



McFarland School District

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Superintendent: Andrew Briddell, PhD

August 29, 2016

Town of Cottage Grove
Attn: Kim Banigan
4058 Cty N
Cottage Grove, WI 53527

RE: School District of McFarland Referenda Questions and Ballot

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find a copy of the School Board's Resolutions to hold referendum that were adopted by the School District of McFarland School Board on August 29, 2016. In addition, a draft ballot with the referenda questions is enclosed. The scheduled date for the referendum election shall be November 8, 2016.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Tom Allen
School District Clerk
School District of McFarland School Board

4K-K
Conrad Elvehjem
Early Learning Center
6009 Johnson St
(608) 838-3146

1-2
McFarland Primary School
6103 Johnson St
(608) 838-3115

3-5
Waubesa Intermediate School
5605 Red Oak Trail
(608) 838-7667

6-8
Indian Mound Middle School
6330 Exchange St
(608) 838-8980

9-12
McFarland High School
5103 Farwell St.
(608) 838-3166

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT BUDGET TO
EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR THE 2017-2018, 2018-2019, AND 2019-2020
SCHOOL YEARS FOR RECURRING PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR A
REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER
TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School District of McFarland School Board, Dane County, Wisconsin, (the "District"), hereby adopts this resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing The District Budget To Exceed Revenue Limit For The 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020 School Years For Recurring Purposes And Providing For A Referendum Election On The Question Of Whether To Approve The Resolution" in order to authorize the District budget to exceed the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91, for recurring purposes by \$437,000 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, by \$397,000 beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, and by \$270,000 for the 2019-2020 school year (the "Revenue Limit Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the District, in order to maintain programs for 4K-Grade 12 instruction, to direct the District Clerk to submit the Revenue Limit Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled election to be held on November 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, this Revenue Limit Resolution must be approved by the electors for the District to be authorized to include the additional revenue in the District budgets beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School District of McFarland School Board as follows:

1. Board Resolution. The School District of McFarland School Board supports inclusion in the final District budget the following revenues in excess of the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91: \$437,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, \$397,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, and \$270,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year; such additional revenues to be used to maintain 4K-Grade 12 instruction.
2. Referendum Election Date. The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum election to be held in the District at the regularly scheduled general election to be held on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether this Revenue Limit Resolution shall be approved or rejected. Further, the District Clerk shall prepare the requisite notices and provide election officials with all necessary election supplies, including ballots, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(c).
3. DPI Notice. Pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(a), the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of the date of the referendum election and shall provide the Department with a copy of this Revenue Limit Resolution within 10 days after its adoption, and shall further certify the results of the referendum to the Department within 10 days following the election.

4. Filing of Resolution. The District Clerk is directed to file this Resolution, ballots, and any other necessary election supplies with the official or agency responsible for preparing the ballots for the election no later than 70 days prior to the election on November 8, 2016, as required by Wis. Stats. § §121.91(3)(c) and 8.37.

Adopted and recorded August 29, 2016.


Arlyn Halvorson
District President

ATTEST:


Tom Allen
District Clerk

(SEAL)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT BUDGET TO
EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR THE 2017-2018 AND 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEARS
FOR RECURRING PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON
THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School District of McFarland School Board, Dane County, Wisconsin, (the "District"), hereby adopts this resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing The District Budget To Exceed Revenue Limit For The 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 School Years For Recurring Purposes And Providing For A Referendum Election On The Question Of Whether To Approve The Resolution" in order to authorize the District budget to exceed the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91, for recurring purposes by \$100,000 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year and by \$132,000 beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, (the "Revenue Limit Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the District, in order to operate expanded facilities, to direct the District Clerk to submit the Revenue Limit Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled election to be held on November 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, this Revenue Limit Resolution must be approved by the electors for the District to be authorized to include the additional revenue in the District budgets beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School District of McFarland School Board as follows:

1. Board Resolution. The School District of McFarland School Board supports inclusion in the final District budget the following revenues in excess of the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91: \$100,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year and \$132,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year; such additional revenues to be used to operate expanded District facilities.
2. Referendum Election Date. The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum election to be held in the District at the regularly scheduled general election to be held on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether this Revenue Limit Resolution shall be approved or rejected. Further, the District Clerk shall prepare the requisite notices and provide election officials with all necessary election supplies, including ballots, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(c).
3. DPI Notice. Pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(a), the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of the date of the referendum election and shall provide the Department with a copy of this Revenue Limit Resolution within 10 days after its adoption, and shall further certify the results of the referendum to the Department within 10 days following the election.

4. Filing of Resolution. The District Clerk is directed to file this Resolution, ballots, and any other necessary election supplies with the official or agency responsible for preparing the ballots for the election no later than 70 days prior to the election on November 8, 2016, as required by Wis. Stats. § §121.91(3)(c) and 8.37.

Adopted and recorded August 29, 2016.


