

Public Forum and Local Planning Committee Meeting
John D. Price Administration Building
Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Member in attendees: Aaron Ann Cole Funfsinn, Kevin Disney, Amanda Ferguson, Daniel Murphy, Matt Olsen, Stephen Ramsay, Boyd Sewe, Alan Stein, Whitney Stevenson, Clay Sutherland, Benjamin Vanderhorst, Susan Voglesong

Staff in attendance: Joe Isaacs, Chris Lawrence, Sherry Price, Myron Thompson

The Public Forum meeting began at 5:32 p.m. with no one in attendance. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) meeting began by Myron thanking everyone for their attendance. Ms. Price took attendance, and a quorum was present. Dr. Stevenson volunteered to facilitate the meeting.

The third amendment to the 2021 District Facility Plan (DFP) discussion was as follows:

1. School-wide communication systems, classroom audio, school safety
2. Air purification systems
3. Remove Item 4.3 Joe G. White Maintenance Building renovation and Item 4.4 Other Maintenance Building renovation from the current DFP and replace with new building site TBD.
4. Acquire or construct new preschool center and special education evaluation hub on the northside of the city.

Chris Lawrence, Technology, presented the #1 school-wide communication systems, classroom audio, school safety. The new systems are a classroom sound system much better than the previous systems. They help student with student engagement and students stay more on task. New teachers and subs are being trained on the new system. This system provides accommodation for the hearing impaired.

Joe Isaacs, Director of Risk Management and Security, presented #2 air purification systems. Air quality is so important in the classrooms and supports higher test scores and healthy students.

Mr. Thompson, Chief Operating Officer, presented #3 - Remove Item 4.3 Joe G. White Maintenance Building renovation and Item 4.4 Other Maintenance Building renovation from the current DFP and replace with new building site to be announced. The Joe G White and Maintenance building on Springhill were built in 1949 and 1970. Currently they house 149 employees. New or more updated facilities are needed for Grounds, Custodial Support, Maintenance and Child Nutrition staff.

Dr. Stevenson, Director of Early Start, spoke to # 4 - The need to acquire or construct new preschool center and special education evaluation hub on the northside of city. Currently every

family registers their student at the Springhill location. Springhill location has three preschool classrooms. Finding another location is part of the 5 Year Plan. A north/eastside location would make access easier for many families.

There were no questions on the presentations. A vote was taken on each item.

Item 1. A motion was made by Mr. Vanderhorst to approve the school wide communication system and a second by Dr. Murphy. All 12 committee members were in favor.

Item 2. A motion was made by Mr. Vanderhorst to approve the air purification systems and a second by Mr. Stein. The vote was 12-0.

Item 3. A motion was made by Mr. Vanderhorst and a second by Ms. Ferguson to remove Item 4.3 Joe G White Maintenance building renovation and Item 4.4 Other Maintenance Building renovation from current DFP and replace with new building site TBD. The vote was 12-0.

Item 4. A motion was made by Mr. Vanderhorst and a second by Ms. Ferguson to acquire or construct new preschool center and special education evaluation hub on the northside of the city. The vote was 12-0.

Mr. Thompson informed the committee that Ms. Joseph Dezarn will make the changes to the DFP and send to Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) for review and comment. When the comments are returned to FCPS, another Public Forum and LPC will be scheduled.

Mr. Vanderhorst made a motion to adjourn, and Mrs. Ferguson seconded. The vote was 12-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.