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San Diego City Schools earns top award for how it plans new schools

American Planning Association recognizes school district's collaborative approach

SAN DIEGO – In May 2002, the San Diego chapter of the American Planning Association gave a first place “Focused Issue” award to San Diego City Schools for its “New Schools Site Selection Process.” The award is given for the school district’s approach to selecting and planning sites for new Proposition MM schools. The school district’s approach dovetails the highest quality of environmental review (technical analysis of potential sites) and collaborative decision-making with community planning groups, neighbors and parents.

By 2006, San Diego City Schools will build 13 new schools and rebuild three existing schools to alleviate overcrowding in the city’s most densely populated and rapidly developing areas. The new schools are funded by Proposition MM, the \$1.51 billion bond measure passed by 78 percent of San Diego voters in November 1998.

For more information about the school district’s new school planning process, go to www.sandi.net/comm/factsheets/new_school_process.pdf.

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