

Arlington High School Building Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 15, 2018
AHS-School Committee Room-Sixth Floor
6:00 pm

Present: Jeff Thielman, School Committee Representative, Chair (absent)
Kathleen Bodie, Superintendent, Co-vice chair
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Co-vice chair
Kirsi Allison-Ampe, School Committee Representative
Francis Callahan, Community Member Representative
John Cole, Chair, Permanent Town Building Committee (@6:20 pm)
John Danizio, APS Chief Financial Officer
Tobey Jackson, Community Member Representative
Matthew Janger, AHS Principal
Ryan Katofsky, Community Member Representative
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal
Steve Nesterak, Facilities Director
Judson Pierce, Community Member Representative
Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager
Brian Rehrig, Capital Planning Committee Member (via phone)
Daniel Ruiz, Community Member Representative (@6:30 pm)
Amy Speare, Community Member Representative
Shannon Knuth, Teacher Representative
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative

Also present: Chuck Adam, Jim Burrows, Victoria Clifford, Skanska Inc.
Lori Cowles, Arthur Duffy, HMFH Architects, Inc.

Call to order: 6:00 pm

Public Participation

None

PSR Estimate Review Matrix

Jim Burrows reviewed the matrix for Alternatives 1-4

- ◆ Design Updates – Alternatives 1 and 4
- ◆ Site diagrams were reviewed on Alternatives 1 & 4

More updates and the addition of STEAM wing in alternate 1.

Alternative 4 – not many changes - modified parking to 250 spaces.

- ◆ Phasing Updates – Alternatives 1 and 4

Jim Burrows (Skanska OPM) informed the committee that the construction manager will create the final phasing plans after the review of the plans and timelines from Skanska and HMFH.

Alternative 1 - Phasing

Programs located off site – to be considered:

- ◆ LABBB MS –relocated in 2018
- ◆ Daycare – to Hardy School

- ◆ Preschool – Parmenter
- ◆ Comptroller – Town Hall
- ◆ Town Facilities – DPW
- ◆ LABBB HS, District offices, payroll, Town IT, Community Ed – unknown at this point.

Alternative 1 will consist of 4 phases. Timeline as follows:

Phase 1 – 20 months

Phase 2 16 months

Phase 3 – 18 months

Phase 4 – 12 months

Fully occupied January 2026, site work and project completion May 2026.

Alternative 4 - will consist of 2 phases. Timeline as follows:

All new school would be constructed prior to demolition of existing building.

Phase 1 - 36 months construction of new schools

Phase 2 –demolition and site work 10 months

Fully occupied September 2023, site work and project completion September 2024.

Presentation/Discussion: Project Impacts on Debt Service & Tax Rates

Charlie Foskett, chair of the Capital Planning Committee, gave a presentation of “Arlington Tax Trends” that outlined Arlington’s current debt service, exempt debt service, local tax history, per capita income, median income, and the tax impact of the project. Mr. Foskett proposes to limit the operating budget growth to have a five year sustainable 7.5% tax override and to limit the high school project to \$250 million or less.

Subcommittee Reports

- ◆ Finance
None
- ◆ Communications
Planning June 4th forum

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Frank Callahan seconded by Adam Chapdelaine it was

Voted to approve the meeting minutes of May 1, 2018 (abstention by Daniel Ruiz)

New Business

None

On a motion by Kate Loosian seconded by Bill McCarthy it was

Voted to adjourn @ 7:40 pm.

Submitted by:

Karen Tassone

Recording Secretary