

**FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Pursuant to Government Code 66006 (b)(2), LEAs shall within 180 days of close of the fiscal year, and by December 27, 2021 this year, prepare an annual report of developer fees activities, to be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled board meeting, which will be held on January 12, 2022, and posted at least 15 days prior to the meeting for public review.**

**The included report is required by government code.**

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## 2020/21 SCHOOL FACILITY FEE PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

### Introduction

Government Code Sections 66001 and 66006 require school districts to provide public information regarding the fees collected for school facilities as a condition of development approved in accordance with Government Code Section 53090. This report provides the public information.

### Summary of the School Facility Fee Program

In accordance with Education Code 17620 and Government Code Section 65995, school districts are authorized to levy fees on new residential and commercial/industrial construction for the purpose of providing school facilities necessitated by the new development. These fees are commonly referred to as “school fees” or “developer fees.” The fee revenue cannot be used for regular maintenance or routine repair of school buildings.

Government Code Section 65995 provides for adjustment of the fees every two years, based upon the change in the Class B construction cost index as determined by the State Allocation Board. The rates approved by the Board of Education on June 17, 2020, became effective August 17, 2020 for the two-year period:

- \$4.08 per square foot for residential construction
- \$0.66 per square foot for commercial/industrial construction

### Purpose of the School Facility Fee

Fresno Unified utilizes school facility fee revenue to support construction and reconstruction projects, including providing student housing through relocatable classrooms, and to pay administrative, legal, and planning costs.

### Required Relationship between the Fees and the Purpose

Fresno Unified is responsible to show the nexus between development within the district and the need to collect school fees to mitigate the impact of the development. New residential and commercial/industrial development generates additional students who require additional school facilities. Specifically, the square footage of the new developments has a direct relationship to the number of students generated and therefore to the facilities that must be added to accommodate these students.

As reported in the Development Fee Justification Study dated May 2020, and provided to the Board of Education, the district’s current enrollment exceeds the capacity of existing school facilities. The Study indicates that over the next five years new residential and commercial/industrial development will generate over 520 students for whom additional facilities must be provided.

Furthermore, the cost to provide these additional facilities exceeds the amount of the fees, which are collected on the construction that generates the students. Thus, there is a direct relationship between the school facility fee and the purpose of levying the fee.

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### Statutory Requirements to Provide the Public with Specific Findings Annually

Pursuant to Government Code Section 66006, Fresno Unified is required to make available to the public the following information:

- Brief description of the type of fee
- Amount of the fee
- Beginning and ending balance of the fees
- Total amount of the fees collected and any interest earned
- Identification of each public improvement on which fees were expended
- Identification of an approximate date by which construction of the public improvement will commence if the local agency determines sufficient funds have been collected to complete financing on an incomplete public improvement
- Description of each inter-fund transfer or loan made from the account or fund
- Amount of any refund made

### Five-Year Fund Activity and Fund Balance

Fiscal Year	Beginning Balance	Fees Collected	Interest Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
2016/17	1,613,201	982,089	23,364	1,314,079	1,304,575
2017/18	1,304,575	1,315,512	18,930	2,088,074	550,943
2018/19	550,943	2,041,521	35,856	166,093	2,462,227
2019/20	2,462,227	1,779,536	67,186	1,739,520	2,569,429
2020/21	2,569,429	942,297	28,363	2,576,093	963,996

### Improvements Funded with School Facility Fees in 2020/21

Improvement	Cost	% Funded by Fees	Substantial Completion
Facility Adjustments to accommodate changes in student enrollment	2,547,824	91%	Summer/Fall 2021
Administration costs (3%)	28,269	100%	N/A

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**Incomplete and Planned Projects to be funded with School Facility Fees**

<b>Improvement</b>	<b>Project Commencement</b>	<b>Project Amount</b>	<b>Amount to be Funded by Fees</b>	<b>Targeted Completion</b>
Facility adjustments to accommodate changes in student enrollment	As needed	Unknown	Unknown	As needed

**Inter-fund Transfers or Loans Made from Fund in 2020/21**

None

**Refunds Made or Revenues Allocated in 2020/21**

Refunds \$1,327.96