# WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Office of the Superintendent

Date: April 2, 2020

# **Request For Placement on Board Agenda:**

[ ] ACTION [ X ] INFORMATION

AGENDA TOPIC: Measure B Bond Building Fund

**Financial and Performance Audit Report** 

For period ending June 30, 2019

PRESENTER: Debbie Costello, Director of Business Services

# **Information:**

Review of Independent Auditors Report on Measure B for period ending June 30, 2019.

# **Findings:**

There were no findings related to the financial statements in 2018-19.

There were no findings or recommendations related to the use of local school construction bonds in 2018-19

# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND OF WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUDIT REPORT June 30, 2019

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# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT INTRODUCTION AND CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBER LISTING JUNE 30, 2019

Willows Unified School District was established in 1966. There were no changes in the boundaries of the District during the current year. The District is currently operating one elementary school, one intermediate school, one high school, and one continuation school.

On November 8, 2016, voters passed ballot Measure B, authorizing the issuance of \$8,000,000 of general obligation bonds. The issue of the general obligation bonds (Series A) occurred on March 28, 2017, for a principal amount of \$8,000,000. The funds were deposited into the Glenn County Treasury. All warrants are pre-audited and processed by the Glenn County Office of Education. All Measure B building funds are accounted for in Fund 21 of the District's general ledger. As of June 30, 2019, all of Measure B funds have been fully expended, making the 2018-19 year the final year of the bond program.

Measure B was a Proposition 39 bond. The passage of Proposition 39 in November 2000 amended the California Constitution to include accountability measures.

Upon passage of Proposition 39, an accompanying piece of legislation, AB 1908 (Chapter 44, Statutes of 2000), was also enacted, which amended the Education Code to establish additional procedures which must be followed if a District seeks approval of a bond measure pursuant to the 55% majority authorized in Measure B including formation, composition and purpose of the Citizens' Oversight Committee, and authorization for injunctive relief against the improper expenditure of bond revenues.

As of June 30, 2019, the Citizens' Oversight Committee was comprised of the following members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<b>Representation</b>
Jim Lambert	Chair	Member At-Large
Janet Perez	Vice Chair	Member At-Large
Dennis Asbury	Member	Member of a Senior Citizens Organization
Sylvia Hoenike	Member	Member of a Taxpayer Organization
David McDonald	Member	Parent
Jamie Millen	Member	<b>Business Representative</b>
Michelle Thomas	Member	Parent
Natalie Wolder	Member	Parent Active in PTA

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee And Governing Board Members of the Willows Unified School District Willows, California

# **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund of Willows Unified School District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Measure B Bond Building Fund of Willows Unified School District, as of June 30, 2019, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 1A, the financial statements present only the Measure B Bond Building Fund and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the Willows Unified School District, as of June 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

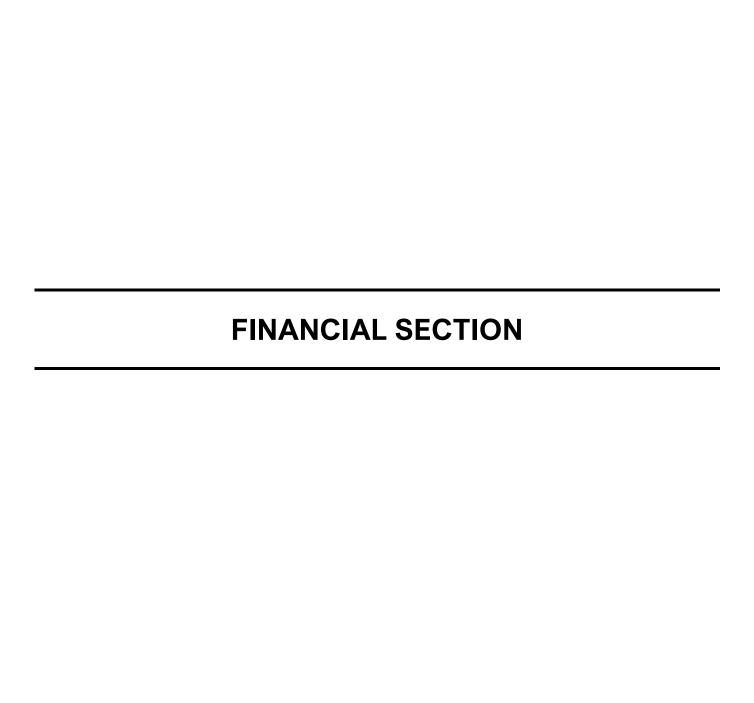
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 21, 2020, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters specific to the Measure B Bond Building Fund. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Measure B Bond Building Fund's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

