

MEETING SUMMARY  
Joint Planning Committee Members (JPC)  
**PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES PLANNING**

October 26, 2017

Room 639

Duval County Public Schools

1701 Prudential Drive

1:00 PM

**PRESENT:**

Warren Jones, Duval County School Board

Michael J. Hawk, Duval County Public Schools Representative (DCPS)

Karen Nuland, DCPS Representative

Don Nelson, DCPS Asst Superintendent of Operations

Randy Gallup, DCPS Planning Supervisor

Andy Eckert, DCPS Executive Director, Facilities

Topics discussed during the meeting -

**SCHOOL CONCURRENCY**

- Background –School concurrency was implemented in 2007 through the COJ-DCSB Interlocal Agreement (ILA); prior to that time, schools were not an element of concurrency.
- Reviewed previous JPC meeting’s tentative recommendation to change CSA from current system to High School boundary CSA.
- To date, approx \$585,000 has been collected thru the Bartram Park DRI (not thru the concurrency system). The DRI requirement is for use exclusively at Bartram Springs Elementary or any new school constructed in the future within the Bartram Park DRI.
- Noted that zero funds have been collected under the current CSA system and it is likely that no additional funds will be forthcoming with the revised CSA (High School boundaries CSA). The overall student population shows a decline and adjacencies using high school boundaries would not appear to generate any funds towards new schools and/or classroom additions. In addition, the new state law allowing parents to choose schools anywhere in the state has not been factored into concurrency nor has existing magnet school choice. Both of these affect the number of students attending schools within their home school boundary and it is difficult to determine the actual number of students that will attend their home school.
- Charter schools are now a factor in school utilization. There is no way to determine the long term utilization of charter schools and their impact on the public school system.

**IMPACT FEE DISCUSSION**

- Similar to the Mobility fee program for roadways and mass transit
- Only on new construction, not sustainable for the long term
- Impact fees do not appear to have any support from the developer community. Impact fees are also one-time payment. The school district requires a long term funding stream in order to upgrade, repair, and replace old facilities.

## **PROPERTY TAX DISCUSSION**

- Millage rate increase should be investigated further rather than concurrency.
- Number of years and rate of increase were discussed.
- Estimated an additional \$30 million per year income based on a 0.50 millage rate increase.
- Would have to be voter approved and supported by COJ

## **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

- No financial advantage to the district continuing the ILA concurrency system.
- DCPS would continue to monitor development and potential impacts to schools through the current COJ Planning Commission process.
- Options –
  - o Discontinue the school concurrency section (Section 5) of the ILA
  - o Modify ILA for more accurate school concurrency
- Potential attendance zone boundaries – ES, MS or HS – combination of zones

Board member Jones indicated he wanted to discuss the ILA recommendations with other DCPS Board Members prior to meeting with the ILA team with a final recommendation. Next ILA meeting is on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM – DCPS Room 128.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM