

City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve



Date:

October 17, 2006

To:

Honorable Mayor Foster and Members of the City Council

From:

Councilmember Gary DeLong()

Subject:

Recommendation that the City Council Receive a Presentation by California State University, Long Beach President F. King Alexander, Regarding

Proposition 1D – Kindergarten–University Public Education Facilities Bond

Act of 2006

Proposition 1D is set for the November 7, 2006 statewide general election. As proposed to the voters of California, this Proposition would:

- Present ten billion four hundred sixteen million dollars (\$10,416,000,000) to California's public education facilities.
- Provide needed funding to relieve public school overcrowding and repair older schools.
- Improve earthquake safety and fund vocational educational facilities in public schools.
- Repair and upgrade existing public college and university buildings and build new classrooms to accommodate the growing student enrollment in the California Community Colleges, the University of California, and the California State University.

On August 8, 2006 this City Council unanimously adopted a resolution in support of Proposition 1D (attached). In an effort to further inform the City Council of the beneficial local impacts of Proposition 1D, California State University, Long Beach President F. King Alexander has been invited to make a presentation to the City Council.

Suggested Council Action

Approve Recommendation.

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RESOLUTION NO. RES-06-0080

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITIONS 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, AND 1E ON THE NOVEMBER 2006 BALLOT FOR TRANSPORTATION AND PORT SECURITY, HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTER, SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION, AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND FLOOD CONTROL

WHEREAS, the infrastructure of the State of California has been seriously underfunded for many years, causing essential transportation projects to be postponed or deleted, while the transportation needs have increased; and

WHEREAS, international events have increased the need for improved port security; and

WHEREAS, California's housing crisis has created the need for additional affordable housing, aid to first-time home buyers, and transitional and emergency shelter; and,

WHEREAS, additional monies are needed to relieve overcrowding and modernize existing schools, and to build new schools; and

WHEREAS, California's disaster preparedness programs and flood control system are in urgent need of upgrading and repair; and

WHEREAS, an earlier proposition known as Proposition 42 allowed transportation funds to be borrowed by the State, creating a shortage of funds available for transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, Legislature of the State of California has approved a constitutional amendment known as The Transportation Investment Fund to permanently dedicate the sales tax on gasoline to transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, this constitutional amendment will be appear on the November 2006 ballot as Proposition 1A; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature also adopted a \$37 billion bond package which includes \$19.9 billion for transportation and port security, \$2.8 billion for housing and emergency shelter, \$10.4 billion for school construction, and \$4.1 billion for disaster preparedness and flood control; and

WHEREAS, these measures will appear on the November ballot as follows:

The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2005 ("Proposition 1B");

The Housing And Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006 ("Proposition 1C");

The Education Facilities: Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities;

Bond Act of 2006 ("Proposition 1D");

The Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006 ("Proposition 1E"); and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the City of Long Beach will be eligible for more than \$15.5 million in local street and road improvement funds, as well as receiving benefits from many other aspects of the bond package on the local and statewide level as longstanding shortfalls in funding are addressed;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City of Long Beach hereby strongly endorses Propositions 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D and 1E and urges voters to support these measures in the November 2006 election.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the California delegation to the California Assembly and Senate, to the League of California Cities, to the appropriate media outlets, and to other officials, agencies, entities, and individuals as may be deemed appropriate by the City Manager.

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Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by 2 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution. 3 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City 4 August 8 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _ _, 2006, by 5 6 the following vote: B. Lowenthal, S. Lowenthal, DeLong, Councilmembers: 7 Ayes: O'Donnell, Schipske, Richardson, 8 Reyes Uranga, Gabelich, Lerch. 9 10 None. Councilmembers: 11 Noes: 12 None. Councilmembers: Absent: 13 14 15 16

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