

**BOARD BRIEF**

Date: June 3, 2022

**BOARD INFORMATION:**   X  

**MEETING PREPARATION:**       

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**THROUGH:** Dr. Alicia Hart, PMP, Acting Chief of Facilities and Operations  
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**TO:** The Honorable Meagan L. Alderton, Chair, and  
Members of the Alexandria City School Board

**TOPIC:** ACPS School Board and City of Alexandria Ownership of School Facility Parcels

**ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

- Goal 1: Systemic Alignment
- Goal 4: Strategic Resource Allocation

**FY 2022 BUDGET PRIORITY:**

Implementation of 2025 Strategic Plan

**SUMMARY:**

Property ownership of school sites has been raised in recent conversations. Staff are providing this brief of documented property ownership for the School Board’s information. The same information was shared with the City Council.

Facility	Ownership
Alexandria City High School: King Street Campus	City
Alexandria City High School: Minnie Howard Campus	City
1703 N. Beaugard St. (Future Swing Space)	School Board
Charles Barrett Elementary School	School Board
Cora Kelly School for Math, Science and Technology	City
Douglas MacArthur Elementary School (Janneys Ln.)	City
Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School	School Board
Francis Hammond Middle School	City

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George Mason Elementary School	City
George Washington Middle School	City
James K. Polk Elementary School	City
Jefferson-Houston PreK-8 IB School	City
John Adams Elementary	City
Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy	City
Mount Vernon Community School	City
Naomi L. Brooks Elementary	City
Patrick Henry K-8 School	City
Samuel W. Tucker Elementary	School Board
William Ramsay Elementary	City

Please note that regardless of property ownership, any redevelopment, change in use other than allowed as a by-right use by zoning, sale or purchase of school property must go through either a Development Special Use Permit process or 9.06 Review process with the Planning Commission and City Council.

Attached is a map showing all school properties (City and School Board owned). This map also includes locations for potential school sites recommended through the City's Small Area Plans. Please note that these sites are not owned by the School Board.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Ownership of school properties per the Office of Real Estate Assessment may differ from how the ownership of properties are characterized in City financial statements, like the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The Virginia Code requires that school assets be recorded in the City's financial statements while the bonds used to pay for these assets are still outstanding. The assets will transfer to the Alexandria School Board's financial statements when the bonds are repaid. While the assets may be listed under either the ownership of the City or the School Board, nothing in the state code alters the authority or responsibility of the local school board or control of the assets.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Superintendent recommends that the School Board review the brief and attached map.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1 - Ownership Map

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