

FY 2021 SCHOOL BOARD CIP Questions

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| 1 | <p><u>Transportation Staff Facility</u></p> <p>x Why can't this project's start be delayed? Belts are being tightened all over in response to the COVID impact on revenue. Why not this one?</p> <p>x Can the 2 phases of this project be separated and Phase 2 not started?</p> <p>x In the face of seat deficits, why was completing this project and adding more monies to it considered urgent?</p> | Facilities and Operations | May 22, 2020 | June 1, 2020 | June 1, 2020 |
| 2 | <p><u>The Heights Building</u></p> <p>x In slide #14 from the Interim Superintendent's Proposed FY 2021 CIP, it is ambiguous if the costs outlined apply to both a covered parking and synthetic turf field?</p> <p>x Arlington County Government (ACG) denied permission to APS (in either 2016 or 2017) from building the parking garage at the same time of constructing the rest of the building, saying they would review the need when the temporary firehouse moved off site from The Heights property. Has APS gotten the green light from ACG to add an underground parking garage at the Heights?</p> | Facilities and Operations | May 22, 2020 | May 31, 2020 | June 1, 2020 |
| 3 | <p><u>Kitchen Renovations</u></p> <p>What is the rationale behind kitchen renovations and why are they considered necessary to include in the CIP?</p> <p>Specifically, regarding McKinley and Key:</p> <p>x Why are McKinley and Key's kitchen renovations estimated at exactly the same amount since their permanent capacities are different?</p> <p>x McKinley's 241 seat expansion was completed in 2016, bringing its permanent capacity to 684. Now ATS is planned for 684, then it can be sized for 589. We are in control of ATS' enrollment. If the plan is to expand enrollment when moving to the Key building, then why not limit it only to the McKinley permanent capacity, and save the renovation costs.</p> <p>As a result of the kitchen renovation, do we need to spend \$100K to renovate the McKinley building that had a renovation less than 4 years ago? Can't we tighten the belt here?</p> <p>Key's current enrollment is 56 students at its permanent capacity. But during the upcoming ES boundary adjustment, we can adjust Key's boundary to result in enrollment so that it meets capacity when the boundary change goes into effect. Key is an old building so I understand the need for renovation (paint, lighting, floors, etc.), but do we need to spend \$2.8M on renovating its kitchen?</p> | Facilities and Operations Planning and Evaluation | May 22, 2020 | June 1, 2020 | June 1, 2020 |
| 4 | <p><u>Career Center Expansion Project Concept Design</u></p> | Facilities and Operations | May 22, 2020 | June 1, 2020 | June 1, 2020 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x In slide #10 of the Arlington Career Center Expansion Project Concept Design presentation, the space programming for academic and technical space accounts for 41.7% of total space. How much of that space is traditional lab and classroom space? How many new classrooms are needed and what is the square footage that corresponds with those spaces? x In slide #15, how many of the 420 parking spaces are required for each building on the site? x In slide #17, the Career Center BLPC suggested that eventually the Montessori school needed to move off the site. What is the corresponding cost for the parking needs related to the Montessori school? x What can be done to help ensure that current students can have the amenities they need as soon as possible even if the 800 seats can't be built. x What site barriers are in place that may be removed to help make the vision for a high school campus more affordable and delivered on time? | | | | |
| 5 | <p><u>Major Infrastructure Projects</u> The Oakridge PTA and a parent want to know when the HVAC will be fixed at Oakridge. They report that the classrooms at the south/southeast parts of the building are extremely hot and difficult for learning. A School Board member explained that the work was delayed and is done in priority order based on budget. Can someone from Facilities please address this directly with PTA and the concerned parent? Perhaps via the principal?</p> | Facilities and Operations | May 26, 2020 | June 1, 2020 | June 1, 2020 |

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| | <p>CIP that are now being conceived for the next tier of CIP projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o \$13.8M (assuming \$2.76M each school based on McK and Key kitchen renovations proposed in current CIP) o Improves inadequate facilities earlier than planned o Prepares 3 Col Pike area and 2 R-B corridor schools (per SB direction in Dec 2019) for results of the ES boundary process beginning in Fall 2021 | | | | |
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School Board CIP Question #: 1

VNA:1 Dr. Francisco Duran, Superintendent

FROM: John Chadwick

FY 2021 CIP QUESTION #1:

Transportation Staff Facility

- Why can't this project's start be delayed? Belts are being tightened all over in response to the COVID impact on revenue. Why not this one?
- Can the 2 phases of this project be separated and Phase 2 not started?
- In the face of seat deficits, why was completing this project and adding more monies to the budget considered urgent?