# Report of Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Christy White, Inc.

In accordance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as incorporated in California Constitution Article 13A, we have issued our performance audit dated February 21, 2020 on our consideration of the District's compliance with the requirements of Proposition 39 as it directly relates to the Measure B Bond Building Fund. That report is an integral part of our audit of the Measure B Bond Building Fund of Willows Unified School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and should be considered in assessing the results of our financial audit.

San Diego, California February 21, 2020



# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2019

ASSETS  Cash and investments  Due from other funds  Total Assets	\$	106,303 7,787 114,090
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
Accrued Liabilities	\$	114,090
Total Liabilities	<u> </u>	114,090
FUND BALANCE Restricted for Measure B Projects		<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	114,090

# WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

REVENUES	
Interest income	\$ (7,029)
Total Revenues	(7,029)
EXPENDITURES Facilities acquisition and construction	 4,009,060
Total Expenditures	4,009,060
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 (4,016,089)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND USES Interfund transfer-in	 1,245,188
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	1,245,188
Net Change in Fund Balance	(2,770,901)
Fund Balance, July 1, 2018	 2,770,901
Fund Balance, June 30, 2019	\$ -

#### **NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

# A. Reporting Entity

Willows Unified School District was established in 1966. There were no changes in the boundaries of the District during the current year. The District is currently operating one elementary school, one intermediate school, one high school, and one continuation school.

On November 8, 2016, voters passed ballot Measure B, authorizing the issuance of \$8,000,000 of general obligation bonds. The issue of the general obligation bonds (Series A) occurred on March 28, 2017, for a principal amount of \$8,000,000. The funds were deposited into the Glenn County Treasury. All warrants are pre-audited and processed by the Glenn County Office of Education. All Measure B building funds are accounted for in Fund 21 of the District's general ledger.

Because the Bond required only 55% of the vote in accordance with Proposition 39 (Article XIII of the California State Constitution), the District was required to establish a citizens' bond oversight committee and to conduct a financial and performance audit.

The Committee's oversight goals include ensuring expenditures are within the language of the ballot measure and advising the District's Governing Board on various projects. The citizens' oversight committee must include, among others, representation of a bona fide taxpayers association, a business organization, and a senior citizens organization. No District employees or vendors are allowed to serve on the citizens' oversight committee.

The fund financial statements are for the Measure B Bond Building Fund. Since this is just one component of the district, these financial statements are not intended to be a complete presentation of the District's financial position or results of operations. Accordingly, these fund statements do not include a government wide financial statement, management discussion and analysis or related organizational disclosures. The audited financial statements of Willows Unified School District include the Measure B Bond Building Fund activities, related debt and disclosures as well as the management discussion and analysis.

An advisory committee to the District's Governing Board and Superintendent, the Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee ("COC") was established pursuant to the requirements of state law and the provisions of Measure B. The purpose of the COC is to inform the public concerning the use of bond proceeds. The COC is required by state law to actively review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction. The COC provides oversight and advises the public as to whether the District is spending the Measure B Bond Building funds for school capital improvements within the scope of projects outlined in the Measure B Project List. In fulfilling its duties, the COC reviews, among other things, the District's annual performance and financial audits of Measure B activity.

# NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

# A. Reporting Entity (continued)

The statements presented are for the individual Measure B Bond Building Fund of the District as issued by the District, through Glenn County, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the District's financial position or results of operations.

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. District resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

# B. Accounting Policies

The District accounts for its financial transactions in accordance with the policies and procedures of the California Department of Education's *California School Accounting Manual*. The accounting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA").

# C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred.

# D. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is used in all budgeted funds to reserve portions of applicable appropriations for which commitments have been made. Encumbrances are recorded for purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments when they are written. Encumbrances are liquidated when the commitments are paid.

# NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

# E. Cash and Investments

In accordance with Education Code Sections 15357 and 41001, the Measure B Bond Building Fund maintains its cash in the Glenn County Treasury. The county pools these funds with those of other districts in the county and invests the cash. These pooled funds are carried at cost, which approximates market value. Interest earned is deposited quarterly into participating funds. Any investment losses are proportionately shared by all funds in the pool.

#### F. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# G. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all government funds. By state law, the District's Governing Board must adopt a budget no later than July 1. A public hearing must be conducted to receive comments prior to adoption. The District's Governing Board satisfied these requirements.

These budgets are revised by the District's Governing Board during the year to give consideration to unanticipated income and expenditures. Formal budgetary integration was employed as a management control device during the year for all budgeted funds. The District employs budget control by minor object and by individual appropriation accounts. Expenditures cannot legally exceed appropriations by major object account.

# H. Fund Balance

Under GASB Statement No. 54, fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The fund balance in Measure B Bond Building Fund is considered restricted.

The restricted fund balance classification reflects amounts subject to externally imposed and legally enforceable constraints. Such constraints may be imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or may be imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

#### **NOTE 2 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

# **Summary of Cash and Investments**

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2019 consist of the following:

Investment in county treasury	_\$	106,303
Total cash and investments	\$	106,303

# **Policies and Practices**

The District is authorized under California Government Code to make direct investments in local agency bonds, notes, or warrants within the State; U.S. Treasury instruments; registered State warrants or treasury notes; securities of the U.S. Government, or its agencies; bankers acceptances; commercial paper; certificates of deposit placed with commercial banks and/or savings and loan companies; repurchase or reverse repurchase agreements; medium term corporate notes; shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies, certificates of participation, obligations with first priority security; and collateralized mortgage obligations. Investments of debt proceeds held by trustees are governed by the provisions of debt agreements rather than the general provisions of the California Government Code. These provisions allow for the acquisition of investment agreements with maturities up to 30 years.

Cash in County Treasury – The District is considered to be an involuntary participant in an external investment pool as the District is required to deposit all receipts and collections of monies with their County Treasurer (Education Code Section 41001). The fair value of the District's investment in the pool is reported in the accounting financial statements at amounts based upon the District's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by the County Treasurer for the entire portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by the County Treasurer, which is recorded on the amortized cost basis.

# NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

# **General Authorizations**

Except for investments by trustees of debt proceeds, the authority to invest District funds deposited with the county treasury is delegated to the County Treasurer and Tax Collector. The table below identifies examples of the investment types permitted in the investment policy:

	Maximum	Maximum	Maximum
Authorized	Remaining	Percentage	Investment
Investment Type	Maturity	of Portfolio	in One Issuer
Local Agency Bonds, Notes, Warrants	5 years	None	None
Registered State Bonds, Notes, Warrants	5 years	None	None
U.S. Treasury Obligations	5 years	None	None
U.S. Agency Securities	5 years	None	None
Banker's Acceptance	180 days	40%	30%
Commercial Paper	270 days	25%	10%
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	5 years	30%	None
Repurchase Agreements	1 year	None	None
Reverse Repurchase Agreements	92 days	20% of base	None
Medium-Term Corporate Notes	5 years	30%	None
Mutual Funds	N/A	20%	10%
Money Market Mutual Funds	N/A	20%	10%
Mortgage Pass-Through Securities	5 years	20%	None
County Pooled Investment Funds	N/A	None	None
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	None	None
Joint Powers Authority Pools	N/A	None	None

Limitations as they relate to interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk are described below:

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The District manages its exposure to interest rate risk by investing in the County Treasury. The District maintains an investment with the Glenn County Investment Pool with a fair value of approximately \$105,995 and an amortized book value of \$106,303.

# NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

# **Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The investments in the County Treasury are not required to be rated. As of June 30, 2019, the pooled investments in the County Treasury were not rated.

# **Concentration of Credit Risk**

The investment policy of the District contains no limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer beyond the amount stipulated by the California Government Code. District investments that are greater than 5 percent of total investments are in either an external investment pool or mutual funds and are therefore exempt.

#### Fair Value

The District categorizes the fair value measurements of its investments based on the hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The fair value hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value. The following provides a summary of the hierarchy used to measure fair value:

Level 1 - Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs should be developed using the best information available under the circumstances, which might include the District's own data. The District should adjust that data if reasonable available information indicates that other market participants would use different data or certain circumstances specific to the District are not available to other market participants.

Uncategorized - Investments in the Glenn County Treasury Investment Pool are not measured using the input levels above because the District's transactions are based on a stable net asset value per share. All contributions and redemptions are transacted at \$1.00 net asset value per share.

The District's fair value measurements at June 30, 2019 were as follows:

	Unc	ategorized_
Investment in county treasury	\$	105,995
Total fair market value of investments	\$	105,995

# **NOTE 3 – INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

# A. Interfund Receivables/Payables (Due From/Due To)

Individual interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2019 were as follows:

		Due From O	Other Funds			
Due To Other Funds	Build	ing Fund		Total		
Non-Major Governmental Funds	\$	7,787	\$	7,787		
Total Due From Other Funds	\$	7,787	\$	7,787		
The Non-Major Capital Facilities Fund owed the Building Fund for	expenditu	res incurred.	\$	7,787		
Total	·		\$	7,787		

# B. Operating Transfers

Individual transfers at June 30, 2019 were as follows:

		Interfund Tra	nsfer	rs In
Interfund Transfers Out	Bui	Iding Fund		Total
General Fund	\$	787,401	\$	787,401
Non-Major Governmental Funds		457,787		457,787
Total Interfund Transfers	\$	1,245,188	\$	1,245,188
The General Fund transferred to the Building Fund for expending Fund Facilities Fund transferred to the Building Fund Fund		ditures incurred.	\$	787,401 457,787
Total		-	\$	1,245,188

# **NOTE 4 – ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Accounts payable at June 30, 2019 consisted of \$114,090 related to construction costs.

# **NOTE 5 – MEASURE B GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

The bonded debt is paid through the *ad valorem* property taxes through Glenn County and the debt liability is carried on the Willows Unified School District's Government Wide financial statements. Under the voters' authorization, there has been one bond issuance (2017 Series A) with terms summarized as follows:

					Bonds			Bonds
	Issue	Maturity	Interest	Original	Outstanding			Outstanding
Series	Date	Date	Rate	Issue	July 01, 2018	Additions	Deductions	June 30, 2019
Election 2017, Series A	3/28/2017	8/1/2040	2.00% - 5.000%	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ 215,000	\$ 7,785,000
					\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ 215,000	\$ 7,785,000

# NOTE 5 – MEASURE B GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (continued)

In the election held November 8, 2016, the voters authorized the District to issue and sell \$8,000,000 of principal amount of general obligation bonds. The Series A Bonds are being issued to finance the repair, upgrading, acquisition, construction, and equipping of District sites and facilities.

The official question on the ballot was as follows:

"To modernize Willows schools, upgrade safety systems, improve infrastructure and accessibility, replace portables with permanent classrooms, and make other repairs to outdated facilities, shall Willows Unified School District be authorized to issue \$8,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, using no Capital Appreciation Bonds (CABs) and requiring a responsible duration and repayment cost, with a Citizens' Oversight Committee and annual audits to ensure funds are only spent improving local classrooms and facilities, and not for any other purpose?"

