



Information and Action Item Memo: Life Safety Report

TO: School Board
Superintendent Kocanda

FROM: Greg Kurr, Chief Financial Officer

October 20, 2015

Overview & Background

The State of Illinois School requires that school district facilities be reviewed by a licensed architect to identify and report on any items that might pose a safety risk if not repaired or replaced in a proscribed period of time. In general items are identified for follow up in A, B, C categories with suggested timeframes within 1 year, 5 years and 10 years, respectively, from the time the items are approved by the state. Once the items are completed, related documentation is reviewed by the state for approval of appropriate completion of the work.

This review was performed Green Associates, architects who are familiar with the District's facilities through several projects they have worked on over several years for the District. As part of this required review, the architects took the opportunity along with District personnel to identify other long term Deferred Maintenance needs of District facilities that will need attention over the next 20 year period. A draft of this report was shared with the Board in February 2015. The final version of the Life Safety component is now ready for filing with the state and use by the District.

The items identified through this process are summarized and separated by Life Safety and Deferred Maintenance items in the attached Life Safety & Deferred Maintenance Plan report. The estimated aggregate cost of the Life Safety items is approximately \$11 million, and the total cost of all items is approximately \$20 million. These totals align with the draft report presented in February. More detailed reports of the specific items addressed in each category are available for review. This report will serve as a meaningful tool for Administration to monitor and plan for addressing these items, including projecting the amount and timing of the related costs for funding purposes. It is

anticipated that one of the major items will be addressed during the summer of 2016 through the replacement of roofing at Hubbard Woods School.

Recommendation

The recommendation is for the Board to accept and approve the 10 year Life Safety report as prepared by Green Associates architectural firm, and authorize the filing of the report with the State of Illinois.

Attachments

[Life Safety & Deferred Maintenance Plan](#)