

RESOLUTION NO. 20-21-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ADDENDUM TO INITIAL FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE MILLS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS COMPLEX PROJECT

WHEREAS, San Mateo Union High School District (“District”) is duly authorized and existing under the laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Mills High School is located at 400 Murchison Drive in Millbrae, California; and

WHEREAS, the District proposes to relocate and improve a number of athletics facilities at the Mills High School campus (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project would include adding lighting to the practice field, existing swimming pools, and some of the new tennis courts; and

WHEREAS, the District is the lead agency for purposes of environmental review of the Project under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21000 *et seq.*, and the State “Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act”; and

WHEREAS, further to the requirements contained in CEQA, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) at a duly noticed meeting on October 22, 2020, adopted Resolution 20-21-06 adopting and approving the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (“MND”) (SCH 2020059026), the Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program (“MMRP”) and approving the Project, subject to implementation of the mitigation measures in the MMRP; and

WHEREAS, the District filed a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse on November 2, 2020 and with the County of San Mateo Clerk on December 4, 2020 as required under CEQA; and

WHEREAS, one of the mitigation measures in the MMRP is Measure AES-1, which reduces the significant glare impacts of the Project on neighboring properties as follows:

To reduce significant glare impacts on the adjacent residents at their rear property lines to levels below 25,000 candelas, which is the threshold of significance the lighting proposed for the outfield shall be redesigned so that glare would not exceed 25,000 candelas at the rear property lines. This would reduce glare to acceptable levels.

WHEREAS, as required under Measure AES-1, the District has revised the design of the lighting system by modifying the lighting pole locations and re-aiming lighting fixtures to achieve a

candela per lighting fixture at the neighboring property lines that is less than 10,000 candelas (the “Revised Project”); and

WHEREAS, the District, through its CEQA environmental consultant, Grassetti Environmental Consulting, prepared the Addendum to Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH No. 2020059026) (“Addendum”) finding that 10,000 candelas is a more stringent and appropriate threshold of significance for measuring glare impacts to neighboring properties and further finding that the Revised Project reduces glare impacts to neighboring properties below the threshold level of significance; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum has been prepared in conformity with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(b), which authorizes a lead agency to prepare an addendum if only minor technical changes or additions are necessary or none of the conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 calling for the preparation of a subsequent negative declaration have occurred; and

WHEREAS, the design changes to the Project as noted above and in the Addendum will result in the reduction of glare impacts below the revised 10,000 candelas threshold of significance and will not cause any new significant environmental impacts requiring the preparation of a subsequent negative declaration or environmental impact report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND, AND DETERMINED BY THE BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The Board adopts the foregoing recitals as true and correct.

SECTION 2. Board Findings. The Board finds as follows: 1) the Addendum has been presented to the Board and the Board has reviewed and considered the Addendum prepared for the Project as redesigned; 2) the Addendum has been prepared and completed in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; 3) on the basis of the Addendum and whole record there is no substantial evidence that the Project as redesigned will have a significant impact individually or cumulatively on the environment; and 4) the Addendum reflects the Board’s independent judgment and analysis.

SECTION 3. Board Approval of Addendum; Delegation of Authority. Based on the findings in Section 2 above, the Board approves and adopts the findings and conclusions of the Addendum as its own, and hereby incorporates by reference the discussion and analysis in the Addendum in support of the action taken by the Board by this Resolution. The Superintendent or his representative is directed to take all reasonable action necessary to implement the Addendum and ensure the Project is constructed in conformity with the MND and the Addendum.

SECTION 4. Notice of Determination. District staff is authorized and directed to cause a Notice of Determination concerning the adoption and approval of the Addendum to be filed in the office of the San Mateo County Clerk and with the State Clearinghouse, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15075.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall become immediately effective upon adoption by the Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of May by the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo Union High School District at a regular meeting held via Zoom, due to COVID-19.

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____
President, Board of Trustees

By: _____
Superintendent

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed, and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo Union High School Trustee at a regular meeting held on May 6, 2021.

Clerk
Board of Trustees

EXHIBIT A

[Insert Addendum]