

# BOND UPDATE #87

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Here's what's been going on during the past two weeks:

1. **We are hosting a Virtual Community Town Hall to share the design for our new Ferndale High School on Wednesday, December 9.** Despite all the challenges of 2020, the new Ferndale High School project is moving ahead on schedule, on budget, and as promised. Now that the design documents are complete and we are nearly ready to go out to bid, we want to provide our community with a progress report. Please join us for a Virtual Town Hall with representatives of Dykeman Architects, Cornerstone Construction, Construction Services Group, the Ferndale School District, the Ferndale School Board, and the Bond Oversight Committee. This virtual event will take place on Wednesday, December 9, 6:00-7:00 pm. See the District website for information about joining the webinar.
2. Dykeman Architects presented an overview of the current design (both site plan and building floor plans) at the last meeting of the Ferndale High School staff. (The presentation was similar to the one we will share with the community at our Virtual Town Hall on December 9.) Over the next two weeks, Dykeman will meet with individual groups of staff members to go over plans for their specific areas of the new building in more detail.
3. The Constructability Review of the plans for the new FHS wraps up this week, and the design team will begin responding to comments. Any accepted changes will be incorporated into the final construction documents.
4. Construction Services Group (CSG) has successfully coordinated with BNSF Railway to allow for temporary construction access at the southeast corner of the site. This will provide construction traffic with a dedicated access point that is not shared with high school traffic or buses. Cornerstone Construction will hold the lease agreement with BNSF.
5. Below is the December District-wide Critical Maintenance, Safety, and Security Projects Report prepared for District leadership and the members of the Bond Oversight Committee. It has been organized to show which projects have been completed and when upcoming projects will be addressed.

## District Bond-funded Maintenance, Safety and Security Projects: COMPLETED

- **Security Fencing at Horizon Middle School, Eagleridge Elementary, and Skyline Elementary:** Seven-foot high chain link security fencing installation is now complete at all three schools. Swing gates and rolling gates have been installed.

- **Roofing at Vista Middle School:** Roofing repairs and upgrades at Vista Middle School are now complete with final manufacturer inspection occurring next week.
- **Fire Alarm Panels at Eagleridge Elementary, Central Elementary, and Horizon Middle School:** New fire alarm panels have been installed at all three schools and have received final inspections.
- **Heat Valves for Vista Middle School:** Approximately 76 heat valves were replaced at Vista by District maintenance staff, and that work is now complete
- **Secure Vestibules, Access Controls, and Security Cameras:** The vestibule construction and safety and security improvements are now complete on all eight projects. Improvements and upgrades were made at Cascadia Elementary, Central Elementary, Custer Elementary, Eagleridge Elementary, Skyline Elementary, Horizon Middle School, Vista Middle School, and the District Office. Project scopes of work varied from site to site and included construction of secured vestibules, installation of electronic access control, security cameras and buzz-in entry systems. At each school, all exterior doors are now locked once school starts and visitors must request entry at the front door by pushing an intercom button. Office staff have a large-screen video view and intercom to talk with the visitor before buzzing open the exterior doors. In the entry vestibules, a second set of doors is also locked so visitors must continue into the office to be checked in before proceeding into the main part of the school.

#### **District Bond Maintenance Projects: IN PROGRESS OR PLANNED**

- **Direct Digital Controls – Fall 2021:** CSG is preparing a Request for Proposals for the DDC HVAC control system upgrade work at Skyline Elementary, Custer Elementary, North Bellingham Learning Center, and Mountain View. Advertisements for proposals are expected to be posted in December 2020 with proposals will be due in January 2021.
- **Other HVAC Controls – 2022:** HVAC control upgrades for Central Elementary, Eagleridge Elementary, Cascadia Elementary, and Horizon Middle School are planned for 2022.
- **Hot Water Tank Replacements – Summer 2021:** The remaining district-wide hot water tank installation projects are expected to be completed by the District Maintenance Department in the Summer of 2021.
- **Roofing Projects at Central Elementary and Custer Elementary – Summer 2021:** Pricing quotes have been received for roofing repairs at Central and Custer. Roofing work at both schools is planned for the summer of 2021.

- **Masonry Repairs at Custer Elementary and Skyline Elementary – Summer 2021:** These masonry restoration projects are planned for the Summer of 2021.
  - **Security Fence at North Bellingham Learning Center – Summer 2021:** This remaining fencing project is planned for the Summer of 2021.
  - **Safety and Security Upgrades at Beach Elementary – Summer 2021:** This remaining safety and security project is planned for the Summer of 2021.
  - **Exterior Lighting Upgrades – Summer 2021:** Some exterior LED lighting upgrades have been completed, and the remaining upgrades are planned for the Summer of 2021.
6. The next Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 6:00 pm, via Zoom. Interested parties can register in advance for this webinar by accessing the following link: <https://www.ferndalesd.org/community-oversight-committee>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

As always, please reach out to me or one of my colleagues if you have questions.

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