# ARTICLE 7 FACILITIES (Series 7000)

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#### CONCEPTS AND ROLES

The Governing Board recognizes that one of its major responsibilities is to provide healthful, safe and adequate facilities that enhance the instructional program. The Board shall endeavor to make the provision of adequate school facilities a priority in the district. Because the schools serve as a focal point for the community, the Board shall also strive to ensure that district facilities fit harmoniously and attractively into their neighborhoods and have flexibility of design to meet future educational and community needs.

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(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
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The Board shall strive to have a school facilities master plan in place and regularly reviewed in light of the district's educational goals. In accordance with this plan, the Board shall:

1. Approve additions or major alterations to existing buildings

(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

- 2. Determine what new buildings shall be built, when and where, and what equipment shall be purchased for them
- 3. Determine the method of financing that will be used

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(cf. 7210 - Facilities Financing)
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4. Select and purchase school sites for future expansion

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(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)
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5. Approve the selection of architects and structural engineers

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(cf. 7140 - Architectural and Engineering Services)
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- 6. Award contracts for design and construction
- 7. Name schools and individual buildings

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(cf. 7310 - Naming of Facility)
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8. Advocate school facility needs to the community

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(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)
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### **CONCEPTS AND ROLES** (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall:

- 1. Assess the district's short- and long-term facility needs
- 2. Direct the preparation and updating of the facilities master plan
- 3. Oversee the preparation of bids and award of contracts

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

- 4. Supervise the implementation of the district's building program in accordance with the master plan, Board policy, and state and local requirements, including collaboration with the architect and contractor on the construction of new facilities and modernization of existing facilities
- 5. Represent the district in official governmental interactions related to the building program

### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

17210-17224 General provisions (school sites)

17260-17268 Plans of schoolhouses

17280-17317 Approval of plans and supervision of construction

17340-17343 Building of schoolhouses

17350-17360 Factory-built school buildings

17365-17374 Fitness of buildings for occupancy; liability of board members

17400-17429 Leasing of school buildings

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14000 Policy declaration

14001 Minimum standards

14010 Procedure for site acquisition

14030 Preliminary procedure, planning and approval of school facilities

14031-14032 Submissions to bureau of school facilities planning; approval

Policy adopted: April 9, 2002 Facilities BP 7110(a)

#### **FACILITIES MASTER PLAN**

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of long-range planning for school facilities in order to help meet the changing needs of district students and to help ensure that resources are allocated in an efficient and effective manner. To that end, the Board directs the Superintendent or designee to develop and maintain a master plan for district facilities.

The plan shall describe the district' anticipated short- and long-term facility needs and priorities and shall be aligned with the district's educational goals.

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 7000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)
(cf. 7210 - Facilities Financing)
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- 6. State planning standards and local zoning requirements
- 7. The community's social, economic and political characteristics
- 8. Estimated costs associated with meeting the district's facility needs

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that staff, parents/ guardians, students, and business and community representatives are kept informed of the need for facilities construction or modernization. The Superintendent or designee shall also establish a facilities committee that shall meet at regular intervals in order to give community members opportunities to provide input into the planning process. The committee may consult local governmental and state planning agencies in order to ensure compliance with local and state standards.

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
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At least 45 days prior to completion of any facilities plan that relates to the potential expansion of existing school sites or the necessity to acquire additional school sites, the Superintendent or designee shall notify and provide copies of the plan or any relevant and available information to the planning commission or agency of the city or county with land use jurisdiction within the district. (Government Code 65352.2)

If the city or county commission or agency requests a meeting, the Superintendent or designee shall meet with them within 15 days following the notification. Items that the parties may discuss at the meeting include, but are not limited to, methods of coordinating planning with proposed revitalization efforts and recreation and park programs, options for new school sites, methods of maximizing the safety of persons traveling to and from the site, and opportunities for financial assistance. (Government Code 65352.2)

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### FACILITIES MASTER PLAN (continued)

### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

16011 Long range comprehensive master plan

16322 Department of Education services

17017.5 Approval of applications for projects

17251 CDE standards and advice

17260-17268 Plans of schoolhouses

17280-17317 Field Act

17365-17374 Fitness for occupancy

17405 Relocatable structures; lease requirements

35275 New school planning; cooperation with recreation and park authorities

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

53090-53097.5 Regulation of local agencies by counties and cities

65352.2 Communicating and coordinating of school sites

65995.6 School facilities needs analysis

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14001 Minimum standards

140306 Standards, planning and approval of school facilities

#### UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

12101 et seq. Americans with Disabilities Act

### Management Resources:

#### **WEB SITES**

Office of Public School Construction: http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov CDE. School Facilities Division: http://www.cde.ca.gov/facilities