Arlyn Halvorson
District President

ATTEST:


Tom Allen
District Clerk

(SEAL)

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,150,000 AND PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School District of McFarland School Board, Dane County, Wisconsin (the "District") hereby adopts this resolution entitled: "Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$65,150,000 And Providing For a Referendum Election on the Question of Whether To Approve the Resolution (the "Initial Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it desirable and in the best interest of the District, in order to pay for district-wide capital improvement projects, to direct the District Clerk to submit the question in the Initial Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled General Election on November 8, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the District, as follows:

Section 1. Referendum Election Date. The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum election to be held in the district at the regularly scheduled General Election to be held on November 8, 2016 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether the Initial Resolution shall be approved. Further, the District Clerk shall prepare the requisite notices and provide election officials with all necessary election supplies, including ballots, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stat. § 67.05(3)(a).

Section 2. Notice to Electors. The District Clerk is directed to give notice by causing a class I Notice to Electors to be published in the McFarland Thistle within ten (10) days after the date hereof.

Section 3. Polling Places and Hours. The District electors must vote in the referendum election at the times and polling places at which they cast their ballots in regularly scheduled elections.

Section 4. Referendum Election Officials. The election officials appointed in each of the municipalities within the District shall conduct the election.

Section 5. Official Referendum Ballot Form. The ballot to be used at the referendum election shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. §§ 5.64(2), 5.65, 7.08(1)(a), 67.05(3)(b) and 67.05(3)(d).

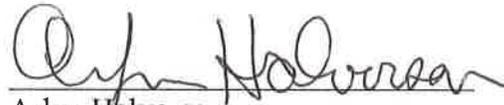
The form of the ballot shall be filed with the official responsible for providing the ballots for the election, and the District Clerk shall file a copy of the ballot with the clerk of each county having territory within the District, as soon as possible after the date hereof but in no event later than 70 days prior to the election, as provided in Wis. Stat. § 8.37. If the District prepares the ballots, they should be delivered to the municipal clerks running the election at least 25 days prior to the election, to allow the municipal clerks to comply with their obligations to provide absentee ballots under Wis. Stat. §7.15.

The municipal clerks of the municipalities within the District shall receive applications for absentee ballots and initial the same when issued to qualified absentee voters.

Section 6. Canvass. The returns of the referendum election shall be canvassed by the Board of Canvassers of each municipality within the District. Each Board of Canvasser shall certify the returns of the referendum election to the District Clerk. The District Clerk and two other reputable citizens appointed by the District Clerk prior to the date of the referendum election shall act as the District's Board of Canvassers for this referendum election. This Board of Canvassers shall meet in open session no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election to determine the result of the referendum election. The canvass shall be open to the public and the District Clerk is directed to give due notice of said meeting.

Section 7. DPI Notice. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 120.115(1)(a) and (b), the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of the date of the referendum election and shall provide the Department with a copy of the Initial Resolution within 10 days after the adoption of the Initial Resolution and shall further notify the Department of the results of the referendum within 10 days following the election using the method prescribed by the Department.

Adopted and recorded August 29, 2016.


Arlyn Halvorson
District President

ATTEST:


Tom Allen
District Clerk

(SEAL)

Official Referendum Ballot

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MCFARLAND DANE COUNTY

November 8, 2016

Notice to Voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials. (See back of ballot for initials.)

Instructions to Voters

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help.
(Absentee Voters: Contact your municipal clerk.)

To vote in favor of a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square at the **RIGHT** of "Yes."

To vote against a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square at the **RIGHT** of "No."

REFERENDUM QUESTION NUMBER I

Shall the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue general obligation bonds pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes in an amount not to exceed \$65,150,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of district-wide capital improvement projects consisting of: renovations to Indian Mound Middle School and the Elementary Campus; additions to Waubesa Intermediate School and McFarland High School; and replacement of the McFarland High School auditorium, pool and athletic facilities?

YES

NO

REFERENDUM QUESTION NUMBER II

Shall the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$100,000 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year and by \$132,000 beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, such excess revenues to be used for the operational costs associated with expanded facilities operated by the School District of McFarland?

YES

NO

REFERENDUM QUESTION NUMBER III

Shall the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$437,000 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year and by \$397,000 beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, by \$270,000 beginning with the

2019-2020 school year such excess revenues to be used for the programmatic costs associated with maintaining current 4K-Grade 12 instructional and operational costs operated by the School District of McFarland?

YES

NO

*The form of the reverse side of the ballot is attached.

(REVERSE SIDE OF BALLOT)

OFFICIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MCFARLAND
DANE COUNTY

NOVEMBER 8, 2016

(Insert name of municipality: city, town or village, and ward, if required.)

Ballot issued by

(initials of inspectors)

Absentee Ballot issued by

(initials of city, village or town clerk
or deputy clerk)

Certification of Voter Assistance

I certify that the within ballot was marked by me for an elector who is authorized under the law to have assistance upon request, and as directed by the elector.

(signature of assisting individual)

