolutions must be filed with the Cook County Clerk on or before, January 26, 2017.
3. Notice of the propositions to be submitted at the election must be published by the County Clerk not earlier than Sunday, March 5, 2017, and not after Saturday, March 25, 2017, in the *Oak Leaves*.
4. The Notices must also be posted not later than Saturday, March 25, 2017, at the principal office of the County Clerk.
5. Additionally, the Notices must be posted not later than Saturday, March 25, 2017, at the administrative office of the District.