

Proposal for Long-Range Planning

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USD 413 Chanute Public Schools
321 E Main St
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RE: Proposal for Long-Range Planning Services

Mr. Koester & Board of Education:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our proposal for long-range planning services. Our team has extensive experience collaborating on PK-12 facilities, helping them plan and design for the future of education. We have a proven history of delivering successful projects in your District and throughout Kansas.

At Gravity::Works, our Principals lead projects as both the architect and managers. We take on work that allows us to stay closely connected to our clients, ensuring responsiveness and accountability. Our firm is dedicated to exceeding expectations and has consistently ranked among the top-performing architectural firms in the Wichita region.

Gravity::Works Architecture proposes this Long-Range Planning service for a Lump Sum Agreement of \$20,000.⁰⁰ to include all typically reimbursed expenses for travel costs. Any special printing for Community Engagement, and/or third-party surveys or polling will be reviewed and proposed to District Administration ahead of any costs incurred – incidental printing is included in the Lump Sum agreement. We anticipate four monthly billing cycles starting mid-September through mid-December.

Thank you for considering our proposal. We look forward to the opportunity to collaborate on this project.



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Profile & Philosophy

Innovating for our clients starts with our ability to **listen well**. It has become so common in our industry to try and predict the outcome rather than working towards it. Our principals are dedicated and present throughout each phase and we advocate early for client involvement to find the truest path to success.

We've learned over our 70 years as a firm that the single most important element to success in design and construction is trust. We work hard to **build the relationships** required to earn that confidence. Our clients must trust us to listen and take notice as we travel through the design process. Additionally, trust is required to produce a design solution that is functional, beautiful, and a wise use of their funds.

Decades of project management, civic involvement, and professional development have equipped our principals with the ability to **lead effectively**. We also use leading-edge technology to facilitate and promote transparent and efficient communication.

Gravity::Works serves a diverse client base. What we learn in one project sector or market category expands our toolbox and can be translated and applied to another. New challenges keep our team interested and fully engaged in how to solve your unique problem.

Since 1952, we've grown our services and elevated our expertise in architecture, project management, planning and development. Today, you can see the results of our influence in communities across Kansas.

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NUMBER OF IN-HOUSE ARCHITECTS: 2

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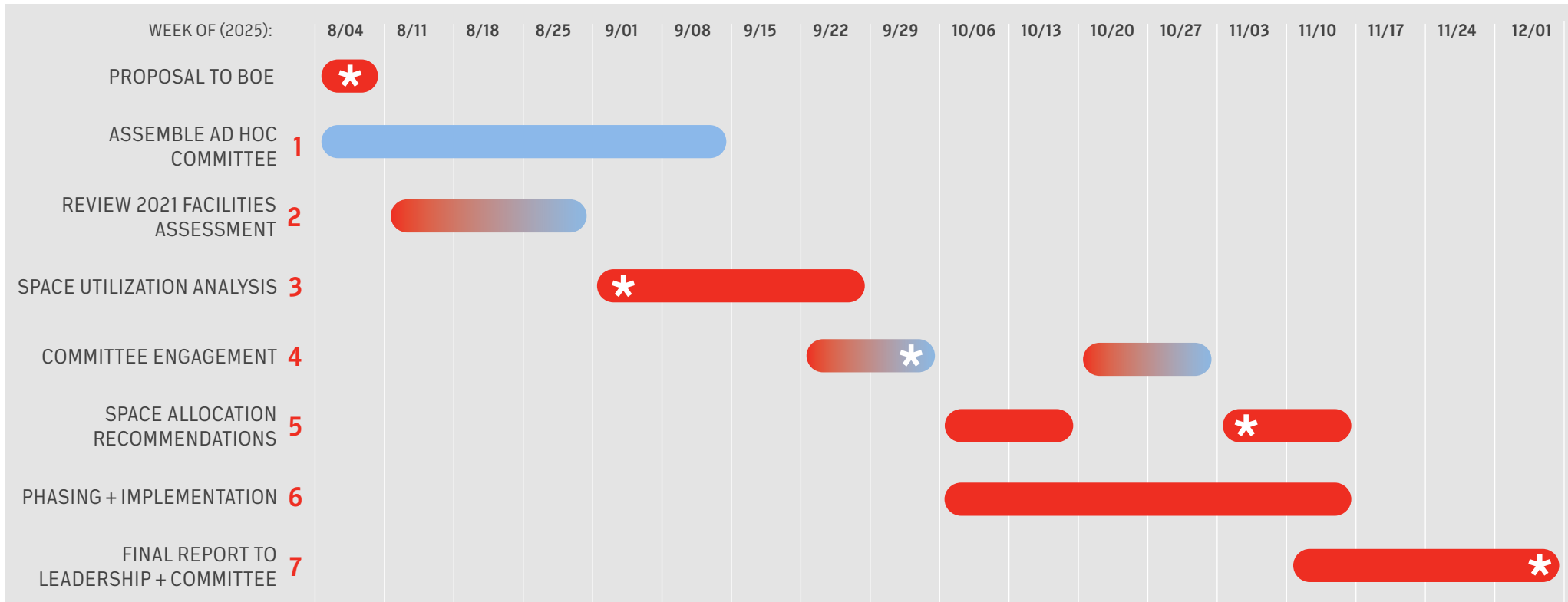
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Proposed Timeline

