

# Updates City Council School Board Subcommittee Meeting Notes

May 21, 2018

**Attending:**

Allison Silberberg, Mayor  
 Justin Wilson, Vice Mayor  
 Ramee Gentry, Chair, Alexandria City School Board  
 Cindy Anderson, Vice Chair, Alexandria City School Board

Mark B. Jinks, City Manager  
 Dr. Lois Berlin, Interim Superintendent  
 Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager

Katherine Carraway, P&Z  
 Erika Gulick, ACPS  
 Michael Herbstman, ACPS  
 Dr. Elizabeth Hoover, ACPS  
 Kurt Huffman, ACPS  
 Karl Moritz, P&Z  
 Margaret Orlando, RPCA  
 Morgan Routt, OMB  
 Shanna Sampson, ACPS  
 James Spengler, RPCA

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<b>I.</b>	<b>Approval of April 23, 2018 Meeting Summary</b>	Approved as submitted.	
<b>II.</b>	<b>Standing Reports</b>		
<b>a.</b>	Capital Projects and Operations i. Long Range Educational Facilities Phase 2/High School Alternatives	<p>Good discussion with School Board. In the process of clearing up some things with Pre-K. Working to finalize on a vendor for the high school, looking to start in June. Looking at best programmatic models for current capacity and anticipate large community involvement.</p> <p>Mayor Silberberg indicated that it's good to get community input and likes the idea of smaller academies. She would also like ACPS to help Council with the communication about the process. Chairwoman Gentry would like to share options with the community rather than finalizing and then presenting for yes/no answers. In response to a question by Vice Mayor Wilson, Ms. Gulick said that the goal is to bring something forward in the Fall, with additional work in the Spring. Vice Mayor Wilson emphasized he would like to see some jointness between staff and elected officials as decisions are being made. Mr. Jinks mentioned that Long Range Phase II has been docketed for the June Public Hearing.</p>	Erika Gulick

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	<p>ii. Update on 1701 Beauregard (Ferdinand Day)</p> <p>iii. Patrick Henry Update</p> <p>iv. T.C. Williams Parking Coordination</p>	<p>Everything is on schedule. Finishings are currently being installed and the bridge to the garage/playground are in. Tour dates will be available in June.</p> <p>New principal has been brought on board.</p> <p>Mayor Silberberg would like to see the building closer to completion.</p> <p>Despite recent weather conditions, everything is on schedule. Most of the work is currently inside the building.</p> <p>Vice Mayor Wilson mentioned that some aspects of the plan need to be updated, since it has been 13 years. Mr. Moritz agreed and mentioned that P/Z, TES, and RPCA are currently working together and will see what can be completed by Fall. Vice Mayor Wilson would like to know if there are other alternatives. Mr. Jinks suggested reaching out to First Baptist Church about using some of their parking spots during the week as overflow. One of the major concerns are from residential neighborhoods in regarding to students speeding though.</p>	<p>Dr. Lois Berlin</p> <p>Dr. Lois Berlin</p> <p>Erika Gulick Karl Moritz</p>
<b>b.</b>	<p>Youth and Education Services</p> <p>i. After School Follow-Up</p>	<p>The event was successful and well received. Staff is currently looking for additional training/space for expansion. The Out of School Time goals and needs were identified.</p> <p>An application has been submitted for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant. The program is the only one in Virginia to be located on/in Public Housing and is being held up as a stellar program.</p> <p>Vice Mayor Wilson asked if there is data to show the progress before/after the program. Ms. Sampson reported that they are capturing information that isn't requested by the State and even having follow-up</p>	<p>James Spengler Margaret Orlando Shanna Sampson</p>

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		meetings with the parents. Vice Mayor Wilson would like for staff to come back and speak about growth data.	
	ii. Early Childhood Follow-up	There is no report this month.	Debra Collins
c.	Budget i. Calendar Alignment	<p>Chairwoman Gentry would like to shift the conversation on the CIP to the Fall. Dr. Berlin stated that a September date would be challenging since the Summer is when other projects are getting done.</p> <p>Mayor Silberberg expressed concern about having the budget be year round and not give any type of break. Chairwoman Gentry emphasized the need to make a decision about the joint recommendations and there doesn't need to be a deep-dive on the entire CIP every year. Need to articulate the budget calendar and how it addresses the joint recommendations.</p> <p>Vice Mayor Wilson agreed with Chairwoman Gentry that we need to close this out and wants staff to come back in June and outline a process.</p>	Ramee Gentry
d.	Shared Services Update i. Next Areas of Focus  ii. IT Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The hardware/I-net have been upgraded in 17 of 20 sites. Broadband design sessions with vendors are pending.</li> <li>• Staff is making sure that all new buildings (Patrick Henry) have fiber installed.</li> <li>• Continue to share communications and the City helped apply pressure on Comcast to repair the cut that was impacting the schools</li> </ul>	Dr. Elizabeth Hoover Vanetta Pledger

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III	<p data-bbox="220 175 527 204">Other Discussion Items</p> <p data-bbox="268 248 777 391">i. Joint City Schools Facility Investment Task Force Recommendations/Joint Capital Management Council</p> <p data-bbox="268 578 659 646">ii. School Board Election Cycle/Composition</p>	<ul data-bbox="842 248 1734 500" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What process are we thinking needs to happen before we can use the reserve funds? Need to have a deep dive discussion between the 2 bodies.</li> <li>• Reiterated the need to follow up with the recommendation</li> <li>• <b>To do:</b> Next meeting work on the crosswalk. Mr. Moritz said that based on the visioning they can now walk through the list since there are now criteria.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="793 578 1728 760">The School Board is curious about this and will have a work session to discuss this. So far interest is being shown in staggering terms and reducing the size of the board. If we go to staggered, then both bodies have to do it. Mayor Silberberg expressed that she does not want to go to staggered time.</p>	<p data-bbox="1761 248 1955 316">Ramee Gentry Justin Wilson</p> <p data-bbox="1761 578 1955 607">Ramee Gentry</p>

<b>III.</b>	<b>Other Discussion Items</b>		
	<p>a. Joint City Schools Facility Investment Task Force Recommendations &amp; Joint Capital Management Council</p> <p>b. School Board Election Cycle &amp; Composition</p>	<p>A process needs to be figured out on how to use the monies. A discussion needs to be held with staff in the hypothetical. It was good to revisit the recommendations of staff.</p> <p>The School Board will have a work session on what to explore further. This will include outgoing bodies to see what worked and what didn't and will report back in June.</p>	

*Next meeting: June 25, 2018 at City Hall, Council Workroom*