

**Seattle School District #1
Board Resolution**



Resolution No. 2017/18-6

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Seattle School District No. 1, King County, Seattle, Washington to request that the City of Seattle include and analyze school use alternatives in its Environmental Impact Statement for the Fort Lawton Army Reserve Center redevelopment project.

WHEREAS, in 2005 the United States Army decided to close the Fort Lawton Army Reserve Center (“Fort Lawton”) located in the Magnolia neighborhood of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the Army named the City of Seattle (City) as the Local Redevelopment Authority responsible for the preparation and implementation of a plan to redevelop Fort Lawton; and

WHEREAS, the City has initiated development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to identify and analyze alternatives for redeveloping Fort Lawton; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified various redevelopment alternatives that include housing (homeless, low income and mix income housing) and park uses; and

WHEREAS, the alternatives to be studied in the EIS do not currently include any school use of Fort Lawton; and

WHEREAS, there has been strong community support for school use of Fort Lawton with the City receiving numerous public comments and a petition supporting such use; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Schools has seen greatly increased student enrollment and projects the need to acquire and develop other properties to meet the growing enrollment; and

WHEREAS, Fort Lawton could serve as a viable location for a school or other school uses; and

WHEREAS, in order to best preserve the option to consider school uses for Fort Lawton, school use alternatives should be included in the EIS;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of Seattle Public Schools, as follows:

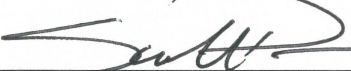
1. Preserving the option to consider a school use for a portion of Fort Lawton is a prudent measure that may provide much needed property for a school or other school uses.
2. In order to best preserve this option, Seattle Public Schools respectfully requests that the City include and study school siting and other educational and school use alternatives in the Fort Lawton EIS.

3. The City and Seattle Public Schools should work together to develop appropriate school uses alternatives to be included in the EIS.
4. Seattle Public Schools' Board of Directors and Superintendent remain apprised of the collaboration, deadlines and opportunities for public input.

ADOPTED this 4th day of October, 2017



Sue Peters, President



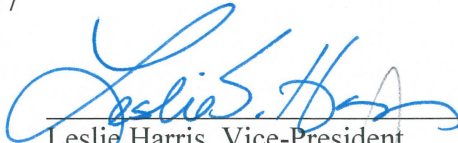
Scott Pinkham, Member-at-Large



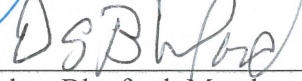
Rick Burke, Member




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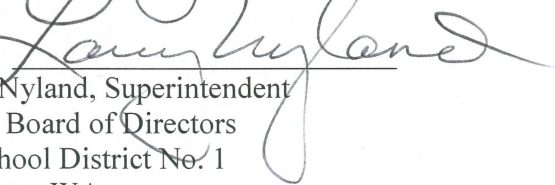
Leslie Harris, Vice-President



Stephan Blanford, Member



Jill Geary, Member

ATTEST: 

Dr. Larry Nyland, Superintendent
Secretary, Board of Directors
Seattle School District No. 1
King County, WA