

City Schools Coordinating Committee Meeting on School Construction

October 20, 2021

Meeting Summary – FINAL

1. Introductions

Attendees: Faith Leach (Mayor’s Office), Lea Ferguson (Mayor’s Office), Chris Ryer (DOP), Cheryl Casciani (DOP), Jennifer Leonard (DOP), Chad Hayes (DOP), Reni Lawal (DOP), Kim Knox (DOP), Mikah Zaslow (DOP), Dorothy Hellman (21st Century), Michael McBride (21st Century), Reneè Stainrod (21st Century), Rachael Romano (21st Century), Larry Flynn (MSA), Jamie Brides (IAC), Gregory Gamble (City Schools), Tina Hike-Hubbard (City Schools), Frank Murphy (DOT), Grishae Blackette (DOT), Eric Lee (HCD), Kate Brower (BCRP)

2. Approved Minutes of July 21, 2021

3. Planning, Design, and Construction Coordination: DOT, DOP, BCRP, City Schools, MSA

a. Pedestrian Safety

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<p>Medfield Heights: Lack of sidewalk or ADA compliant path between school and recreation center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOT & DOP met with community association and conducted site review to determine best option for removing a parking lane. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None

b. MOU for Constructing ADA Ramps and Crosswalks outside of Project Limits

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purpose is to have in place for future projects. DOP and DOT reviewing. Cheryl C. will bring resolution to next meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None

c. Crosswalk and Ramp Installation – Primary Walking Routes

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<p>Crosswalks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mary E. Rodman on hold until BGE completes work near school. Waiting on PO: Harford Heights Spring: Northwood, Montebello, and Highlandtown #237 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
<p>ADA Ramps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOT and DOP developing plan for constructing select ramps adjacent to 21st Century schools. DOP/DOT provide update re: plan at next meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None

d. Upcoming Design Process

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
Montebello – Curran Drive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting for design & cost estimate from DOT. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

e. Miscellaneous Carryover

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
REACH!/Clifton Park: Stormwater pipe leak <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPW working to figure out where leak is. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris R. to send final email to DPW, who will take over/coordinate with 21st Century, City Schools, and MSA
Harford Heights: Stormwater inlet at Register alley overflow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over the summer DPW and contractor removed a blockage and flushed the storm drain pipe, installed a new inlet, adjusted the grading, and lined the storm drain. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take off list

4. Design Issues & Process

a. Design Issues – none

b. Design Process

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
Commodore John Rodgers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feasibility studies complete. 21st Century and MSA are completing/reviewing cost estimates. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorothy H. send options.
Cross Country <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design will be complete in December. • Community concerned about offsite parking and traffic flow. Interested in traffic calming options. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21st Century will let DOT know what assistance they need.

5. Feasibility Studies for the Next Round of Schools (High Schools)

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalizing consensus on enrollment and funding with IAC. • Wrapping up Poly/Western. Introducing greenfield option. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

6. Construction Schedule Update (see Year 1 and Year 2 At-a-Glance): 21st Century

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In demolition: Harford Heights (William C. March), Patterson, Cross Country. • All 11 Y1 schools complete. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr 2: 12 complete; 5 buildings left. Program is “substantially complete.” • Highlandtown #237 opening moved to Dec 2022. • Commodore John Rodgers opening moved to Aug 2024. 	
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7. Community Engagement: Coordinating/Collaborating/Informing – 21st Century, DOP, BCRP – None

8. Updates

a. Upcoming Events

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northwood ribbon cuttings (hybrid in-person & virtual) is 12/7 (2-4pm). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachael R. will send Faith L. an invite. • Jen L. will share hold-the-date with DOP.

b. INSPIRE

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New INPSIRE Planner coming. • Working to ID the Primary Walking Routes for Montebello and Highlandtown #237. • Primary Route construction: waiting on contract. Recently opened and soon to open schools will be done in the spring. • Upcoming Planning Commission adoption: Mary E. Rodman on 11/18. • Recent projects: Walter P. Carter Art@Work mural complete (43rd & York Rd). Bay Brook path lighting being revised based on construction costs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

c. Update Meeting Invite List

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up Task</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean up list 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jen L. email everyone on current invite.

Next Scheduled Coordinating Committee Meeting: January 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.