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Board Cover Memorandum

To Board of Education

From Aimee Eng, Board Member
Clif Thompson, Board Member

Meeting Date October 26, 2022

Subject Resolution No. 2223-0033 - Initiating Process to Demolish Buildings at 1025 Second Avenue

Ask of the Board Introduction of Resolution No. 2223-0033 - Initiating Process to Demolish Buildings at 1025 Second Avenue as a new legislative matter

Background The Paul Robeson and Ethel Moore buildings located at 1025 Second Avenue were built in the 1920s and had been continuously used, in whole or in part, for the District Office of the Oakland Unified School District prior to the flood in January 2013, at which point the buildings stopped used for District purposes.

Since that time the Board of Education (“Board”) has adopted a number of resolutions which culminated in the adoption of Resolution No. 2021-0168 (Identifying Baby Cole as the Plan for Permanent Central Office Housing and Restarting All Associated Planning, Bidding, and Construction Activities) on June 23, 2021. That Resolution expressed the Board’s “intent to fund (through Measure Y or a future bond measure) future construction (renovation or demolition and new construction) at 1025 Second Avenue that could include administrative offices and/or programmatic space for alternative education and career technical education programing.” It also confirmed that the Cole Campus would house the District’s central office.

Since June 2021, the Facilities Department has continued to move forward with the project at the Cole Campus and the Board has approved multiple contracts in order to move construction forward.

On November 3, 2020, the voters of Oakland approved Measure Y, a \$735 General Obligation Bond Measure that listed the Marcus Foster Educational Leadership Center project at 1025 Second Avenue (“1025 Second Avenue Project”) as a specific project that could be funded under Measure Y. The latest Board-adopted spending plan for Measure Y allocated \$1.5 million starting in 2023 and another \$13.5 million starting in 2027 for the 1025 Second Avenue Project.

Discussion The proposed Resolution would reaffirm the Board’s intent to fund the 1025 Second Avenue Project and, as part of that, to demolish all buildings at 1025 Second Avenue

and construct new buildings at 1025 Second Avenue to house a program focused on supporting transition-aged youth (“TAY Program”).

Under the proposed Resolution, the TAY Program would include administrative offices and program space for Oakland Adult and Career Education, Young Adult Program, and post-secondary career technical education; an event space to be used for Board meetings, staff training, and community events; community and family facing central office services; a student run café; TAY housing; and support services for TAY such as mental health and academic support.

The proposed Resolution would direct staff to meet with community stakeholders, school staff at nearby campuses, and central office staff to help inform the vision, need, and service offerings as well as the potential community and program partners that would ultimately be part of the TAY Program housed in the 1025 Second Avenue Project.

The proposed Resolution would also direct staff to estimate the cost of demolition for all structures at 1025 Second Avenue and, if equal to or less than \$15 million, to proceed with – among other things – the demolition of all structures at 1025 2nd Avenue as soon as feasible.

Fiscal Impact TBD

Attachment ● Resolution No. 2223-0033 - Initiating Process to Demolish Buildings at 1025 Second Avenue

**RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Resolution No. 2223-0033

Initiating Process to Demolish Buildings at 1025 Second Avenue

WHEREAS, the Paul Robeson and Ethel Moore buildings located at 1025 Second Avenue were built in the 1920s and had been continuously used, in whole or in part, for the District Office of the Oakland Unified School District prior to the flood in January 2013, at which point the buildings stopped used for District purposes;

WHEREAS, on or about June 10, 2015, the Board of Education (“Board”) adopted Resolution No. 1415-1166 (Authorization To Move Forward With Establishing A Project Committee To Refining And Scope The New Educational Leadership Campus, Initiate The CEQA Process, Provide A Progress Report In Early Fall Of 2015, And Name The Project In Honor Former Superintendent Dr. Marcus Foster), which initiated a process to construct buildings at 1025 Second Avenue and 1105 Second Avenue to serve as the “Dr. Marcus Foster Educational Campus” which would include space for the District’s Central Office;

