

Lyon County School District Board Memo

Date: April 22, 2025

To: Board of School Trustees

From: Harman Bains, Executive Director of Operations

Re: LCSD Perimeter Fencing and Site Concrete Improvements

Recommendation:

The Board of Trustees approves the district the change direction and publish new projects with revised scopes of work for the LCSD Perimeter Fencing, and Site Improvements project.

Background Information:

At the May 23, 2024, meeting, the LCSD Board of Trustees approved the district to move forward with the Perimeter Fencing, Site, and Exterior Door Improvements project for Fernley, Dayton, and Yerington High Schools. In collaboration with Paul Cavin Architect LLC, a Request for Proposal (RFP) was developed and published on December 16, 2024. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference followed on December 23, 2024, and bids were subsequently opened on January 17, 2025. Only one bid was received.

At the January 28, 2025, meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the sole bid received for the planned improvement project. However, as of April 3, 2025, no project schedule had been provided to the district, including start or completion dates, nor had the contractor identified when or who would be present on-site, an especially critical detail given the disruptions the project intended to cause on an active school campus. Additionally, several undisclosed and unilateral actions were taken by the contractor without any coordination with district personnel or the district's design firm, Paul Cavin Architect LLC. Considering these issues carefully, the District Operations team, in collaboration with Paul Cavin Architect LLC and Legal Counsel, made the difficult decision to terminate the awarded contract on April 3rd, 2025.

This termination, combined with a subsequent 100-day delay, will significantly limit the scope of work that can realistically be completed during the 2025 summer break. The original contract included essential upgrades to the entryways and doors at all four high schools. Unfortunately, due to the shortened timeline and the need to rebid the project, it is no longer feasible to expect the original scope of work to be completed by the first day of school on September 2, 2025. In response, the district is proposing to move forward this summer with only the fencing and site/concrete improvements.

The District Operations and Maintenance team, in partnership with Paul Cavin Architect LLC and Lumos & Associates, has been working to revise the scope of work. With Board approval at the April 22, 2025, meeting, the district plans to release two separate bid packages, one for perimeter fencing and the other for site concrete improvements. The goal is to present both bids for Board consideration and approval at the May 27, 2025, Board meeting.

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The proposed Perimeter Fencing and Site Improvement projects offer numerous benefits, with a primary focus on enhancing the overall safety and security of all high school campuses. The installation of upgraded fencing and secure exterior doors will deter unauthorized access, providing a safer environment for students, staff, and visitors. These improvements will support controlled access to school grounds, reduce the risk of intrusions, and ensure safer entry and exit during emergencies. In addition to safety benefits, modern fencing will also contribute to the visual appeal of each campus, promoting a more welcoming yet secure atmosphere.

Budget Considerations:

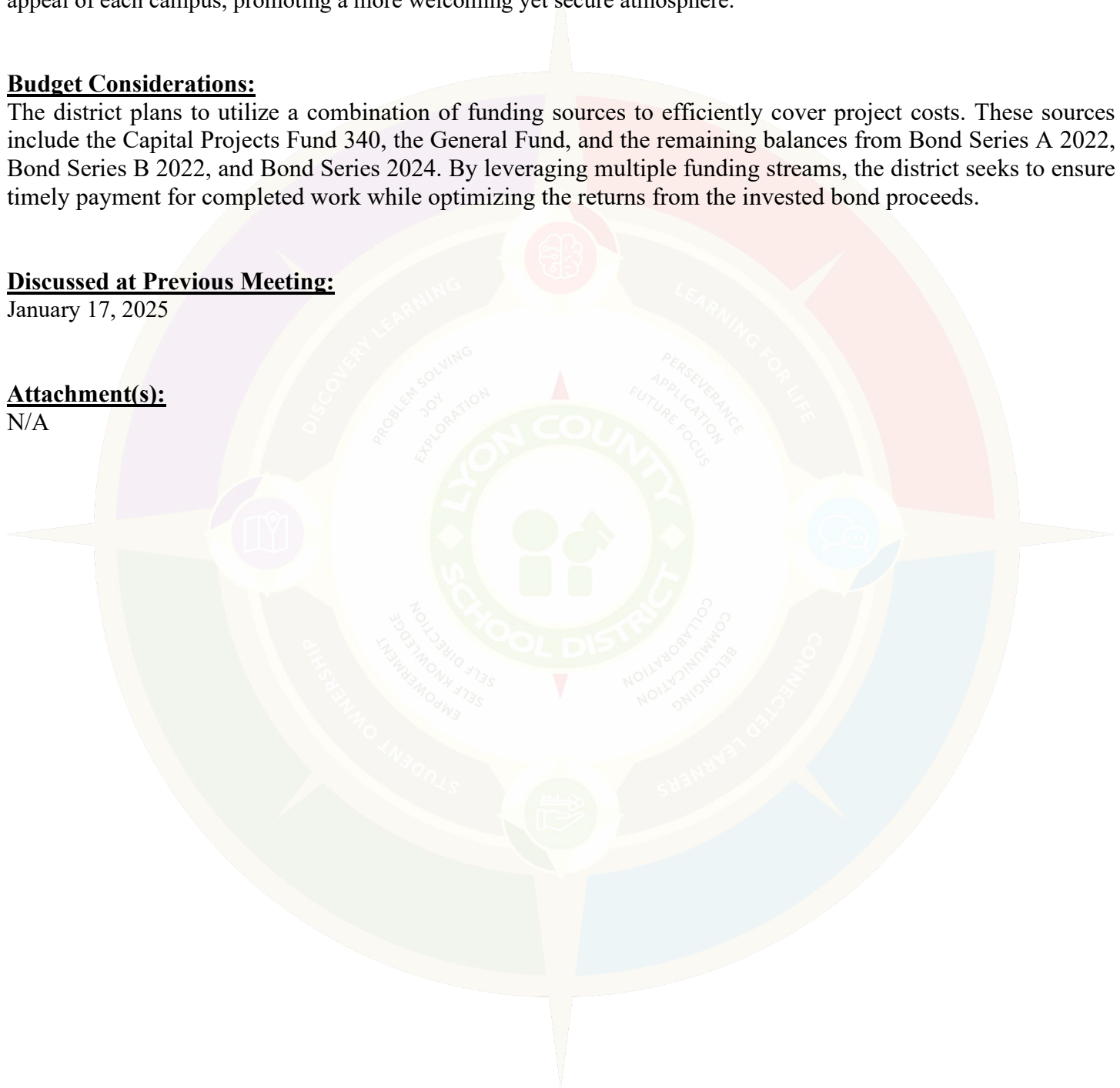
The district plans to utilize a combination of funding sources to efficiently cover project costs. These sources include the Capital Projects Fund 340, the General Fund, and the remaining balances from Bond Series A 2022, Bond Series B 2022, and Bond Series 2024. By leveraging multiple funding streams, the district seeks to ensure timely payment for completed work while optimizing the returns from the invested bond proceeds.

Discussed at Previous Meeting:

January 17, 2025

Attachment(s):

N/A



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