RESPONSE:

The existing Transportation Staff Facility was built many years ago when the number of drivers and attendants was a great deal lower than it is now; its condition has deteriorated due to use by so many staff for so long. The bathrooms, break room and kitchen area are inadequate given that the drivers and attendants arrive and leave within a short period, and that some of them remain in the facility on the extended break between shifts because they live too far away to go home and return. It has become common for drivers to cook and share food from the many different countries from which they came.

The existing facility cannot accommodate required training sessions for nearly 300 staff, and the meeting room at the Parks and Recreation building nearby which is used for this purpose, is not always available when needed. APS devices are not issued to drivers and attendants. Today there is only space and no

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FY 2021 CIP QUESTION #2:



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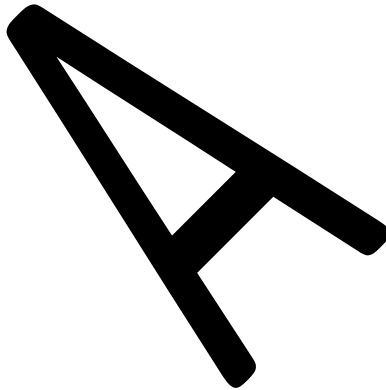
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accommodate all existing programs at the Career Center plus the 80 which have been assumed to be for CTE programs like Arlington Tech provide a total of 122 teaching stations. 58 teaching stations (44 regular 14 science classrooms) are provided for traditional academic classes the 58 spaces, including supporting preparation and storage areas, is feet.



Another 44 teaching stations (18 classrooms and 26 laboratories) are provided for Career Technical Education (CTE) classes. CTE spaces total 155,900 net square feet. The additional 20 teaching stations serve the other 200 full time students and programs.

2. The demand for 420 spaces was calculated by population type rather than by building:

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| High school staff (CC & ACHS): | 210 |
| Elementary school staff: | 72 |
| Students (CC & ACHS): | 103 |
| <u>Library and visitors:</u> | <u>35</u> |
| <u>Total:</u> | <u>420</u> |

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VIA:

RESPONSE:

Field renovations have not been de-emphasized in the current proposed CIP. We have included the only field conversion that will take place in the next ten years for which APS must contribute. Field replacements cannot be bond funded so will be funded in the annual MC/MM budget in the years in which they are required.

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VIA: Dr. Francis 3. How many of the 100 spaces APS is getting in the Penzance underground parking can be used for the short-term parking needs that the Heights parking project addresses?

4. What are the plans for staff parking originally envisioned in the underground lot under the field? Has the notion of staff parking at the school been dropped?
5. What happened to the \$5M originally planned for the cost of staff parking under the field? That original project envisioned 90 parking spaces, covered access to the school and a field on top of it. This new project has these same elements (but fewer? parking spaces). What is the actual escalation of that project from \$5M to \$16.4M in 4 years? It appears to be 50% escalation per year. How can that be?

