

Briefing Note

TO: Finance & Facilities Committee

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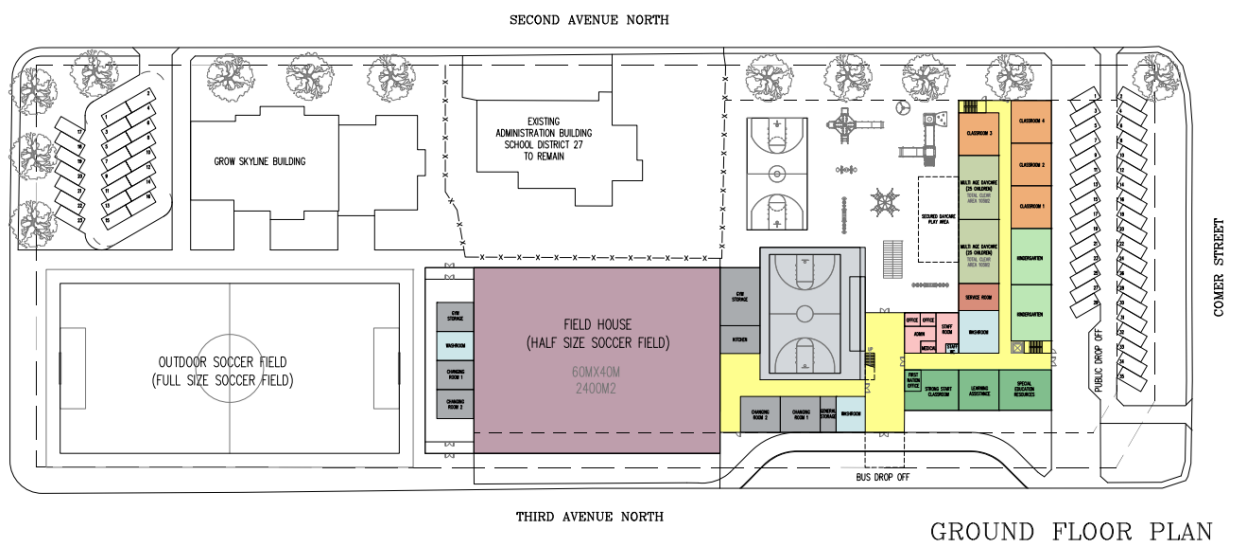
RE: Capital Projects: Marie Sharpe

BACKGROUND

SD27 continues to work with the Ministry Capital Team to have Marie Sharpe qualify for new school funding. We have had excellent support, but it is challenging given the growing populations of other areas, seismic upgrades and general demands for capital projects (health, education) due to aging infrastructure.

DISCUSSION

Our past several submissions have featured a simple replacement request on the existing site. We have been working hard with partners to find potential avenues of joint interest and support to think “bigger” in terms of community use and partnership. One consideration is to seek partners to support a “Fieldhouse” or covered turf venue, building on some of the existing community support for this need. ***Any enhancements beyond funding provided by the ministry for school specific replacement based on enrolment and usage would require additional revenue sources.***



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The site plan illustrates the proposed development at the intersection of Second Avenue North and Third Avenue North. The plan is bounded by Cameron Street to the west and Comer Street to the east. Key features include:

- Field House:** A large purple rectangular building, 60Mx40M (2400M2), containing a half-size soccer field.
- Administration Building:** A grey rectangular building, labeled "EXISTING ADMINISTRATION BUILDING SCHOOL DISTRICT 27 TO REMAIN".
- Outdoor Soccer Field:** A circular field labeled "OUTDOOR SOCCER FIELD (FULL SIZE SOCCER FIELD)".
- Public Drop Off:** A designated area for public drop-off, located near the Field House and Administration Building.
- Bus Drop Off:** A designated area for bus drop-off, located near the Field House and Administration Building.
- Entry Plaza:** A paved area adjacent to the Field House.
- Other Facilities:** Various other buildings and areas, including a gym, kitchen, storage, and a "BUS DROP-OFF" area.

All scenarios include the administrative office staying on its current site. It would be cost prohibitive to use capital funds to create a new administrative office.

We will continue to engage with community partners as appropriate. We have had tremendous support from WLFN on our general applications to date and plan to engage with other organizations as well.

RECOMMENDATION

NONE. Information only.