

Item Title: Wake County Public School System FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program Appropriations

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approves the following requests from the Board of Education for appropriations and reallocations.

- 1. Appropriate a total of \$231,105,113 for construction funding at North Garner Middle, preliminary design funding for Briarcliff Elementary, East Garner Middle, Ligon Middle, a New Elementary TBD (Eastern Wake area), along with program needs such as Permit Fees, Life Cycle Building, Life Cycle Furniture, Educational Equipment, Environmental/ADA, Technology Infrastructure, Technology Devices, Security, Temporary Classrooms, Assessments, Property Acquisition, Space Needs Analysis and Prioritization (SNAP), Partial Renovation Improvements (PRIMP), Program Management, and Program Contingency.**

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners is statutorily responsible to fund the school system's capital projects and approves all appropriations and reallocations of funds.

Background: On June 18th, 2024, the Board of Education passed a resolution requesting funding for their FY 2025-2031 Capital Improvement Program from the Board of Commissioners. On June 3, 2024, the Board of Commissioners adopted the FY 2025 Budget, which included a total of \$231,105,113 in planned funding for WCPSS capital projects in FY 2025.

The Board of Commissioners previously appropriated \$68,754,294 in cash funded projects and planned the appropriation of debt funding in the amount of \$231,256,000 in the FY 2025 Capital Improvement Projects Funds Ordinance. The Board of Commissioners previously appropriated \$67,950,596 in the FY 2024 Capital Improvement Projects Funds Ordinance for the Parkside MS/Wake EC of Information and Biotechnologies planned FY2025 use.

The majority of the planned debt funds will be used for school construction and renovations, with some amounts devoted to capital maintenance, technology, and transportation facilities. The debt issuance for this item was approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 20th, 2023.

Strategic Plan: This action supports Lifelong Learning Goal 4: By 2029, three out of four residents asked will share that Wake County has high-quality

education-based facilities, including schools, libraries, and other educational resources.

Fiscal Impact: This resolution appropriates \$231,256,000 in debt funding for the Wake County Public School System's FY 2025 capital program. The associated future debt service is included in the County's financial model.

Additional Information:

The Board of Education is requesting that funds be appropriated within the Seven Year CIP as follows:

New Schools

WCPSS Seven Year Capital Improvement Program - FY 2025 Projects				
Project	Current Budget (All Programs)	FY 25 Plan	Proposed New Appropriations	New Proposed Budget
New Schools				
Parkside MS / Wake EC of Information & Biotechnologies	149,330,672.56	67,950,596.00	-	149,330,672.56
NEW ES	-	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00
<i>New Schools Subtotal</i>	149,330,672.56	73,450,596.00	5,500,000.00	154,830,672.56

Major Renovations

WCPSS Seven Year Capital Improvement Program - FY 2025 Projects				
Project	Current Budget (All Programs)	FY 25 Plan	Proposed New Appropriations	New Proposed Budget
Major Renovations				
North Garner MS	6,600,000.00	51,719,364.00	51,719,364.00	58,319,364.00
Briarcliff ES	-	5,555,000.00	5,555,000.00	5,555,000.00
East Garner MS	-	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00
Ligon MS	-	7,293,468.00	7,293,468.00	7,293,468.00
<i>Major Renovations Subtotal</i>	6,600,000.00	70,067,832.00	70,067,832.00	76,667,832.00

Ongoing Program Components

WCPSS Seven Year Capital Improvement Program - FY 2025 Projects				
Project	Current Budget (All Programs)	FY 25 Plan	Proposed New Appropriations	New Proposed Budget
On-Going Program Components				
Permit Fees	2,426,585.00	509,600.00	509,600.00	2,936,185.00
Life CY Building	148,052,543.00	39,970,000.00	39,970,000.00	188,022,543.00
Life CY Furniture	12,288,000.00	2,200,000.00	2,200,000.00	14,488,000.00
Ed Equipment	12,193,250.00	3,931,818.00	3,931,818.00	16,125,068.00
Enviro/ADA	5,159,000.00	1,200,000.00	1,200,000.00	6,359,000.00
Tech Devices	25,903,907.40	26,500,000.00	-	25,903,907.40
Tech Infrastructure	38,867,965.00	7,100,000.00	-	38,867,965.00
Security	7,333,896.60	5,000,000.00	-	7,333,896.60
Temp Classrooms	7,583,159.00	2,913,161.00	2,913,161.00	10,496,320.00
Assessments	3,233,814.00	600,000.00	-	3,233,814.00
Land	56,001,439.00	12,200,000.00	-	56,001,439.00
SNAP	83,342,142.85	16,400,000.00	-	83,342,142.85
PRIMP	34,928,956.75	17,980,000.00	17,980,000.00	52,908,956.75
Program Cont	5,979,080.00	9,516,351.00	9,516,351.00	15,495,431.00
Program Mgmt	56,753,089.00	9,516,351.00	9,516,351.00	66,269,440.00
<i>Program Requirements Subtotal</i>	500,046,827.60	155,537,281.00	87,737,281.00	587,784,108.60

WCPSS Seven Year CIP Total

WCPSS Seven Year Capital Improvement Program - FY 2025 Projects				
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Major Renovations Subtotal	6,600,000.00	70,067,832.00	70,067,832.00	76,667,832.00
New Schools Projects Subtotal	149,330,672.56	73,450,596.00	5,500,000.00	154,830,672.56
On-Going Program Components Subtotal	500,046,827.60	155,537,281.00	155,537,281.00	155,537,281.00
<i>Program Total</i>	655,977,500.16	299,055,709.00	231,105,113.00	387,035,785.56

NEW CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS

The item includes appropriations totaling \$75,567,832 for new construction and the renovation projects detailed below.

FY25 Continuous CIP Annual Appropriation				
Project	Type	Location	Anticipated Year of Occupancy	Funding Use
Parkside MS / Wake EC of Information & Biotechnologies	New School	Morrisville	2026	Construction
NEW ES TBD 1	New School	Eastern Wake	2029	Design
North Garner MS	Renovations	Garner	2027	Construction
Briarcliff ES	Renovations	Cary	2028	Design
East Garner MS	Renovations	Raleigh	2029	Design
Ligon MS	Renovations	Raleigh	2029	Design

OTHER PROGRAM COMPONENTS

Partial Renovation and Improvements (PRIMP)

This item also includes appropriations to address individual building needs or improvements that would not otherwise be addressed because the total needs analysis does not warrant a major renovation to an entire campus. A \$17.98 million allocation is included in this item to address these projects.

Other Ongoing Program Support Items

The item also includes ongoing program support appropriations of \$69.76 million for management on the school system's building program, land acquisitions, facility assessments, and mobile/modular relocations, and permit fees paid by the County.

Staff Comments

Staff recommends approval of the appropriations and reallocations as requested. The actions are in accordance with the planned funding schedule and accounted for in the County's financial model.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Board of Education Resolution