

CIP Committee Report 9-28

Laura Stewart, Chair

Rev/Ex

MCCPTA has stayed in contact with MCPS over the summer, giving feedback on the upcoming change in the methodology of the Revitalization/Expansion program. MCPS has released the basic framework of the plan and CIP Chair has sent out the information to various list serves and held a training session on September 16th.

The FY2019-2024 CIP will be released October 23rd, it will be presented to MCCPTA on October 24th. Testimony Workshop will be held October 30th.

Cluster Coordinators have been assigned testimony dates for November 6th and 8th.

Advocacy

County Council's Government Operations Committee considers Spending Affordability Guidelines ((SAG) to set borrowing limits for capital expenditures (new buildings, HVAC, renovations). The BOE President stated a need of at least a 10% increase, to address rapid growth and crumbling infrastructure. The County Executive is arguing for a 10% cut.

CIP Chair attended the GO meeting and advocated to at least keep the budget steady. Two options will be presented to the County Council, one from the committee, and a more modest cut from Hans Reimer. The proposal approved by the Committee calls for a 9% cut while Riemer's calls for a 6% cut.

CIP Committee is asking for a meeting with state officials to ask how MCPS can get more state dollars.