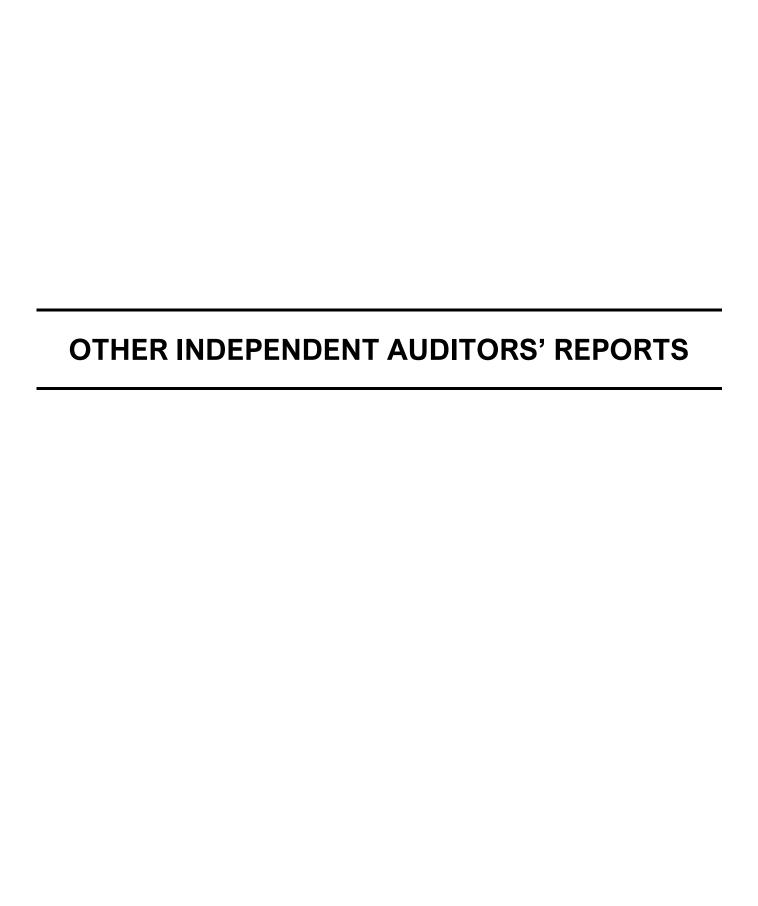
The 2017 Series A general obligation bonds outstanding were as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest		Total
2020	\$ 160,000	\$	280,800	\$ 440,800
2021	170,000		275,850	445,850
2022	185,000		270,525	455,525
2023	200,000		264,750	464,750
2024	215,000		258,525	473,525
2025 - 2029	1,335,000		1,182,306	2,517,306
2030 - 2034	1,825,000		944,669	2,769,669
2035 - 2039	2,465,000		574,781	3,039,781
2040 - 2041	 1,230,000		62,500	1,292,500
	\$ 7,785,000	\$	4,114,706	\$ 11,899,706

# **NOTE 6 – EXPENDITURES BY SITE**

The following table presents the expenditure amounts by site for the year ended June 30, 2019:

Sites	Amount		
Willows High School	\$	1,813,099	
Murdock Elementary		1,671,328	
Willows Intermediate		454,276	
District Office		70,357	
Total	\$	4,009,060	



# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

**Independent Auditors' Report** 

Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee And Governing Board Members of the Willows Unified School District Willows, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund of Willows Unified School District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Willows Unified School District's basic financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2020.

# **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Willows Unified School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Willows Unified School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Willows Unified School District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

# **Internal Control over Financial Reporting (continued)**

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Willows Unified School District's financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

# **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

San Diego, California February 21, 2020

Christy White, Inc.