Policy COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: April 9, 2002 Revised: January 11, 2005 Facilities AR 7111(a)

#### **EVALUATING EXISTING BUILDINGS**

## Level 1 Funding: Residential, Commercial and Industrial Construction

Before taking action to establish, increase or impose developer fees, the Governing Board shall conduct a fee justification study which: (Government Code 66001)

- 1. Identifies the purpose of the fee and the use to which the fee will be put
- 2. Determines a reasonable relationship between the fee's use and the type of development project for which the fee is imposed
- 3. Determines a reasonable relationship between the need for the public facility and the type of development project for which the fee is imposed
- 4. Determines a reasonable relationship between the amount of the fee and the cost of the public facility or portion of the public facility attributed to the development for which the fee is imposed

## **Level 1 Funding: Notice and Hearing Requirements**

Before levying developer fees or prior to increasing an existing fee, the Board shall schedule a public hearing. The Superintendent or designee shall mail notice of the time and place of the meeting, including a general explanation of the matter to be considered and a statement that the required data are available, at least 14 days prior to the meeting to any interested party who has requested such information. Any written request for mailed notices shall be valid for one year from the date on which it is filed unless a renewal request is filed.

Renewal requests for mailed notices shall be filed on or before April 1 of each year. The district may charge a fee reasonably related to the cost of providing these materials. (Government Code 66016)

Information on the anticipated amount of fees, other available funds and funding sources, and the estimated cost of planning, land acquisition and school construction shall be made available to the public at least 10 days before the hearing. (Government Code 66016)

At the hearing, the Board shall adopt a resolution for the levying of the developer fees. (Government Code 66016) The resolution shall set forth:

- 1. The purpose of the fee and the public improvement(s) that the fee will be used to finance (Government Code 66006)
- 2. The Board's findings of reasonable relationship which justify the fees pursuant to Government Code 66001

- 3. The district's determination of either of the following conditions which allow collection of the fees at the time when building permits are issued: (Government Code 66007)
  - a. That the fees are to reimburse the district for previous expenditures
  - b. That the fees shall be collected for public improvements or facilities for which an account has been established, funds have been appropriated and the district has adopted a proposed construction schedule or plan

### **Level 2 Funding: Residential Construction**

In order to impose residential construction fees within the limits of Government Code 65995.5, the Board shall: (Government Code 65995.5)

- 1. Make a timely application to the State Allocation Board for new construction funding for which it is eligible
- 2. Conduct and adopt a school facility needs analysis pursuant to Government Code 65995.6
- 3. Satisfy at least two of the requirements set forth in Government Code 65995.5(b)(3)(A-D) (Government Code 65995.5)

### **Level 2 Funding: Notice and Hearing Requirements**

At least 45 days prior to completion of the school facility needs analysis, the Board shall notify and provide copies of the analysis to the planning commission or agency of the city or county with land use jurisdiction within the district. Upon request of either party, the Board and city or county shall meet within 15 days following notification. (Government Code 65352.2)

(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

The Board shall adopt the school facility needs analysis by resolution at a public hearing. (Government Code 65995.6)

This analysis may not be adopted until the analysis, in its final form, has been made available to the public for a period of not less than 30 days. Prior to its adoption, the public shall have the opportunity to review and comment on the analysis and the Board shall respond to written comments it receives regarding the analysis. (Government Code 65995.6)

During the period of public review, the analysis shall be provided to the local agency responsible for land use planning for its review and comment. (Government Code 65995.6)

No less than 30 days prior to the hearing, notice of the time and place of the hearing, including the location and procedure for viewing or requesting a copy of the proposed analysis, shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the jurisdiction of the district. If there is no paper of general circulation, the notice shall be posted in at least three conspicuous places within the district's jurisdiction not less than 30 days prior to the hearing. (Government Code 65995.6)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall mail a copy of the needs analysis not less than 30 days prior to the hearing to any person who has made a written request if the written request was made 45 days prior to the hearing. The district may charge a fee reasonably related to the cost of providing these materials. (Government Code 65995.6)

The school facility needs analysis may be revised at any time. The revision is subject to the same conditions and requirements applicable to the adoption of the analysis. The existing school building capacity shall be recalculated as part of any revision to the needs analysis. (Government Code 65995.6)

The fees authorized by Government Code 65995.6 and Government Code 65995.7 shall be adopted by resolution as part of the adoption or revision of the school facilities needs analysis. The fees shall take effect immediately upon adoption of the resolution and may not be effective for more than one year. (Government Code 65995.6)

### **Level 3 Funding: Residential Construction**

When Level 3 fees are authorized by law and the district qualifies for Level 2 funding pursuant to Government Code 65995.5, the Board may assess a fee on residential construction pursuant to the requirements of Government Code 65995.7.

