

Educational Facilities Task Force
Meeting Minutes - August 18, 2022, 7:00 pm

In Attendance: Daniel Broder (EFTF Chairperson), James Chandler (Deputy City Administrator), Kat Schooley (EFTF Member), John Imahori (EFTF Member), Joanne Wazczak (Ward 1 Representative, City Council), Sam Denes (Ward 1 Representative, City Council), Stuart Eisenberg (EFTF Member), Daniel Peabody (Ward 4 Representative, City Council),

Dan Broder opens by entertaining a motion to adopt a revised agenda and approve the June 22, 2022. Stuart Eisenberg makes the motion, and it is unanimously approved.

Dan Broder asks Jason Washington to report a status update on the Hyattsville Middle School build.

Jason Washington says that interior work (insulation, wall rough ins, metal studs, secondary steel) is proceeding according to schedule. Fireproofing is happening, regrading for the parking lot is happening. The trailers will be moved around to accommodate the grading. This will not cause the truck route to change. Exterior wall panels will be finished this week. Pepco will be bracing the pole on and running underground utilities within the site and will be starting tie-in work on Oliver Street on the week of August 29th.

Jason Washington says that no parking signs will be going up on Oliver Street to take care of gas work in the coming month and there has been an increase in truck traffic to ensure that non-suitable soils get hauled off-site.

Dan Broder asks Jason Washington to remind the committee of the correct route in and out of the site. A map of the correct route was sent later and distributed to the community. Jason Washington says that the more flagrant violators of not taking the correct route have been told they won't get more work without following the correct route.

Joanne Wazczak asks if the trucks are responsible for vibrations in neighboring homes and how vibrations can be prevented moving forward. Jason Washington says that it is likely partially the trucks and partially the work on the site and that Jose Lopez has already followed up about one home which is filing a claim. Jason Washington notes that an independent third-party handles insurance claims and they have received numerous complaints about the vibrations.

Jason Washington says the school is still on time for completion in July 2023 and the biggest item left in the process are the components of the roof and that the consolidation of the swing space for HMS in Goddard will be happening tomorrow.

Daniel Broder briefs the committee about a meeting that took place between City staff, Hyattsville elected officials and PGCPs about possibly expanding the footprint of HES.

Joanne Wazczak asks who the point person for the swing space now for PGCPs is and if there have been lessons learned from the HMS swing space situation. Jason Washington says it is him

and that moving forward, all schools will have a swing space plan if they are included in an ACF rebuild. He also says that the CIP office is working on a swing space master plan to have as a reference point for new school construction as well as putting out an IDIQ for a moving company to move stuff back into HMS and other schools.

Daniel Broder and Stuart Eisenberg review the map provided by Stuart Eisenberg for the committee and PGCPs and asks Jason Washington what a potential timeline for incorporating any potential land acquisition into a PGCPs design is. Joanne Wazczak adds that there is no discussion on the table in the present, past or future to incorporate the St. Jerome's parking lot into the design of the school and that a rumor that the St. Jerome's parking lot will be taken via eminent domain is false and Jason Washington confirms that.

Jason Washington says that the final selected schools will go on the PGCPs BOE's September agenda for the Phase 2 ACF plan and that all schools will plan for existing land only. An RFQ for developers will be put out in Q4 of 2022.

Daniel Broder asks when additional land would need to be in the hands of PGCPs for incorporation into PGCPs rebuilds. Jason Washington says that for HES it would need to be in PGCPs plans by October and that the CIP office is prepared to engage with communities about design challenges.

Stuart Eisenberg follows up to confirm that the map is just of who owns what plots of land and what the possibilities for those plots might be, not what's going to happen to them.

Jason Washington says that he is going to follow up with the committee for a fall 2022 and spring 2023 construction update and that he is issuing an RFP for a school muralist for a mural at HMS and other schools. Jason Washington also says that they want to use all available channels for community communication.

Daniel Broder says that he will consolidate and pass along any additional messages for Jason Washington that weren't able to be asked tonight. He also states that he will be watching for the 09/22/22 PGCPs BOE meeting agenda to mobilize people to write and speak at the Board Meeting in favor of them passing the Phase 2 package of the ACF.

Stuart Eisenberg says that we should keep acquisition on the table in case any of those buildings can be incorporated into the design in the future.

Clair Panek asks if a report will be given on the 08/15/2022 meeting with St. Jerome's. Daniel Broder says that meeting was cancelled but that the conversation should be taken up again in the future, as noted by Stuart Eisenberg.

Stuart Eisenberg asks if the package will be adopted by the PGCPs BOE will be open to modification or will be approved as presented. Sam Denes says he believes the Board will have an up and down vote on adoption of the package as presented by staff.

Daniel Broder entertains a motion to move the September EFTF meeting to 7:30 pm. Stuart Eisenberg makes the motion and Kat Schooley seconds. Vote is unanimous in favor of moving the time.

Stuart Eisenberg makes a motion to adjourn. Kat Schooley seconds. Vote is unanimous to adjourn.