Strickland Middle School Basin Project

Storm Water Drainage & Detention Easement

September 28, 2010

SUMMARY:

- This item requests the Board of Trustees to consider granting the City of Denton 8.418 acres for a storm water drainage and detention easement a Strickland Middle School. In return, the City of Denton will provide Denton ISD with new play fields.

BOARD GOAL:

IV. Parent & Community Involvement...In the pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Work continuously with the community in planning and facility development

VI. Growth & Change ... In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

 Review and adjust policies and procedures effectively to address the challenges of rapid growth and changing demographic characteristics while maintaining and enhancing our strong sense of community

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- N/A

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The City of Denton has requested the Denton ISD grant them 8.418 acres for a storm water drainage and detention area at Strickland Middle School. This detention basin will serve a dual function. During heavy rains, the area will be used to dissipate water prior to moving downstream. This will diminish flooding at Strickland Middle School along with many of Denton ISD constituent's places of residence. The majority of the time, the area will be used as playing fields. The City of Denton will fully fund this project and provide all new playing surfaces. A memorandum of understanding has been drafted detailing each aspect of the project.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- Construction of the basin would occur during the school year.

- The District would be granting property to the City of Denton and limit the space for other facilities on the site.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- The City of Denton will fully fund the project

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Reduces flooding issues at Strickland Middle School and the surrounding areas.
- Creates a better partnership between Denton ISD and the City of Denton.
- Provides flooding relief for many Denton ISD constituents.
- Denton ISD receives new playing fields at Strickland Middle School

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- A Memorandum of Understanding must be signed.

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

- No work could be done.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- District Civil Engineering Consultant, Robert Howman with Glen Engineering has reviewed the project and sees it as a win / win proposition for both parties.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Rod Reeves, Coordinator of Facilities

ATTACHMENT:

- Site plan of basin area at Strickland Middle SchoolMemorandum of Understanding

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation:

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent:

Signature of Superintendent: