

The Concord Middle School Building Committee Report: Committee's Value Management Results in Recommendation for Lower Project Costs; Public Hearing Date for Special Town Meeting; Special Town Meeting Date

Members of the Concord Middle School Building Committee voted to recommend a total project cost of \$102,816,000 to construct a new middle school building at their meeting on December 9th. The Committee spent the months of November and December to work on value management after it received the initial cost estimates for construction in late October. Those efforts resulted in reducing the scope of the project in a manner that will save more than \$1.7 million in construction costs. A motion will be made on the floor at the Special Town Meeting to substitute the new project budget in the debt exclusion warrant article language. The current language in the article was filed on November 12th to meet the statutory timeline for the Special Town Meeting scheduled for January 20. The new recommendation also achieves the goal established by a vote of the Concord Select Board for a total project budget not to exceed \$104 million. Members of the Committee have worked hard to ensure that these cost saving efforts do not have an adverse impact on the educational program for the proposed building while bringing the total project budget in line with what was presented at Town Meeting when residents approved funding for the Feasibility and Schematic Design Phases.

The project budget estimates at the end of the Schematic Design Phase include:

Construction Budget:	\$80,772,477
Architecture, Engineering, Project Management, Technology, and Furniture	\$15,224,080
Construction and Owner's Contingency	\$4,799,828
Subtotal	\$100,796,385
2.5% of budget for Bidding Contingency	\$2,019,312
Total	\$102,815,697

Upcoming Meetings and Votes

Public Hearing for Special Town Meeting: December 16, 7pm Town House Hearing Room and Zoom

Special Town Meeting: January 20, 2022

Special Election: February 3, 2022

The agenda and zoom link for the Public Hearing can be found at <https://www.cmsbuildingproject.org/meeting-agendas-minutes/cmsbc-committee>

Concord Middle School Building Committee Contact Information

Interested individuals can find all relevant materials regarding the Concord Middle School Building Committee including meeting dates, agendas, and minutes as well as reports that led to the Town Meeting Warrant Article at www.concordps.org/cms-building-project. For questions and comments, individuals

can email the Committee at msbc@concordps.org or utilize the form on the web page, www.cmsbuildingproject.org.