



Financial and Performance Audits
2018 Measure GG Fund
June 30, 2024

Sunnyvale School District

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Sunnyvale School District



Independent Auditor's Report

Governing Board and
Citizens' Oversight Committee
Sunnyvale School District
Sunnyvale, California

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the 2018 Measure GG Building Fund (Building Fund) of the Sunnyvale School District's (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Building Fund (2018 Measure GG) of the District as of June 30, 2024, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the Building Fund specific to 2018 Measure GG, and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sunnyvale School District as of June 30, 2024, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 16, 2024, on our consideration of the Building Fund's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to solely describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Building Fund's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Building Fund's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Menlo Park, California
December 16, 2024

Sunnyvale School District
2018 Measure GG Fund
Balance Sheet
Year Ended June 30, 2024

Assets		
Deposits and investments	\$	14,184,470
Accounts receivable		<u>158,559</u>
Total assets	\$	<u><u>14,343,029</u></u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Liabilities		
Vendors payable	\$	<u>3,881,757</u>
Total liabilities		<u>3,881,757</u>
Fund Balance		
Restricted for Measure GG capital projects		<u>10,461,272</u>
Total Fund Balance		<u>10,461,272</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	<u><u>14,343,029</u></u>

Sunnyvale School District
 2018 Measure GG Fund
 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
 Year Ended June 30, 2024

Revenues		
Interest income	\$	764,819
Other revenue		<u>602,959</u>
Total revenues		<u>1,367,778</u>
Expenditures		
Current expenditures		
Classified salaries		362,677
Employee benefits		182,156
Materials and supplies		294,886
Travel and conferences		4,200
Services and other operating expenses		184,479
Capital outlay		<u>21,079,481</u>
Total expenditures		<u>22,107,879</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance		(20,740,101)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		<u>31,201,373</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	<u><u>10,461,272</u></u>

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the 2018 Measure GG Fund (the Fund) conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). The Fund accounts for financial transactions in accordance with the policies and procedures of the California School Accounting Manual.

Financial Reporting Entity

The financial statements include the financial activity of the Fund only. The Fund was established to account for the expenditures of general obligation bonds issued under the Measure GG bond election of 2018. These financial statements are not intended to present the financial position and results of operations of the District as a whole, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The bonds were authorized for \$100,000,000 for the purpose of financing the addition and modernization of school facilities. The first series were issued on October 27, 2021, for the amount of \$30,000,000. The second series were issued on April 26, 2023, for the amount of \$30,000,000.

Fund Accounting

The operations of the 2018 Measure GG Fund are accounted for in a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. Resources are allocated to and accounted for in the fund based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Basis of Accounting

The 2018 Measure GG Fund is accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance reports on the sources (revenues and other financing sources) and uses (expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

Fund Balance - 2018 Measure GG Fund

As of June 30, 2024, the fund balance is classified as restricted.

Restricted fund balance is the amount that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

Spending Order Policy

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the governing board has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2 - Investments

Policies and Practices

The District is authorized under California Government Code to make direct investments in local agency bonds, notes, or warrants within the State: U.S. Treasury instrument; registered State warrants or treasury notes; securities of the U.S. Government, or its agencies; bankers acceptances; commercial paper; certificates of deposit placed with commercial banks and/or savings and loan companies; repurchase or reverse repurchase agreement; medium term corporate notes; shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies, certificates of participation, obligations with first priority security, and collateralized mortgage obligations.

Investment in County Treasury

The District is considered to be an involuntary participant in an external investment pool as the District is required to deposit all receipts and collections of monies with their County Treasurer (*Education Code* Section 41001). The fair value of the District's investment in the pool is reported in the accounting financial statement at amounts based upon the District's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by the County Treasurer for the entire portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by the County Treasurer, which is recorded on the amortized cost basis.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value is to changes in market interest rates. The District manages its exposure to interest rate risk by depositing substantially all of its funds in the County Treasury Pool. The Fund manages its exposure to interest rate risk by depositing substantially all of its cash in the County Pool with an average maturity of 548 days.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The Fund's investments in the Santa Clara County Pool are not required to be rated, nor have they been rated as of June 30, 2024.

Fair Value Measurements

Generally accepted accounting principles provide guidance on how fair value should be determined when financial statement elements are required to be measured at fair value. Valuation techniques are ranked in three levels depending on the degree of objectivity of the inputs used with each level:

- Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets that the District has the ability to access at the measurement date. Level 1 assets may include debt and equity securities that are traded in an active exchange market and that are highly liquid and are actively traded in over-the-counter markets.
- Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable, such as interest rates and curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, implied volatilities, and credit spreads. For financial reporting purposes, if an asset has a specified term, a Level 2 input is required to be observable for substantially the full term of the asset.

- Level 3 - Unobservable inputs should be developed using the best information available under the circumstances, which might include the District's own data. The District should adjust that data if reasonably available information indicates that other market participants would use different data or certain circumstances specific to the District are not available to other market participants.

Investment in the county treasury investment pool are not measured using the input levels above because the participant's transactions are based on a stable net asset value per share. All contributions and redemptions are transacted at \$1.00 net asset value per share. Accordingly, the Fund's investment in the San Clara County Treasury is uncategorized.

Note 3 - Commitments and Contingencies

Construction Commitments

As of June 30, 2024, the Fund and the District had the following commitments with respect to unfinished capital projects:

Project Name	Remaining Construction Commitment	Expected Date of Completion
Ellis Renovation & New Classrooms	\$ 917,000	July 2024

Litigation

The District is not currently a party to any legal proceedings related to 2018 Measure GG Fund as of June 30, 2024.



