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BOARD OF TRUSTEES DIRECTS NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN FOR SECOND HIGH SCHOOL SITE

As the District continues to work actively on expanding the capacity of our school district to meet the needs of our rapidly growing community, the Board of Trustees took a decisive step forward Wednesday night in the efforts to build a new high school facility in Dublin.

On February 1, at a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Trustees directed staff to begin negotiations on several properties with the objective of purchasing land for a second high school site. The Trustees' directive came after a lengthy public meeting and closed session discussion.

"We are extremely pleased to take this important step as we continue to move forward with plans for a second high school in Dublin," said Board President Megan Rouse. "The Board remains focused on the needs of all of our students and doing our best to provide the world-class facilities and programs they deserve."

The public meeting included reports on the district's financing options - following the community's passage of the Measure H general obligation bond measure last June - as well as updated demographic reports that indicated the need for a second high school in Dublin. Demographic reports also indicate the need for the district to expand capacity to accommodate student growth across all grade levels in our community.

The discussion moved to a summary of the sites that have been publicly vetted for consideration as a potential high school site. These sites were initially brought to the Board at the June 28 meeting of the Board and have gone through a thorough vetting process by the District's Facilities Department to determine their financial, structural and programmatic viability. In addition, a new site, the Zeiss property at the corner of Hacienda and Gleason, was added to the list of potential sites for examination.

Public comment was taken at the meeting before the Board adjourned to closed session to discuss pricing and terms. Following the closed session, the Board eliminated several sites from further consideration, including the Croak and Chen properties, Fallon Middle School and a 55-acre parcel on the Camp Parks facility. The following sites remain in consideration:

- SAP Building/Complex (14 acres; Hacienda/Dublin Blvd)
- DiManto B (20.7 acres/Tassajara/Central Pkwy)
- Promenade (22 acres; Dublin Blvd.)
- Murray/Nielsen Elementary Sites
- DiManto A (30 acres; Tassajara/Dublin Blvd)
- Zeiss (13 acres; Hacienda/Gleason Rd.)

The Board of Trustees had unanimously approved a recommendation on February 22, 2016 to initiate plans for a second high school in Dublin to meet growth needs. A second high school was identified as a top funding priority before the passage of the \$283 million Measure H bond last June. Since the passage of Measure H, the district has been engaged in the process of seeking a viable location and securing the appropriate funding needed to begin construction.

The February 1, 2017 Special Meeting is currently posted on our District website at www.dublinusd.org. The public meeting presentation can be found attached to the Special Meeting agenda on our website under the "Board of Trustees" tab. As more information becomes available on this process, we will provide timely updates.

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