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# Transitioning from Measure N to Measure H: Funding Transition Options



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# Objectives

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- Introduce Guiding Principles and Considerations for our approach to the Measure N to Measure H transition
- Review two funding transition scenarios with implications
- Seek input from the Commission on the two options
- Identify preliminary next steps



## Overview & Context

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- Measure H as a funding source becomes effective on July 1, 2023
- Our Joint Measure N/Measure H Commission becomes effective May 1, 2023
- Today is an informational session; no vote can occur until the joint commission becomes effective
- By the first week in June, the Commission will vote on the allocation of Measure N and Measure H funds for 23-24



# Initial Guiding Principles for Funding Transition

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- Make transition as seamless as possible for school sites
- Maintaining a contingency fund is essential
- Approach the legislation with a focus on programmatic approach and integrity:  
Measure H is not just a fund
- Fiscal accountability



# Considerations - Two Funding Sources

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- We have considerable Measure N funds to spend down
  - 2022-23 Carryover Funds
  - Measure N Contingency Fund
- 2023-24 School Year will be a transition year with two funding sources
- Management of two funding sources necessitates a joint Measure N/Measure H Commission
- Depending on how we approach the Carryover Funds and Contingency Fund, we could have multiple years of two funding sources (which will require two audits and thereby doubles staff time and money spent)
- Spending down Measure N funds will help minimize how long OUSD will need to manage two sources with different guidelines simultaneously



# Considerations - Use of Measure H Dollars

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- Having a contingency fund has been essential because both enrollment and the revenue have ebbed and flowed; accessing the Contingency Fund has been necessary
- Measure H guidelines are different from Measure N guidelines
- Managing Measure H funds will require a shift in practice
- Measure N team needs time to generate new resources and shift practices to fully implement the intent of Measure H



# 2023-24 Funding Transition Options

## Option 1: Use a combination of Measure N and Measure H to fund sites and Administrative 10%

- Allocate Measure N Contingency Fund to sites for the first several months of the school year
- Use Measure H dollars to fund the budget for remainder of the year

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Allows spending down of Measure N Contingency funds</li><li>● Allows for accumulation of Measure H funds that could start a Measure H Contingency Fund</li><li>● Provides time for staff to develop new Measure H guidelines, processes and forms</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● May be challenging to manage two sets of guidelines for site funding</li><li>● Need to help community understand Measure H spending delay</li></ul>



# 2023-24 Funding Transition Options

## Option 2: Use only Measure H to fund sites and Administrative 10%

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Allows time to develop a thoughtful use of Measure N Contingency Fund</li><li>● Messaging may be easier as community expects Measure H funding to commence on July 1</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Doesn't allow dedicated time to develop new Measure H specific processes</li><li>● Doesn't allow for accumulation of a Measure H contingency fund</li></ul>





## Next Steps

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- Joint Measure N/Measure H Commission is established on May 1, 2023 and convenes for the first time on May 2, 2023
- Joint Commission will approve 2023-24 EIPs (likely in May), thus allowing Measure H allocation in 23-24
- Commission will need to approve a funding transition plan by June