

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING STOCKTON'S COMMITMENT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CSU CAMPUS IN STOCKTON

Stockton-Lodi Metropolitan Service Area (San Joaquin County) is the largest metropolitan area in California and the second largest metropolitan area in the United States without a public college or university; and

The City of Stockton is nearly three times farther from a CSU or UC than any of California's other large cities; and

San Joaquin County's population is among the fastest growing in California; and

College readiness in San Joaquin County has been steadily increasing; the adult population with at least a high school education rose from 62.6% in 1980 to 78.1% in 2015; the high school graduation rate increased from 70.8% in 2009 to 82.3% in 2014; and

San Joaquin County's residents have shown an increasing propensity to enroll in the CSU system, but enrollment is still limited by access; from 2006 to 2015, county residents enrolled in a CSU increased more than 50% from around 4,800 in 2000 to 7,300 in 2015; despite overall growth in CSU enrollment, San Joaquin County enrollment in CSU-Stanislaus has declined 15% over the past decade and CSU-Stanislaus enrolls fewer than 20% of San Joaquin County's CSU students; and

In recent years, permanent capacity across the CSU-System has been exceeded by up to 80,000 full time equivalent students; and

Inland investments in the CSU-System were identified in a 2016 Bay Area Council Economic Institute Report as the top recommendation for enhancing economic prosperity in the Northern California Megaregion; and

Seventeen of the twenty-three CSU campuses in 2017-18 had some form of enhanced admissions criteria because of excess enrollment demand; and

The lack of engineering programs at CSU-Stanislaus and limited engineering programs at CSU-East Bay, when combined with regional workforce needs and increased Silicon Valley integration, supports a Polytechnic focus for a future CSU-Stockton; and

It is estimated that construction of a CSU-Stockton would directly equate to approximately 2,500 jobs during construction and approximately 2,000 jobs ongoing after opening of the campus; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City shall work closely with state representatives to support and promote the approval and construction of a CSU campus in Stockton.
2. The City shall adopt land use policies that anticipate and help to facilitate a project of the magnitude of the construction of a CSU campus in Stockton.
3. The City shall prioritize efforts to work with the state to assess the suitability of potential sites for a CSU campus and expedite the processing of development applications.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED June 19, 2018.

MICHAEL D. TUBBS
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

BRET HUNTER, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Stockton