### **Level 3 Funding: Notice and Hearing Requirements**

Pursuant to Government Code 65995.7, the notice and hearing requirements, resolution requirement, and term of effectiveness for Level 3 funding shall be the same as the requirements for Level 2 funding as specified above.

### **All Developer Funding Fees: Additional Requirements**

The district shall send a copy of any resolution adopting or increasing developer fees to the city and county, accompanied by all relevant supporting documentation and a map indicating the boundaries of the area subject to the fee. (Education Code 17621)

In cooperation with local governmental agencies issuing building permits, the Superintendent or designee shall establish a means by which all of the following shall be accomplished:

- 1. The project applicant shall receive a written statement of the amount of the fees and notification that the 90-day approval period during which the applicant may protest has begun. (Government Code 66020)
- 2. The Superintendent or designee shall receive and retain acknowledgment that the above notification was received.
- 3. Before a permit is issued and upon the payment of the applicable fee or requirement, the Board shall immediately certify that the fee has been paid or that the district has determined that the fee does not apply to the development project. (Education Code 17620)

Developer fees shall be deposited, invested, accounted for and expended pursuant to Government Code 66006. Developer fees shall be deposited in a separate capital facilities account, except for temporary investments allowed by law, and shall be used only for the purpose for which they were collected. Interest income earned by the capital facilities account shall also be deposited in that account and used only for the purpose for which the fee was originally collected. (Government Code 66006)

For each separate account so established, the Superintendent or designee shall, within 180 days after the last day of each fiscal year, make available to the public the following information for the fiscal year: (Government Code 66006)

- 1. A brief description of the type of fee in the account or fund
- 2. The amount of the fee
- 3. The beginning and ending balance of the account or fund
- 4. The amount of the fees collected and the interest earned
- 5. An identification of each public improvement on which fees were expended and the amount of the expenditures on each improvement, including the total percentage of the cost of the public improvement that was funded with fees
- 6. An identification of an approximate date by which the construction of the public improvement will commence if the district determines that sufficient funds have been collected to complete financing on an incomplete public improvement

- 7. A description of each interfund transfer or loan made from the account or fund, including the public improvement on which the transferred or loaned fees will be expended, and, in the case of an interfund loan, the date on which the loan will be repaid, and the rate of interest that the account or fund will receive on the loan
- 8. The amount of refunds made pursuant to Government Code 66001(e) and any allocations made pursuant to Government Code 66001(f)

The Board shall review the above information at the first regularly scheduled public Board meeting which occurs 15 days after the information is made available to the public. Fifteen-day prior notice of this meeting shall be mailed to any parties filing a written request pursuant to Government Code 66006. (Government Code 66006)

In addition to discharging its public disclosure duties regarding the levying of developer fees, the Board shall, for the fifth fiscal year after the first deposit into the account or fund and every five years thereafter, make all of the following findings with respect to the portion of the account or fund that remains unexpended, whether committed or uncommitted: (Government Code 66001)

- 1. Identify the purpose to which the fee is to be put
- 2. Demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the fee and the purpose for which it is charged
- 3. Identify all sources and amounts of funding anticipated to complete financing in incomplete improvements originally identified
- 4. Designate the approximate dates on which the funding referred to in item #3 is expected to be deposited into the appropriate account or fund

When sufficient funds have been collected to complete the financing of public improvements but such improvements remain incomplete, the district shall, within 180 days of the date that a determination of sufficient funding was made, either identify an approximate date by which construction will begin or refund the unexpended revenues in accordance with Government Code 66001. (Government Code 66001)

### **Appeals Process for Protests by Developers**

Developers of residential, commercial and industrial projects who claim that the developer fee has been inappropriately levied shall use the following procedures: (Government Code 66020)

- 1. The developer shall tender any required payment in full or provide satisfactory evidence of arrangements to pay the fee when due or ensure performance of the conditions necessary to meet the requirements of the imposition.
- 2. The developer shall serve written notice to the Board. This notice shall include:
  - a. A statement that the required payment is tendered or will be tendered when due, or that any conditions which have been imposed are provided for or satisfied, under protest
  - b. A statement informing the Board of the factual elements of the dispute and the legal theory forming the basis for the protest
- 3. The protest shall be filed at the time of approval or conditional approval of the development or within 90 days after the date of the imposition of the fees.

At the time of the imposition of the fee, the Superintendent or designee shall provide each project applicant written notice that the 90-day period in which the applicant may initiate a protest has begun. The developer may file an action to attack, review, set aside, void or annul the imposition of the fees imposed on the development project within 180 days of delivery of the notice. (Government Code 66020)

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#### RELATIONS WITH LOCAL AGENCIES

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of collaborating and communicating with other local agencies in order to provide the best possible school facilities and to allocate facility resources in an effective and efficient manner. The Board shall consult and coordinate with local agencies as required by law and whenever the expertise of these agencies can assist the district in the planning, design and construction of facilities.

