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Alameda USD – Districtwide Fencing Projects

Edison Elementary – Site Committee Design Meeting Notes

Attendees:

See attached sign-in sheet

Notes:

- 1) Introductions, Roles and Responsibilities:
 - a) Shariq introduced Mark and Nick.
 - b) Mark explained goal for the meeting was to get committee feedback on how to improve the perimeter security of the school.
 - Discussed goal of a single point of entry into campus between morning drop off and afternoon pick up.
 - Discussed goal to maintain community access afterhours, with potential to secure certain “inner core” areas.
 - c) Nick introduced the Design Standards established by the AUSD Committee for Safety and Security Design Standards, and explained the standards for fencing design, height, and locations.
- 2) Classroom wing along Pearl Street:
 - It was expressed that the school staff’s desire is to add a Pearl Street fence along the classroom building. Some committee members agreed, some did not want any fence added due to perceived impact on their property values.
 - The classrooms that exit onto Pearl Street are over 1,000 s.f. in size and thus require two exits per code.
 - Teachers want to be able to open doors for ventilation and to use covered walkway during rain.
- 3) The existing fence around the playground at Pearl Street:
 - 10’ tall chain-link along Pearl Street. Some wanted this to be replaced with ornamental, some wanted it to stay chain-link. It was explained that the current Safety and Security Standards indicate that if a fence meets the requirements and is in good shape it should remain and not be replaced.
 - It was explained and agreed that a 20’ wide emergency vehicle access gate will be required.
- 4) The existing Fence along Versailles and Lincoln Ave:
 - 3’ tall. It was requested that this fence be replaced with a new taller fence that meets the S&S standards of 6’ tall. Some wanted this to be ornamental, standards call for it to be chain link if not the primary school frontage. Some wanted it left at 3’.
 - The small gate near the play yard along Versailles is never used.
 - It was discussed and requested that all other existing entry points remain for access during morning drop off, afternoon pick up.
- 5) The primary school frontage along Bueno Vista Ave:
 - No fencing desired along this frontage due to ample building façade along perimeter.
 - Create a more appropriate sense of entry during the future modernization of the campus.
 - Until modernization, there may need to be an inner core fence at the primary entrance point, beyond the primary entry doors that lead directly to the playground

6) Existing Inner Core Fencing;

- It was discussed and agreed that the existing inner core fencing is unattractive and uninviting. It was further agreed that if the entry points into the main corridors can be improved with proper fencing that the inner core fencing can be removed. Future modernization will also help if office can be relocated/re-oriented.

7) Next Steps:

- a) A schematic fencing design will be developed and presented to the AUSD MOF office.
- b) Notes from meeting should be made available on the District Website.

End of notes