District: Town of Braintree School Name: East Middle School

Recommended Category: Eligibility Period (Re-categorization from Feasibility Study)

Date: January 20, 2016

Recommendation

That the Board vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the East Middle School in the Town of Braintree from the Invitation to Feasibility Study category to the Eligibility Period category.

Discussion

Subsequent to the Board's vote of June 4, 2014 to authorize the Town of Braintree (the "District") to proceed into Feasibility Study, the District requested that the MSBA support its intention to increase the scope of the current feasibility study beyond that of a repair project to an investigation of addition/renovation options for the East Middle School. The District informed the MSBA that its request is based upon a preliminary analysis of the space requirements compared to the capacity of the existing facility, and an increasing student population within the District.

The following Eligibility Period requirements must be updated to reflect the increased Feasibility Study scope requested by the District:

- Initial Compliance Certification;
- Educational Profile; and
- Enrollment projection.

The District must also secure local authorization and funding sufficient for the increased scope of work.

Upon successful completion of the activities outlined above, MSBA staff anticipates recommending a second Feasibility Study Invitation for the District to return to Feasibility Study and proceed into a more extensive investigation that includes addition/renovation options for the East Middle School project.

Based upon the review above, MSBA staff recommends that the Board vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the East Middle School in the Town of Braintree from the Invitation to Feasibility Study category to the Eligibility Period category to update certain preliminary requirements related to increasing the scope of the feasibility study and schematic design to include a more extensive investigation of an addition/renovation options.