

Date: June 15, 2018

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Board Agenda: Yes _____
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FROM: Mignon R. Anthony, Chief Operating Officer

THROUGH: Lois F. Berlin, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent of Schools

TO: The Honorable Ramee A. Gentry, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Board Briefing - Vision Session Report

BACKGROUND: The first of the Ad-Hoc Joint City-Schools Facilities Investment Task Force recommendations presented to the School Board and City Council in January 2018, recommends leadership develop a “targeted new reality” to establish a common framework for future collaboration between ACPS and the City. On May 19, 2018, the School Board and City Council engaged in a vision session to begin defining these objectives. The Washington DC-based planning and architectural firm of OPX, PLLC, served as the facilitator for the vision session.

SUMMARY: The facilitator guided both bodies through a collaborative acknowledgement of resources and obstacles, values and guiding principles to begin an outline for a decision criteria matrix upon which future collaboration efforts can be based. The attached summary report details the discussions, priorities and important outgrowths from this first session and includes recommended next steps.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board review the attached report and continue participating in and supporting these collaborative efforts.

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ATTACHMENTS: Attachment 1 – Vision Session Report, May 19, 2018