

ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (ACPS)

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Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) City Council Approved FY 2016 - 2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Overview

On May 7, 2015 City Council approved the FY 2016 – 2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which included funding over ten-years for Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS). The ten-year plan for ACPS totaled \$291.4 million, which included \$38.8 million in FY 2016.

Subsequent to the approval of the FY 2016 – 2025 CIP by City Council, the ACPS School Board approved their own ten-year CIP on May 28, 2015 which totaled \$305.9 million – a difference of \$14.5 million over the City Council Approved CIP. ACPS balanced FY 2016 to the approved City Council funding level of \$38.8 million; however, consensus was not reached on any other year of the ten-year CIP.

As the City sets budget authority in each year of the ten-year plan, the City Council Approved CIP represents the planned level of capital investments being made in ACPS facilities. The ACPS Approved FY 2016 – 2025 CIP is summarized on page XX and is included for informational purposes to demonstrate the differences between the ten-year plans. City Council and the School Board (along with respective staffs) will continue to work through those differences in the coming fiscal years.

City Involvement in ACPS Capital Projects

In the summer of 2012, the City Attorney provided guidance that the CIP budget is similar to the operating budget in that once funding is appropriated to ACPS, ACPS can choose to spend those funds on any capital projects with appropriate School Board approval. Spending does not have to reflect what is included in the City Council Approved CIP as long as it remains within the total budget appropriated by City Council.

Because City Council does not have the ability to require ACPS to complete any specific project once funding has been formally appropriated, it is not feasible for City staff to recommend specific projects for completion. City staff provides guidance on total funding amounts to City Council based on the requests received from ACPS, and calculates an amount recommended for inclusion in the budget. This calculation involves trying to fund ACPS projects in the context of the City's capital needs.

The information that follows provides details on the School Board Approved CIP as compared to the City Council Approved CIP. The ACPS Approved CIP is included for informational purposes only, and represents the requested financial commitment to capital infrastructure over the ten-year plan. The actual financial commitment is represented in the City Council approved totals.

FY 2016 Capital Year Budget

The City Council Approved FY 2016 capital year budget totals \$38.8 million in new funding. ACPS adopted the same funding level for FY 2016, although the ACPS CIP also recognized \$5.5 million in prior year balances that will be utilized to support a total capital investment in ACPS facilities of \$44.3 million in FY 2016.

ACPS has identified capital projects in FY 2016 totaling \$44.3 million including:

- \$38.1 million for modernization and capacity projects at Patrick Henry;
- \$1.2 million for planning/design of a capacity related project at James K. Polk (with an additional \$4.8 million requested for FY 2017);
- \$3.3 million for system-wide and specific school site capital improvements related to existing facility infrastructure;
- \$1.35 million for exterior playgrounds and sports related facilities; and
- \$0.3 million for planning/design of a capacity and modernization project at Minnie Howard (with an additional \$27.3 million requested for FY 2017); and
- \$0.11 million for stormwater improvements.

A detailed list of all FY 2016 ACPS capital projects can be found on the next page.