Following notification by a city or county of proposed action to adopt or substantially revise a general plan, the Board may request a meeting with the local planning agency to discuss possible methods of coordinating planning, design and construction of new school facilities and school sites. (Government Code 65352.2)

The Superintendent or designee shall monitor land development proposals within district boundaries and shall ensure that an exchange of accurate information with city/county planning staff regarding the impact of land development on the district's educational programs and facility needs is maintained.

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(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)
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Recognizing that available funds may not suffice to eliminate overcrowding in district schools caused by new development, the Board urges the city/county to adopt in its general plan, or other appropriate planning documents, a provision which ensures that adequate school facilities will be available to the extent permitted by law.

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(cf. 7210 - Facilities Financing)
(cf. 7211 - Developer Fees)
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### **Notifications to Other Local Agencies**

The Board shall notify the city council or county board of supervisors whenever it finds, based on clear and convincing evidence: (Government Code 65971)

- 1. That conditions of overcrowding exist in one or more attendance areas within the district which will impair the normal functioning of the educational programs, and the reason for the existence of those conditions
- 2. That all reasonable methods of mitigating conditions of overcrowding have been evaluated and no feasible method for reducing those conditions exist

The above notice shall specify the mitigation measures considered by the district and shall include a completed application to the Office of Public School Construction for preliminary determination of eligibility for school construction under applicable state law. (Government Code 65971)

### **RELATIONS WITH LOCAL AGENCIES** (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the appropriate city or county planning agency of the adoption of a school facility needs analysis or facilities master plan, the acquisition of a school site, or other action regarding school facilities in accordance with law.

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

17280-17316 Approval of plans and supervision of construction

35275 New school planning; cooperation with recreation and park authorities

#### GOVERNMENT CODE

53090-53097.5 Compliance with city or county regulations

65300-65307 Authority for and scope of general plans

65352.2 Communication between cities, counties and school districts

65850-65863.11 Adoption of regulations, especially

65860 Consistency of zoning ordinances with general plan

65970-65981 School facilities, especially:

65995-65998 Developer fees

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

21000-21177 California Environmental Quality Act of 1970

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14010 Procedure for site acquisition

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 14

15000-15282 Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970

#### Management Resources:

#### **WEB SITES**

Office of Public School Construction: http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov CDE, School Facilities Division: http://www.cde.ca.gov/facilities

Policy COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: April 9, 2002 Columbia, California Revised: January 11, 2005 Facilities BP 7140

#### ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Governing Board desires to provide school facilities that support the educational program and meet all applicable safety and design standards. When required by law, the Board shall employ or contract with a licensed and certified architect and/or structural engineer to design and supervise the construction of district schools and other facilities.

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(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
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The architect and/or structural engineer shall be responsible for preparing all construction plans, specifications, and estimates and for the observation of the work of construction. (Education Code 17302)

To ensure compliance with state design and safety standards, preliminary and final plans for any state-funded school facility project, including Board-approved educational specifications for school design when necessary, shall be submitted to the California Department of Education and the Department of General Services, Division of the State Architect. (Education Code 17267; 5 CCR 14030-14032)

The Superintendent or designee shall devise a competitive process for the selection of architects, structural engineers, and other design professionals that is based on demonstrated competence and on the professional qualifications necessary for the satisfactory performance of the services required. For each project, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend architectural and engineering firms to the Board for approval. The Board shall pay fair and reasonable amounts warranted by the provider's qualifications and competence. The Board need not select the lowest responsible bidder.

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(cf. 3311 - Bids)
(cf. 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts)
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### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

17070.10-17079.30 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act, especially:

17070.50 Conditions for apportionment

17250.10-17250.55 Design-build contracts

17251 School construction; duties of the California Department of Education

17262-17268 School construction plans

17280-17316 Approvals, especially:

17302 Persons qualified to prepare plans, specifications and estimates and supervise construction

17316 Contract provision regarding school district property

17371 Limitation on liability of governing board

## BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

5500-5502 Architecture

5550-5558 Architects, licensure

6700-6706.3 Engineers

6750-6766 Engineers, licensure

### ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES(continued)

### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

4525-4529.5 Contracts with private architects, engineering, land surveying, and construction project management firms

14837 Definition of small business

87100 Public officials; financial interest

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

20111 School district contracts

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14001 Minimum standards for school facilities

14030-14036 Standards, planning, and approval of school facilities

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24

101 et seq. California Building Standards Code

**CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION** 

Article 22 Architectural and engineering services

#### Management Resources:

### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Plan Submission Requirements for Modernization Projects, Form SFPD 4.08

