

EXHIBIT B
FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION
SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2016

“SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE AFFORDABLE EDUCATION, JOB TRAINING/ VETERAN SUPPORT MEASURE. To repair/ upgrade local community college campuses, prepare students/ veterans for jobs/ university transfer, repair deteriorating roofs, electrical wiring, gas, water/ sewer lines, remove asbestos/ lead paint, improve energy efficiency/ campus safety/ security, upgrade, acquire, repair, construct classrooms/ labs/ sites/ facilities/ equipment, shall Southwestern Community College District issue \$400 million in bonds at legal rates, no money for administrators’ salaries/ pensions, independent audits, citizen oversight, all funds used locally?”

Bonds - Yes

Bonds – No

PROJECTS

The Governing Board of the Southwestern Community College District, to be responsive to the needs of its community, evaluated Southwestern College’s urgent and critical facility needs, and its capacity to provide students, active military, and **Veterans** with support and **job training** facilities, and an **affordable education** to prepare them for success in **college** and **careers**. **Veteran’s support**, safety issues, **job training** facilities, class size and offerings, and information and computer technology were each considered in developing the scope of projects to be funded, as such are outlined in the District’s Facilities Master Plan Vision 2025 and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and available for review on the District’s website (www.swccd.edu). In developing the scope of projects, basic repairs, **job training** facilities, campus safety, facilities **supporting Veterans**, and the expansion of opportunities for local students to receive an **affordable**, quality **education**, were **prioritized**. If these facility needs are not addressed now, Southwestern College would be unable to remain competitive in preparing students for jobs in high demand industries and **university transfer**. The Governing Board determines that **Southwestern College MUST:**

- (i) **Increase opportunities for local students to earn college credits, certifications and job skills at reasonable prices and transfer to four-year colleges and universities;**
- (ii) **Expand and improve job training and education programs that prepare students for careers in a 21st Century economy;**
- (iii) **Expand and improve the Veteran services and job training;**
- (iv) **Continue training local workers and partnering with local industries in biotech, high-tech manufacturing, nursing, engineering, and fire and paramedic services;**
- (v) **Ensure that all money raised by this measure will stay in our community to support local students, and cannot be taken away by the State or used for other purposes;**
- (vi) **PROVIDE LOCAL SOUTH COUNTY STUDENTS WITH AN AFFORDABLE, HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION;**

(vii) Adhere to stringent fiscal accountability safeguards including:

- (a) All expenditures will be subject to annual independent financial audits;**
- (b) No funds will be used for administrators' salaries and pensions.**

The following types of projects are authorized to be undertaken at each of the District's locations:

**PROVIDE AN AFFORDABLE EDUCATION
FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS AND VETERANS:**

Facility Improvements Needed To Support Core Subjects

Goals and Purposes: The cost to attend the California public universities has risen to at least six times that of attending a community college, therefore, more local students and their families rely on Southwestern College to start their education and save tens of thousands of dollars. Additional funds are needed to ensure local students have the opportunity to earn collect credits and certifications, learn job skills at a reasonable price, and transfer to four-year universities.

The increase in campus shootings has made security more vital than ever. This measure will help make our local community college and higher education centers safer places for students to learn. Funds will be used to upgrade campus security and emergency communications systems, campus lighting, signage, cameras, and door locks, ensuring the safety and security of students.

- Replace deteriorating infrastructure, including gas, water and sewer lines.
- Improve energy and water use efficiency.
- Improve student safety and campus security systems, including security cameras, locks and lighting, telecommunication notification systems and other emergency power and emergency communications systems.
- **Repair leaky roofs, and outdated electrical wiring.**
- Update campus facilities to improve access for students with disabilities.
- Remove asbestos and lead paint from classrooms.

PROVIDE JOB TRAINING, COLLEGE TRANSFER AND VETERAN SUPPORT:

**Facility Improvements
To Help Students and Veterans Transfer to Four-Year
Universities or be Trained For High Demand Jobs**

Goals and Purposes: Computer and technology have changed the economy. No longer can a person rely on a low-skill manufacturing job to earn a decent living. This measure provides Southwestern College with the funds needed to expand and improve job training and education programs that prepare students for careers in 21st Century economy.

