

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to submit the Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA").

BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL:

Having convened in an open meeting on February 4th, 2020, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the City Council of Lowell, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated February 14th, 2020 for the Benjamin F. Butler Middle School located at 1140 Gorham St., Lowell, MA 01852 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future under Priority 5 Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility; specifically pertaining to failures in the roofing system which is past its working life; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.



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TO: Mayor John J. Leahy and Members of the City Council
FROM: Eileen Donoghue, City Manager
DATE: 31 January, 2020
SUBJECT: Statement of Interest – Benjamin F. Butler Middle School

As you are aware, the City of Lowell is in the process of preparing applications for the Massachusetts Building Authority's (MSBA) Accelerated Repair Program (ARP), which aims to ease the financial burden of repairing or replacing large building systems which have gone beyond their useful life, including roofs, boilers, windows and doors. Part of the requirement of the application is a vote by the governing body of the municipality to take a vote to support the Superintendent of Schools to submit a Statement of Interest, which serves as the starting point for a possible invitation into the program. As such, I am recommending the following vote take place with regards to the Benjamin F. Butler Middle School, **which has a roof that is beyond its useful working life.**

Vote No. 11 – Benjamin F. Butler Middle School

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 4th, 2020, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the City Council of Lowell, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated February 14th, 2020 for the Benjamin F. Butler Middle School located at 1140 Gorham St., Lowell, MA 01852 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future under Priority 5 Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility; specifically pertaining to failures in the roofing system which is past its working life; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.