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RESOLUTION 2025-37**BOARD REPORT 045-25/26**

RECOMMENDING BOARD APPROVAL TO DEFINE AND APPROVE THE BRET HARTE PREPARATORY MIDDLE SCHOOL BARRIER REMOVAL PROJECT AND AMEND THE FACILITIES SERVICES DIVISION STRATEGIC EXECUTION PLAN TO INCORPORATE THEREIN

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Unified School District (District) Staff proposes that the Board of Education (Board) define and approve the Bret Harte Preparatory Middle School (School) Barrier Removal Project (Project) to support the implementation of the Board approved Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (Transition Plan) under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and amend the Facilities Services Division (Facilities) Strategic Execution Plan (SEP) accordingly; and

WHEREAS, District Staff also requests that the Board authorize the Chief Procurement Officer and/or the Chief Facilities Executive and/or their designee(s) to execute all instruments necessary, as legally permissible, to implement the Project including budget modifications and the purchase of equipment and materials; and

WHEREAS, A need to accommodate students and staff with disabilities to access buildings at the School has been identified. Facilities staff were previously delegated authority to execute and expend Bond Program funds for Rapid Access Program (RAP) projects in response to an individual student's need for programmatic access. These types of projects require minor installments and adjustments to facilities to ensure a barrier-free learning environment, do not require Division of the State Architect (DSA) approval, and thus can be completed "rapidly" with a budget that does not exceed \$250,000. The proposed Project does not meet the parameters of the RAP due to its scope and budget. As such, the staff is presenting the proposed Project to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, The School site spans 13.46 acres and is comprised of a traditional middle school program. The building area is approximately 216,767 square feet and includes eight multi-story permanent buildings and eight single-story permanent buildings. The permanent buildings were constructed between 1929 and 1977. As of the 2024-2025 E-CAR, the school serves approximately 450 students and currently 96 students have been

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identified as having a disability. The site has been assigned a Category Three accessibility level. To meet the criteria for Category Three, upgrades to one building are required including the reconfiguration of the nurse’s office restrooms in the Administration building to provide an accessible restroom and an all-gender restroom, and any other required improvements or mitigations to ensure compliance with local, state and/or federal facilities requirements. Construction is anticipated to begin in the second quarter of 2026 and be completed in the fourth quarter of 2026; and

WHEREAS, The total budget for the proposed Project is \$448,914 and will be funded by Bond Program funds earmarked specifically for ADA Transition Plan Implementation; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Office of the General Counsel has reviewed the proposed Projects and determined that they may proceed to the School Construction Bond Citizens’ Oversight Committee (BOC) for consideration and recommendation to the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, District Staff has concluded that this proposed Facilities SEP amendment will facilitate Los Angeles Unified’s ability to successfully complete the Facilities SEP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee recommends that the Board define and approve the Bret Harte Preparatory Middle School Barrier Removal Project and amend the Facilities SEP accordingly, as described in Board Report No. 045-25/26, a copy of which is attached hereto in the form it was presented to the BOC and is incorporated herein by reference.
2. This resolution shall be transmitted to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education and posted on the Bond Oversight Committee’s website.
3. Los Angeles Unified is directed to track the above recommendation and to report on the adoption, rejection, or pending status of the recommendations as provided in section 6.2 of the Charter and Memorandum of Understanding between the Oversight Committee and the District.

ADOPTED on September 4, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:	11	ABSTENTIONS:	0
NAYS:	0	ABSENCES:	3

/Michael Hamner/

D. Michael Hamner
Chair

/Robert Campbell/

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