COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS

MEASURE J CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE 2022-2023 ACTIVITY REPORT



Purpose of the Annual Report

In accordance with Education Code Section 15280, the following report is the fulfillment of the committee's annual requirement.

Measure J was approved by the voters on November 4, 2008. A Bond Resolution was adopted and signed by the Governing Board on June 9, 2008, and is available on the COS website at: www.cos.edu (Click on Measure J Tulare Bond).

Measure J required the creation of a Citizens' Oversight Committee. The purpose of the Citizens' Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues. The Committee is charged with actively reviewing appropriate reporting on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction. Citizens' Oversight Committee shall advise the public whether the community college district is in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIIIA of the California Constitution, no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses and in compliance with California Attorney General Opinion No. 04-110, Nov. 9, 2004 (87 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 157).

2022-2023 Membership

The Citizen's Oversight Committee consists of the following members and terms of office:

Business Organization

Marla Borges (2021 – 2024) – Chair

Senior Citizens' Organization

Larry Dutto (2021 – 2024)

Bona-fide Taxpayers Association

Vacant

Student Organization

Gloria Ramirez (2023-2024)

College Support Organization

Alexis Silveria (2021-2024)

Community At-Large

Josh McDonnell (2021 – 2024) – Co-Chair Joey Airoso (2021 – 2024)

Summary of Meetings

The Committee met on the dates and conducted business generally as follows:

March 22, 2023

Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2022 Financial Report Review of Bond Audit Report-June 30, 2022 Progress Update on Project

September 20, 2023

Selection of Officers
Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2023
Financial Report
2022-23 Annual Activity Report
Project Tour

The Committee is scheduled to meet on September 20, 2023, to review and approve this report and instruct the Committee Chairman or his/her designee to submit this Annual Report to the Governing Board of the College of the Sequoias Community College District at its regularly scheduled October 9, 2023, meeting.

The audit for the year ended June 30, 2022, was performed by CWDL, Certified Public Accountants. The Committee members were emailed a copy of the 2022 Proposition 39 General Obligation Bond Audit Report and also reviewed it during their meeting on March 22, 2023. Under Findings and Recommendations, no exceptions were found relative to the General Obligation Bonds.

An annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2023, is being conducted at this time by CWDL, Certified Public Accountants, and will be completed by December 2023.

Tulare Center Project Status

Construction is 15% complete. Current projected completion date is August 5, 2024. Attached you will find AMG Contractor's weekly photo report that was published on September 8, 2023. All primary underground utilities and related infrastructure are complete. Building F foundation poured (three separate pours during August). Building D and E footings and foundations to be poured this month. Steel structure to follow.

Findings

Based on this information, as of September 20, 2023, the Citizens' Oversight Committee finds that the bond revenues were expended on the specific projects approved by the voters and that no funds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The meeting agendas, minutes, and materials distributed to the Committee are posted on the District's web site and are available in hard copy from the President's Office.

This Activity Report will be posted on the Internet at: www.cos.edu. Copies are available to the public, either electronically or hard copy, by contacting any of the following:

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Approved by the Citizens' Oversight Committee for Bond Measure J for College of the Sequoias

Community College District on September 20, 2023

Submitted

Marla Borges, Chair

Citizens' Oversight Committee for Bond Measure J College of the Sequoias Community College District



Started the week back from a 3-day weekend with the final SOG pour 3 of 3 for Building F.







American Plumbing tapping into existing 6" irrigation line to provide water supply to the pressure wash station/drain inlet area.







V&G Concrete

V&G using the Telebelt truck to distribute 6" capillary fill with rock at Building E.







Collins Electric

Continuing work trenching and running underground site conduit East of Building E.



ESP Surveying Anchor Bolt Pre-Pour Check at Building D.





V&G Concrete Cleaning up/removing SOG forms at Building F.



College of the Sequoias, CTE Expansion Weekly Photo Report September 8, 2023

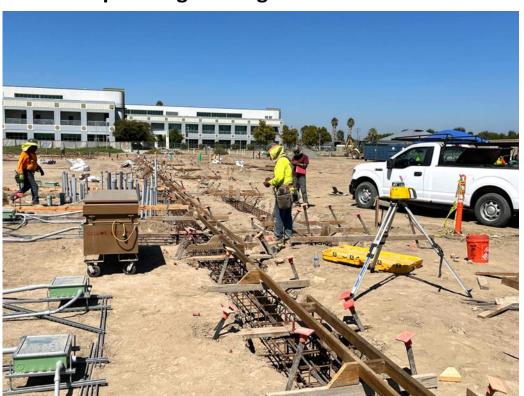
Collins Electric
Working on bring sweeps/risers up to FF grade for future SOG pour.





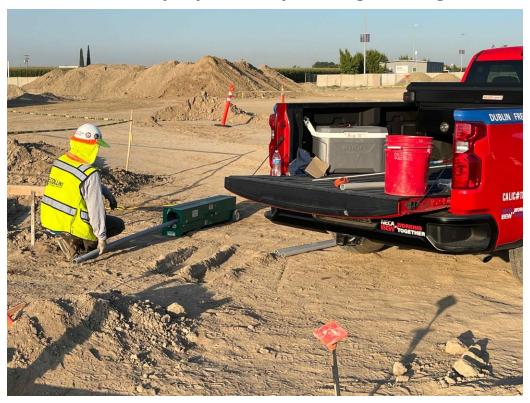
V&G Concrete

Continuing work on Building D setting forms for upcoming Footing Pour next week.



Collins Electric

Heating up conduit for under SOG runs at Building D. Continue to prep D for upcoming Footing Pour





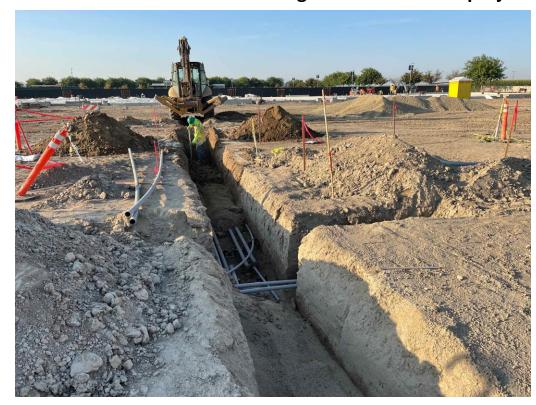
V&G Concrete

Completed laying out vapor barrier at Building E and now working on setting up interior form boards for SOG.



Collings Electric

Continuing trenching/running onsite underground conduit runs on the west side of Building E in the center of project.





American Plumbing

Trenching to run drainpipe that will tie in storm drain services to future downspouts on S/W corner of Building F.



CMC Rebar

Started back up on Building D bringing up rebar to tie footings into curb/stem walls.





Great shot and angle of Building D facing N/E. Collins Electric/V&G Concrete/CMC Rebar are working in preparation for Footing Pour next week.





Aerial view overhead of the entire project.

