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Meeting Minutes September 10, 2020

Call to Order:

Dr. Karen Salmon called the video-conference meeting of the Interagency Commission on School Construction to order at 9:01 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Dr. Karen Salmon, State Superintendent of Schools, Chair
Edward Kasemeyer, Appointee of the President of the Senate
Secretary Ellington Churchill, Department of General Services
Gloria Lawlah, Appointee of the President of the Senate
Linda Eberhart, Appointee of the Speaker of the House
Brian Gibbons, Appointee of the Speaker of the House
Dick Lombardo, Appointee of the Governor
Secretary Robert S. McCord, Maryland Department of Planning

Members Not in Attendance:

Denise Avara, Appointee of the Governor

Revisions to the Agenda:

None

Public Comment:

None

IAC Correspondence:

None

I. Consent Agenda

Motion Carried

Upon a motion by Mr. Gibbons and a second by Mr. Kasemeyer, the members voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approval of August 20, 2020 Minutes

To approve the minutes of the August 20, 2020 Interagency Commission on School Construction Meeting.

B. Summary of Contracts Awards

To approve contract procurement as presented.

II. Total Cost of Ownership Presentation

Informational Only

Deputy Director Alex Donahue, Senior Regional Facilities Manager Bret Waskiewicz, and Regional Facilities Manager Ben Kaplan delivered a presentation regarding total cost of ownership. The presentation highlighted that costs of operating and maintaining a facility over the course of a 30-year life span can often exceed the cost to construct the facility. Along with the suggested use of industry standards on funding allocation, right-sizing facilities, gross area baselines, and the IAC's Educational Facility Sufficiency Standards, total cost of ownership is necessary to weigh an accurate estimated cost of various options before deciding on a specific solution for the LEA's facility.

Chairperson Salmon emphasized the importance of assessing the total cost of ownership, and noted that the IAC has continued to emphasize its relevance to sustainable facility management. Chairperson Salmon also commended the IAC Director for being able to clearly articulate this concept to various subcommittees, IAC members, and additional stakeholders.

III. FY2020 Maintenance Report

Motion Carried

Scott Snyder, Acting Maintenance Manager, presented the final draft of the IAC's FY 2020 Report on the Maintenance of Maryland's Public School Buildings.

During the presentation, Scott Snyder gave a general overview of the 260 maintenance effectiveness assessments performed in FY 2020 representing 18.8% of Maryland's PK-12 public school facilities. In FY 2020, the goal was for the three IAC assessors to visit 25% of school facilities in each LEA. This goal was met for 18 out of 24 LEAs. The remaining 6 LEAs each had at least one assessment performed, but did not meet the 25% goal. Due to COVID-19, all FY 2020 assessments scheduled from March 13th through June 30th were cancelled. Mr. Snyder delivered a brief update on the Maintenance-Effectiveness Assessment, for which there will be significant changes in FY 2021. These changes will be targeted to focus on the qualities most important for facilities, including usefulness, reliability, and longevity. Following the presentation, Secretary McCord suggested future modifications to the document to appropriately acknowledge the importance of total cost of ownership and overall square footage.

Upon a motion from Ms. Lawlah and a second from Ms. Eberhart, the members voted unanimously to approve the final draft of the IAC's FY 2020 Report on the Maintenance of Maryland's Public School Buildings, dated October 1, 2020, pending non-substantive edits by staff.

IV. Cecil County Gilpin Manor Elementary School Reversion/Amendment/Reallocation **Motion Carried**

Wanda Ascencio, Finance and Business Manager, presented a request from the Cecil County Public School System (CCPS) to have the Gilpin Manor ES Replacement project contingency reserved for change orders reverted and to utilize the funding for the Cecil Manor Elementary School. Staff recommended approval of the request.

Upon a motion from Mr. Gibbons and a second from Ms. Lawlah, the IAC voted unanimously to:

1. Revert the unused project contingency for change orders in the amount of \$289,557 from the Gilpin Manor Elementary School Replacement project PSC #07.016.17/18/19 LPC to the Statewide Reserved Appropriations Account for CCPS.
2. Amend the FY 2021 CIP by allocating the \$289,557 held in the Statewide Reserved Appropriations Account for CCPS to the Cecil Manor Elementary HVAC project PSC# 07.030.19/21 SR.

V. Baltimore City E15M HVAC Project Status Report **Informational Only**

Director Gorrell noted that because of the short timeframe between IAC meetings, there were no updates to report regarding the Baltimore City E15M HVAC allocations.

Adjournment:

Before adjourning, Dr. Salmon noted that she recently had an opportunity to visit several schools in Caroline County where students are back in school facilities and are off to a good start of the school year. She was also able to visit the Greensboro Elementary School project which is under construction and is the first new school to be constructed in Caroline County in over 40 years.

Upon a motion from Mr. Gibbons and a second from Mr. Lombardo, the video-conference meeting of the Interagency Commission on School Construction adjourned at 9:38 a.m.