

ISD #709 Duluth Public Schools

HOCHS Relocation Project

Monthly Progress Report May 2021

Address: 215 N. 1st Avenue East, Duluth, MN 55802

Recent Progress and Activities:

- The Central on the Hill site is in ongoing negotiations and the District has been in discussions with a number of interested parties.
- The Design Team submitted a Zoning Amendment to the City of Duluth; this is requesting
 the City of Duluth to identify the truck and/or heavy vehicle storage as an allowable use
 for the property as such use is not currently specified. A notice of the public hearing was
 issued by the City of Duluth regarding the Zoning Amendment.
- Detailed examination of pricing and feasibility has been ongoing for temporary swing spaces for the relocation of the District Services Center during construction.
- Lease space selection for the Alternative Learning Center & Academic Excellence Online team is nearing completion.
- The complete design is still in full swing on the District Services Center, Transportation Building, and Facilities remodel. The design team has been meeting every week, pushing forward with floor plans and details. Design development (DD) documents were completed in early May. The DD Submittal was reviewed and approved by the Project Oversight Group on May 28th. The DD phase is followed by the final stage in the design, the Construction Document (CD) phase which is scheduled to be completed in late July.
- Continued coordination meetings discussing the logistics of move-in, move-out, swing space moving, salvaging furniture, new furniture, temporary storage, re-working existing cubicles, and maintain operations.
- Phasing of the construction and development of a final milestone schedule is in progress.

- City Council members have been updated, in small meeting format, on the HOCHS Relocation Project in its' scope and progress.
- Design consultants have continued communication with the City of Duluth on this HOCHS
 Relocation Project to develop a submission plan. This plan consists of a June rezoning P&Z
 hearing and a regulatory plan submission in June for review by the City of Duluth in July.

Upcoming Activities and Next Steps:

- Project consultants will be working with the District administration to comply with all required approvals associated with the special legislation process. Notable aspects of this process include:
 - Development of required documents for a June submission of the plat layout, regulatory plan, and development agreement to the City of Duluth. A June submission will result in a July review timeline with the City of Duluth.
 - o City of Duluth Planning Commission Zoning Amendment request meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 8th at 5:00 PM.
 - The project is in the Construction Document phase and is scheduled to be completed in late July.
 - Continued refinement of construction budgets as the documents continues to be refined
 - Selection of temporary lease space(s) for the relocation of the District Services Center. Also, the selection of lease space of the Adult Basic Education, Alternative Learning Center & Academic Excellence Online group.