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Agenda Item Details

Meeting Feb 21, 2019 - School Board Meeting - 7:00 PM (Open to the Public)

Category F. ACTION ITEMS

Subject 1. F-1 Education Center Reuse Schematic Design

Type Action

Goals Operational Excellence

Initiated by: John Chadwick, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities & Operations

Staff contact: Jeffrey Chambers, Director, Design & Construction

Explanation of Subject/Issue: The Board will act on the proposed schematic design for the Education Center

reuse project.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends approval.

F-1 Ed Center Reuse SD- Presentation.pdf (4,529 KB)

Ed Center Reuse Schematic Design Motion.pdf (13 KB)

MOTIONS - 2-21-2019 SB Meeting - NVD Amendment - Ed Center.pdf (31 KB)

Motion & Voting

Mr. Goldstein called for a vote on the main motion as amended:

The Arlington School Board's adopted FY 2019-2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) addressed, in part, the continued increase in enrollment throughout Arlington County by including a project to renovate the Education Center building at 1426 N. Quincy St. to create 500 to 600 additional high school seats. There have been five (5) meetings with the Building Level Planning Committee (BLPC), Public Facilities Review Committee (PFRC), members of adjacent civic associations, and other project stakeholders. The School Board previously approved the project's Educational Specifications on December 20, 2018. The proposed schematic design was presented to the School Board by APS staff on February 7, 2019.

Having carefully reviewed the extensive input from the BLPC, PFRC, civic association leaders and other stakeholders, and the Superintendent's recommendation, I move that the School Board approve the schematic design as generally described in Exhibits A through F in the presentation made at the February 21, 2019 School Board meeting.

By approving Exhibits A through F the School Board approves the following aspects of the schematic design:

- Reaffirm basic project criteria to create 500 to 600 new high school seats, to be completed in time for start of school September 2021;
- Schematic site plan showing general location of features, with the understanding that further refinement of the site plan, including additional exploration of proposed off-site improvements, is expected during the Use Permit

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review/approval process;

- General layout of program spaces within the building;
- General approach to existing window replacement; and
- Maximum total project funding of \$37 million, with strong direction to find opportunities to reduce costs. It should be noted that the FY 2019-2028 CIP funding for the project included \$36.05 million funded by bonds, all of which has received voter approval.

With this approval, the School Board also provides the following direction to staff:

- Proceed to the design development phase, including preparation of the Use Permit application;
- Begin discussions with Arlington County Government (ACG) staff on identifying APS/ACG jointly funded items;
- Continue its investigation of replacement of 4th floor windows, as described on Exhibit F;
- Continue to consider alternate site improvements for a sport court, canopy and/or bridge connection, if additional funding can be found from savings; and
- Pursue various cost savings measures using every effort to complete the project for less than the maximum available funding and/or reallocate funds to complete alternates, if feasible.

Motion by Monique O'Grady, second by Barbara J Kanninen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Nancy Van Doren, Reid S Goldstein, Barbara J Kanninen, Tannia Talento, Monique O'Grady