## **BOND UPDATE #107**

## 05.14.21

Here's what's going on with our bond projects:

- 1. The demolition of the FHS grandstands has been completed, and all of the old materials were hauled offsite earlier this week.
- 2. The football field light poles will be coming down sometime next week
- 3. The construction entrance that Cornerstone leased from the railroad at the southeast corner of the campus has now been opened. This new entrance will allow a majority of the construction truck traffic to enter the site without driving through town or the occupied west side of the campus. It is one example of our efforts to minimize any negative impact of this very large project on the community.
- 4. We are very close to obtaining our LDP (Land Disturbance Permit), which will allow the bulk of our earthwork activities to proceed. The City of Ferndale is presently in the process of conducting a final review. Once in hand, this permit will allow for the removal of the old track and playfield surfaces, clearing the way for the new building.
- 5. Underground electrical lines supplying the old gym have been successfully rerouted to the west side of the school. This work was necessary because the existing power lines ran through the new building's footprint.
- 6. Cornerstone's field management team is now in place and working on site.
- 7. As the construction phase of our high school project proceeds, you can watch the action happen. A webcam is recording video and sharing it on the District website, which can be accessed at this link: <a href="https://app.truelook.com/?u=cf1619482381">https://app.truelook.com/?u=cf1619482381</a>. While the video is not streaming live, it is updated every two hours with new images.
- 8. One of our ongoing goals is to keep the community fully informed as we work to fulfill the promises the 2019 bond. Such is a primary purpose of the Bond Oversight Committee, the bond page on our website with its frequently refreshed dashboard and webcam videos, and these weekly bond updates. We also look for other opportunities and venues to get the word out. On May 6, for instance, I had the chance to do a live interview on KGMI Radio about the Groundbreaking Ceremony and the beginning of the construction phase of the high school project.
- 9. In a further effort to keep our community informed about the progress of the high school project, we devoted this week's Every Thursday Facebook Live program (May 13) to sharing what has been happening on the high school campus this spring

and what people can expect to see over the summer months. If you missed the live broadcast of the program, you can access the video at this link: https://fb.watch/5umZUNZdUg/

10. Next Tuesday (May 18) at 6:00 pm, the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) will hold its monthly meeting -- *in person* for the first time in well over a year. The meeting will take place in the Vista Middle School Library. It will be open to the public and the agenda is posted here.

If you have questions or comments about any of the content of this update, please feel free to reach out to me or one of my colleagues.

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