

Proposed Improvements to Laurel Street Public Right-of-Way at Conway Middle School

Policy Reference: OE-13: Facilities

The Superintendent shall assure that physical facilities support the accomplishment of the board's **Results** policies, are safe and properly maintained.

Background Information: Significant renovations were made over the past year to the campus of Conway Middle School, resulting in a complete reorganization of the traffic flow for both cars and buses. As work has been finalized, the City Manager of the City of Conway approached Acting Superintendent Dr. Maxey regarding additional improvements they desire to be done along Laurel Street. The improvements include approximately 300 feet of street frontage beginning at the corner with 10th Avenue. The area of focus is within the City's public right-of-way and was not part of HCS' original plans. This area is grassed and is often used as an impromptu parking area along the street shoulder and as such, gets worn and damaged. The City is requesting HCS add approximately eleven (11) paved parallel parking spaces along Laurel Street including curb and gutter, sidewalks, and a trench drain system for intercepting water weeping from the historical wall. The total estimated cost is \$50,000.00. The City was asked if they could participate in 50% of the cost, however, the City Manager stated they did not have available funding. There are no remaining project funds to perform this work. The existing budget will be exceeded by adding this work, requiring additional funds as this will be a change in the scope of work.

Purpose: Improvements to public right-of-way parking that will improve safety and benefit the school for additional organized parking while improving the appearance around the campus.

For additional information: Contact Mark Wolfe 843-488-6967.

Recommended Action:

1. Recommend approval to perform the stated work, and
2. Provide additional funding allowing the project budget to be exceeded.

Estimated Project Cost: \$50,000.00. (There is no remaining fund balance available for the project).

Recurring Non-recurring
Funding Sources: Short Term Facility Plan