Southwestern College and its higher education centers have served thousands of military veterans, many of who have recently returned from war zones and face challenges including post-traumatic stress disorder and permanent disability. This measure will upgrade and expand veteran services and job training so returning Service Members receive the support they need to complete their education and enter the civilian workforce.

Southwestern College and its higher education centers provide excellent training that prepares students to transfer to UC and Cal State schools to complete their Bachelor's degrees. They also allow high school students to get a jump start on earning college credit by taking college courses before they even graduate. This measure will ensure we can continue to offer this caliber of education while saving families money on the first few years of tuition.

- Expand and improve facilities which provide job training, counseling, and support services to military veterans and their families.
- Upgrade classrooms, science labs and technology classrooms to better prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities.
- Upgrade and construct vocational and job training classrooms.

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FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

This bond measure has strict accountability requirements including:

1. All money will benefit Southwestern College campus and CANNOT BE TAKEN BY THE STATE.
2. NO MONEY can be used for ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES or pensions.
3. Require CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT and yearly audits to ensure all funds are used locally, effectively and as promised.
4. NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher, faculty and college administrator salaries, pensions and other operating expenses.
5. FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. 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 listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses, a customary contingency, and costs associated with the Total Cost of Ownership of facilities and equipment. In addition to the listed projects stated above, authorized projects also include the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, fiscal reporting, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated college activities caused by construction projects. In addition to the projects listed above, repair, renovation and construction projects may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; replace aging electrical and plumbing systems; repair and replacement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; acquire vehicles; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies, including photovoltaic/solar installations; repair and replacement of worn-out and leaky roofs, windows, walls doors and drinking fountains; replace or remove outdated buildings and classrooms and construction of new classrooms and support buildings; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices and needs; upgrade facilities to meet earthquake safety standards, current environmental sustainability and State compliance standards; repair and replacement of fire alarms, emergency communications and security systems; upgrading, resurfacing, replacing or relocating of hard courts, fields, turf and irrigation systems; install sod or artificial turf on athletic fields; upgrade classrooms; build or upgrade facilities; construct, expand or reconfigure facilities to create large lecture classrooms; construct parking lots or structures, upgrade, resurfacing and reconditioning existing parking lots; improve vehicular access and traffic circulation; improve pathways, such as sidewalks, pedestrian bridge, traffic center; improve drop-off zones; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems; replace water lines and valves, gas and sewer lines and other plumbing systems; construct, upgrade, acquire or expand multi-use classrooms and labs, business and computer technology center, academic success center, classrooms and labs at National City, Otay Mesa and San Ysidro Centers, buildings for automotive, journalism, maintenance and operations, language arts, administration, student services, institutional technology, general education, fine arts and visual and performing arts facilities, planetarium, physical education/aquatic facilities, gym, locker rooms, track replacement, support buildings, instructional buildings, athletic fields, improve water conservation and energy efficiency; acquire land; replace or upgrade outdated security and safety systems; replace existing window systems with energy-efficient systems to reduce costs; improve insulation, weatherproofing and roofs to reduce costs; improve access for the disabled; install and repair fire safety equipment, including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting, and fire safety doors; replace broken concrete walks, deteriorated asphalt; replace/upgrade existing signage, bells and clocks; demolition of unsafe facilities; install new security systems, such as security (surveillance) cameras, burglar alarms, handrails, outdoor lighting, fencing, gates and classroom door locks; create outdoor study and gathering spaces; interior and exterior painting, wall and floor covering replacement; improve drainage systems to prevent flooding; upgrade roadway and pedestrian paths for improved safety and access for emergency vehicles, site parking, utilities and grounds. The project list also includes the refinancing of outstanding lease obligations. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, upgrading classroom technology, wiring infrastructure, including Internal Distribution Frames, and infrastructure for Data Centers to insure reliable power sources, expanding wireless internet access, acquire portable interface devices, computers, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, information systems, printers, digital white boards, upgrade voice-over-IP, communication systems, audio/visual and telecommunications systems, call manager and network

security/firewall, Internet connectivity, wireless systems, technology infrastructure, and other miscellaneous IT and instructional equipment, DATA storage, fiber/copper infrastructure, phones, identity access cards and the creation.

The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the final costs of each project. Some projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.