

A Community of Learners

Summer Work 2015

TO: School Board

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Overview & Background

Each year the District develops a list of summer work projects following meetings with each of the principals and the Superintendent. These projects are then previewed by the School Board and, if acceptable, further prioritized and funds added to the 2015-2016 budget.

The projects listed below were a result of this planning process and needs identified in the Health Life Safety Survey. These projects are in addition to intense cleaning, routine painting, grounds upkeep, gym floor refinishing, and other summer maintenance work.

Crow Island School

The District is investigating reconfiguring space for instructional use, offices for teachers, and a private conference room. Enrollment at Crow continues to grow necessitating the need for space for both students and teachers. Several options including the possibility of moving the Publications Department and reconfiguring the basement are being considered.

In addition, the District plans to address all of the Priority A items in the Health Life Safety Survey. This work includes replacing exit signs, smoke detectors, emergency egress lights, and electrical work. The total cost of the A items is estimated to be \$7,620.

Hubbard Woods School

The District plans to address all of the Priority A items at an estimated cost of \$10,200. These include revising sprinkler locations, relocating detectors, providing visual alarms, and other work.

It is also recommended that the District address some of the concrete work at Hubbard Woods including replacement of a handicapped ramp and rails at an estimated cost of

approximately \$26,000. Addressing all of the Priority B concrete work would cost an additional \$20,000.

Greeley School

Besides completion of priority "A" items (estimated to cost \$9,540), the recommendation is to replace tiles on the second floor. The initial estimate is this work will cost between \$13,000 and \$15,000. The tile is buckling up because of a problem with the underlayment. Corridor tile is listed in the Maintenance Outlook plan.

Another area scheduled for repair is the entrance into the tunnel in the lower level. The present entrance is unsightly and poses a tripping hazard. An estimated cost is not available.

A possible project for 2015 or 2016 are repairs to the ceiling above the auditorium stage. The ceiling presently has wire netting being used to collect small pieces of debris that are falling off. In addition, the area may be in need of abatement. An environmental consultant who will recommend a timeline for repair is evaluating the situation. This is listed in the Survey as a "B" priority with an estimated cost \$9,000 not including soft costs. That figure does not include a possible abatement.

The Board is also being asked to consider installing a new playground fence to complement the Dream Green outdoor classroom being installed this spring. The estimated cost to extend the fence to Fairview is \$15,000. This can be added as a change order to the project at District cost.

The Skokie School

As with the other schools, plans call for completing Priority A items at a cost of approximately \$4,500. That is in addition to the chimney and entrance projects that are being bid with a bid opening planned for April.

Since there will be masons on board for these projects, the Board is also being asked to consider completing priority B and C concrete items at Skokie. These projects are estimated to cost \$100,625 plus soft costs. Unless the Board objects, the plan is to add the concrete work as an alternate to the present bid. That gives the Board the authority to see if a competitive price is available and then decide whether to proceed in April when the contract is awarded.

Carleton Washburne School

Besides completion of Priority A items, estimated to cost \$4,080, the District plans to install new windows in selected areas of the school this summer. This will be the fifth and final year of the window replacement program. The estimated cost is just under \$50,000. The windows were not included in the Survey because the Board has previously approved the replacement of these windows as part of a long-term plan.

One possible area for summer work is painting and installing new carpeting in the Faculty Lounge and staff professional development classroom. The estimated cost of the carpeting is \$10,000.

Next Steps

The Board is being asked to accept the Summer 2015 work plan as presented.