



FAYETTE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Executive Summary
Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting
Agenda Item**

MEETING: Regular

DATE: February 27, 2023

TOPIC: Approval of Initial BG-1 Project Application and Design Consultant for the Addition of Three Preschool Classrooms at Harrison Elementary School BG #23-124

PREPARED BY: Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer @ 381-4165

Recommended Action on: 2/27/2023
Consent Item

Superintendent Prior Approval: No

Recommendation/Motion: Approve a design consultant contract with Ross Tarrant Architects and the initial BG-1 Project Application for Addition of Three Preschool Classrooms at Harrison Elementary School in the amount of \$2,931,951.96 (Two Million, Nine Hundred Thirty-one Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-one Dollars and Ninety-six Cents).

Background/Rationale: In the spring of 2022, the Board designated funding to support the FCPS Preschool program based upon a five-year plan. A priority of that five-year plan includes adding preschool classrooms at Harrison Elementary School. The Preschool program staff has recommended that three preschool classrooms be constructed to serve 45 children in a full-day program. Should additional capacity be needed at a later time, one of these full-day classrooms can be converted into a dual-session (half day) classroom serving 30 children; thus allowing for a total of 60 children to be served in the Harrison Elementary School Preschool program. The project design work will begin immediately, with an advertisement and bid receipt planned to be completed by October 2023 with completion in February 2025. The schedule will allow time to obtain the appropriate approvals and start shop drawings.

Kentucky Department of Education administrative regulation 702 KAR 4:160 requires local board of education action to secure design professionals, which includes architects for services for new construction, additions to existing buildings or any school renovation project that substantially modifies a major building system. Responses were received to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) #63-22, which was sent out in September 2022. Design Consultant selection is based upon previous successful K-12 design experience in Kentucky. The 30-plus responding firms formed a large pool of qualified and interested consultants. However, based on the large number of responses it was necessary to narrow this down to a shorter list, which was determined based on information that was submitted in the qualifications provided by each firm. Staff recommends Ross Tarrant Architects to be the design consultant for the construction. Ross Tarrant Architects is most familiar with the Harrison Elementary School building from their work on the recent security vestibule and clinic projects completed at this facility, which will assist in meeting the tight schedule.

At this time the Board's approval is requested to allow this project to move forward. A preliminary cost estimate for the work as required by KDE to initiate a BG-1 Project Application is described below.

	<u>Initial BG-1 Project Application Budget</u>
Total Construction Cost:	\$2,289,492.00
Contingencies:	\$228,949.20
Architect/Engineer Fee:	\$146,653.01
Equipment / Furnishings:	\$163,200.00
Equipment / Computers:	\$14,703.30

Technology Network System (KETS) / Phones:	\$26,183.26
Surveys:	\$7,500.00
Geotechnical:	\$7,500.00
Special Inspections:	\$17,171.19
Commissioning:	\$10,000.00
Printing:	\$5,600.00
HVAC Testing & Balancing:	\$5,000.00
Permit Fees:	\$5,000.00
Construction Photography:	\$5,000.00
Total Estimated Cost:	\$2,931,951.96

Strategic Priority:

- ☒ Student Achievement ☐ Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging
☐ Highly Effective & Culturally Responsive Workforce
☐ Stakeholder Engagement & Outreach ☒ Organizational Health & Efficiency

Data Considerations: District Facility Plan

Policy: Board Policy 01.1 – General Powers and Duties of Board

Fiscal Impact:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Org. Code</u>	<u>Object</u>
General Fund	0001113	0910

Attachment(s): BG-1 Project Application