RESPONSE:

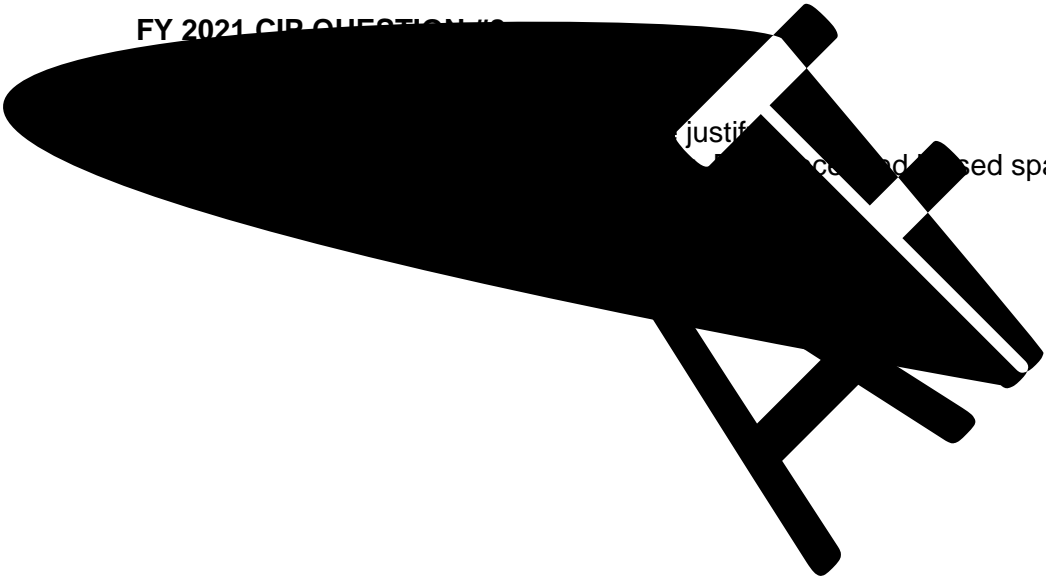
1. Approximately 70 parking spaces would be provided in the covered drop-off/pick-up and parking area. The exact number of spaces is contingent on the final design of the drop-off area and the number of accessible parking spaces to be provided.
2. The parking experience has been acceptable for staff who spend all day at the Building. It has not been acceptable for parents, especially those of students in the Shriver Program, and for short-term or infrequent visitors including substitutes and itinerant APS staff. On-street accessible spaces on N. Quinn St. near the ground floor entrance are temporary pending approval from the County to make them fully accessible; they are frequently occupied by other vehicles, and it takes some time to reach the building from them in all weathers, given the length of the ramp. Other short-term or infrequent visitors must find metered spaces on the street, or park temporarily, enter the building to obtain a fob or pass, drive to the leased spaces down the block, find a parking space, and then walk back to the building, which leads to considerable parking anxiety for visitors to the building.

