



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018
TO BE HELD AT CITY HALL, ROOM 220
36 COURT STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MA**

AGENDA

**Regular Meeting
5:30 PM**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING – ROLL CALL

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. ITEMS REQUIRING A VOTE OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- A. Vote to approve and authorize the proposed change to the Brightwood Elementary School and Lincoln Elementary School campuses by means of consolidation into one building located at the proposed Plainfield St. site for the following reason:

The existing Brightwood and Lincoln Elementary Schools were built in the late 19th Century. The facilities are antiquated and educational spaces are insufficient for proper facilitation of today's educational programming. The proposed Plainfield St. site is centrally located between the Brightwood School and Lincoln School Districts. The 10.2 acre site abuts the Chestnut Middle School. Preliminary conceptual plans have verified that a new building can fit on the site to support the consolidation of the Brightwood and Lincoln Elementary Schools for approximately 795 students with an additional 120 Pre-K students. The site provides sufficient space for a three story 155,000 SF school with appropriate configurations and relationships among educational spaces. Further, meeting exterior program requirements for vehicular drop off/pick up, parking, pedestrian access, gathering, outdoor play, service/delivery and emergency access is possible. Since this is a neutral site, the existing schools can remain in use while the new school is constructed. The two schools will be consolidated into one building but will maintain their own individual identities. Some spaces such as the gym, library and cafeteria will be shared but otherwise the schools will have separate educational and support spaces required to support an independent school. as described in the Feasibility Study related materials for the Project for which the City intends to submit to the MSBA for its consideration.

I. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THIS COMMITTEE