

Phase VI One Cent Sales Tax Program Constituent District 2

Community Meeting Summary

March 25, 2025

On March 25, 2025, a community meeting was held at Lucy Beckham High School located in Constituent District 2. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the community about the upcoming Phase VI One Cent Sales Tax Program (2029-2034). In addition, to gain community input of the types of school related building improvements they would like to see in their area. There were a total of 17 in attendance and everyone was offered the opportunity to provide comments and feedback. No hardcopy surveys were turned in at the meeting. We received a total of 7 questions and zero emails to date as a form of input.

A synopsis of those comments are listed below in this summary related to Capital Programs only.

Summary of Community Comments

1. Does Early College High School serve all of CCSD?

Response:

Yes, the Early College High School program serves all CCSD students. There is an application process to become eligible to attend the school.

2. Under what Phase was Early College HS built?

Response:

The support building for the Early College High School was list on the Phase V (2023-2028) referendum and listed to “Design, construct and equip support facilities for Early College High School on the Fraser Campus.”

3. Do Early College HS students have to walk from their new building across the street to Trident Technical College at the Palmer Campus?

Response:

Yes, students enrolled in the Early College High School program walk from the Trident Technical College at the Palmer Campus to the new support building at the Wilmot J. Fraser Campus that the intersection of Columbus and Hampstead Street.

4. How safe is it for students to walk across the street between the two campuses?

Response:

The South Carolina Department of Transportation has reviewed the traffic and pedestrian plan and required for the school to have a safe and separate dedicated stripped walking space near the fence line to the stand pad at the corner of Columbus and Hampstead Street to navigate between the two campuses.

5. Has CCSD ever considered having a Career Technology Education (CTE) building in the D2 area?

Response:

CCSD has provided CTE buildings throughout the district and CTE curriculum at schools that students have access. Qualified employees who teach these specialty subjects (e.g. Construction, Nursing, etc.) resources are currently maximized for the existing CTE building locations. To add another CTE building would be challenging to staff qualified personnel at this time. We will continue to evaluate this request.

6. We would like the following for our area:
- New East Cooper Montessori School
 - New East Cooper Montessori Multipurpose Room
 - New CTE Building for D2
 - New weight room for Lucy Beckham
 - More parking space for Lucy Beckham
 - More athletic space for new sports
 - Covered walkway for Early College High School students to walk between the two campuses of Palmer Technical College and the new support building
7. Can Phase VI revenue be used for athletics?

Response:

Yes, there can be projects on the Phase VI Sales Tax ballot regarding new athletic facilities or expansions or renovations of athletics. The funding is not to be used for athletic uniforms or teacher salaries.