

## Capital Improvements Program Committee Report

### FY2019 CIP County Council Hearings (Early February)

The County Executive released his Recommended FY2019 CIP in January. MCPS's portion is 79 Million less than the BOE's recommendation. In early February cluster coordinators and individuals testified at the County Council public hearing on the CIP, asking the council to keep the BOE's CIP whole. Because the County Executive asked for less than the recommendations, the council asked that MCPS present a non-recommended budget if the 79 million is not allocated. The non-recommended budget has not been released at this time. A member of the county council has suggested a road improvement project be delayed so this money could be allocated to the schools.

### County Council Education Committee Hearing (CIP and SSP)

The CIP Chair attended a County Council Education Committee meeting where the Subdivision Staging Policy was discussed. Two schools not currently in the CIP were asked to be added to avoid moratorium on building projects. Other schools surpassed these in capacity percentage, but because there were no development projects in jeopardy, the 2 schools in Bethesda were asked to be added. The committee also asked for clarification on the Woodward Project, since 400 seats at the high school level will be needed to avoid a moratorium. MCPS will provide the seats with an addition project at the current site. There is a reserve fund that could be used to help MCPS add the elementary school projects.

### FY2019 Facilities and Boundaries Hearing (March 8)

Affected clusters are providing oral and written testimony on the Superintendents recommendations for new elementary schools in the Clarksburg and Gaithersburg area. The DCC will provide testimony for the recommendations to keep the additions in place, but possibly look at a new elementary school site at a later date.