#### REPORT ON PERFORMANCE

Independent Auditors' Report

Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee And Governing Board Members of the Willows Unified School District Willows, California

# **Report on Performance**

We have audited Willows Unified School District's compliance with the performance audit procedures described in the 2018-19 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, prescribed in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, section 19810, that could have a direct and material effect on Willows Unified School District's Measure B Bond Building Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, as identified below.

# Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to local school construction bonds.

# **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance of Willows Unified School District's Measure B Bond Building Fund based on our performance audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our performance audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the 2018-19 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, prescribed in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, section 19810. Those standards require that we plan and perform the performance audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Willows Unified School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that the evidence obtained in our performance audit provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Willows Unified School District's compliance with those requirements.

# **Opinion on Performance**

In our opinion, Willows Unified School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that are applicable to the Measure B Bond Building Fund noted below for the year ended June 30, 2019.

# **Procedures Performed**

In connection with the performance audit referred to above, we selected and tested transactions and records to determine Willows Unified School District's compliance with the state laws and regulations applicable to the Financial Audit Procedures and Performance Audit Procedures over the Measure B Bond Building Fund. Additional agreed upon procedures relating the Measure B Bond Building Fund may also be included.

The results of the procedures performed and the related results are further described in the accompanying performance audit results following this Report on Performance.

San Diego, California February 21, 2020

Christy White, Inc.

#### SECTION I - FINANCIAL AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

# **Financial Statements**

As mentioned in the Report on Financial Statements, we have issued an unmodified opinion over the financial statements of the Measure B Bond Building Fund as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

#### Internal Control Evaluation

We tested internal controls over financial reporting and compliance with laws, regulations, or provisions of contracts or agreements and have determined through our inquiry of management and our evaluation of District processes that no significant deficiencies were noted.

#### SECTION II - PERFORMANCE AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

# **Facility Project Expenditures**

We selected a representative sample of expenditures charged to the Measure B Bond Building Fund and reviewed supporting documentation to ensure funds were properly expended on specific project(s) listed in the text of the Measure B ballot.

We tested approximately \$2,879,087 of non-personnel expenditures and \$80,158 in accounts payable for a combined total of 74% of total 2018-19 Measure B Bond Building Fund expenditures for validity, allowability and accuracy and concluded that the sampled expenditures were in compliance with the terms of Measure B ballot language, the District approved facilities plan, and applicable state laws and regulations.

# **Personnel Expenditures**

Based on our review of expenditure information, we noted that there were no salaries or benefits charged to the Measure B Bond Building Fund during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. Audit procedures over personnel expenditures were not applicable.

# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS, continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

# SECTION II - PERFORMANCE AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS (continued)

#### **Facilities Site Walk**

We verified that funds were generally expended for the construction, renovation, furnishing, and equipping of school facilities constituting authorized bond projects by review of supporting documentation as previously noted under Facility Project Expenditures, but also through performance of facilities site walks.

Auditor toured Measure B sites with Superintendent, Mort Geivett, and Maintenance Lead, Steven Permann, in order to view and verify use of voter-approved bond funds. Auditor selected sites receiving high volume of expenditures during fiscal year 2018-19 and toured in order to verify funds have been spent in accordance with ballot language and Facilities Master Plan.

Facilities site walks were performed for projects at Willows Intermediate School and Willows High School. We toured Willows Intermediate School and inspected the new relocatable toilets, comprised of a modular building containing four bathrooms. We then toured the school site of Willows High School and physically observed the effects of the modernization projects. This included HVAC installations, retractable bleachers in the gym, and renovated locker rooms. Based on our site walks, the projects for the school sites appear to be successfully completed and funds appear to be expended for authorized bond projects.

#### **Contract and Bid Procedures**

Based on review of contracts and per inquiry with management, we noted that there were no contracts awarded during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. Additionally, we reviewed overall expenditures by vendor in order to determine if multiple projects under the applicable bidding threshold were identified to suggest any possible bid-splitting.

Based on review of overall expenditures and projects by vendor, no instances or possible indications of bid-splitting have been identified. The District appears to be properly reviewing projects and applying appropriate procedures over bidding procedures.

