

BOND UPDATE #68

07.17.20

Here's what's been going on this week:

1. We are making progress on the Safety and Security components that are part of our package of bond projects. Tiger Construction has begun work on all eight secure entry vestibules. Site work for the new entry at Skyline is in progress, and we expect the concrete foundations will be poured later within the next few days. Steel stud framing has started at Eagleridge and demolition has started at Central. Hollow metal and storefront window and door frames have been ordered, along with security and video equipment. We are waiting for the final permit issuance by the city for Horizon. Work is progressing as planned, and we are excited about the results.
2. We also have several important updates about the Critical Maintenance projects that are part of the bond package. Those updates include:
 - **Security Fencing:** Purchase orders have been issued to Northwest Fence for security fencing projects at Horizon Middle School, Eagleridge Elementary, and Skyline Elementary. Final city and fire department permitting is underway.
 - **Roofing Projects:** Significant roofing repairs at Vista Middle School have been quoted through the KCDA Purchasing Cooperative and Progressive Roofing. Final contract arrangements are underway. Roofing repairs for Central and Custer are being planned for summer 2021.
 - **Heat Valves for Vista:** Of the 76 heat valves that needed replacing at Vista, we are down to about six remaining. We should be done with those within the next two weeks.
 - **Hot Water Tank Replacement:** The remaining hot water tank projects will be undertaken by the district plumber once he is complete with the Vista heat valve project.
 - **Fire Alarm Panels:** New fire panels have been installed at Central, Eagleridge, and Horizon. Final inspection was scheduled for Thursday, July 16.
3. We are continuing to assess the Performing Arts Center at Ferndale High School, including evaluating cost and work needed to ensure safety. We will have more specific updates in the near future.
4. We had a very good meeting this week with Dykeman Architects to review preliminary suggestions for interior finishes, signage and graphics for the new Ferndale High School facility. The architects' drawings gave a very preliminary look at what the inside of the new school might look like and really helped bring the project to life.

5. The members of the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, July 21. Consistent with physical distancing guidelines, they will conduct their meeting virtually through a Zoom webinar. The meeting invitation will be available no later than Monday, July 20, at this link:
<https://www.weareferndale.org/committee/>

As always, feel free to reach out to me with questions or comments about any of this.

Linda