Plan Submission Requirements for New Construction, Form SFPD 4.07

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PUBLICATIONS

School Facility Program Handbook, January 2019

**WEB SITES** 

Revised: November 12, 2019

American Institute of Architects California Council: http://aiacalifornia.org

California Department of Education, Facilities: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa

Department of General Services, Division of the State Architect: http://www.dgs.ca.gov/DSA

Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction: http://www.dgs.ca.gov/OPSC

Policy COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Facilities AR 7140

#### ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

Contractors for any architectural, landscape architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying, or construction project management services shall be selected, at fair and reasonable prices, on the basis of demonstrated competence and professional qualifications necessary for the satisfactory performance of the services required. (Government Code 4526)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the selection process for projects receiving state funding: (Government Code 4526)

- 1. Assures maximum participation by small business firms as defined pursuant to Government Code 14837
- 2. Prohibits practices which might result in unlawful activity such as rebates, kickbacks, other unlawful consideration
- 3. Prohibits district employees from participating in the selection process when they have a relationship with a person or business entity seeking a contract which would subject the employee to the prohibition of Government Code 87100

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

The selection process may also include: (Government Code 4527)

- 1. Evaluation of current statements of qualifications and performance data on file with district and evaluation of statements that may be submitted by other firms regarding proposed project
- 2. Discussion with at least three firms regarding anticipated concepts and the relative utility of alternative approaches for furnishing the required services
- 3. Selection, in order of preference, of at least three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to provide the required services in accordance with established district criteria

The district shall negotiate a contract with the best qualified firm at compensation determined by the district to be fair and reasonable. If the district is unable to negotiate a contract with the most qualified firm, the district shall negotiate a contract with the second most qualified firm and, if unsuccessful, with the third most qualified firm. If the district is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected firms, the district shall select additional firms in order of their competence and qualification and continue negotiations until an agreement is reached. (Government Code 4528)

The above procedures shall not apply if the Superintendent or designee determines that the services needed are more of a technical nature and involve little professional judgment and

### ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES(continued)

requiring bids would be in the public interest. (Government Code 4529)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

Contracts shall specify that all plans, including, but not limited to, record drawings, specifications, and estimates prepared by the architect or structural engineer shall become the property of the district. The contract shall also specify terms and conditions for reuse within the district of any plans prepared by the architect or structural engineer. (Education Code 17316)

A contract may be awarded to a single entity for both design and construction of any school facility in excess of \$1,000,000 in accordance with AR 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts. (Education Code 17250.20)

(cf. 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts)

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Facilities BP 7150(a)

#### SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Governing Board believes that a school site should serve the district's educational needs in accordance with the district's master plan as well as show potential for contributing to other community needs.

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(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
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The Board recognizes the importance of community input in the site selection process. To this end, the Board will solicit community input whenever a school site is to be selected and shall provide public notice and hold public hearings in accordance with law.

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
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The Superintendent or designee shall establish a site selection process which complies with law and ensures that the best possible sites are acquired and developed in a cost-effective manner.

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(cf. 7140 - Architectural and Engineering Services)
(cf. 7210 - Facilities Financing)
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Before acquiring property for a new school or an addition to an existing school site, the Board shall evaluate the property at a public hearing using state site selection standards. (Education Code 17211)

### **Environmental Impact Investigation for the Site Selection Process**

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether any proposed development project is subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and shall ensure compliance with this Act whenever so required. When evaluating district projects, the CEQA guidelines shall be used.

### **Agricultural Land**

If the proposed site is in an area designated in a city, county, or city and county general plan for agricultural use and zoned for agricultural production, the Board shall determine all of the following: (Education Code 17215.5)

- 1. That the district has notified and consulted with the city, county, or city and county within which the prospective site is to be located
- 2. That the Board has evaluated the final site selection based on all factors affecting the

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### SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT (continued)

3. That the district shall attempt to minimize any public health and safety issues resulting from the neighboring agricultural uses that may affect students and employees at the site

#### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

17006 Definition of self-certifying district

17024 Prior written approval of CDE for selection of school site or construction of building

17070.10-17077.10 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998

17210-17224 General provisions (school sites)

17240-17245 New Schools Relief Act

17250.10-17250.50 Design-build contracts

17251-17253 Powers concerning buildings and building sites

17260-17268 Plans

17280-17317 Approvals

17565-17592.5 Board duties re management and control of school property

35271 Power to acquire and construct on adjacent property

35275 New school planning and design, re consultation with local recreation and park authorities

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

1263.710-1263.770 Remediation of hazardous substances on property to be acquired by school district