This proposed timeline is based on conversations with Mr. Koester, assumed availability of the ad hoc committee, school semester / holiday schedules, and previous client experience.

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1 Assemble Ad Hoc Committee

- District leadership should assemble ad hoc committee for this Long-Range Planning effort
- Committee should be comprised of both internal and external stakeholders

2 Review 2021 Facilities Assessment

- Confirm facility needs, space usage data, and updates to the 02/2021 'USD 413 Chanute Facilities Assessment' document

3 Space Utilization Analysis

- Map occupancy patterns, identify inefficiencies

4 Committee Engagement

- Facilitate surveys, interviews, and charrettes with ad hoc committee
- Feedback loops are built into the engagement sessions and will inform the final report

5 Space Allocation Recommendations

- Explore reallocation/reconfiguration to meet academic and operational needs and goals

6 Phasing + Implementation

- Prioritize improvements based on feedback and feasibility
- Explore potential phasing options
- Understand budget challenges and opportunities

7 Final Report to Leadership + Committee

- Deliver full Long-Range Plan and outline of next steps at December 2025 BOE meeting

Purpose

Deliverables

Assemble Ad Hoc Committee

Ensure broad representation and diverse perspectives throughout the planning process.

1

Recommendations for committee composition, including internal and external stakeholders.

Review 2021 Facilities Assessment

Establish a current baseline of facility needs and opportunities.

2

Summary memo confirming existing facility conditions, updates to space usage data, and revisions to the February 2021 USD 413 Chanute Facilities Assessment.

Space Utilization Analysis

Provide a clear picture of how space is currently used across the district.

3

Space utilization maps and data identifying occupancy patterns, underused and overused areas, and capacity.

Committee Engagement

Gather input to guide recommendations and ensure stakeholder buy-in.

4

Summary of engagement activities, including surveys, interviews, and charrettes; documentation of key findings and feedback loops.

Space Allocation Recommendations

Maximize efficiency and support future-ready learning environments.

5

Written recommendations for space reallocation or reconfiguration aligned with academic, programmatic, and operational goals.

Phasing + Implementation

Offer a practical roadmap for implementation over time, adaptable to budget realities.

6

Phasing strategy based on district priorities and financial feasibility; potential funding scenarios.

Final Report to Leadership + Committee

Equip district leaders and the community with a clear, informed plan to guide future investments.

7

Comprehensive Long-Range Facilities Plan delivered in advance of the December 2025 Board of Education meeting, including an executive summary and next-step recommendations.