



June 23, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

Last night the Board of Trustees' Facilities Master Planning and Oversight Committee approved the LACCD Board's review for approval of West's last major project: The Technology Learning Center (TLC), which will house faculty offices and 10 computer laboratories, with seating set for 50 in each, for primarily the Business and Computer Science Divisions, but also to serve other divisions and programs that need computer facilities. It will also house the Sheriff's Department, a college-wide IT server, dedicated offices, and the Adult Education Program, which comprises Non-credit, AEP, Westside Extension, and contract education. With its completion, West will have spent out its remaining bond funds for capital construction. Bill Smith, Facilities Director; Iris Ingram, Vice President of Administrative Services; Aracely Aguilar, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Diana Johnson, College Project Director; and architects from TSK who have designed the TLC represented West. We have good support from Jim O'Reilly, the LACCD Chief Facilities Executive, and his staff.

The TLC will be at the eastern end of Lot 5. It will have a bridge from its third floor to connect it to the Student Services and General Classroom buildings, Career Education building and the Library, and the rest of the campus. It will create a kind of organizing "T" that should help make the campus layout coherent: a long vertical line running from the TLC to Math-Science; the horizontal line running from SC/CE to the parking structure. Of course, like the Greeks, we don't want perfect symmetry, so our Watson, AT, and PEC will lie just beyond the lines of the "T."

The remaining projects are already under way: new dance floors for the Recital Hall and dance studios in the PEC, the Watson sound stage, the outdoor amphitheater, and some important infrastructure improvements.

In addition, West was able to get about \$1.6M in deferred maintenance from the District funds to replace our fields. Bill Smith played a strong role here.

Beyond the bond, we project a prop house from LAX as they annex our airport campus, a black box theater as part of the commercial development at 10100 Jefferson, and a residence hall—all paid for by funds outside of Program 100 and bond sources.

This late Spring 2016, Iris Ingram has held three town halls to collect our stated vision for what might go into a new bond, should the Board of Trustees decide to place a bond on the

November ballot. She has been supported by Diana Johnson, our College Project Director. You should be able to get copies of the findings from the town hall meetings from your College Council representative.

My best to you all as summer sets in and it cools down.



Robert Sprague  
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