



SCHOOL BOARD ACTION REPORT

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For Introduction: June 7, 2017
For Action: June 28, 2017

1. TITLE

BEX IV Capacity Flexibility: Approval of a Budget Transfer for the Maple Elementary School Cross Laminated Timber Project.

2. PURPOSE

This Board Action would transfer \$350,000 in funding from BEX IV Capacity Flexibility fund to support the Maple Elementary Cross Laminated Timber (CLT) project funded by the State Legislature. The funding will create a project budget to assist with construction costs that exceed the State of Washington's CLT budget allocation for Seattle Public Schools and will also provide furniture, technology and curriculum to support the four new classrooms constructed at the school.

3. RECOMMENDED MOTION

I move that the School Board approve a one-time budget transfer from the BEX IV Capacity Flexibility fund to the Maple Elementary School CLT project in the amount of \$350,000.

4. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

a. Background

The State of Washington provided approximately \$1,100,000 to build a four-classroom addition at Maple Elementary School to promote the use of a structural system known as cross laminated timber (CLT) as well as support K-3 classroom size reduction.

The District has been working closely with the Department of Enterprise Services (DES), who is providing construction management services for the State of Washington, and their design/build team of Mahlum Architects and Walsh Construction concerning their prototypical to confirm it meets the District's educational and technical standards as well as addresses existing site conditions found at the school. The project will be completed and ready for use by fall of 2017.

Additional funding is required from Seattle Public Schools to cover the State of Washington's unanticipated construction cost and to furnish the added classrooms. Added costs include, but are not limited to, building permits, utility infrastructure, playground relocation, furniture, technology, and curriculum.

District staff sought approval from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to utilize funds from the K-3 Class Size Reduction Grant however that request is denied. Associate Superintendent Herndon reached out to OSPI to review the rationale for the denial of our request but has not received a response. At this time we are proposing utilizing funds from the BEX IV Capacity Flexibility cost center.

b. Alternatives

If the motion is denied, the Maple Elementary CLT project will not be completed.

c. Research

Elementary School Educational Specifications, May 31, 2016
Technical Building Standards, December 2012
Curriculum verification from Teaching and Learning Central Staff
Input from Operations and Teaching and Learning Staff

5. FISCAL IMPACT/REVENUE SOURCE

Fiscal impact to this action will be the transfer of \$350,000 from the BEX IV Capacity Flexibility fund.

The revenue source for this motion is the BEX IV Capacity Flexibility fund however the District is seeking approval from the legislature to use funding provided by the K-3 Class Size Reduction Grant.

Expenditure: One-time Annual Multi-Year N/A

Revenue: One-time Annual Multi-Year N/A

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

With guidance from the District's Community Engagement tool, this action was determined to merit the following tier of community engagement:

Not applicable

Tier 1: Inform

Tier 2: Consult/Involve

Tier 3: Collaborate

7. EQUITY ANALYSIS

This motion was not put through the process of a full racial equity analysis.

8. STUDENT BENEFIT

This action will benefit students by providing the necessary funding to procure and install educational based furniture, technology, security and reduce classroom size per State Classroom Reduction Guidelines.

9. WHY BOARD ACTION IS NECESSARY

- Amount of contract initial value or contract amendment exceeds \$250,000 (Policy No. 6220)
- Amount of grant exceeds \$250,000 in a single fiscal year (Policy No. 6114)
- Adopting, amending, or repealing a Board policy
- Formally accepting the completion of a public works project and closing out the contract
- Legal requirement for the School Board to take action on this matter
- Board Policy No. 6000, Program Planning, Budget Preparation, Adoption and Implementation Policy, provides the Board shall approve this item.
- Other: _____

10. POLICY IMPLICATION

This Board Action requests a funding transfer from the BEX IV Capacity Flexibility fund to create a budget for the Maple Elementary CLT project. Per School Board Policy No. 6000 Program Planning, Budget Preparation, Adoption, and Implementation, item number D, “Funds may be transferred from one budget classification to another subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by the Board.”

11. BOARD COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

This motion was discussed at the Operations Committee meeting on May 18, 2017. The Committee moved this item forward to the full Board with a recommendation for approval.

12. TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Upon approval of this motion, the District will be able to proceed with procurement and installation of furniture, equipment and curriculum for the Maple Elementary CLT project in conformance with the District Educational and Technical Specifications. The project will be completed in time for the 2017-18 school year.

13. ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit A – Detail of Additional Budget Requested for the Maple Elementary CLT project
- Exhibit B – Wing Luke 2016-17 Annual Enrollment Data