MINUTES – AS PRESENTED 11/7/23 CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES ATTENDANCE ZONE ADVISORY COMMISSION EDWARD A. GREER EDUCATION CENTER, BOARD ROOM 2832 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121

October 17, 2023

9:30 a.m.

Roll Call:

<u>Members Present</u> Matthew Tramp, Chair Dave Flatt, Vice Chair Anna Binder, Member Nicholas Fedei, Member (via phone conference) Diane Kinsel, Member Noé Orosco, Member John Shea, Member (arrived at 9:33 a.m.) Rudy Zamora, Member (via phone conference) Members Absent Lydia Dominguez, Member Tim Vicario, Member

Tracy Murphy, Director II, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS Steve Burda, Coordinator IV, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS Josh Gelman, GIS Senior Analyst, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS Flavio Mercado, GIS Analyst, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS

Michael Demers, Coordinator IV, Transportation Cameron Hasse, GIS Transportation Technician II, Transportation Shawnique Van Alen, GIS Transportation Technician II, Transportation

David Hall, Assistant General Counsel/Chief Negotiator, Office of the General Counsel

FLAG SALUTE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of the agenda for October 17, 2023. Motion: Binder Second: Flatt Vote: Unanimous Dominguez and Vicario were not present to vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes for September 26, 2023. Motion: Flatt Second: Zamora Vote: Unanimous Dominguez and Vicario were not present to vote.

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REPORTS

Tracy Murphy stated Clark County School District received a \$15 million grant from the Magnet Schools Assistance Program to implement new Environmental Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Magnet programs at Lyal Burkholder and Carroll M. Johnston Middle Schools beginning the 2024-2025 school year. Ms. Murphy introduced Ms. Sheryl Colgan, Director of Magnet Schools Department, to provide additional information.

Sheryl Colgan stated the choice for these schools was based on enrollment history and academic achievement. The goal is to reduce, prevent, or eliminate racial isolation at these particular schools. Ms. Colgan states it is a \$15 million grant over five years; funding will address personnel, programming, equipment, supplies, and professional learning at these two sites. Overall, the goal is to increase academic achievement as well as student and family engagement. One of the requirements of this grant is to convert both schools to full-school magnet programs, which will necessitate a rezoning. Sheryl Colgan stated the current students in Grades 6 and 7 can opt to stay at the school through Grade 8. All incoming sixth-grade students will have to apply to be part of the magnet program and new students to these areas will attend their updated zoned schools. Community meetings are forthcoming.

Anna Binder asked if there is a map with a zone showing who can apply to these schools and how many seats each school will have for the magnet programs.

Sheryl Colgan stated any student is able to apply to any magnet school in the District and that there are zones for transportation purposes. The transportation zone maps are in the process of being created, which will be released once they are approved and prior to the application deadline. Ms. Colgan stated the capacity for Burkholder Middle School will be approximately 350 seats and Johnston Middle School is around 600 seats.

Anna Binder asked if there was an estimate of how many students transportation will be dedicated to for the magnet programs.

Michael Demers stated that once the transportation zone maps are drawn, students residing in the identified area will be eligible for transportation.

Dave Flatt asked if the \$15 million would be divided between Burkholder and Johnston Middle Schools.

Sheryl Colgan stated that after deductions for administrative fees for external evaluators and grant personnel, it is approximately \$7 million for each school over a five-year period.

Anna Binder asked what will happen after the five years if the grant is not renewed.

Sheryl Colgan stated that as part of writing a grant, a sustainability plan was included which states that the schools will continue to be magnet and funded by the school's strategic budget in the District.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Flavio Mercado, resident of Henderson, is in favor of Lyal Burkholder Middle School becoming a magnet school.

DEMONSTRATION OF THE AZAC WEBPAGE (AZAC.CCSD.NET) AND AZAC TOOLBOX

Tracy Murphy gave a presentation on the AZAC website. She discussed the different AZAC phases and their timelines. She spoke about various links on the page and mentioned other websites that can be found on the AZAC webpage.

Noé Orosco asked if the AZAC hotline and website are available in multiple languages.

Tracy Murphy stated the hotline and website are currently in English but there are Spanish speaking members in Demographics, Zoning, and GIS who can speak to the public.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2023-2024 ENROLLMENT REPORT

Tracy Murphy presented the 2023-2024 September Enrollment Report and the Monthly Enrollment Report by school level.

Anna Binder asked why the number of portables at some schools do not correspond with numbers on the Capacity Report.

