

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2018, Legislative Day No. 37

Resolution No. 38-18

Introduced by Mr. Peroutka, Chairman
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, October 1, 2018

1 RESOLUTION supporting the Anne Arundel County Board of Education's Fiscal Year
2 2020 Public School Construction Capital Improvement Program request for submission to
3 the Interagency Committee on School Construction
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5 WHEREAS, § 5-302 of the Education Article of the State Code provides that the
6 Interagency Committee on School Construction shall prepare projections of school
7 construction and capital improvement needs for the purpose of allocating State
8 school construction funds to local boards of education; and
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10 WHEREAS, the rules, regulations, and procedures of the Interagency Committee
11 on School Construction require that each local board of education annually submit
12 to the Interagency Committee on School Construction an updated capital
13 improvement program request for the following fiscal year, and for the ensuing five
14 fiscal years, which shall be accompanied by a written local governmental support;
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17 WHEREAS, the County Executive supports the County Board of Education's
18 Fiscal Year 2020 Public School Construction Capital Improvement Program
19 Request for submission to the Interagency Committee on School Construction, and
20 refers this support for submission to the County Council for confirmation; and
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22 WHEREAS, the attached letter from the County Executive to the Executive
23 Director of the Interagency Committee on School Construction formally expresses
24 this support; now, therefore, be it
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26 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* That it hereby
27 confirms the County Executive's support and letter of support for the Fiscal Year 2020
28 School Construction Capital Improvement Program Request of the Anne Arundel
29 County Board of Education for submission to the Interagency Committee on School
30 Construction, attached hereto as Exhibit A; and be it further
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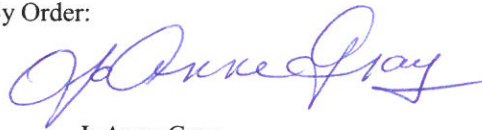
32 *Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be sent to County Executive Steven R.
33 Schuh, and to Julie Hummer, President of the Anne Arundel County Board of
34 Education.

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READ AND PASSED this 15th day of October, 2018

By Order:



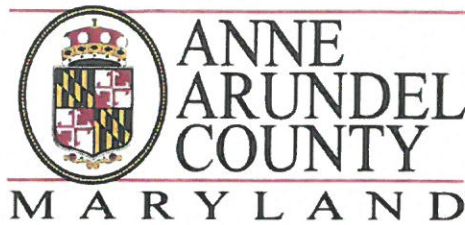
JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 38-18 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Michael A. Peroutka
Chairman

STEVEN R. SCHUH
County Executive



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EXHIBIT A

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September 27, 2018

Mr. Robert A. Gorrell
Executive Director
Maryland State Department of Education
Interagency Committee on School Construction
200 W. Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Gorrell:

The Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Public School Construction Capital Improvement Program (PSC CIP) request, as submitted to the Interagency Committee on School Construction (IAC) by the Anne Arundel County Local Education Authority (AAC LEA), has been received and reviewed by County Government.

In accordance with procedures set forth by the IAC, written local government support for the PSC CIP request and any subsequent amendments to that request is required by 11/27/18. I support the FY20 PSC CIP request to be submitted to the IAC by the AAC LEA on 10/04/18, and urge your recommendation of State funding for all FY20 requests presented therein.

As you are aware, the Board of Education's official request for FY20 local funding will not be submitted to the County until March of 2019. The County Charter requires a budget process that provides final approval in June of 2019. It should be noted that, despite the fact that State aid amounts to less than one-quarter of the total approved CIP, I am aware of no instances where the County has not supported a Board of Education project that has been approved for funding by the State.

The general guidelines outlined in section 102.1.A.1.a. and b. of the PSC CIP procedures manual are well put. Accordingly, it must be emphasized that County support for the FY20 PSC CIP request submitted by the AAC LEA is similarly prioritized in light of the "anticipated availability of both local and State funds" and the recognition that "local capital needs for school construction projects far exceed both local and State resources." Therefore, County support of the PSC CIP request must be accepted within the confines of the following three priority bands:

1. Nearly half (7 of 16) of the priority requests submitted by the AAC LEA, accounting for \$24.7 million and 46% of the entire PSC CIP request for FY20, are already supported by prior approved (FY19 and prior) appropriation authority provided by the County to the Anne Arundel County Board of Education. In other words, County funding sufficient to

support nearly half of the entire amount requested has already been made available to the County Board of Education to spend on these projects. These requests should take precedence over any remaining requests.

2. Just over half (9 of 16) of the requests, accounting for \$29.3 million and 54% of the entire PSC CIP request for FY20, are already supported in the prior approved (FY19) County CIP. In other words, County funding sufficient to support 100% of the entire FY20 request has either already been made available or is already included in the County Council Approved FY19 CIP. All such requests must take precedence over any remaining requests.
3. This year, none of priority requests for State funding are ahead of the funding schedule provided for in the County Council Approved FY19 CIP.

As a general rule, the County supports the relative priorities assigned by the AAC LEA, as applied within the confines of these three over-riding priority bands. A listing of the entire PSC CIP request for FY20, presented in the context of these three over-riding priority bands, is attached.

I appreciate your continued support of our efforts to deliver quality public education to the children of Anne Arundel County.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Schuh

cc: Michael Peroutka, Chairman, County Council
Members, Anne Arundel County Council
Julie Hummer, President, Board of Education
Members, Anne Arundel County Board of Education
George Arlotto, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools