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Presentation by the Measures B, J, and Y Independent Citizens' School Facilities Bond Oversight Committee to the Board of Education of its recommendations and/or observations on proposed Resolution No. 2021-0180 - Measure J Capital Spending Plan (Revised) - January 2021, pursuant to Board Bylaw 9131, which are as follows:

- 1. That the Board of Education (Board) review the language of Measure J that in District Counsel's opinion is an indication that such funds may be used to pay for the Facilities Master Plan;
- 2. That the Board ensure that the expenditures for the Ralph J. Bunche Continuation School Project are aligned with the Blue Print for Quality Schools alternative education planning currently underway;
- 3. That the Committee notes for the Board that the money requested for the Emerson School Field Project has already been spent; that such expenditure should not have occurred without an approved change in the Measure J Spending Plan in advance of the expenditure; that the Board investigate how this happened and also determine whether this is the case for any other listed projects or items on the proposed Measure J Spending Plan;
- 4. That the Committee notes for the Board that regarding the Central Kitchen Project that District staff appears to have failed to verify how much work was completed by the original contractor before that contract was terminated; that as a result, a portion of the added costs for this project was likely avoidable;
- 5. That the Committee advises the Board that it believes that District staff has not provided adequate documentation to explain the proposed spending changes for the Emerson Field Project, the Fire Alarm Projects and the Playmatting Projects; and
- 6. That the Committee, notwithstanding its concerns [expressed herein], in order for the staff to proceed expeditiously, recommends that the Board approve the proposed changes to the Measure J Spending Plan.