WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ~ DISTRICT 66

Board of Education FY22 Property Tax Public Hearing Minutes September 13, 2021

A Public Hearing for the 2021-2022 Property Tax Request for the Westside Community Schools, School District 66, was convened by the Board of Education in open and public session on September 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the District Administration Office - ABC Building - 909 S. 76th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Board members present:

Doug Krenzer, President

Meagan Van Gelder, Vice President

Adam Yale, Secretary

Beth Morrissette, Treasurer Dana Blakely, Treasurer-Elect

Kris Karnes, Director

Notice of the public hearing was given in advance by publication in *The Daily Record* September 10 and 13, 2021, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes. Notice was also posted on the District's website beginning August 31, 2021. Copies of proof of publication are attached to the official minutes. Notice of this meeting and the availability of the agenda was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education and available to anyone at the Board of Education office. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

<u>District Staff in Attendance</u>: Mike Lucas, Mark Weichel, Andrea Haynes, Brian Gabrial, Molly Hurley, Paul Lindgren, Kim De La Cruz, Greg Betts, Kami Jessop, Brandi Paul, Nick Lesiak, Kelcy Tapp, Robert Aranda, Russ Olsen, Trever Reeh, Teresa Matthews, Becky Lowther.

<u>Others in Attendance*</u>: Lisa Hatterman. *Members of the public are not required to identify themselves to attend. Attendee names appearing in these minutes are those who signed a voluntary sign-in sheet.

Mr. Krenzer called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. Board member roll call was taken and attendance is noted above. Mr. Krenzer confirmed with Ms. Hurley that public notice had been given of the hearing under the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted at the meeting, as required by law. He acknowledged that the meeting had been publicly announced and the agenda was available to any interested parties.

Mr. Krenzer welcomed the audience and announced that handouts of supporting documents dealing with issues being discussed during the public hearing were available. He stated that the purpose of this special public hearing was to hear opposition, support, or observations regarding the 2021-2022 Property Tax Request for the Westside Community Schools, District 66, as certified for the District by the Douglas County Clerk.

Mr. Gabrial reported that the Certified Property Valuation for FY22 is \$4,144,458,640, an increase of 3.66% (\$146,383,450) over last year. This percentage increase is slightly lower than the valuation increase of last year (4.11%). The Real Estate Valuation is \$3,872,945,890, an increase of 3.75%.

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The Personal Business Valuation is \$207,976,400, a slight increase of 0.72% over last year. The smallest portion of the overall valuation - the State Assessed Valuation - is \$63,536,350, an increase of 8.19%.

There is no tax need in the Special Building Fund this year. In the Bond Debt Service Fund, the tax need for FY22 is \$7.05M. In the General Fund, the tax need for FY22 is \$48.28M. We expect the collection rate to be 99% for FY22.

The recommended levy is \$1.1650 in the General Fund and \$0.1700 in the Bond Debt Service Fund, for a total of \$1.3350. This levy rate is a decrease of \$0.022 cents, or 1.62%.

Approval of the FY22 property tax request will be presented at the Board of Education meeting on October 4, 2021. Mr. Krenzer asked for additional questions or comments from the audience and Board members. There being no additional comments, the public hearing was adjourned at 6:17 p.m. (Copies of the Executive Summary and PowerPoint are included in the Public Hearing documents folder.)

Adam Yale, Board of Education Secretary

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Notice is hereby given of a Property Tax Public Hearing for the Board of Education of Westside Community School District 66, Douglas County, in the State of Nebraska, to be held Monday, September 13, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Immediately following the adjournment of the Public Hearing, the Board will hold their regular Board of Education Meeting. These meetings will be held at the District Office. meetings will be held at the District Office, 909 S. 76th St., Omaha, NE. The agendas, continually kept current, are available at the District Office. The meetings are open to the

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of THE DAILY RECORD, of Omaha, a legal newspaper, printed and published daily in the English language, having a bona fide paid circulation in Douglas County in excess of 300 copies, printed in Omaha, in said County of Douglas, for more than fifty-two weeks last past; that the printed notice hereto attached was published in THE

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a Notice of Board Meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto, was placed on the home page of the website of Westside Community Schools (www.westside66.org) beginning on 2021, and that it appeared there continuously up through the time of the scheduled board meeting.
Name Name SSGC., Communications & Graphics Title
STATE OF NEBRASKA)) ss.
Before me, a Notary Public, qualified in and for said County and State, personally came Kim Sedivu, known to me to be the identical person, and signed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the execution of this document to his or her voluntary deed.
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