

Pleasantdale School District 107

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Each summer, the District completes projects to improve the efficiency and safety of our schools. In addition to painting of the classrooms and hallways, ceiling tile changes, and landscaping maintenance, the major project this summer was the parking lot upgrades at the Elementary School. Below is a short review of the project.

The five-year facility plan called for a re-surfacing of the Elementary School parking lot. The rear parking lot was completed in the summer of 2016 at a cost of \$138,976. This year, after the competitive bidding process with nine bidders, the bid for the front parking lot was awarded to Chicagoland Paving Contractors for a total of \$367,400. The work includes concrete work for the sidewalk by the ballfield and curbs at various areas of the parking lot.

Work on the parking lot started on June 19, 2017 instead of the scheduled date of June 12, 2017 due to a project manager change with Chicagoland. Substantial completion, at that time, was scheduled for August 4, 2017. However, the project ran into some problem with the concrete for the curbs of the islands and sidewalk being poured at a level not meeting the specifications as drawn by the engineers. The project is delayed and substantial completion is now scheduled to be by this Friday or early next week. We expect the project to be fully completed before the first day of school.

The costs of the project is expected to be under the budget at this point. During the tearing down of the parking lot, it was found that the electrical feeds to the light poles were installed too close to the surface. The costs for trenching the PVC conduit and wire as well as replacing the pole base is \$11,350. If no further costs are incurred, the unexpected electrical costs should be within the allowance for the project.

We believe that this upgrade to the parking lot at the Elementary School will improve the safety and efficiency of the school and especially that of our students. With the construction of a new sidewalk, there will be a change to the traffic flow. Parents will be advised to drop off the students by the sidewalk and students will be able to walk safely via the sidewalk and pedestrian crosswalk to the front door of the school. This project align with district priorities and reflect the goal of the District in building learning environments.