Tracy Murphy explained that some schools might be going through major modernization projects that will require portable classrooms until construction is complete. Depending on the size of the project, some schools will require portables for a longer length of time. She also stated some schools have programs that require additional space so portable classrooms may be needed.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2023-2024 CAPACITY REPORT

Tracy Murphy presented 2023-2024 Elementary Capacity Study and Secondary Capacity Study.

Anna Binder asked for an explanation of the Special Education column.

Tracy Murphy stated that the first number is the number of special education classes and the second number is pupil-teacher ratios which is calculated at 10:1.

PRESENTATION OF THE HOT SPOT DATA FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOLS

Tracy Murphy presented and explained the Hot Spot Maps.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2023-2024 PERCENT CHANGE REPORT

Tracy Murphy presented the 2023-2024 Elementary and Secondary Percent Change Report. Ms. Murphy states these reports represent the net percentage of District-enrolled students, geographically assigned by each school, who attend a non-assigned CCSD school.

Matthew Tramp asked if there was a decline in enrollment this year.

Rick Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, stated that percent change is not a reflection of declining enrollment but of students who are zoned to the school, who live within the attendance boundary, but are choosing to attend another school through mechanisms such as Change of School Assignment (COSA) and magnet programs.

Matthew Tramp asked if there was a sizable number of students who attend charter or alternative middle schools that transfer to public high schools.

Tracy Murphy stated an increase in enrollment in ninth grade is typical as many charter schools only go up to eighth grade.

Dave Flatt asked why magnet school percentages are not showing.

Tracy Murphy stated that magnet schools are not shown because they do not have an attendance zone.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2023-2024 FEEDER SCHOOL REPORT

Tracy Murphy presented the 2023-2024 Feeder School Report. This report provides the percentage of incoming grade-level students residing within the overlapping school attendance boundaries. Ms. Murphy stated that due to the variety of school choice options available to students in CCSD, this may not be reflective of actual enrollments.

Recess: 10:23 a.m. **Reconvene:** 10:33 a.m.

PRELIMINARY ZONING CONSIDERATION FOCUS AREA M1 FOR MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Tracy Murphy presented the zoning consideration for B. Mahlon Brown Academy of International Studies, Lyal Burkholder and Jack and Terry Mannion Middle Schools, and Barbara and Hank Greenspun Junior High School. Dissolving the attendance boundary to facilitate the magnet schools grant application for Burkholder Middle School, this scenario proposes Brown, Greenspun, and Mannion rezoning.

Josh Gelman explained the development tracking maps and stated that the Brown Junior High School development tracking has 4,249 housing units remaining with a yield of 343 students; future development has 7,505 units remaining with 591 students expected; inactive has 489 units remaining with a yield of 40 students.

Anna Binder asked when the 343 students could be expected from the active development.

Josh Gelman explained the development tracking maps and stated that there is not a definitive timeframe; on average, it takes from one to two years for active developments. Mr. Gelman also stated that it usually takes two to five years for future developments.

Anna Binder asked if changes can be made to the proposed scenario.

Tracy Murphy cautioned against making changes to the scenario as the information provided was submitted for the grant and was the basis for approval.

Sheryl Colgan stated that the grant was written specifically for Brown and Greenspun Junior High Schools and Mannion Middle School.

Tracy Murphy stated that the goals of the magnet grant was based on the data shown and that it provides 100 percent feeder school alignment.

Noé Orosco asked how to communicate with the public if they suggest making changes to the scenario.

Anna Binder expressed concern over lack of communication in regards to Burkholder Middle School becoming a magnet.

Tracy Murphy stated that the magnet grant is a wonderful opportunity for Burkholder and for the community and should be relayed to the public as such. She also stated that the Magnet Office probably has specific guidelines on when and how to share information when a magnet grant is in process.

Anna Binder asked where the magnet applications can be read.

Sheryl Colgan clarified that the grant submission was approved by the Board of School Trustees in May and that the full grant application has not yet been posted on the Nevada Department of Education website but will be shared when it is.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Flavio Mercado, resident of Henderson, is in favor of Lyal Burkholder Middle School becoming a magnet school due to the potential growth of the city's master planned community.

PRELIMINARY ZONING CONSIDERATION FOCUS AREA M2 FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Tracy Murphy presented the zoning consideration for Brian and Teri Cram, Clifford O. Findlay, Carroll M. Johnston, and Anthony Saville Middle Schools. Dissolving the attendance boundary to facilitate the magnet schools grant application for Johnston Middle School, this scenario proposes Cram, Findlay, and Saville rezoning.

