

## Motion to Adopt the FY 2019-2028 Capital Improvement Program Budget

Madam Chair,

WHEREAS, the School Board, in accordance with the recommendation of the Ad-Hoc Joint City-Schools Facilities Investment Task Force, wishes to work with City Council to develop a **joint master facilities plan** that outlines preferred sequencing of projects to address the enrollment gap, while identifying and aligning required resources and;

WHEREAS, the School Board is committed to analyzing significant long term capacity and building condition needs through the joint master facilities plan, which needs to look beyond the FY 2019-2028 CIP to meet the growing enrollment and maintain aging facilities; and

WHEREAS, the School Board understands that a significant amount of joint planning conducted in FY 2019, including land acquisition, grade level configuration, community input, site suitability, may result in future adjustments to the CIP project timelines and funding; and

WHEREAS, the School Board has identified that in order to improve building conditions and address the growing enrollment, the future plans and funding levels need to be extended beyond the FY2019-2028 CIP and exist within the joint master facilities plan; and

WHEREAS, the School Board would like to explore the feasibility of building elementary capacity projects on adjacent public open space and/or City-owned land to accelerate modernizations; and

WHEREAS, the School Board is committed to providing pre-K for all who want to enroll. The School Board supports the development of a 10-year plan, including all possible City, School and partner resources, to open pre-K seats in order to eliminate the waitlist in Alexandria City; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent is granted the authority to make any necessary minor changes to comply with the intent and policies of the School Board;

Madam Chair, I therefore move that the Alexandria City School Board approve the FY 2019–2028 Capital Improvement Program Budget in the total amount of \$474,680,533, including \$68,331,789 in FY 2019.

On the summary chart:

1) In the label "Swing Capacity and New School," remove the word "swing" as it is more fitting in the Swing/Flexible Capacity Space.

2) In the label "Swing Capacity and New School," include the following in parenthesis: to address middle school and/or elementary school enrollment

3) In the footnote 1 in "Swing Capacity and New School," change to say:

To be built as a permanent new school, using the specifications from the Long Range Educational Facilities Plan for either secondary or elementary.

4) Take out the PK-6 part of the table and remove the footnote. Without significant discussion in our work sessions and within the community, this is pre-mature. Additionally, Council looks for a crisp proposal from the School Board and this provides two alternatives. We aren't ready to roll this out. We need to study it some more and move to next season to adopt the change, especially since it does not create space. So it is really a programming decision and needs to live in the operating budget. It isn't clear what the advantage is from a "capital" standpoint. Lastly, there are potential programming and budget impacts that cannot be communicated at this point. I would like to look closer at that.

(P.S. I really, \*really\* support looking at grade level and the pre-K efforts. I mean, REALLY. But I cannot sign onto it in this form and outside of a community and partner discussion.)