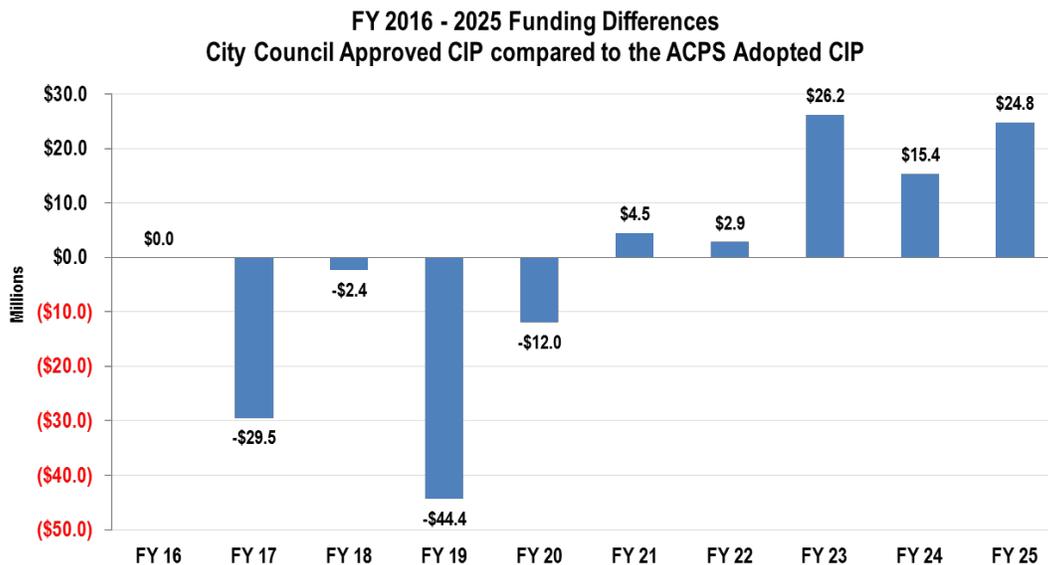
FY 2016 Capital Year Budget Alexandria City Public Schools		
School/Facility	Project	FY 2016 Budget
Charles Barrett	Stormwater Management	\$ 110,000
George Washington	Roof Repair or Replacement	\$ 1,300,000
James K. Polk	Design, Project Management & Other Soft Costs (for FY 2017 Capacity project)	\$ 1,200,000
Lyles-Crouch	Roof Repair or Replacement	\$ 500,000
Matthew Maury	Exterior Playgrounds or Sports Areas	\$ 115,000
Matthew Maury	Maury Schoolyard Initiative	\$ 385,000
Mt. Vernon	Exterior Playgrounds or Sports Areas	\$ 115,000
Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon Playground Initiative	\$ 150,000
Patrick Henry	Construction of Renovation & Capacity	\$ 37,550,824
Patrick Henry	FF&E (for renovation & capacity project)	\$ 500,000
T.C. Williams King St. Campus	Irrigation System	\$ 150,000
T.C. Williams King St. Campus	Stadium Design	\$ 320,000
T.C Williams Minnie Howard Campus	Design, Project Management & Other Soft Costs (for FY 2017 Capacity project)	\$ 327,455
William Ramsay	Exterior Playgrounds or Sports Areas	\$ 115,000
Building System Upgrades	Exterior Playgrounds or Sports Areas	\$ 150,000
Building System Upgrades	Fire Resistant Stage Curtains	\$ 200,000
Building System Upgrades	Master Key System Replacement	\$ 220,000
Renovations	Emergency Repairs	\$ 500,000
Renovations	Project Planning	\$ 400,000
Total, FY 2016 Projects		\$ 44,308,279
<i>Credit: Prior Year Balances</i>		<i>\$ (5,500,000)</i>
Total, FY 2016 City Council Appropriation		\$ 38,808,279

FY 2016 – 2025 City Council Approved CIP Compared to the School Board Approved CIP

As discussed in the Overview section, the City Council Approved FY 2016 – 2025 CIP totaled \$291.4 million, with the School Board approved a ten-year plan with requests totaling \$305.9 million. While the funding gap between the two plans is only \$14.5 million, ACPS has requested \$88.2 million more than City Council approved for FY 2017 – 2020, while City Council approved \$73.7 million more than ACPS requested in FY 2021 – 2025. The table and bar graph below provide information on the differences of the two plans.

Capital Improvement Program	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
City Council Approved FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 38,808,279	\$ 32,000,000	\$ 32,500,000	\$ 31,900,000	\$ 14,875,000
School Board Approved FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 38,808,279	\$ 61,486,545	\$ 34,851,000	\$ 76,292,000	\$ 26,853,000
Difference: City Council - School Board	\$ -	\$ (29,486,545)	\$ (2,351,000)	\$ (44,392,000)	\$ (11,978,000)
Capital Improvement Program	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
City Council Approved FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 22,900,000	\$ 37,000,000	\$ 37,400,000	\$ 29,000,000
School Board Approved FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 10,522,502	\$ 20,042,510	\$ 10,780,000	\$ 22,044,000	\$ 4,238,000
Difference: City Council - School Board	\$ 4,477,498	\$ 2,857,490	\$ 26,220,000	\$ 15,356,000	\$ 24,762,000
City Council Approved Total FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 291,383,279				
School Board Approved Total FY 2016 - 2025 CIP	\$ 305,917,836				
Difference	\$ (14,534,557)				

Note: \$5.5 million in prior year ACPS balances will be utilized by ACPS to support \$44.3 million in projects in FY 2016. As this funding has been previously appropriated by City Council, it is not included in the table above.



Due to the significant differences in the timing of City Council approved funding versus the capital needs related to capacity identified ACPS, City staff continues to discuss capital needs with ACPS staff to determine the appropriate level of capital investments over the ten-year plan. Staff collaboration included a joint City – ACPS work group determining a methodology for long range enrollment projections and the impact those projects will have on future capital infrastructure needs. That work group has completed its initial scope of work and produced the Long Range Educational Facilities Plan (LREFP), which was adopted by ACPS on June 11, 2015 and will be presented for endorsement by City Council on June 23, 2015. Projects identified in the recently completed LREFP are expected to be incorporated into future ACPS CIPs and will guide the capital investments requested by ACPS and ultimately approved by City Council.

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