



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE HYBRID
JOINT FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING**

April 24, 2024

The Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC) convened its meeting at 7:00 p.m. on April 24, 2024.

PRESENT (IN-PERSON) Stacy Snyder, Chair
 Wells Harrell, Vice Chair
 Andy Greenwood
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 Claire Noakes
 Diana Preston
 Natalie Roy

PRESENT (VIRTUAL) Steve Young participated virtually from home (via Teams) due to a medical condition that prevented his physical attendance.

ABSENT Brian Harner

STAFF Emily Garrett, Arlington County
 Robert Ruiz, Arlington Public Schools

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SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEMS

Chair's Update

Chair Snyder reminded JFAC of the requirements to meet an in-person quorum. She mentioned that she was invited to a commission chair's meeting on Arlington 2050 occurring the following week. Vice Chair Harrell gave an update on prevailing wage provisions. This led to discussion, and the decision to write a letter to the School Board.

Commissioner Noakes moved that JFAC write a letter to the School Board recommending to (1) adopt a resolution requiring contractors for significant construction projects to pay prevailing wages, aligning with the contracting practices of the federal government and Arlington County, and (2) reissue the solicitation to bid for the first phase of the Career Center project to include a prevailing wage requirement. Commissioner Greenwood seconded the motion. The Commissioners present approved the motion, 7-0 with one abstention.

- [JFAC Recommendations on Prevailing Wage Requirements](#)

Public Comment

None.

Discussion of Proposed School Capacity Review and Pre-K in APS Enrollment Projections

Chair Snyder reviewed material from the [Pre-CIP Report](#), [Fall 2023 Enrollment Projections Report](#), and [Capacity Utilization Tables](#) that JFAC had questions about at their previous meeting. JFAC discussed design capacity, needs of different programs and grade levels, opportunities with a surplus of seats county-wide, ed specs, how community centers that are part of schools are being used, and enrollment changes from the fall to spring.

Discussion on APS and ACG Debt Service and CIP Responses to Managing Student Enrollment and Demographic Changes

Chair Snyder gave a [presentation](#) on the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), how it works, how the County Manager has written about past CIPs, and how CIPs have responded to demographic changes and county and school needs. She provided guiding questions from the November 2023 meeting on the CIP Direction as a baseline for discussion. JFAC discussed bond and interest rates, how other localities handle debt servicing, state funding, environmental sustainability, and other County and APS priorities.

Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.