

**WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Resolution No. 16-001**

**A RESOLUTION TO CREATE OVERSIGHT OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE
ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, AND REVITALIZATION OF SCHOOLS IN
THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Senate Bill 411 passed in the 2015 Legislative Session, the Washoe County School District Board of Trustees (Board) determined by resolution that a Public Schools Overcrowding Repair Needs Committee (Committee) is necessary to address overcrowding and repair needs in the Washoe County School District;

WHEREAS, the Committee adopted a plan for acquisition, construction, repair, and revitalization amounting to approximately \$781 million based on a 9-year funding package to address the Washoe County School District's (District) repair needs and overcrowding issues;

WHEREAS, the plan for acquisition, construction, repair, and revitalization adopted by the Committee includes: funding for school repairs; an addition to Damonte Ranch High School; Sun Valley Area Middle School; Arrow Creek Area Middle School; Spanish Springs Area Middle School; Cold Springs High School; South McCarran/Butler Ranch Area High School; Wild Creek Area High School to replace Hug High School; Repurposing of Hug High School; South Meadows Area Elementary School; North Valleys/Spanish Springs Area Elementary School; Core school investments; Strategic purchase of Sparks High School properties; Seven Elementary Schools to ultimately eliminate Multi-Track Year Round Calendar; Nutrition Services Expansion; and expansion for a new Transportation Yard;

WHEREAS, this list of projects is based on current growth projections by outside experts, including funds set aside to respond to projected cost inflation, and is subject to change based on updated projections and/or in response to actual growth should it differ from the projections;

WHEREAS, pursuant to SB 411, the Committee will recommend to the Washoe County Commission a ballot question on the November 2016 general election ballot to establish a new rate on a particular tax, or new rates on particular taxes, to fund the capital projects needed to address repair needs and school overcrowding;

WHEREAS, the Board desires that a new public body, the Capital Funding Protection Committee, which is made up of government officials from Washoe County, the City of Reno, and the City of Sparks as well as a person with experience as a structural or civil engineer, a person with experience in construction of public works projects, a person with experience in finance or estimation of public works projects, a person representing the gaming industry, and one member of the general public with an interest in education, be formed to oversee the acquisition, construction, repair and revitalization of schools;

WHEREAS, the Board desires input on District capital expenditures for the acquisition, construction, repair, and revitalization of schools from the Capital Funding Protection Committee;

WHEREAS, the Board desires input on District capital expenditures for the acquisition, construction, repair and revitalization of schools from the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Capital Funding Protection Committee believe transparency and accountability for the allocation of funds for capital improvements is of the highest importance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Washoe County School District Board of Trustees hereby creates and delegates oversight of capital expenditures for the acquisition, construction, repair, and revitalization of schools in the Washoe County School District to the Capital Funding Protection Committee in accordance with a future Board Policy adopted at a later date and consistent with this Resolution and the guidance of NRS 393.092 through NRS 393.096;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Washoe County School District Board of Trustees hereby adopts the plan for acquisition, construction, repair, and revitalization adopted by the Public Schools Overcrowding and Repair Needs Committee as recited herein subject to future oversight by the Capital Funding Protection Committee.

Dated: This ____ day of February, 2016.

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