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

53094 Authority to render zoning ordinances inapplicable

65402 Acquisition or disposition of property

65995-65997 Developer fees

66455.9 Written notices of proposed public school site within development; investigation and report; conditions for acquisition

### PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

21000-21178 Implementation of Environmental Quality Act

#### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14001-14036 Minimum standards

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 14

15000-15209 Review and evaluation of EIRs and negative declarations

### ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

82 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 130 (1999)

#### Management Resources:

#### **WEB SITES**

CDE, School Facilities Planning Division: http://www.cde.ca.gov/dmsbranch/sfpdiv

Office of Public School Construction: http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov/

#### COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Policy** adopted: January 11, 2005 Columbia, California **Facilities** AR 7150(a)

#### SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT

As part of the district's site selection process, the Superintendent or designee shall:

1. Meet with appropriate local government recreation and park authorities to review all possible methods of coordinating the planning, design, and construction of new school facilities and school sites or major additions to existing school facilities and recreation and park facilities in the community. (Education Code 35275)

(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

- 2. Notify the appropriate local planning agency in writing and request its report and recommendations regarding the proposed site's conformity with the adopted general plan. (Government Code 65402; Public Resources Code 21151.2)
- 3. Have the site investigated by competent personnel with regard to population trends, transportation, water supply, waste disposal facilities, utilities, traffic hazards, surface drainage conditions and other factors affecting initial and operating costs. This investigation shall include geological and soil engineering studies to preclude locating the school on terrain that has the potential for earthquake or other geologic hazard damage. (Education Code 17212-17212.5)
- 4. Ensure that the site meets state standards for school site selection as specified in 5 CCR 14010-14012.
- 5. Ensure compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as required by law. (Public Resources Code 21000-21178)
- If the proposed site is within two miles of the air line of an airport runway or proposed 6. runway, before acquiring title to the site, notify the California Department of Education (CDE) in writing. (Education Code 17215)

In the selection and development of projects funded pursuant to Education Code 17070.10-17077.10, the Superintendent or designee shall:

1. Determine whether the proposed site is free of toxic contamination by ensuring that a Phase I environmental assessment and/or preliminary endangerment assessment is conducted as required by law (Education Code 17213.1)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the preliminary endangerment assessment is made available for public review and comment in accordance with Education Code 17213.1.

2. Annually submit a summary report of expenditures to the State Allocation Board in accordance with law (Education Code 17076.10)

3. Include in the plans a hard-wired connection to a public switched telephone network or utilization of wireless technology (Education Code 17077.10)

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## **SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT** (continued)

4. Establish a participation goal of at least three percent, per year, of the overall dollar amount expended each year by the district for disabled veteran business enterprises (Education Code 17076.11)

(cf. 3312.11 - State Allocation Board Contracts)

#### COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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#### DEVELOPER FEES

Regulation

In order to finance the construction or reconstruction of school facilities needed to accommodate students coming from new development, the Governing Board may establish, levy and collect developer fees on residential, commercial and industrial construction within the district, subject to restrictions specified by law and administrative regulation.

## **Appeals Process for Protests by Developers**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an appeals process for the handling of protests by developers. (Education Code 17621)

#### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

17070.10-17077.10 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998

17582 District deferred maintenance fund

17620-17626 Levies against development projects by school districts

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

6061 One time notice

6066 Two weeks' notice

65864-65869.5 Development agreements

65995-65998 Payment of fees against a development project

66000-66008 Fees for development projects

66016-66018.5 Development project fees

66020-66025 Protests and audits

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

1859-1859.106 School facility program

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Dolan v. City of Tigard (1994) 114 S.Ct. 2309

#### Management Resources:

#### **WEB SITES**

Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction: http://www.dgs.ca.gov/opsc/

#### COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Columbia, California

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**Policy** 

Facilities AR 7211(a)

#### **DEVELOPER FEES**

### Level 1 Funding: Residential, Commercial and Industrial Construction

Before taking action to establish, impose developer fees, the Governing Board shall: (Government Code 66001)

- 1. Identify the purpose of the fee and the use to which the fee will be put
- 2. Determine a reasonable relationship between the fee's use and the type of development project for which the fee is imposed
- 3. Determine a reasonable relationship between the need for the public facility and the type of development project for which the fee is imposed
- 4. Determine a reasonable relationship between the amount of the fee and the cost of the public facility or portion of the public facility attributed to the development for which the fee is imposed

### **Level 1 Funding: Notice and Hearing Requirements**

Before levying developer fees or prior to increasing an existing fee, the Board shall schedule a public hearing. Information on the anticipated amount of fees, other available funds and funding sources, and the estimated cost of planning, land acquisition and school construction shall be made available to the public at least 10 days before the hearing. Notice of the hearing shall be given as required by law. (Government Code 66016)