Independent Auditor's Report
June 30, 2024

Sunnyvale School District



**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and
on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed
in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

Governing Board and
Citizens' Oversight Committee
Sunnyvale School District
Sunnyvale, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the accompanying financial statements of the Sunnyvale School District (the "District") 2018 Measure GG Fund (Building Fund), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes of the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 16, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Building Fund's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Building Fund's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Building Fund's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Building Fund's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statement. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Building Fund's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Building Fund's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric Sully LLP".

Menlo Park, California
December 16, 2024

None reported.



Performance Audit
2018 Measure GG Fund
June 30, 2024

Sunnyvale School District



Independent Auditor's Report on Performance

Governing Board and
Citizens' Oversight Committee
Sunnyvale School District
Sunnyvale, California

We were engaged to conduct a performance audit of the Sunnyvale School District (the "District"), Building Fund (2008 Measure S) (the "Fund") for the year ended June 30, 2024.

We conducted this performance audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

Audit Authority/Purpose

The general obligation bonds associated with Measure GG were issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of California (the State), including the provisions of Chapters 1 and 1.5 of Part 10 of the California *Education Code*, and other applicable provisions of law. The bonds are authorized to be issued by a resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County (the Resolution), pursuant to a request of the District made by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District.

The District received authorization from an election held on November 6, 2018, to issue bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100 million to finance specific construction and renovation projects approved by eligible voters within the District. The proposition required approval by at least 55% of the votes cast by eligible voters within the District (the 2018 Authorization).

Purpose

The general obligation bond funds of the District would be used to continue critical renovation and modernization at District schools, improve energy efficiency, upgrade safety and technology to provide high quality classrooms and maintain facilities for students and the community.

Authority for the Audit

On November 7, 2000, California voters approved Proposition 39, the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act. Proposition 39 amended portions of the California Constitution to provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts, community college districts, or county offices of education, "for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of rental property for school facilities", upon approval by 55 percent of the electorate. In addition to reducing the approval threshold from two-thirds to 55 percent, Proposition 39 and the enacting legislation (AB 1908 and AB 2659) requires the following accountability measures as codified in Education Code sections 15278-15282:

1. Requires that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.
2. The school district must list the specific school facilities projects to be funded in the ballot measure, and must certify that the governing board has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the project list.
3. Requires the school district to appoint a citizens' oversight committee.
4. Requires the school district to conduct an annual independent financial audit and performance audit in accordance with the *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of the bond proceeds until all of the proceeds have been expended.
5. Requires the school district to conduct an annual independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed.

Objectives of the Audit

1. Determine whether expenditures charged to the Fund have been made in accordance with the bond project list approved by the voters through the approval of 2018 Measure GG.
2. Determine whether salary transactions, charged to the Fund were in support of 2018 Measure GG and not for District general administration or operations.

Scope of the Audit

The scope of our performance audit covered the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. The population of expenditures tested included all object and project codes associated with the bond projects. The propriety of expenditures for capital projects and maintenance projects funded through other State or local funding sources, other than proceeds of the bonds, were not included within the scope of the audit. Expenditures incurred subsequent to June 30, 2024, were not reviewed or included within the scope of our audit or in this report.

In planning and performing our performance audit, we obtained an understanding of the District's internal control in order to determine if the internal controls were adequate to help ensure the District's compliance with the requirements of Proposition 39 and outlined in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

Methodology

We obtained the general ledger and the project expenditure reports prepared by the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, for the 2018 Measure GG Fund. Within the fiscal year audited, we obtained the actual invoices and other supporting documentation for a sample of expenditures to ensure compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution and 2018 Measure GG as to the approved bond projects list. We performed the following procedures:

1. We identified expenditures and projects charged to the general obligation bond proceeds by obtaining the general ledger and project listing.
2. We selected a sample of expenditures using the following criteria:
 - a. We considered all expenditures recorded in all object codes.
 - b. We considered all expenditures recorded in all projects that were funded from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 from 2018 Measure GG bond proceeds.
 - c. We selected all expenditures that were individually significant expenditures. Individually significant expenditures were identified as individual transactions (expenditures) that exceeded approximately 0.8 percent of the total expenditures incurred.
 - d. For all items below the individually significant threshold identified in item 2c, judgmentally selected expenditures based on risk assessment and consideration of coverage of all object codes, including transfers out, and projects for period starting July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
3. Our sample included transactions totaling \$21,943,228 This represents 99 percent of the total expenditures of \$22,107,879.
4. We reviewed the actual invoices and other supporting documentation to determine that:
 - a. Expenditures were supported by invoices with evidence of proper approval and documentation of receipting goods or services.
 - b. Expenditures were supported by proper bid documentation, as applicable.
 - c. Expenditures were expended in accordance with voter-approved bond project list.
 - d. Bond proceeds were not used for salaries of school administrators or other operating expenses of the District.

5. We determined that the District has met the compliance requirement of 2018 Measure GG if the following conditions were met:
 - a. Supporting documents for expenditures were aligned with the voter-approved bond project list.
 - b. Supporting documents for expenditures were not used for salaries of school administrators or other operating expenses of the Districts.

Audit Results

The results of our tests indicated that, in all material respects, the District has properly accounted for the expenditures held in the Building Fund (2018 Measure GG) and that such expenditures were made for authorized Bond projects. Further, it was noted funds held in the Building Fund (2018 Measure GG) and expended by the District were used for salaries only to the extent they perform administrative oversight work on construction projects as allowable per Opinion 04-110 issued on November 9, 2004 by the State of California Attorney General.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the District, Governing Board and Citizens Oversight Committee, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Menlo Park, California
December 16, 2024