District: Town of Granby

School Name: West Street Elementary School Recommended Category: Project Scope and Budget

Date: January 20, 2016

## Recommendation

That the Executive Director be authorized to enter into a Project Scope and Budget Agreement and a Project Funding Agreement with the Town of Granby for an addition and renovation project at the existing East Meadow School that will relocate PK-3 students currently attending the existing West Street Elementary School and combine grades PK-6 at the East Meadow School.

<b>District Information</b>		
District Name	Town of Granby	
Elementary School(s)	West Street Elementary School (PK-3)	
	East Meadow School (4–6)	
Middle School(s)	N/A	
High School(s)	Granby Junior Senior High School (7–12)	
Priority School Name	West Street Elementary School	
Type of School	Elementary School	
Grades Served	PK-3	
Year Opened	1941	
Existing Square Footage	44,139	
Additions	1951: Six classrooms and administrative offices added	
	1956: Eight classrooms, gymnasium, kitchen, cafeteria	
Acreage of Site	13.4 acres	
Building Issues	The District identified deficiencies in the following areas:	
	<ul> <li>Structural integrity</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mechanical systems</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Electrical systems</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>Plumbing systems</li></ul>	
	– Windows	
	<ul><li>Accessibility</li></ul>	
	In addition to the physical plant issues, the District reported that	
	the existing facility does not support the delivery of its educational	
	program.	
Original Design Capacity	Unknown	
2014-2015 Enrollment	242	
Agreed Upon Enrollment	430	
Enrollment Specifics	The District and MSBA have mutually agreed upon a design	
	enrollment of 430 students serving grades K–6.	

MSBA Board Votes				
Invitation to Eligibility Period	January 30, 2013			
Invitation to Feasibility Study	November 20, 2013			
Preferred Schematic Authorization	August 6, 2015			
Project Scope & Budget Authorization	On January 27, 2015 Board agenda			
Reimbursement Rate Before Incentives	57.74%			

MSBA Board Votes	
Incentive Points	1.20 – Maintenance
	2.69 – Major reconstruction or renovation/reuse
	2.00 – Energy Efficiency – "Green Schools" <sup>1</sup>
Total Reimbursement Rate <sup>1</sup>	63.63%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The MSBA has provisionally included two (2) incentive points for energy efficiency, subject to the District meeting certain sustainability requirements for the project. If the District does not meet the requirements for the energy efficiency, the District will not qualify for these incentive points, and the MSBA will adjust the reimbursement rate accordingly.

Consultants	
Owner's Project Manager ("OPM")	Colliers International
Designer	Jones Whitsett Architects, Inc.

## **Discussion**

MSBA staff reviewed the documents provided by the District and met with the District and its consultants to discuss scope and budget. The District has provided a Total Project Budget of \$34,208,975, which includes an estimated construction cost of \$26,453,000 (\$385/sq. ft.). The Estimated Basis of Total Facilities Grant would be \$26,508,037, which excludes: OPM fees in excess of 3.5% of construction costs; Designer fees associated with the new well; ineligible costs associated with abatement of asbestos-containing floor materials; site costs in excess of 8% of total building cost; construction costs in excess of \$299/sq. ft. plus eligible demolition and abatement costs; costs associated with the removal of fuel storage tanks; cost associated with new well construction; costs associated with mailing and moving; and owner's and construction contingency costs.

The proposed scope includes one potential construction deduct-alternate totaling \$251,729 that may be exercised if construction bids received are higher than the anticipated construction budget. The proposed cost associated with this deduct-alternate will not impact reimbursement if the District accepts this deduct-alternate because the reimbursable construction will continue to exceed the \$299/sq. ft. cap based on the District's schematic design submittal. The MSBA has also found \$278,967 associated with the current feasibility to be ineligible for reimbursement based on MSBA's previous participation of state funding for the District's 2009 Feasibility Study of the Granby Junior Senior High School, which included feasibility study options to address educational deficiencies associated with the elementary grade facilities.

Project Scope and Budget Agreement		
Enrollment: 430	District's Proposed	
Total Square Feet: 68,760	Project Budget	
Project Budget <sup>1</sup>	\$32,225,000	
Scope Exclusions/Ineligible Costs	-\$5,716,963	
Estimated Basis of Total Facilities Grant	\$26,508,037	
Reimbursement Rate	63.63%	
Estimated Maximum Total Facilities Grant <sup>2</sup>	\$16,867,064	
Potentially eligible owner's and construction contingencies	\$1,190,385	
Potential additional grant funds for eligible owner's and	\$757,442	

Project Scope and Budget Agreement			
construction contingency expenditures			
Total Project Budget	\$34,208,975		
Maximum Total Facilities Grant <sup>3</sup>	\$17,624,506		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Does not include owner's or construction contingencies.

MSBA staff recommends an Estimated Maximum Total Facilities Grant of \$16,867,064; however, the District may be eligible for up to an additional \$757,442 in grant funds, subject to the MSBA's review and audit of the owner's and construction contingency expenditures. Accordingly, MSBA staff recommends a Maximum Total Facilities Grant of \$17,624,506 for the Project Scope and Budget Agreement and Project Funding Agreement for an addition and renovation project at the existing East Meadow School that will relocate PK-3 students currently attending the existing West Street Elementary School and combine grades PK-6 at the East Meadow School.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Does not include any grant funds for potentially eligible owner's or construction contingency expenditures; subject to MSBA review and audit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes maximum possible owner's and construction contingency grant funds, the final amount of which, if any, shall be determined by the MSBA in its sole discretion. The MSBA does not anticipate that the District will expend all of its contingency funds on expenses that are eligible for MSBA reimbursement.