

Consent Agenda # 24A.

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

July 31, 1995

INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER ROBERT W. HEALY

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In City Council July 31, 1995.

Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:

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CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

159 THORNDIKE STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

July 25, 1995

To The Honorable Members of the School Committee:

Request for FY95-96 Capital Appropriation for "Tech 2000" Plan

Recommendation: That the School Committee approve a request to the City Manager for an appropriation of \$317,000 in FY95-96 Capital Funds for initial funding of the School Department "Tech 2000" systemwide technology plan, to be utilized in conjunction with \$279,030 in funds allocated in School Department general fund and grant budgets.

Description: The "Tech 2000" systemwide technology plan was presented to the School Committee in March, 1995, and has been distributed throughout the City and School community over the past several months as a planning framework for the implementation of educational and administrative technology improvements in the school system. The overall cost of the plan, over five years, was projected at \$18.5 million.

The City Manager and Superintendent appointed members to a joint "Tech 2000 Committee" to review the plan, discuss ways to integrate the school plan with City technology planning, recommend ways of moving the plan forward in the short-term while long-term funding requirements and possible sources are identified, and develop an overall work plan and implementation schedule for the systemwide plan. Attached is an initial report on the beginning work of that committee. Based on the discussions of the "Tech 2000 Committee" and internal School Department planning, we have developed a capital budget request for FY95-96 that focusses on developing initial network capability in all elementary schools and the high school, within a design model that is expandable as future resources become available and as a Citywide network information is put in place. This budget request amount is based upon the increased state education aid on the FY96 cherry sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mary Lou McGrath".

Mary Lou McGrath
Superintendent of Schools

Attachment A

Draft

CAMBRIDGEPORT SCHOOL

PROJECTED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT BUILDING

SUMMER, 1995

Estimated
Amount

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| \$ 21,000 | 1. Electrical Improvements
Install 400 amp 3-phase system; bring to building and change electrical distribution within building. Install 3 double electrical outlets per room (several rooms had number of outlets increased in 1994.) Install new lighting in basement rooms. Install alarm in office. |
| 4,000
(security) | 2. Intercom System
Install 2-way system with base in office. |
| 10,000 | 3. Heating System
Balance heating system to eliminate extreme fluctuations in heat. Inspect all valves and replace valves as necessary. Install motorized louvers with thermostatic control in 8 - 10 rooms. |
| 3,000 | 4. Plumbing
Replace old pipes in Girls and Boys Bathroom and other areas where leaks have occurred. Clean and cap unused toilets. Cover pipes. Repair holes in first floor bathrooms (in Kindergarten and outside office.) |
| 7,000
(3rd floor
bathrooms) | |
| 800 | 5. Telephone
Install line for computer for Boiler. Install new line for psychologist/teachers' use. |
| 1,000 | 6. Window Repairs
Inspect and install new bottom windows and runners as required for safety of operation. |
| 2,000 | 7. Art/Music Room
Replace door from gym to Art/Music Room with a solid core door and add weatherstripping to reduce noise. Remove old cabinets, rebuild sink cabinets; remove old dishwasher. Build rolling shield for stove. (Do not remove stove.) Install chalkboard. Install homosote bulletin board outside room. |
| 3,400 | 8. Cafeteria
<u>Install Tectum sheets (with insulation behind) on three walls to reduce noise.</u>
Install hinged window for egress. |
| 2,500 | 9. Nurse's Office
Purchase 6 foot panels for privacy. |
| 4,000 | 10. Renovations to new 5/6 classroom
Install homosote bulletin boards and chalkboards. Construct cubbies and shelves in room and closet. |
| - | 11. Curb Cut
Install on church side of building to allow for 3 more parking spaces at rear of building. |

Improvements to Blessed Sacrament Building

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Estimated
Amount

2,000

12. Office

??? Purchase panels or re-configure space to reduce noise, re-route circulation and increase efficiency. ???

5,000 13. Painting

1. 2 rooms in basement to be leased next year.

2. Girls and Boys Bathrooms (walls and floor)

3. Cafeteria Floor

4. First Floor Bathroom and Hallway

5. Third Floor

New classroom

2 bathrooms and ante rooms

teachers' room

15,000 14. Soundproofing of gymnasium space from classrooms and corridors to
reduce disruptive gym noise in classrooms.

2,300 15. Other miscellaneous repairs, carpentry, etc.