At the hearing the Board shall adopt a resolution for the levying of the developer fees. (Government Code 66016) The resolution shall set forth:

- 1. The purpose of the fee and the public improvement(s) that the fee will be used to finance (Government Code 66006)
- 2. The Board's findings of reasonable relationship which justify the fees pursuant to Government Code 66001
- 3. The district's determination of either of the following conditions which allow collection of the fees at the time when building permits are issued: (Government Code 66007)
  - a. That the fees are to reimburse the district for previous expenditures, or

b. That the fees shall be collected for public improvements or facilities for which an account has been established, funds have been appropriated and the district has adopted a proposed construction schedule or plan

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### **DEVELOPER FEES** (continued)

### **Level 2 Funding: Residential Construction**

In order to impose residential construction fees within the limits of Government Code 65995.5, the Board shall: (Government Code 65995.5)

- 1. Make a timely application to the State Allocation Board for new construction funding for which it is
- 2. Conduct and adopt a school facility needs analysis pursuant to Government Code 65995.6

The needs analysis shall determine the need for school facilities for unhoused students that are attributable to projected enrollment growth from the development of new residential units over the next five years. The needs analysis shall: (Government Code 65995.6)

- a. Project the number of unhoused elementary, middle and high school students generated by new residential units, in each category of students enrolled in the district. This projection shall be based on a historical generation rate from the prior five years.
- b. Calculate the existing school building capacity pursuant to Education Code 17071.10-17071.40.

In addition, when determining the funds necessary to meet its facility needs, the Board shall do each of the following: (Government Code 65995.6)

- a. Identify and consider any surplus property owned by the district that can be used as a school site or that is available for sale to finance school facilities
- b. Identify and consider the extent to which projected enrollment growth may be accommodated by excess capacity in existing facilities
- c. Identify and consider local sources other than fees, charges, dedications or other requirements imposed on residential construction available to finance the construction or reconstruction of school facilities needed to accommodate any growth in enrollment attributable to the construction of new residential units

3. Satisfy at least one of the requirements set forth in Government Code 65995.5(b)(3)(A-D) (Government Code 65995.5)

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### **DEVELOPER FEES** (continued)

### **Level 2 Funding: Notice and Hearing Requirements**

The Board shall adopt the school facility needs analysis by resolution at a public hearing. (Government Code 65995.6)

This analysis may not be adopted until the analysis, in its final form, has been made available to the public for a period of not less than 30 days. Prior to its adoption, the public shall have the opportunity to review and comment on the analysis and the Board shall respond to written comments it receives regarding the analysis. (Government Code 65995.6)

During the period of public review, the analysis shall be provided to the local agency responsible for land use planning for its review and comment. (Government Code 65995.6)

No less than 30 days prior to the hearing, notice of the time and place of the hearing, including the location and procedure for viewing or requesting a copy of the proposed analysis, shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the jurisdiction of the district. If there is no paper of general circulation, the notice shall be posted in at least three conspicuous places within the district's jurisdiction not less than 30 days prior to the hearing. (Government Code 65995.6)

In addition, the Board shall mail a copy of the needs analysis not less than 30 days prior to the hearing to any person who has made a written request if the written request was made 45 days prior to the hearing. The Board may charge a fee reasonably related to the cost of providing these materials. (Government Code 65995.6)

The school facility needs analysis may be revised at any time. The revision is subject to the same conditions and requirements applicable to the adoption of the analysis. The existing school building capacity shall be recalculated as part of any revision to the needs analysis. (Government Code 65995.6)

The fees authorized by Government Code 65995.5 (Level 2) and Government Code 65995.7 (Level 3) shall be adopted by resolution as part of the adoption or revision of the school facilities needs analysis. The fees shall take effect immediately upon adoption of the resolution and may not be effective for more than one year. (Government Code 65995.6)

### **Level 3 Funding: Residential Construction**

If the State Allocation Board is no longer making apportionments for new construction and the district qualifies for Level 2 funding pursuant to Government Code 65995.5, the Board may assess a fee on residential construction pursuant to the requirements of Government Code 65995.7.

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### **DEVELOPER FEES** (continued)

Pursuant to Government Code 65995.7, the notice and hearing requirements for Level 3 funding shall be the same as the notice and hearing requirements for Level 2 funding as specified above.

