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April 11, 2019

Governing Board
Hermosa Beach City Elementary
1645 Valley Dr.
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Project Tracking No: 64600-7

Re: North Elementary

County: Los Angeles Square Feet: 13,895 Grade Level: K - 5

Dear Governing Board:

Subject: Final Plan Approval - Modernization

The California Department of Education approves the plans with the title sheet date of September 1, 2017, for the above referenced project. The plans were received on October 19, 2017. The plans meet the California Department of Education's standards for educational adequacy (California Code of Regulations, Title 5, et seg. and Education Code 17251(c) and (d)).

It is the responsibility of the school district to meet all requirements concerning toilet facilities, drinking water supply, sewage disposal, food service facilities and other plan elements having primary health and safety implications. The plans should be reviewed by the local health agency having jurisdiction and a written approval should be secured and filed in the school district's records. If the approved project involves work on an existing school building, it is the responsibility of the school district to meet all Federal, State and local requirements relating to the identification, remediation and/or removal of hazardous levels of lead and asbestos containing materials before or during construction. It is the responsibility of the district to complete all of the mitigation measures identified in the documents submitted to the California Department of Education for review.

The school site for this project is 2.35 usable acres. This represents 27.01% of the California Department of Education's recommended site size of 8.7 acres, as contained in the California Department of Education's "Guide to School Site Analysis and Development(2000)," for the current CBEDS enrollment of the site and the student capacity added by this project as calculated pursuant to SAB Regulation 1859,83(d).

The project as approved consists of:

TEACHING STATIONS	GRADE LEVEL	ROOMS	STUDENTS
Classrooms	1-6	17	425

Based on the standards specified in Education Code 17071.25 and the number of teaching stations in the project, the student capacity of this project is 425.

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CORE FACILITIES:

Administration

Custodial

Kitchen

Library

Multi-Purpose

Storage

Toilets

This Modernization Plan approval includes site work, new and redesigned play fields, parking lots and entrances, demolition of 14 existing classrooms (1 K, 1 modular, and 12 standard), administration, multi-purpose room, and library and replacement with a new multipurpose/kitchen and a two story building with library, administration and 17 classrooms, resulting in a net increase of three classrooms. The District has submitted documentation demonstrating how the students will be provided an adequate educational program including physical education on a site that is less than the CDE recommended acreage. Due to limited acreage and City traffic/parking issues, the District has adopted CEQA mitigation measures that will be implemented regarding vehicle and pedestrian traffic to the site that include a Pedestrian Monitoring and Assistance Plan with assignment of adult personnel and volunteers at loading zones on the north side of 25th Street and east side of Myrtle Street, and directing students from Myrtle Street to access the school from 26th Street. The District has indicated that the measures would include restricting the entry into the parking lot during arrival time in the AM and that someone would be stationed at that location during arrival and departure times to address foot and vehicle traffic issues.

The district has certified that this project is either exempt from, or has completed, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.

For projects to be funded under the Leroy F. Greene School Facility Act of 1998, funding requests to the State Allocation Board must be submitted within two (2) years of the date of this letter. If the district is not seeking financial assistance from the State Allocation Board, the project must commence construction within two (2) years of the date of this letter. Regardless of the funding source, if, prior to construction, changes are made to the plans that would affect or alter the California Department of Education's original approval (including but not limited to changes in surrounding land uses, the master plan capacity of the project, changes in code and/or regulation, or a subsequent CEQA determination), the plan may be subject to reevaluation using the most recent standards.

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Please contact the undersigned if you have questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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