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"Better Way Training"

February 21, 2015 - Saturday

Basics of Bond Oversight

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Best Practices in School Construction

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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Limited Seating - Free Event

District Offices, Natomas Unified, 1931 Arena Blvd., Sacramento 95834

CaLBOC Annual Conference

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Pay to Play in School Bond
Measures-What it is and
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[2014CaLBOC_PaytoPlay.pdf](#)
Presented by Lori Raineri
of Government Financial
Strategies, GFS

Mission Statement

To promote school district accountability by improving the training and resources available to California's Proposition 39 School Bond Oversight Committees and educating the state legislature, local school boards and the public about the oversight and reporting powers these Citizens' Bond Oversight Committees (CBOCs) have, and to advocate on a state level, where appropriate, on issues of common concern to all CBOCs.

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Bond Language Stated Alpine High School Would be Built

Judge favors Alpine over Grossmont

Jan. 22, 2015 | By Karen Pearlman | www.utsandiego.com

EXCERPT: ... Superior Court Judge Joel Pressman on Thursday morning granted a preliminary injunction to stop Grossmont from spending the bond money, as requested by the Alpine Union School District and a group known as Alpine Taxpayers for Bond Accountability. The unincorporated community of Alpine has its own K-8 school district, but high school students attend schools in the Grossmont district.

Grossmont district voters approved Proposition H in 2004 and Prop. U in 2008, bond measures that total nearly \$700 million. Along with funding to upgrade 11 existing district schools, the measures included money to construct a high school in Alpine. That school has not been built. Grossmont says a predetermined enrollment trigger has not been met to warrant its construction. The two Alpine groups want a high school in town, however, and fear that all the bond money will spent on other projects.

In Prop. U, the bond language states that a school for Alpine would be built "after district-wide enrollment at the existing comprehensive high school sites, including the two current charter schools, equals or exceeds 23,245." Those enrollment numbers were met in 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11, according to Grossmont school board documents. The district says, though, that it had not acquired the land yet for the school and now the enrollment is below the threshold. The district currently has 21,576 students. Officials there project a decline of 149 students next year, and don't expect to return to the enrollment trigger until after 2020.

Prop. H language never stipulated an enrollment trigger and said only money would be allotted to "construct a new school."

"Grossmont never said they wouldn't build a school in Alpine, just not now," said Grossmont attorney Warrington Parker III.

Without a nearby high school, several hundred Alpine area students continue to make long trips to either Steele Canyon High in Spring Valley or Granite Hills High in El Cajon.

The district has said it will be in court again Jan. 28 to file for a stay of the injunction as well as begin to prepare for an appeal. ...

To read the complete article, please visit:

utsandiego.com/news/2015/jan/22/judge-rules-alpine-favor-vs-grossmont/

CaLBOC Presents: "Better Way Training"

Saturday February 21, 2015

Registration opens at 8:30 am

Basics of Bond Oversight

9:00 AM - 12 Noon

* Roles and responsibilities of BOC Members

* Resources

* All the basic information needed to be an effective BOC member

Best Practices in School Construction

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

* Reduced First cost

* Reduced cost of borrowing

* Management Best Practices

Learn the basics of being a Bond Oversight Committee from the California League of Bond Oversight Committees. Also, learn from the Better Way to Build Schools Initiative about critical cost effectiveness best practices: what they are, how to score a District, and how to move forward.

Location: District Offices, Natomas Unified
, 1931 Arena Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834

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