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Middle School Solutions Group

Dear Members of the Middle School Solutions Group:

On April 23, 2007, at Fairfax County's Fiscal Year 2008 budget, on my motion, the Board of Supervisors supported the FY 2008 - FY 2012 Capital Improvement Program with the following amendment (see attachment):

"Support the building of a South County Middle School if funds are made available to Fairfax County Public Schools for this purpose as long as no other planned CIP projects are affected."

This is similar to the motion made by School Board Chairman Dan Storck and approved by the School Board in regards to a South County Middle School. Therefore, both the School Board and the Board of Supervisors publicly support the building of a South County Middle school, with the above provisions.

School Board Chairman Dan Storck and I have been meeting with Congressman Tom Davis to coordinate strategies to facilitate progress towards a middle school through a PPEA, similar to the building of the current South County Secondary School.

The need for a South County Middle School is clear and please be assured I consider it a top priority.

Yours in Public Service,

Gerry Hyland

Attachment

BOARD MOTIONS

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS FY 2008 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Board approval of the FY 2008 - FY 2012 Capital Improvement Program (with future fiscal years to 2017) with the following amendments:

Approve the proposed revision to the *Ten Principles of Sound Financial Management* to include authorization for the use of variable rate debt. It is anticipated that the use of variable rate debt will provide opportunities for interest rate savings, reduce arbitrage payments and promote more accurate sizing for long-term bond issues.

Amend the PPEA proposed guidelines to include the following additional guideline:
Determine if the project enables the County to take advantage of an opportunity such as expediting a planned project, generating shared revenues, leveraging other resources, and/or serving multiple CIP needs.

Support the building of a South County Middle School if funds are made available to Fairfax County Public Schools for this purpose as long as no other planned CIP projects are affected.

Make all necessary adjustments to reflect actions taken during the Board's decision on the FY 2008 Adopted Budget Plan that impact the CIP.