

## **Capital Improvement Program Committee Report**

**October 2009**

**Chair: Steve Augustino**

September was a very busy month for the CIP. The annual capital budget cycle began this month. The Superintendent's proposed 2011-16 CIP will be published in late October, followed by testimony to the Board in mid-November. The Board will approve the recommendation and any amendments by the end of November. After that, the CIP will be integrated with county-wide budget proposals and subject to review and approval from the County Council.

Steve Augustino and Kay Romero are attending the Superintendent's planning meetings to develop the CIP. So far, the Superintendent has held three of the four meetings planned. Please remember that MCCPTA attends these meetings to gain insight into the considerations driving the CIP and to provide the PTA perspective on matters within the CIP. MCCPTA is not privy to the Superintendent's recommendation before it is released, is not asked to support the Superintendent's recommendation, and is not bound by what the Superintendent proposes. We will establish our CIP position according to usual channels and advocate accordingly throughout the budget cycle.

The CIP Committee also assisted the MCCPTA President in drafting Board of Directors testimony on the 2009 County Growth Policy and in drafting MCCPTA comments on the FY 2011-16 Spending Affordability Guidelines. The BOD testimony was submitted at the public hearing on September 22. MCCPTA delegates passed a motion on the Spending Affordability Guidelines at the September 22 meeting and comments consistent with the motion were sent to the County Council in advance of its October 6, 2009 vote on the SAG.

The CIP Committee has two resolutions before the Delegates. We have a FY2011 CIP Priorities resolution seeking input to guide our advocacy on the CIP. We also have a resolution regarding the restroom renovation project in the CIP. We are seeking a vote on both resolutions at the October 27 Delegates Assembly.