

Solvay UFSD November 2017 Capital Project FAQ

How was the project developed?

A Capital Project Committee was formed and met through the Spring of 2017. This Committee made a recommendation to the Board of Education in July 2017 and they approved the referendum in October 2017. The Committee was made up of representation of all the stakeholder groups – Administrators, Teachers, Community members, Board members and the District's Architect

What is the vote not being held on the same day as the budget vote in May?

This date was chosen based on the steps that have to be taken to get the project approved and to be able to budget appropriately.

What is the cost of the project and what will it do to my taxes?

The Board approved a not-to-exceed project of \$28.2m. The expected tax rate increase will be \$0.13 or \$13 for a home valued at \$100k.

Why aren't there specific drawings yet?

While we know each building will have work done, the specific drawings do not happen until after the project is approved.

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If the community supports the project on November 29, when will construction start?

The goal is to start construction as soon as school lets out in June 2019 and will continue through Spring 2021.

Why wasn't work just completed to renovate the Bus Garage instead of constructing a new building?

The committee vetted all the options. It was determined that the new construction was more feasible in terms of maximizing state aid and providing a safe and efficient building.

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