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Paramount High School West Campus New Sports Fields and Facilities
Project Title

14708 Paramount Bouvard
Project Location - Specific

Paramount
Project Location – City

Los Angeles
Project Location – County

The Paramount Unified School District (District) is proposing the removal of three modular classroom buildings, a turf field, and two softball fields and replacing these facilities with new sports fields and associated facilities (Proposed Project), as described below. Demolition of hardscape areas (e.g., removal of hardtop) and clearing activities (e.g., removal of vegetation) would also be necessary to implement the Proposed Project. No other areas of the West Campus would be disturbed or improved, and no off-campus improvements would occur. As shown in Figure 3, *Aerial Photograph*, the proposed improvements and modifications would occur at the eastern end of the project site, the proposed area of improvements. The proposed modifications and improvements to the West Campus would not result in any change (increase or decrease) to the existing student capacity of the West Campus.

Sports Fields and Facilities

Under the Proposed Project, the District would construct new sports fields and facilities on the eastern end of the project site to provide improved playfields and supporting facilities for students of the high school. The new sports fields and facilities would provide newer and more modern improvements needed for the high school to host existing sporting and special events that already occur in this area of the West Campus, as well as on the Paramount High School Senior Campus (Senior Campus), which abuts the project site to the northeast but in fields and facilities that are outdated, in need of improvement or modernization, and inadequately accommodate the existing events and demand.

The proposed improvements include a new baseball field with dugouts, field lighting, and a scoreboard; a new softball field with dugouts; a flex multisport/multiuse (soccer, football, physical education) field; six tennis courts with lighting; a 2,208-square-foot clubhouse building; and various hardscape (e.g., concreate walkways) and landscape (e.g., decomposed granite, turf) improvements (see Figure 5, *Conceptual Site Plan*). The clubhouse building would include a tennis team and equipment room, a baseball team and equipment room, bathrooms, and various maintenance (electrical, data, and custodial) rooms. The existing natural turf of the softball fields would be removed and replaced with artificial turf for the new sports fields. The existing light poles would be

removed, replaced, and reconfigured with new and improved light poles to support the various evening activities and events that would take place in this area of the West Campus, such as baseball and tennis games and high school graduation ceremonies. The improved and replacement lighting would continue to provide lighted athletic fields. The new tennis courts would serve the students of the West Campus and those of the Senior Campus, which abuts the project site to the northeast (see Figure 3, *Aerial Photograph*).

During operation, the new baseball field would be used for baseball practice and scheduled games throughout the baseball season, which extends from February to May. Baseball practice is from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Baseball games are scheduled at 7:00 pm and usually end before 9:00 pm. The softball field would be used for softball practice only during the softball season, which extends from mid-February to mid-May, from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm. The new flex multisport/multiuse field would be used by the high school as well as the adjacent Paramount Park Middle School (see Figure 3, *Aerial Photograph*) for physical education classes. The tennis courts would be used for tennis practice and games during the fall and spring, extending from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

Construction and Phasing

Construction of the Proposed Project is anticipated to occur over a period of approximately six months, commencing in mid-/late 2026 and ending in mid-/late 2026. Construction activities would disturb approximately eight acres of the 19.72-acre project site. No soil import or export would be required to accommodate the Proposed Project. Once construction begins, all construction equipment, activities, and workers would remain within the boundaries of the project site, and the District's construction contractors and activities would adhere to the City of Paramount's construction noise regulations to avoid disruption to West Campus operations and surrounding residences.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Paramount Unified School District
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Paramount Unified School District
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

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Exempt Status: (check one below)

☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 2, CCR §15302, Replacement or Reconstruction; Class 3, CCR § 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures; Class 11, CCR § 15311, Accessory Structures; and Class 14, CCR §15314, Minor Additions to Schools

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 – The Proposed Project consists of the demolition of the existing baseball and softball fields and their associated lighting and reconstruction of facilities on the same site. The existing lighting of the fields have been used to illuminate baseball, softball, and PYSO practices and games, as well as high school graduation ceremonies. The replacement fields and lighting would provide modernized improvements

needed for the District to host existing sporting and special events that already occur in this area of the West Campus. The Proposed Project would replace the existing sports fields and facilities on West Campus within the same area to serve the same purpose and capacity. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15302.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 – The Proposed Project includes the construction of a new 2,304 square foot clubhouse building, which is less than 2,500 square feet (pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303(c)) and includes a tennis team and equipment room, bathrooms, a baseball team and equipment room, and various maintenance (electrical, data, and custodial) rooms. The new clubhouse would be located on the eastern end of the West Campus and would serve the existing school and its students. The new flex multisport/multiuse field and tennis courts, which are considered new small sports facilities, would continue to serve the students of the West Campus, as well as those of the Senior Campus and Paramount Park Middle School. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15303.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15311 – The Proposed Project consists of the construction of a new clubhouse building on the West Campus. The clubhouse is an accessory structure that would support the sports activities on the West Campus and better serve the school's students. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15311.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15314 –The proposed baseball and softball fields and associated field lighting would replace the existing baseball and softball fields and associated field lighting. The new flex multisport/multiuse field and tennis courts would continue to serve the students of the West Campus and Senior Campus. The new sports fields and facilities would be located within the West Campus and enhance the school's sports facilities. The Proposed Project would also not result in any change (increase or decrease) to the existing student capacity of the West Campus. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15314.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 (Exceptions), a categorical exemption cannot be used if the project would cause cumulative impacts, significant environmental effects, or impacts to scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, or historical resources. As detailed in the supplemental information, the Proposed Project would not result in any significant effects, would not occur near scenic highways, is not on a hazardous materials site as identified under Government Code Section 65962.5, and would not adversely impact any historical resources. The Proposed Project has been reviewed for these exception criteria and were found not to conflict with Section 15300.2.

Therefore, the Proposed Project qualifies for categorical exemptions under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15302, 15303, 15311, and 15314. The District has determined that the project meets the conditions for an exemption and that no exceptions under Section 15300.2 apply.

Reasons why project is exempt

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1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project ☒ Yes ☐ No

Date Received for Filing: _____

Signature: _____ Title: Director FM&O

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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