



# Long Range Educational Facilities Planning Work Group Meeting #10 ACPS Central Office, 1340 Braddock Place Monday, March 9, 2015 Meeting Summary

Meeting notes are recorded by City Staff to provide a written record of principal items of discussion, key comments, decisions of the Work Group, and comments from the public. They are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of the meeting.

#### **Meeting Attendees**

LREFP Work Group Members Ken Billingsley Mark Eisenhour Mayor Euille Karen Graf Judy Noritake Melynda Wilcox Justin Wilson

#### ACPS

Elijah Gross, Director Planning, Design, Construction Laurel Hammig, Facilities Planner/GIS Specialist Clarence Stukes, Chief Operations Officer

<u>City of Alexandria</u> Mark Jinks, Acting City Manager Nelsie Birch, Acting Deputy City Manager Karl Moritz, Director Planning and Zoning Chris Bever, Assistant Director, OMB Susan Eddy, Deputy Director Planning and Zoning Pat Mann, Planning and Zoning Dana Wedeles, RPCA Katherine Carraway, Planning and Zoning

#### Welcome and Introductions

Karl Moritz, Director Planning and Zoning, welcomed attendees and reviewed the meeting agenda.

#### Proposed Outline of Fiscal Challenges Chapter and LREFP Rollout Schedule Change

Staff introduced a draft outline for a proposed fiscal challenges chapter of the plan, which will analyze the overall fiscal impact of the plan as well as provide various financing options for accommodating plan recommendations. Mr. Moritz reported that to accommodate the proposed chapter, the public hearings for the School Board and City Council would be moved to June 2015. Work group members agreed with the adjustment to the timeline and discussed proposed dates for the final work group meeting in April.

Work group members agreed that although the plan is not yet formally adopted, the enrollment figures contained in the draft plan could be used by the School Board for their work this spring.

## **Draft LREFP Final Report Discussion**

Discussion continued with the review of the draft plan edits. For the purposes of illustrating the difficulty ACPS has in meeting the projected capacity figures with current facilities, work group members suggested including information on facilities that had been sold since 1970. With enrollment continuing to increase, having fewer schools in the system since 1970 is proving problematic.

The group reiterated the need to address the increasing size of the city's high school either by finding land to build another high school or consider an urban model.

### Next Steps

- Work group members will provide any edits/comments to the draft plan by March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- The draft fiscal challenges chapter will be completed in early April.
- Final work group meeting will be scheduled for early April.