

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration of a Traffic Flow Solution for McAnally Intermediate

School.

PRESENTER: Dr. Derek Citty and Mr. Earl Husfeld

**ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S):** Goal # 2 – "The District will maintain a safe and orderly environment."

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** A significant traffic issue has been the excessive stacking and traffic flow related to beginning and ending activities each day at McAnally Intermediate School. It is clear, without some type of mitigation, the stacking will become much worse with the return of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade to this campus at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year. As Trustees know, this has been a concern throughout the town hall meetings, PTO meetings, staff meetings and general discussion related to the move.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION(S):** District staff met with representatives of VLK Architects and Teague, Nall and Perkins on March 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss the interim solution to this issue. The attachment to this item reflects the proposed solution.

As can be seen with this proposed plan, the stacking is moved to two main internal locations. The parent pickup is moved to the north side of the campus in a new traffic loop using a portion of the existing parking lot with buses moved to the south side in a temporary loop. The temporary nature of this loop is to preserve the area for possible future additions to this campus should this recommendation come from the AISD 2025 Committee or the district need to make changes in the future to the site plan.

Trustees should also be aware of the rather tight timeline of this project. The approval and construction schedule is attached. As can be seen, this project can be completed on time, but there are several milestones that must be met to allow for the traffic loops to be ready in time for the beginning of the 2014-15 school year.

It is important to note this decision by Trustees involves consideration and potential approval of the overall design and authorization of releasing Teague, Nall and Perkins to begin the five-week design associated with this construction project. Costs associated with tonight's proposal is included in the estimated cost-of-work. The actual consideration of a construction contract will come on May 19, 2014.

Please refer to the included schedule for other significant dates and deadlines related to this project.

**FISCAL NOTE:** The estimated construction cost of this project is \$540,500. This figure is inclusive of all related estimated costs including professional services.

Tonight's proposal is related to only the professional fees which are estimated at \$56,000. Administration recommends funding these fees with monies available from the 2008 bond program.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMENDATION:** Administration recommends Trustees approve the conceptual plan related to this project and approve the related professional fees estimated to be \$56,000.