

Issues, Risks and Substantial Changes

Program-wide Cost

Austin is experiencing inflation in construction costs beyond projections at a rate up to 6% yearly. This includes increases in the cost of steel and concrete as well as other essential materials. In addition, Austin's continuous growth and influx of large construction projects have increased the demand for labor and in turn, its cost. This, along with project specific challenges, has directly impacted the projects included in this bond program. CMD Leadership is closely monitoring program cost projections, including program contingency.

Sanchez ES - Veneer Issue

The project team discovered that the existing exterior brick veneer was incorrectly installed when originally constructed in 1977, and that no air gap exists, causing moisture issues within the wall. Project team is investigating to find the best solution. This is likely to result in a cost increase, and possible use of additional program contingency.

Murchison MS - Schedule Changes

In February, we notified the CBOC of a schedule resequencing for components of the Murchison MS project. The admin is now on schedule to deliver this summer, with the library and 6th grade addition delivering in late fall of 2020.

The Rosedale School - Budget and Schedule

[pending input from Matias]

TRAVIS HS - Crawlspace Asbestos

The district is preparing to conduct structural repairs to the crawl space, an area which is believed to contain asbestos. Tests of soil samples confirmed contamination, meaning the architects and engineers can't enter the crawl space to determine what structural repairs need to be undertaken until after the asbestos is removed. As an alternative, the district is trying to assess, without going into the crawl space, which areas might need the most significant structural repairs. Regardless, the district will still need to abate the the soil, have an engineer enter and confirm/modify district plans, and then proceed with repairs. This could delay the schedule for this portion of the project, and result in this scope of work being deferred to a later date. The remainder of the project is proceeding on schedule.

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