

Meeting Summary

City-BCPS Coordinating Committee Meeting on School Construction

July 20, 2016

Attendees: Mignon Anthony (BCPS), Lynette Washington (BCPS), Adam Boarman (BCRP), Laurie Feinberg (DOP), Kate Brower (BCRP), Paul Taylor (BCRP), Bob Wall (BCPS), Tom Stosur (DOP), Jennifer Leonard (DOP), Nicole Price (BCPS), Robert Pipik (DOP), MC Buettner (DOP), Joseph Carella (MOIT), Ann Glodek (OPSC), Lynette Washington, Greta Sawyers (BCPS), Maureen Gershberg (BCPS), Cyndi Smith (BCPS), Nichole Stewart (BCPS) Joe Mayzck, MSA

1. **Review and Approve Minutes of April 20, 2016**

Motion to approve

2. **Status Reports**

a. **Feasibility & Design Status—BCPS/MSA**

- Year 1 Schools
 - Frederick and Fort Worthington: under construction
 - John Eager Howard, Robert Poole building and Lyndhurst: Construction Doc (CD) phase; on schedule to begin construction this fall
 - Arundel, Pimlico, Forest Park Cherry Hill: January 1 construction start.
 - : Patterson: Selecting A & E . CM will need to work with Rec and Parks for access to Joseph Lee Fields
 - Arlington : on hold, will follow Pimlico
 - Patterson/Claremont starting design
- Year 2 Schools-
- Fairmount Harford Feasibility 50% - needs City Review. This will be renovation with alternate delivery method
- Group 1
 - John Rurhah and Calvin Rodwell: feasibility is 95% complete
 - Medfield: feasibility is complete – option 3 selected
 - Cross Country: ON Hold to discuss with new Administration
- Year 2, Group 2
 - Govans, Walter P. Carter, Calverton, Bay Brook: Architects are under contract for feasibility, 50% review meetings completed. Assumption that Walter P. Carter school will absorb Rec center, but they are looking at options.
- Year 2, Group 3
 - Harford Heights, Montebello, Mary Rodman: RFP for architect is out
 - Canton: Pulled and substituted with additions to Commodore Rogers and Highlandtown #237. Looking at alternative delivery methods here.
- Year 2, Group 4: RFP will be issued once Group 3 is off the ground.

b. **Swing Space Additions/Changes - BCPS**

- JHE at Westside Elementary
- ACCE at Lake Clifton

- Independence at Lemmel Portables
- Pimlico to Garrison
- Cherry Hill to Patapsco
- Forest Park to Northwestern
- Medfield – to be determined

c. Status of Cooperative Use Spaces for Phase 1 Schools – BCPS

BCPS and Department of Recreation & Parks is developing an implementation team, and making amendments to the MOU. I missed dates provided about the MOU and about decisions regarding John Eager Howard.

d. Status of Fiber Connection Plan for 21st Century Schools – BCPS

Moving forward with analysis. Waiting for full transition of BCPS leadership.

3. Planning and Design Coordination - DOP

- Mignon Anthony will check to make sure design issues at Cherry Hill were resolved (sidewalk between school and rec center).
- For remaining Phase 1 school sites with an existing recreation center, DOP should work with BCRP to proactively assess implications of the school project on the recreation resource – how to ease change for the community if a rec site is needed for the school, and what potential improvements could make the rec center more compatible with the modernized school (e.g. façade upgrades, landscaping). Laurie Feinberg and Sara Paranilam take the lead to coordinate discussions. There could potentially be interest from ABAG to assist.
 - Rec & Park to develop a “checklist” of issues they would like to look at.
- Laurie will set a meeting with BCPS and BCRP to start to discuss coordination on Fairmount Harford HS site at Clifton Park.
- Lynette Washington (BCPS) will pass along information BCPS received from people approaching them who want to invest in the city. BCRP also noted they get interest, but they are not sure if it makes sense given where schools are on the 21st Century phasing (Northrup Grumman wants to provide \$1M to Lakeland School/Rec Center for improvements). There should be discussions if there is investor interest.

4. Various Updates

a. Surplus school buildings and disposition process

- Dr. Rayner Browne, Pinderhughes, Langston-Hughes have been surplused. Getting ready to pay off the remaining debt.
- City Council President has a community group in mind for reuse of Rayner Browne. Mayor’s Office of Human Services has a reuse in mind for Pinderhughes.
- This fall: DOP should send the inventory around again to all agencies to see if any new interest has evolved.
- National Resource Network – DOP will schedule a presentation/discussion on findings surplus schools.

b. Maryland Historic Trust

- MSA met with Trust.

c. INSPIRE Update

- Four Recommendation Reports are out (Frederick, Fort Worthington, John Eager Howard, Lyndhurst), a few others are in process (Robert Poole), and we have launched five more (Arlington, Pimlico, Arundel & Cherry Hill, and Forest Park & Calvin Rodwell, and Patterson).
- We are working with agencies to begin to put together workplans and schedules for capital improvements along the primary walking paths for the first four schools. DOP will let BCPS know as this progresses.
- Bond-funded community projects are beginning:
 - *Fort Worthington*: The Office of Sustainability is working with the Berea Eastside Neighborhood Association to develop a community garden a few blocks north of the school.
 - *John Eager Howard*: The likely INSPIRE project will be improvements to German Park at Linden and Whitelock, informed by a master plan for the park (to be developed by the Neighborhood Design Center through a request by the Reservoir Hill Improvement Council). Shoe City is also planning improvements to the German Park basketball court.
 - *Frederick*: The Steering Committee, residents, and city agencies will be selecting a community project over the summer. Possible projects include creating a walking path between Frederick and Carrollton Ridge, developing a mini park overlooking Gwynns Falls Trail, improving play and recreation spaces, and designing new community-identifying signage.
- Recent Steering Committee work included a Food Strategy Planning Session in the Arlington INSPIRE area that brought in the Department of Planning's food policy staff, the Department of Health's Healthy Stores program, and Parks & People. They discussed actions and projects related to comprehensive food access strategy around Arlington.

d. ABAG/School Centered Neighborhood Investment Initiative Update

- Neighborhoods of interest: Reservoir Hill/ Penn North, Cherry Hill, Pimlico, Govans, CHUM, Patterson Park
- SCNI Advisory Committee – Mignon Anthony, Tom Stosur, and Carol Gilbert are new members – drafting a collaboration agreement
- Developer's Roundtable
- Working with anchor institutions as resources for climate and culture (John Eager Howard example)
- Bon Secours will be hiring a Rose Fellow – will assist with projects such as ABC Park improvements and other placemaking opportunities
- Developing a framework for a series of public meetings to help residents understand opportunities through the 21st Century program.
- ID ways philanthropy can support needs. Examples might include:
 - Construction funding gaps around 21st Century and INSPIRE – renovation funding for a swimming pool at Patterson
 - Funding gaps for transportation for after-school programs while students are in swing spaces
 - Support around bus stops
- SCNI and BCRP to meet

5. Other Issues/Announcements

- A transition management person will start at BCPS in the next two months
- BCPS will have a meeting about standardizing design elements, including things like "anti-vandalism-proofing" buildings/window. BCRP is interested in what they're learning.

- BCPS is getting a design approved for banners at the schools showcasing the school designs
- BCPS will be initiating a “love our schools” campaign – create a culture of protecting the schools against vandalism.

6. Wrap-up & Adjourn

Miscellaneous

- WYPR story (7/19/16): Architects design the classroom of the future in Baltimore schools
<http://wypr.org/post/architects-design-classroom-future-baltimore-schools>

Next Scheduled Coordinating Committee Meeting

October 19, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.