Capital Project

2022

What is a Capital Project

→ Capital Improvement Projects are a way for a school district to complete a large amount(expensive) of facilities work sooner than otherwise possible through the scope of the annual budget.

Important Considerations

- → Building Condition Survey
- → Bonds
- → Capital Reserve Fund
- → Instructional Impact
- → Athletic Impact
- → Tax Payer Impact
- → Federal Infrastructure Bill
- → TimeLine

Why complete a Capital Project

- → NYS requires school districts to complete a Building Condition Survey every 5 years.
- → The purpose of the survey is to be a tool utilized by the school to actively manage its capital needs. Needs and priorities change regularly as projects are completed or deferred and capital items further deteriorate. Five-Year Plans will identify the current condition of the district's facilities and prioritize the necessary improvements

What is a Building Condition Survey

- → The survey was completed in the Spring of 2020.
- → The survey lists identified items addressing
 - Life/Safety code compliances
 - Obsolescence issues
 - ADA compliance
 - Energy conservation issues
- → The survey listed over 2.2 million dollars worth of improvements and repairs needed to our school facilities to keep them safe and updated for our students, staff and the community

How are we completing the items in the Building Condition Survey

- → Annual Budget
- → Capital Outlay
- → Federal Funds
- → Capital Project

Projects in Annual Budget

- → Ceiling tiles
- → Slate Roof
- → Painting
- → Electric upgrades
- → LED Lighting
- → General upkeep and maintenance

Projects in Capital Outlay

- → What is Capital Outlay—Money put into the school budget each year for projects under \$100,000
- → Projects need to be completed in the school calendar year
- → State Aid each year
- → Our first year 2021-22
- → Hot water Tanks

Projects in the Federal COVID Money

- → Touchless Bathroom sinks
- → Bottle filled water fountains
- → Air ventilation system in the 1997 addition
- → Carpets in the Music Rooms
- → Tennis Courts..,Outdoor classroom space
- → Bassett School Based Health Clinic

Projects for the Capital Project

- → Site work—parking lot, parking lot across the street and bus garage
- → Generator-purchase and installation
- → Replace underground fuel tanks with above ground tanks
- → Remaining asbestos abatement in the unused portion of the basement



Generator

- → Purchase and Installation
- → Shelter for emergencies

Fuel tanks

- → Remove Underground tanks
- → Relocate to above ground

Why now for a Capital Project

- → Need to continue upkeep of school facilities to keep them safe and updated for our students, staff and community
- → Money in the Capital Reserve \$950,000
- → Federal Infrastructure Bill
- → Lack of Vendors
- → Cost increasing

What is a Capital Reserve

- → The school board created a capital reserve in 2019
- → This is our savings account to be used for a future capital project
- → Created to have **no impact on tax levy** or need to bond...take out a loan for a project
- → The spending of the money needs to be authorized through a vote by the taxpayers

How will this impact me as a taxpayer and community resident

- → Keeping our school facilities safe and updated for our students, staff and the community
- → Zero increase in tax levy
- → Spending money we already have in reserve
- → Vote to approve the spending of the money
- → Completion of the most expensive items in the building condition survey

Project Timeline

- → Building Condition Survey-Spring 2020
- → Facilities Committee Meeting-October 20, 2021
- → Board of Education Discussion—November 10, 2021
- → Board of Education Discussion—January 12, 2022
- → Board of Education, define the scope—February 9, 2022
- → Community Information Meetings-March 9, April 5, 2022
- → Vote to authorize the spending of the Capital Reserve Fund—April 7, 2022
- → Design Development-February June 2022
- → Submit for expedited NYSED Review-April 2022 -in person review(Cooperative Purchasing)
- → Construction–July 2022 September 2022(Cooperating Purchasing)

Next Steps

- → Second Public Hearing Tuesday April 5, 2022
- → Vote to spend the money in the Capital Reserve Fund Thursday April 7, 2022

Questions