



RICHMOND
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Rezoning/Facilities Planning

Discussion Items for Richmond City School Board

Presented by: Jason Kamras, Superintendent
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Draft Goals of Rezoning/Facilities Planning Process

1. Develop new zones for RPS schools that, to the extent possible:
 - Alleviate current overcrowding
 - Plan for future student population trends
 - Expedite student placement in modern facilities through potential consolidations and closures
 - Increase student diversity within schools
 - Ensure safe, equitable, and more expeditious transportation
 - Other goals?
2. Develop a plan for the disposition of vacant and non-instructional (owned and rented) properties in the RPS inventory in an effort to:
 - Raise funds for new school construction
 - Develop mutually beneficial partnerships with Richmond cultural institutions
 - Focus more time, energy, and money on our core work: teaching and learning
 - Other goals?
3. Update the RPS Facilities Plan that was passed in December of 2017 to take into consideration the outcome of the work from Goals 1 and 2.

List of Vacant and Non-Instructional (Owned and Rented) Properties

1. Vacant

- Norrell Annex (201 West Graham Street)
- Ruffin Road Elementary School (2001 Ruffin Road)
- Clark Springs Elementary School (1101 Dance Street)
- Former Altria Building (2325 Maury Street)

2. Non-Instructional (Owned)

- Arthur Ashe Center (3001 North Boulevard)
- Norrell Elementary School (2120 Fendall Avenue)
- Facilities/Nutrition Center (1250 Ingram Avenue)
- Transportation Depot (3501 Belt Boulevard)

3. Non-Instructional (Rented)

- Bus Garage Repair Center (1903 Chamberlayne Avenue)
- VATEX Center (2395 Hermitage Avenue)

Proposed Timeline

- Secure demographics firm: Complete (Cropper GIS)
- Begin community engagement: February, 2019
- Secure property assessment firm: March, 2019
- Complete demographic study: April, 2019
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- Bring draft proposals to Board and community: June, 2019 – September, 2019
- Bring final proposal to Board for approval: October, 2019
- Prepare for implementation: November, 2019 – July, 2020
- Effectuate new zones/policies: August, 2020