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FY 2021 CIP QUESTION #8



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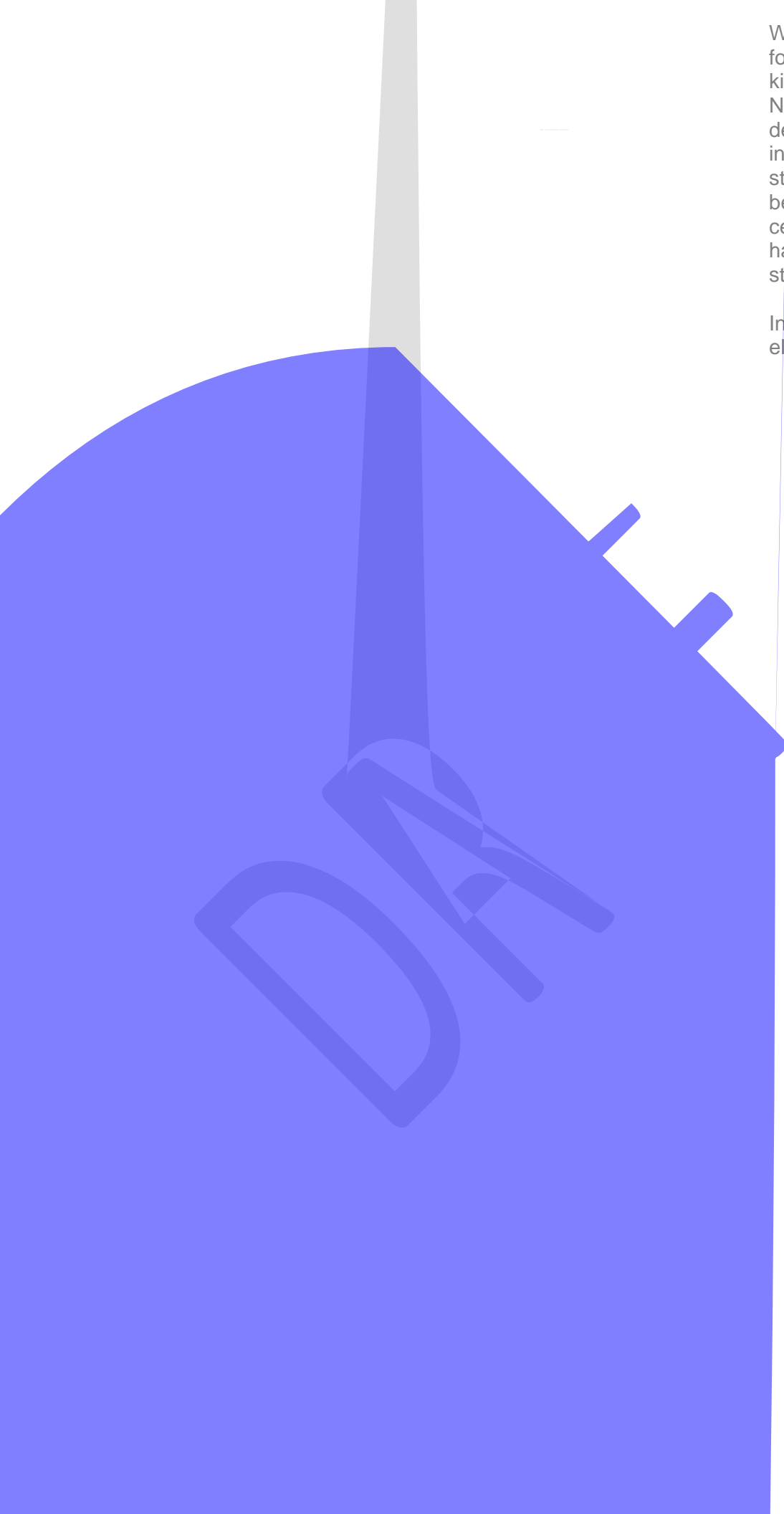
FY 2021 CIP QUESTION #9:

The Heights Building Proposed Parking

1. Are we splitting the cost of the field with the county?
2. What would it cost to just build the field?
3. What is the comparison of building a garage vs. leasing parking spaces and using the parking provided on the new Penzance building (next to The Heights)?
4. Is it possible to build a smaller parking garage, perhaps 20 spaces? Would the cost saving be meaningful?

RESPONSE:

1. The County has not been asked to share the cost of the field with the County. The County has not yet agreed to pay its share of increased costs for the items it has already agreed to share on The Heights Building.
2. The estimated cost to construct the field and covered entrance to the ground floor of the building is \$4,667,693 for August 2022 completion and \$4,901,078 for August 2023 completion. The estimated cost to construct the field, covered entrance to the ground floor of the building, an



With our school division's focus on the whole child for all students, but a staff analysis determined that central kitchens. Staff from the Dept. of Facilities and Nutrition Services to assess the status and condition of the central kitchen. A decision was made several years ago to shut down the central kitchen, instead, preparing food at each school, which was a staff recommendation for specific kitchens to be closed because APS is committed to continuing to use the central kitchen to serve these schools. The central kitchen had not been functional for years—were re-opened at a staff facility, and the central kitchen at Jefferson.

In planning for the priority capital investment program for elementary schools in need of kitchen renovation.

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QUESTION:

Transportation Staff Facility

- If it is true, as the Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations informed the School Board at 5/21 meeting, that the Transportation Staff Facility project has not started, then what is the actual impact of cancelling or delaying the start of the Transportation Staff Facility? As the Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations said, Teaching and Learning must be the priority.
- How will eliminating the 2 Transportation Staff Facilities projects have an impact on funding and debt service ratios in the years beyond FY22?