### **All Developer Funding Fees: Additional Requirements**

The district shall send a copy of any resolution adopting or increasing developer fees to the city and county, accompanied by all relevant supporting documentation and a map indicating the boundaries of the area subject to the fee. (Education Code 17621)

In cooperation with local governmental agencies issuing building permits, the Superintendent or designee shall establish a means by which all of the following shall be accomplished:

- 1. The project applicant shall receive a written statement of the amount of the fees and notification that the 90-day approval period during which the applicant may protest has begun. (Government Code 66020)
- 2. The Superintendent or designee shall receive and retain acknowledgment that the above notification was received.
- 3. Before a permit is issued and upon the payment of the applicable fee or requirement, the Board shall immediately certify that the fee has been paid or that the district has determined that the fee does not apply to the development project. (Education Code 17620)

Developer fees shall be deposited, invested, accounted for and expended pursuant to Government Code 66006. Developer fees shall be deposited in a separate capital facilities account, except for temporary investments allowed by law, and shall be used only for the purpose for which they were collected. Interest income earned by the capital facilities account shall also be deposited in that account and used only for the purpose for which the fee was originally collected. (Government Code 66006)

For each separate account so established, the Superintendent or designee shall, within 180 days after the last day of each fiscal year, make available to the public the following information for the fiscal year: (Government Code 66006)

1. A brief description of the type of fee in the account or fund

- 2. The amount of the fee
- 3. The beginning and ending balance of the account or fund

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### **DEVELOPER FEES** (continued)

- 4. The amount of the fees collected and the interest earned
- 5. An identification of each public improvement on which fees were expended and the amount of the expenditures on each improvement, including the total percentage of the cost of the public improvement that was funded with fees
- 6. An identification of an approximate date by which the construction of the public improvement will commence if the district determines that sufficient funds have been collected to complete financing on an incomplete public improvement
- 7. A description of each interfund transfer or loan made from the account or fund, including the public improvement on which the transferred or loaned fees will be expended, and, in the case of an interfund loan, the date on which the loan will be repaid, and the rate of interest that the account or fund will receive on the loan
- 8. The amount of refunds made pursuant to Government Code 66001(e) and any allocations made pursuant to Government Code 66001(f)

The Board shall review the above information at the first regularly scheduled public Board meeting which occurs 15 days after the information is made available to the public. Fifteen-day prior notice of this meeting shall be mailed to any parties filing a written request pursuant to Government Code 66006. (Government Code 66006)

In addition to discharging its public disclosure duties regarding the levying of developer fees, the Board shall, for the fifth fiscal year after the first deposit into the account or fund and every five years thereafter, make all of the following findings with respect to the portion of the account or fund that remains unexpended, whether committed or uncommitted: (Government Code 66001)

- 1. Identify the purpose to which the fee is to be put
- 2. Demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the fee and the purpose for which it is charged
- 3. Identify all sources and amounts of funding anticipated to complete financing in incomplete improvements originally identified

4. Designate the approximate dates on which the funding referred to in item #3 is expected to be deposited into the appropriate account or fund

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### **DEVELOPER FEES** (continued)

When sufficient funds have been collected to complete the financing of public improvements but such improvements remain incomplete, the district shall, within 180 days of the date that a determination of sufficient funding was made, either identify an approximate date by which construction will begin or refund the unexpended revenues in accordance with Government Code 66001. (Government Code 66001)

### **Appeals Process for Protests by Developers**

Developers of residential, commercial and industrial projects who claim that the developer fee has been inappropriately levied shall use the following procedures: (Government Code 66020)

- 1. The developer shall tender any required payment in full or provide satisfactory evidence of arrangements to pay the fee when due or ensure performance of the conditions necessary to meet the requirements of the imposition.
- 2. The developer shall serve written notice to the Board. This notice shall include:
  - a. A statement that the required payment is tendered or will be tendered when due, or that any conditions which have been imposed are provided for or satisfied, under protest.
  - b. A statement informing the Board of the factual elements of the dispute and the legal theory forming the basis for the protest.
- 3. The protest shall be filed at the time of approval or conditional approval of the development or within 90 days after the date of the imposition of the fees.
- 4. The developer may file an action to attack, review, set aside, void or annul the imposition of the fees imposed on the development project within 180 days of delivery of the notice

COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NAMING OF FACILITY

The Governing Board shall name schools or individual buildings in recognition of:

1. Individuals, living or deceased, who have made outstanding contributions to the

county or community

2. Individuals, living or deceased, who have made contributions of state, national or

worldwide significance

3. The geographic area in which the school or building is located

The Board encourages community participation in the process of selecting names. A citizen advisory committee shall be appointed to review name suggestions and submit

recommendations for the Board's consideration.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

The renaming of existing schools or major facilities shall occur only under extraordinary

circumstances and after thorough study.

Memorials

Upon request, the Board shall consider naming buildings, parts of buildings or athletic fields

in honor of the contributions of students, staff members and community members who have

been deceased for at least one year.

Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

35160 Authority of governing boards

# COLUMBIA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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