Josh Gelman stated that one of the main focuses for Cram Middle School is a master plan community called Villages at Tule Springs. The active development has 2,486 units remaining with a yield of 204 students; inactive has 1,573 housing units with a yield of 131 students; future developments has 260 housing units with 22 students expected. Active development for Findlay Middle School has 155 housing units with a yield of 12 students; inactive has 18 housing units remaining with one student expected; future development has 433 housing units with a yield of 28 students. The active development for Johnston Middle School has 1,442 housing units remaining with a yield of 121 students and future development has 1,544 units remaining with a yield of 100 students. The active development for Saville Middle School has 1,087 units remaining with a yield of 77 students; inactive has ten units remaining with one student expected; future development has 356 units remaining with a yield of 24 students.

PRELIMINARY ZONING CONSIDERATION FOCUS AREA H1 FOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Tracy Murphy presented the zoning consideration for Basic and Chaparral High Schools. The primary reason for this zoning evaluation is the significant growth in the area. Basic High School is at 120.34 percent of program capacity and Chaparral High School is at 92.29 percent. Reassigning this area to Chaparral High School would provide enrollment relief to Basic High School. Basic High School students residing north of Russell Road and west of the Precinct Boundary must travel southeast, more than seven miles to school. Chaparral High School is less than two miles from these neighborhoods, potentially providing a safer route to school.

Josh Gelman stated the main focuses for Basic High School are the Cadence and Lake Las Vegas Master Planned Communities. The active development has 6,657 remaining units with a yield of 845 students; inactive has 463 housing units remaining with 56 high school students expected; future development has 9,352 units remaining with a student yield of approximately 1,096. The area for Chaparral High School has 1,440 active units remaining with a student yield of 186, and inactive has 16 units remaining with two students expected.

Tracy Murphy stated that under the Capital Improvement Program, Revision 5, a Choice High School is planned in this area with a tentative opening of 2029 which will relieve enrollment at Basic High School.

Diane Kinsel expressed concern that rezoning will put Chaparral High School above capacity.

Tracy Murphy stated that due to the percent change and other school options, the capacity at Chaparral will be able to accommodate the students who are rezoned.

Dave Flatt asked Transportation about the costs for bussing in regards to all Focus Areas.

Michael Demers stated that any change in boundaries will have a temporary increase in routes assuming students will be grandfathered, but in the long term will be more beneficial.

Anna Binder asked when it is typically known that students will choose to stay at the school they have been grandfathered at.

Tracy Murphy stated that students are grandfathered to remain at the rezoned school.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Flavio Mercado, resident of Henderson, advised against acquiring land that is situated in Letter of Map Revisions (LOMRs) issued by FEMA.

PRELIMINARY ZONING CONSIDERATION FOCUS AREA C1 FOR JUNIOR AND HIGH SCHOOLS

Tracy Murphy stated that the primary reason for this rezoning evaluation is due to a request from the Searchlight community. Students currently attend Garrett Junior High School and Boulder City High School to the north. A new Kindergarten through Grade 12 school in Laughlin is currently under construction and due to be complete in the fall of 2024. Ms. Murphy asked for Transportation to speak on the costs of transportation if grandfathering was recommended.

AZAC MINUTES 10/17/23 Page 6 of 7 Josh Gelman stated that Boulder City development tracking has 18 housing units remaining with two additional students expected; future development has 3,035 units remaining with 401 students. Garrett has 18 active units remaining with one middle school student expected; future development has 3,035 units remaining with 252 students. Laughlin has 14 units remaining with a student yield of two students.

Anna Binder said that it was her understanding that the Searchlight community was not looking to be grandfathered. She asked if tribal land was being split and if anyone lives near the precinct boundary.

Tracy Murphy stated that there is no indication that tribal land is being separated.

Steve Burda stated that there are no students in the vicinity of the boundary cutline.

Dave Flatt asked Transportation about concerns about the canyon.

Michael Demers stated that accidents and breakdowns are not archived geographically by the Risk Management department. He said that he does have information about elevation changes and the grades of the pass and other safety and communication concerns.

CALENDAR, DATES, AND TIMES

Next meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT LISTED AS ACTION ITEMS ON THE AGENDA None.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m. Motion: Flatt Second: Kinsel Dominguez and Vicario were not present to vote.

Vote: Unanimous