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The school district was given prior notice of Silfab Solar's plans to locate a facility in Fort Mill.		The district was not aware of the recruitment of Silfab Solar and learned of the project at the same time as the public.
The district has authority and/or involvement in recruiting, zoning or permitting of commercial business.		The district has no authority or involvement in these processes and is not consulted when new businesses are being recruited, zoned or permitted for operation.
The district purchased and planned the school sites with knowledge of the future Silfab Solar facility.		The district planned for the school sites and made the initial purchase of land in 2017, with an additional purchase in 2020. This process began many years before Silfab Solar was recruited to the area.
Flint Hill Elementary and Middle were originally placed in the wrong zone and the district was required to request a rezoning of the property.		The school sites were originally placed in a light industrial zone, which at the time of planning and purchase included schools. The zoning codes were revised in 2022 and the district was required to apply for rezoning of our property.
The district began work on the schools after learning of plans for Silfab Solar to come to the Fort Mill area.		The district began the process for the new schools in 2016, which included land purchase, site plans, architectural designs, contract awards, and multiple approvals by the South Carolina Office of School Facilities.
The renewal of the district impact fee was contingent on the district's approval of Silfab Solar's operations.		The district impact fee process had no ties or contingencies related to Silfab Solar. Their project was not discussed and played no role in the renewal of district impact fees. The impact fee was implemented in 2018 and the renewal was part of the process outlined in South Carolina law.
District administration or school board members have received financial incentives related to the approval of Silfab Solar operations.		This is false. No administrators, school board members or any other district staff have received any financial incentives from York County, Silfab Solar or any other entity.
The district does not have emergency plans for the Flint Hill school sites.		The district has a number of emergency plans for these school sites which include: chemical incident response, evacuation, and reunification. The level of response is related to the nature of the emergency and is determined in coordination with first responders and York County Emergency Management.
The district has placed the operations of commercial businesses ahead of student safety.		The district believes the health and safety of our students and staff are a top priority. We are working within our authority in conjunction with the proper regulatory agencies to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all students in accordance with South Carolina law.
The district's work with Citadel EHS is being influenced by Silfab Solar and/or York County.		The work being done by Citadel EHS is being performed as an independent third party. No outside entity, nor the district, has instructed Citadel EHS to influence findings, alter data or limit the scope of their work.