SECTION 3.3

Capital Plan

BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Blue Ribbon Committee provided the following recommendations to the School Board to guide the Ruidoso Municipal School District in addressing educational and school facility needs.

1. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends to the Ruidoso Municipal School District that representatives of all stakeholders (community members, parents, students, District staff) be invited to participate and serve as committee members on any facility master plan or facility master plan update.

2. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the School District review the facilities master plan and District concerns at least every other year to determine if the facility master plan and District concerns are in alignment.

3. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the School District develop a General Obligation Bond election cycle of every four years to provide a consistent funding source for capital projects that will not increase the tax rate.

4. After review of the survey results and an in-depth discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of each grade level configuration, the Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the School District implement the following grade configuration:

Pre-K – 2nd grade, 600 students
3rd – 5th grade, 550 students
6th – 8th grade, 500 students

This grade configuration addresses the best interest of the students through:

Cohesive Early Childhood Educational Environment
Less school campus transitions for younger students
Consistent mission, philosophy, teaching practices, etc.
Increased teacher collaboration and student development
Increased parent involvement
Similar size school campuses

5. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the School Board enlist the services of this committee to study various facility options to accommodate the recommended grade level configuration.

6. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the School Board actively enlist the continued assistance of this committee and all of its members to act as liaisons to the community. This assistance is to include partnering with the School Board to develop and implement strategies, to inform and educate the community on upcoming capital projects, and General Obligation Bond issues.

7. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the following priorities be adopted by the School District for the 2010-15 facilities master plan:

DISTRICT PRIORITIES for 2010-15 FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:	
High School Drainage	$1.5million
Completion of Ruidoso Middle School (fields, access and egress road, & landscaping)	$3.0million
Planning and Design of Pre-K-2nd and 3rd – 5th grade configuration	$1.0million
Horton Complex roof replacement	$0.7million
Demolish Buildings @ Horton Complex and create new entry	$0.9million
High School Science Wing renovation	$3.0million
Horton Stadium retaining wall repair	$0.2million
White Mountain Site Playground Upgrades	$0.5million
Sierra Vista Primary Roof replacement and exterior repairs	$1.0million
District Technology	$1.2million
Deferred Maintenance projects	$1.0million
TOTAL 2010-15 DISTRICT PRIORITIES:	$14.0million

8. The Blue Ribbon Committee recommends that the following District concerns be carried over to the next funding cycle and/or the 2015-20 facilities master plan:

DISTRICT PRIORITIES for 2015-20 FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:	
Remodel school(s) on the White Mountain site to accommodate Grades Pre-K-2 and 3-5	$15.0million
Corrective Storm Drainage at the SVP/WME site	$ 1.0million
District Technology	$ 1.2million
RHS Performing Arts Center Addition	$ 4.0million
RHS Performing Arts Center Upgrade	$ 1.5million
RHS exterior finishes	$ 1.5million
Horton Complex – update plumbing	$ 0.7million
White Mountain Site – Field House	$ 2.0million
White Mountain Site – Field Lights/Storage	$ 0.8million
Upgrade Gavilan softball field	$ 0.5million
TOTAL 2015-20 DISTRICT PRIORITIES:	$28.2million

FACILITIES ASSESSMENT DATABASE (FAD):

The Facilities Assessment Database (FAD) ranking of RMSD educational facilities was shared and reviewed with the FMP committee. The current FAD ratings for Ruidoso

Municipal Schools are:

FACILITIES ASSESSMENT DATABASE:

Ranking as of January 7, 2010:

