

# Measure "N" Casino Proposal/City of Calexico

The City of Calexico will ask the electorate on June 7<sup>th</sup> to determine if they want a casino complex built within City boundaries. While this project may have economic advantages to the community, it is the Calexico Unified School District Board of Education's position that the community needs to be informed of the impact this projects could have on our schools:

#### Socio-Economic Impact Analysis Report (SDSU)

- Calexico Unified School District is not mentioned in this study;
  - Facilities Plan (Building New Schools)
    - Proximity to Schools?
    - Traffic concerns for safe-walking paths for students
    - ncrease crossing guards for our streets
    - Impact to recreational facilities in our District

### Fiscal Impacts to Calexico Unified School District

- Loss of Developer Fees (\$.36 sf for Commercial/\$3.75 sf Residential)
  \$240,000 or more
- Loss of General Obligation Funds (\$60.00 per \$100,000 Assessed Value) \$120,000 per year.
- Loss of Property Tax based on project indicators: \$1 Million per year.
- Loss of Redevelopment Agency funds.

#### Educational Impacts to Calexico Unified School District

- Additional schools needed by growth (estimated 2,400 new employees for Casino)
- Increase impact on Adult Educational services
- Increase need for recreation facilities for students
- Education impact needs to be analyzed.

## **Calexico Unified School District Issues and Concerns**

- The District needs to be a partner in this venture
- The District needs to have this venture mitigate the impact of this project.
- The District "needs to be made whole"
- The Casino needs to meet with District representative to address these concerns
  - The District and Casino needs to have a Memorandum of Understanding/Compact in place.

The Superintendent has met with City Manager, Marlene Best, and she has assured us that the City Council is cognizant of the fact that if Measure N is successful, it is imperative that school representative(s) be included in the ensuing negotiations to ascertain. that school district needs are met. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact David Alvarez, Superintendent at 768-3888 x-3008.

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