

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #291 (2004-2005)

May 23, 2005

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: AWARD OF CONTRACT: DIMOND HIGH SCHOOL REPLACEMENT
PHASE 2 - DEMOLITION, TRAFFIC SAFETY UPGRADES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board authorize an increase in the scope of work for the Dimond High School Replacement School - Phase 2 Demolition, Traffic Safety Upgrades project and approve a change order for this work in the amount of \$697,269 to Neeser Construction, Inc.

PERTINENT FACTS:

In April 1999 the voters approved bonds which provided funding for a replacement school for Dimond High School; demolition of the old school facility; and completion of associated site work. In April 2002, voters approved bonds that provided additional funding for demolition of the old school facility.

Phase 1, construction of the new school, was completed for the 2003-2004 school year. Phase 2, demolition of the old facility and completion of the associated site work, began in the spring of 2004 with substantial completion expected by fall 2005.

During the first year of operating the new school, traffic flow problems were identified with the student drop-off area, intensive needs access, and teacher parking. To address the traffic safety issues, the MOA Traffic Department, Anchorage Police Department School Resource Officers, District staff and Dowl Engineers worked together to analyze the options for correcting the situation. A public forum was held to evaluate concerns and recommendations on how to correct deficiencies. Dowl Engineers provided a revised site plan that addresses these deficiencies.

Project time constraints and impacts to the project currently underway made bidding these changes as a separate project impractical. The District has successfully negotiated with the current contractor, Neeser Construction, Inc., to perform the traffic safety improvements upgrades prior to school opening in the fall. Using the current contractor for this change will also allow for the integrated completion of Phase 2 work.

The added scope of work includes the construction of a new student drop off; modifications to the teachers parking area; separate circulation for the intensive needs buses; and additional traffic directional signage.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS:

Funds Description:

(03) Capital Projects Fund
 (00311601) 2003B G.O. Bonds (1999 Prop 11 Bond Authorization)
 (00311801) 2003B G.O. Bonds (2002 Prop 5 Bond Authorization)
 (3116001) Bond 99R Reimbursable Projects
 (3118820) Bond 02 Prop 5 Demo Dimond
 (5200) Contracts

<u>Fund Source:</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Funding Control</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dimond High School	03	00311601	3116001	82032-5200	\$600,799
Dimond High School	03	00311801	3118820	82039-5200	<u>96,470</u>
				Total	\$697,269

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