

Office of the Mayor

MICHELLE WU

March 4, 2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for The Boston Community Leadership Academy 7-12 School (BCLA) pursuant to G.L. c. 70B, § 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within the school facility that prevents Boston Public Schools (BPS) from delivering their desired educational program.

The Boston Community Leadership Academy 7-12 School will be submitted for improvements under MSBA Priorities #4, #5 and #7 in the MSBA Core Program. Priority #4 focuses on the prevention of severe overcrowding due to anticipated increased enrollments. Priority #5 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the 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. Priority #7 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements

The MSBA Core Program is an opportunity to potentially construct a new school facility for the Boston Community Leadership Academy 7-12 School. Submitting the Statement of Interest is the first step in the MSBA process and requires a vote of the City Council as part of the submission.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston may submit the Statement of Interest expeditiously and continue the process of seeking funds for the improvement of school facilities within the City of Boston.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO SUBMIT A STATEMENT OF INTEREST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY CORE PROGRAM FOR THE BOSTON COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY 7-12 SCHOOL.

ORDERED: Having convened in an open meeting prior to April 12, 2024 the School Committee of the City of Boston, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statements of Interest dated on or before April 12, 2024 for the following school:

Schools	Address	City	State	Zip
Boston Community	315 Mount Vernon Street	Dorchester	MA	02125
Leadership Academy -				
McCormack 7-12 School				

The Statement of Interest for the facility listed above describes deficiencies submitted under Priority #4: Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result from increased enrollments; 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; and Priority #7: Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

The School Committee hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting the Statement of Interest Forms, 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 of Boston to file an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.

> ADAM CEDERBAUM CORPORATION COUNSEL

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