WHEREAS, on or about December 19, 2016, the Board adopted Resolution No. 1617-0007 (Authorization to Move Forward With The Rehabilitation Of 1025 Second Avenue and the Ethel Moore Building as the Administrative Center of the District, Direct the Superintendent or Designee to Establish A Project Committee, Initiate the CEQA Process, and Provide An Initial Progress Report to the Board in June 2017), which partially rescinded Resolution No. 1415-1166 but otherwise maintained the direction to “[p]roceed with the proposal to rehabilitate the vacated 1025 Second Avenue and the Ethel Moore Building” as the District’s Central Office;

WHEREAS, on or about June 5, 2019, the Board approved Resolution No. 1819-0221 (Authorization to Move Forward with the permanent housing at a rehabilitated Cole as the Administrative Center of the District. And, authorization to approve the interim housing location at 1000 Broadway. Finally to authorize the revision of the Measure J spending plan to show how the current bond will fund the initial planning phase of the permanent housing and the updated rent costs for interim housing.), which rescinded Resolution No. 1617-0007 and approved a proposal to rehabilitate the Cole Campus (1011 Union St, Oakland, CA 94607) as the District’s Central Office and to remain at 1000 Broadway as interim administrative housing until the project at the Cole Campus is complete;

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2021, the Board approved Resolution No. 2021-0168 (Identifying Baby Cole as the Plan for Permanent Central Office Housing and Restarting All Associated Planning, Bidding, and Construction Activities), by which the Board “expresse[d] its intent to fund (through Measure Y or a future bond measure) future construction (renovation or demolition and new

construction) at 1025 Second Avenue that could include administrative offices and/or programmatic space for alternative education and career technical education programming”;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2021-0168 also confirmed that the Cole Campus would house the District’s central office, albeit modified compared with the original plan;

WHEREAS, since June 2021, the Facilities Department has continued to move forward with the project at the Cole Campus and the Board has approved multiple contracts in order to move construction forward;

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, the voters of Oakland approved Measure Y, a \$735 General Obligation Bond Measure that listed the following project at 1025 Second Avenue (“1025 Second Avenue Project”) as a specific project that could be funded under Measure Y:

Marcus Foster Educational Leadership Center

- *Site plan*

- *Site replacement*

- *Facilities for alternative education and career technical education programming*

- *Community service facilities*

- *Central administration facilities, including but not limited to student and family facing services*

; and

WHEREAS, the latest Board-adopted spending plan for Measure Y allocated \$1.5 million starting in 2023 and another \$13.5 million starting in 2027 for the 1025 Second Avenue Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby reaffirms its intent to fund the 1025 Second Avenue Project (initially through Measure Y and then through philanthropic donations and/or partnerships with public agencies such as city, county, and state), which would include the demolition of all buildings at 1025 Second Avenue and, ultimately, construction of new buildings at 1025 Second Avenue to house a program—inspired by the life and legacy of Dr. Marcus Foster—focused on supporting transition-aged youth (“TAY Program”);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the TAY Program could include administrative offices and program space for Oakland Adult and Career Education, Young Adult Program, and post-secondary career technical education; an event space to be used for Board meetings, staff training, and community events; community and family facing central office services; a student run café; TAY housing; and support services for TAY such as mental health and academic support;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board directs staff to meet with community stakeholders (e.g., The Coalition for the CTE TAY Hub at 1025 2nd Ave), school staff at nearby campuses, and central office staff to help inform the vision, need, and service offerings as well as the potential community and program partners that would ultimately be part of the TAY Program housed in the 1025 Second Avenue Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board hereby directs the Superintendent or designee to estimate the cost of demolition for all structures at 1025 Second Avenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if the estimated cost of demolition is equal to or less than the combined \$15 million allocated for the 1025 Second Avenue Project under the latest Measure Y spending plan, then the Board directs the Superintendent or designee to (i) adjust the Measure Y spending plan by spending all \$15 million as early as 2023 (rather than \$1.5 million starting in 2023 and another \$13.5 million starting in 2027) and (ii) proceed with the demolition of all structures at 1025 2nd Avenue as soon as feasible by, among other things, conducting the necessary studies, issuing the necessary requests for proposals, and bringing forward the necessary contracts to the Board for approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District this ____ day of _____, 2022, by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE:

PREFERENTIAL NOE:

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION:

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

RECUSED:

ABSENT:

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at the Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on _____, 2022.

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