



Fox C-6 School District Community Learning Session

Possible Zero-Tax-Rate-Increase Bond Issue

Session Agenda

- **Facilities**
 - Overview of Fox Facilities
 - Projects completed
 - Projects Remaining
 - Feedback on Priorities
- **Safety Initiatives**
 - Completed Projects
 - Prospective Projects
 - Feedback on Priorities

Overview of Fox C-6 Facilities

- **Total Facilities:**
 - 11 Elementary Schools
 - 4 Middle Schools
 - 2 High Schools
 - Fox C-6 Service Center
 - Administration Building
 - South Bus Lot
 - Rickman Auditorium
- **Facility Age:**
 - Average school building age: 48.2 years old
 - Oldest building: Antonia Elementary, 74 years old
 - Newest building: Antonia Middle, 15 years old
- **Rooftops:** 31 Acres of Rooftop, equivalent to *more than 23 football fields laid end to end*

- **Asphalt Parking Lots:** 2,725,222 sq ft, equivalent to 62.5 acres or *more than 47 football fields laid end to end*
- **HVAC Units:** 337 rooftop units with the capacity to heat and cool *approximately four Enterprise Centers*

Fox Facility Facts: Progress and Remaining Needs

Progress

- Creation of a Facilities Master Plan with Navigate Building Solutions
- Utilize capital funds for strategic upgrades
- Ongoing relationship with Navigate

Prop P Projects

- \$40 Million zero-tax-rate-increase bond issue passed in June of 2020
- Building additions at Antonia Elementary, Meramec Heights Elementary, Seckman Middle, and Fox High
- Secure vestibules
- Playgrounds
- **All work completed on budget.**

Roofing Upgrades

- Two partial roof replacements (0.55 acres) completed, costing over \$1.8 million
- 30.5 acres of roof replacement is needed, costing over \$88 million
- \$23 million of roof replacement is needed in the next five years

Asphalt Parking Lot Upgrades

- Upgrades covering 1,929,165 sq Ft completed, costing nearly \$5 million
- 796,057 sq Ft of parking lot replacement is still needed, costing over \$2 million

Rooftop HVAC Upgrades

- 37 new units have been installed, costing over \$4 million
- 300 units will need to be replaced at a cost of over \$42 million
- \$15 million in Rooftop HVAC upgrades are needed in the next five years

Additional Facility Projects

Increased Energy Efficiency

- Through a partnership with Automatic Controls Equipment Systems, Fox C-6 has:
 - Secured over \$500,000 in Ameren rebates for new HVAC systems (total project cost, \$1.4 million)
 - Realized nearly \$250,000 in energy savings since April 2023

Performance Contracting

- Performance contracting would need to be approved by the Board of Education and funded by existing operating funds generated through increased energy efficiency to pay for upgrades over 15 years.
- HVAC and automation controls for 11 Buildings with over 1 million sq Ft of space
- Lighting and controls for 12 buildings with over 700,000 sq Ft of space

Lease Purchases

- \$6,225,000 is owed for Antonia Middle School and the purchase of several school buses
- The final maturity of these lease purchases is March 1, 2028.
- Paying this off early would allow the district to move \$0.19 to the operational budget
- Once paid, 19 cents would be available for operations or facility maintenance

Bonding Capacity

- Fox C-6 can ask for up to \$48 million in a zero-tax-rate-increase bond issue.
- A \$48 million bond issue would extend the district's debt by five years.
- The district is **not** considering a proposal that would increase the tax rate.

What is a Bond Issue?

- A bond issue allows school districts to borrow money for capital improvement projects.
- Bond issue funds must be used for things like roofing, parking, HVAC, new construction, safety improvements, and technology.
- Bond issue money cannot be used to pay for employee salaries or benefits.

Safety & Security Upgrades Completed

- Secure entry vestibules in each school building
- 790 total security cameras
- 5,086 sq Ft of security film in exterior windows
- Door access controls on over 40 strategic exterior doors

- **Safety & Security Upgrades - Remaining Options**
- Perimeter Control Measures
 - Exterior door controls
 - Additional security film
 - Fencing/gates
- Rapid Response Measures
 - Additional cameras
 - Notification systems
 - Lockdown capable classroom doors

Next Steps

Additional Feedback Opportunity

- Community-wide survey to be distributed following the last learning session

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