

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: February 5, 2013

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT THE MAYS CHAPEL SITE**

ORIGINATOR: Michael Sines, Chief Operations Officer

RESOURCE PERSON(S): Pradeep Dixit, Executive Director, Department of Physical Facilities

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the Mays Chapel site for a new elementary school.

On September 6, 2011, the Board approved the FY13 State Capital Improvement Program, and on January 10, 2012, the Board approved the FY13 County Capital Improvement Program in which both included a request for planning a new elementary school site in the Lutherville area. On September 4, 2012, the Board approved the FY14 State Capital Improvement Program, and on January 8, 2013, the Board approved the FY14 County Capital Improvement Program in which both included a request for construction of a new elementary school site in the Lutherville area. At the September 20, 2011, meeting, the Board was provided an update on enrollment and capacity. The Board was informed that there are two Board-owned sites in the Lutherville area: Mays Chapel and Dulaney Springs. Based on a preliminary assessment and subject to Maryland State Department of Education approval and the successful exchange of the County owned Mays Chapel parcel with the Board owned Mays Chapel parcel, the site at Mays Chapel is the most viable in relieving the overcrowding in the Lutherville area.

The Board of Education gave preliminary approval of the site at its March 6, 2012, meeting. A public hearing was held to seek community input on March 19, 2012, and again on January 14, 2013, both at Loch Raven High School.

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