
Finance & Capital Needs Committee

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Finance and Capital Planning Committee Meeting

Outcomes

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CIP Process

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New Elementary School Update

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Design Phases



CIP Process

Design Summer '26 Projects

Close Out Open Purchase Orders

Review + Prioritize Facility Needs

Update Other Capital Use Project List

RFPs for Summer '27 Projects



Summer 2026 Projects

Project	Status	Project	Status	Project	Status
New Hope Elementary		Orange Middle School		Cedar Ridge High School	
HVAC Replacment Phase 3	Construction	Media Center Renovations	Design	Stormwater Repairs	Bidding
Efland Cheeks Elementary		Track Renovations	Design		
Playground 3rd-5th	Pending	Exterior Envelope Assessment	Design		
Lease Agreement	Complete	Solar Panel Project	Construction		
Pathways Elementary		AL Stanback Middle School			
Media Center Flooring Upgrades	Design	Media Center Renovations	Design		
River Park Elementary		Track Renovations	Design		
Flooring Upgrades	Design	Exterior Envelope Assessment	Construction		
		Gravelly Hill Middle School			
		Media Center Renovations	Design		
		Track Renovations	Design		
		Exterior Envelope Assessment	Construction		



New Elementary School Update

Site Due Diligence Site RFPs Released

Stakeholder Kickoffs in Process

Mebane – OC– OCS Joint Working Sessions

CMaR RFP in Process

Schematic Design August '26



Design Phases

Programming

Schematic Design

Design Development

Construction Documents

As-Builts & Warranties



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- Define goals and space needs
- Establish site and regulatory constraints
- Identify stakeholder priorities
- Design Committee:
Conversations + narratives
- **May 2026: Recap for Board**



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- Conceptual site & floor plans
- Determine building systems (MEP+S: mechanical, electrical, plumbing and structural)
- Preliminary Cost Estimate
- Design Committee: Review + comment
- **Fall 2026: Building location**



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- **Conceptual site & floor plans**
- **Determine building systems (MEP + S)**
- **Preliminary Cost Estimate**
- **Design Committee: Review + comment**
- **Early 2027: Board approval to move forward with Const Docs**



Construction Documents

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- Complete technical drawings & specifications
- Life safety & ADA
- CMaR runs bidding & contractor selection
- Review of state, local permits
- Design Committee: Project update
- **Summer 2027: Construction contract (G.M.P.*)**



*G.M.P. = Guaranteed Maximum Price, capped by the owner (Board)

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- Update drawings to reflect construction
- Punch list completion
- Owner training + manuals
- Project warranty
- **Summer 2029: Occupancy**
- **Summer 2030: End construction warranty period**





Questions?





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County
Schools**

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