

PAC PLANNING MEETING

West Independent School District

Presentation – Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Presenter: David Truitt, Superintendent



THE “WHY”

- Last District Project: 50 Year Decision
- West Explosion: From Five to Seven Grade Levels
- All Means ALL When Planning for & Serving our Students in West
- The Needs from 2017-2018 are even Greater in 2019-2020
 - Believed in the Vision then... Believe in the Vision now
 - Student Enrollment: Grown 69 Students over the Past Three Years; Now at 588 Students
 - It's Not Just One Thing at the Current Site...
 - Student Safety Must be our #1 Priority



CURRENT WORK

- Acquiring the needed acreage for the new school site
- Completing a new campus rendering of the outside of the campus (even show how it would sit on the new land)
- Completing a layout of the new campus (even list square footage and how many classrooms, offices, electives, etc.) and list the “as accurate as possible” construction cost
- Ensuring we call for a Bond amount less than the District’s Bond Capacity
- Reviewing ways to “value engineer” the new campus
- Communicating ways the District’s tax rate has been reduced
- Striving to improve communication of the new Bond tasks and timeline with the community
- Working with a new architect from the 2018 project



CURRENT WORK

- Held Three Listening Sessions
- Held a Special Called Board Meeting – Workshop Format
- Attended the City Leadership Luncheon
- Attended the Chamber Board Meeting
- Written several Articles for “The West News”
- Updated all District Social Media and Website
- Spoke at Today’s District Convocation
- Named a Board Subcommittee to Craft Bond Budget
- Planned a Special Called Board Meeting to Call the Bond (with Public Forum)



LAND ACQUISITION AND DESIGN PLAN

- Met with landowner
- Requested 30 acres
- Met with Mayor Muska
- Working with Claycomb on Site and Design Plans
 - Reviewing Several Options
 - Ready to Meet with Staff



Estimated Tax Impact on District Homeowners Assuming a \$100,000 Market Value

TAX RATE INFO

Homeowner Market Value	Homestead Exemption	Homeowner Taxable Value
\$100,000	\$25,000	\$75,000

Home Value vs. Yearly Cost			
Year/Value	100K	200K	300K
2018 Bond	\$229.92	\$459.84	\$689.76
Now	\$137.04	\$274.08	\$411.12

Scenario	Bond Amount	Projected Change in I&S Tax Rate	Annual Impact	Monthly Impact
1	\$20,000,000	\$0.1827	\$137.02	\$11.42
2	\$19,500,000	\$0.1776	\$133.18	\$11.10
3	\$19,000,000	\$0.1725	\$129.41	\$10.78
4	\$18,500,000	\$0.1674	\$125.57	\$10.46
5	\$18,000,000	\$0.1623	\$121.73	\$10.14

← \$19.16