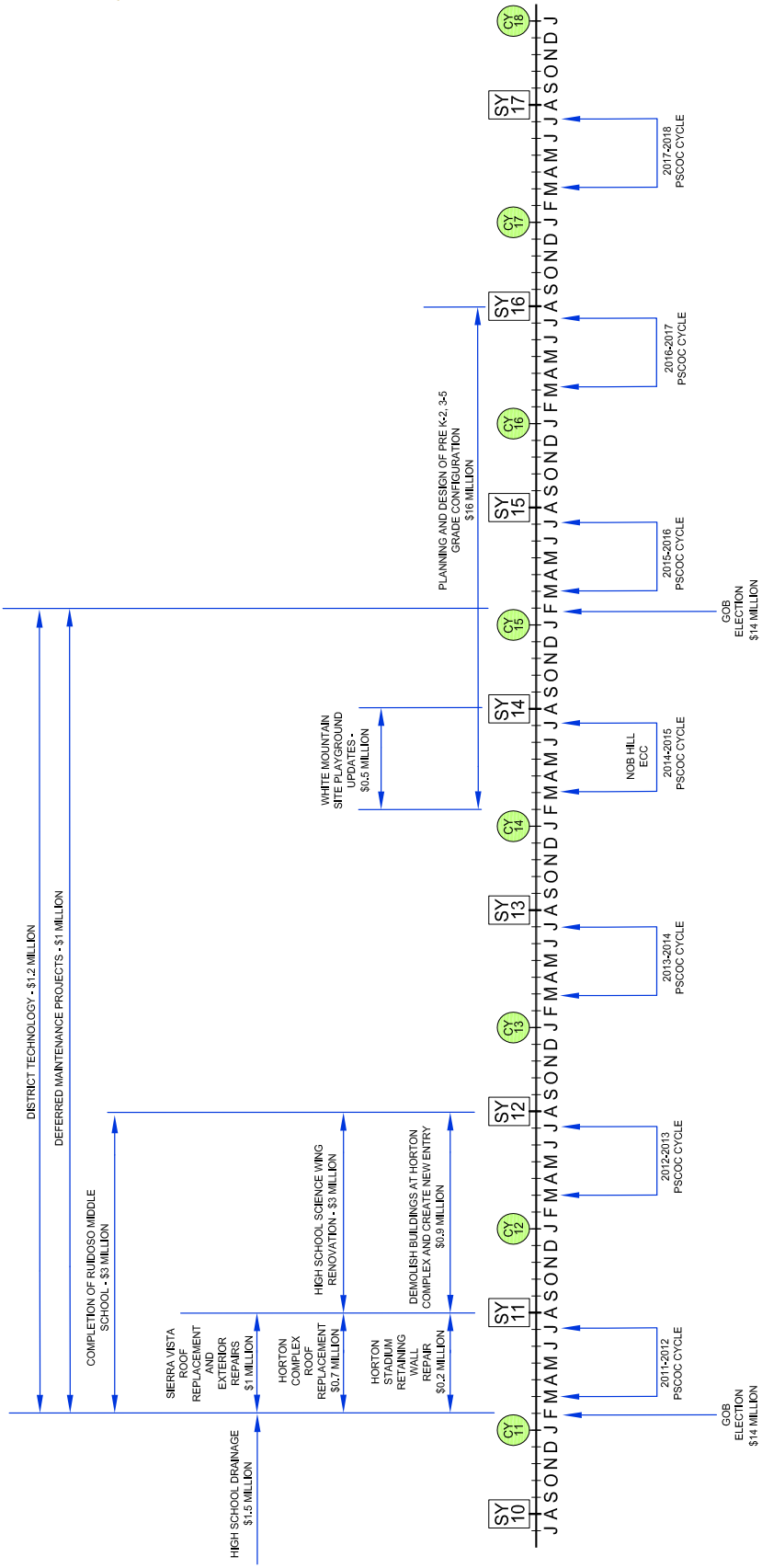
School	2009 Rank	2010 Rank	NMCI
Nob Hill Early Childhood Center	07-08-112	07-08-112	31.60%
Sierra Vista Primary School	534	534	7.30%
White Mountain Elementary/Intermediate School	07-08-112	564	3.47%
Ruidoso Middle School	691	666	0.42%
Ruidoso High School	211	285	24.98%
Gavilan Canyon School	-	-	-

The state share of participation for PSCOC funded projects for 2010-2011 is 27%, the district's share is 73%.

The FAD chart shows that RMSD has applied for and received PSCOC funding assistance for Nob Hill Early Childhood Center. RMSD has used some of the available funds to work on the educational program for the Early Childhood Center. The Blue Ribbon committee was aware of the available funding for the Early Childhood Center, but felt that there were other needs within the District that needed to be addressed prior to undertaking another major construction project which would require all of the District's available funding. The District's capital plan is in alignment with the findings of the FAD and the District will be requesting additional funding assistance for the Early Childhood Center in alignment with the 2015 GOB.

The recommendations of the Blue Ribbon committee were reviewed by the School Board on May 11, 2010 at a regular School Board session.

The table on the following pages identifies all of the capital needs and funding sources documented in this five year FMP for Ruidoso Municipal School District.
To address the facility needs of the School District, the Blue Ribbon Committee recognizes that all facility projects cannot be accomplished at the same time due to the availability of funding and the projects will need to be implemented in phases.

This Facilities Master Plan for Ruidoso Municipal School District was adopted by the School Board of Education at their School Board meeting, October 12, 2010.

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