\$ 90,000

TOTAL ESTIMATE



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July 25, 1995

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To The Honorable Members of the School Committee:

Request for FY95-96 Funding for Cambridgeport School Repairs

Recommendation: That the School Committee approve a request to the City Manager for an appropriation of \$50,000 in capital funds, in addition to \$40,000 allocated from School Department maintenance funds, for renovations to the Cambridgeport School facility relating to safety and health repairs, improvements to previously unused spaces for classroom use, and necessary improvements to make appropriate use of existing spaces.

Description: The Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee held a meeting at the Cambridgeport School on 5/11/95, at which representatives of the school community outlined a number of short-term and long-term needs of the school, which is currently in rented space at the former Blessed Sacrament School at 12 Corporal McTernan Street.

Subsequently, school representatives met with central administration and the chairperson of Buildings and Grounds to identify resources necessary to deal with the short-term building deficiencies, particularly relating to health and safety concerns.

Attached is a list of short-term repairs and improvements identified in that process. We have already begun work on the first four items on that list, electrical, plumbing, heating and intercoms, from School Department funds. We need the additional \$50,000 to complete these and the remaining items.

We have had preliminary discussions with the City Manager regarding the urgency of dealing with the short-term repair list. He has indicated he will attempt to allocate funds on a one-time basis due to the health and safety nature of most of the items.

Supporting Data: Attachments

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou McGrath
Superintendent of Schools

MLM/tg

Attachment B



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

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Deputy City Manager

July 31, 1995

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Attached please find two appropriation requests from the Cambridge School Committee. The first request, (Attachment A) for \$317,000 is for use in initial stages of the School Department Technology Program (TECH 2000), while the second request (Attachment B), is for \$50,000 for improvements to the building that houses the Cambridgeport School.

Technology

In response to a proposed \$18.5 million school technology program titled TECH 2000, the School Superintendent and City Manager appointed a joint committee to identify and develop a workplan and implementation schedule which will ensure integration with the City's network infrastructure and data resources. In addition to technical, educational, management and administrative issues, the committee has been attempting to develop an achievable financing plan which does not hinder capital projects already approved (which includes four new elementary schools) significantly increase operating budgets or conflict with the City Council's policy of not increasing taxes.

This appropriation, if approved, will be added to \$280,000 already approved in the FY1996 School budget bringing the total amount currently available for TECH 2000 to \$597,000. Based upon the work of the TECH 2000 committee and as requested by the School Committee, these funds will be used to initiate the following:

1. Implement basic computer network in all elementary schools and the high school initially linking the principal's office, library, and a computer lab in each school, providing for future expendability to classrooms and other spaces in the schools. NOTE: Agassiz and Haggerty (new schools) and Tobin (pilot network project) will be fully linked.
2. Provide necessary equipment to fully furnish a MacIntosh Writing Center lab at CRLS.
3. Provide funding for MacIntosh computer equipment at the Tobin School to furnish at least one computer in each classroom for teacher and student network use.

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4. Provide funding for MacIntosh computer equipment in all elementary schools to upgrade computer lab and library equipment and provide network capability.
5. Provide funding for network training.

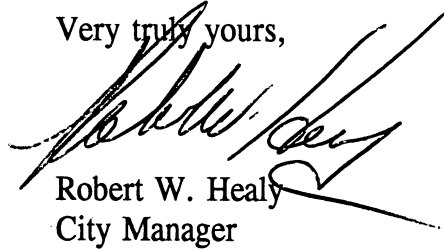
This work is consistent with a design model that is expandable as this committee proceeds in its work and resources become available. The revenue source for this appropriation is an increase in state aid to Cambridge for education.

Cambridgeport School Repairs

The second appropriation request from the School Committee is for \$50,000 in capital funds which will be used with \$40,000 in previously approved funds to make improvements to the Cambridgeport School. Attachment B outlines those improvements. The \$50,000 is to be funded from an increase in state aid to Cambridge for education purposes. The net increase on the Cherry Sheet was \$367,000, \$317,000 is recommended for TECH 2000 and \$50,000 for the Cambridgeport School.

Passage of both appropriation requests is strongly recommended.

Very truly yours,



Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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attachments

Two appropriations from the School Committee
as follows:

- A. Appropriation of \$317,000 for Tech 2000
- B. \$50,000 appropriation for improvement
to the Cambridgeport School.

In City Council,

July 31, 1995

24A- Order adopted
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24B- Order adopted
9-0-0.