# **Contracts and Change Orders**

We reviewed a listing of contracts and change orders during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 and selected a sample to ensure that change orders were properly approved and in accordance with District policies. Additionally, cumulative change orders for any given contract were reviewed to ensure that total change orders did not exceed ten percent of the total original contract.

From a sample of two (2) change orders, we noted that the change orders for Willows High School's bleacher project and Willows Intermediate School's relocatable toilet project did not exceed ten percent of the contracts with McCuen Construction and R.R. Horn Inc. respectively. All change orders were properly reviewed and approved by management and the governing board in accordance with District policy.

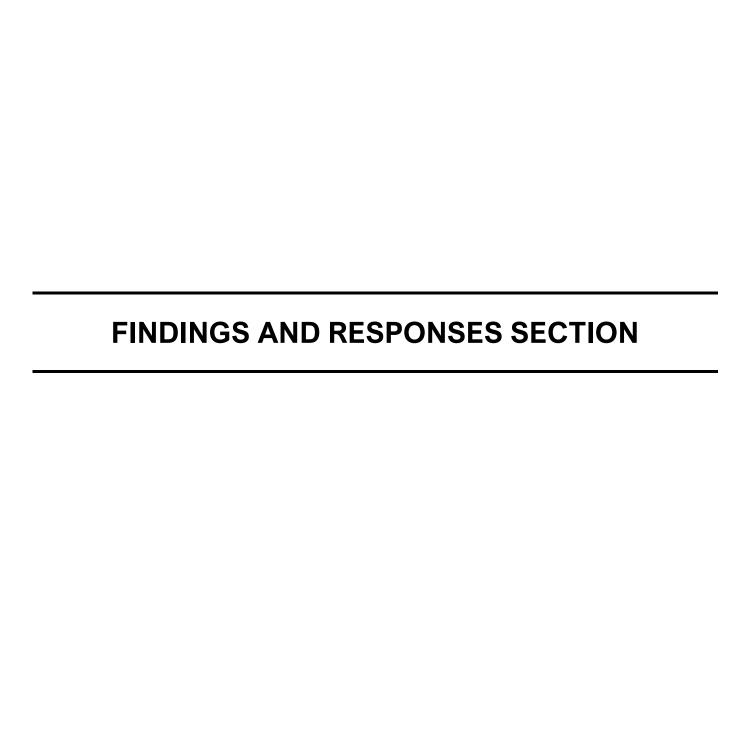
# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS, continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

# SECTION II - PERFORMANCE AUDIT PROCEDURES AND RESULTS (continued)

# **Citizen Oversight Committee**

In accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 1908 and Education Code (Ed Code) Section 15278, the District is required to establish a bond oversight committee for Proposition 39 bonds to include one active member from each of the following sectors: a business organization, senior citizens organization, bona fide taxpayers' association, parent/guardian of a child enrolled in the District and a parent/guardian of a child enrolled in the District who is also a member of a parent teacher association. Additionally, no employee or official of the District shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee.

We found that the District successfully compiled a citizens' oversight committee with an active member from each of the required representations. No members of the citizens' oversight committee are also employees, official, vendor or consultant of the District. Refer to the Introduction and Citizens' Oversight Committee Member Listing for a listing of current members as of June 30, 2019.



# MEASURE B BOND BUILDING FUND SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

# PART I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Unmodified Type of auditors' report issued Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? No None Reported Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Non-compliance material to the financial statements? No STATE PERFORMANCE Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? No Significant deficiency(ies) identified? No Type of auditor's report issued on performance for local school construction bonds: Unmodified

# **PART II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

There were no findings related to the financial statements in 2018-19.

# **PART III - PERFORMANCE AUDIT FINDINGS**

There were no findings or recommendations related to local school construction bonds in 2018-19.

# **PART IV - PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS**

There were no findings and recommendations during the year ended June 30, 2018.