

District: City of North Adams
School Name: Greylock Elementary School
Recommended Category: Feasibility Study Invite (re-categorization from Eligibility Period)
Date: February 22, 2023

Recommendation

That the Board vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the Greylock Elementary School in the City of North Adams (the “City”) from the Eligibility Period to an Invitation to Feasibility Study.

Discussion

Subsequent to the Board’s vote of August 25, 2021 to authorize the City of North Adams to proceed into Feasibility Study, the City requested that the MSBA re-evaluate the agreed upon design enrollment of 335 students in grades K-6 encompassing the Greylock and Brayton Elementary Schools, which was originally established during Eligibility Period and certified in June 2021. The City informed the MSBA that its request was based upon a preliminary analysis of the space requirements compared to the capacity of the existing facilities as well as a desire to explore the possibility of grade span schools.

On December 21, 2022, the Board voted to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the Greylock Elementary School in the City of North Adams from the Invitation to Feasibility Study category to the Eligibility Period category to accomplish the following:

- Update the enrollment projection; and,
- Execute an updated Study Enrollment Certification.

The City has successfully completed the activities outlined above and executed a Study Enrollment Certification that includes two design alternatives for 240 students in grades K-2 or 265 students in grades K-6 to be housed at either the Greylock Elementary School or the Brayton Elementary School, with remaining students attending the recently constructed Colegrove Elementary School.

Based upon the review above, MSBA staff recommends that the Board vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the Greylock Elementary School in the City of North Adams from Eligibility Period to an Invitation to Feasibility Study. The vote will provide the City with the opportunity to proceed with the updated scope of the Feasibility Study and schematic design based on a mutually agreed upon enrollment between the City of North Adams and the MSBA.

Exhibit B**Re-Categorization of Previous Board Invitation from Eligibility Period to Feasibility Study**

District	School	Age of Existing Building	Grade Configuration(s)	Agreed Upon Enrollment(s)	Existing Square Footage	Total Project Funding Debt Exclusion Anticipated?
North Adams	Greylock Elementary School	1953	*K-2 (district-wide) *K-6 (at Greylock Elementary School or Brayton Elementary School)	*240 *265	50,907	Yes

*Agreed Upon Study Enrollments and Grade Configurations between the District and MSBA