

# Repurposing Conversations Community Update

Austin ISD UpClose

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## Repurposing is...

- Finding new uses for sites that are underutilized
- Responding to affected communities' needs
- Maintaining district sites as community assets

## Repurposing is NOT...

- Selling to the highest bidder
- Giving up control of the site
- Taking a one-time financial benefit





## **Repurposing Process**





## **Brooke Elementary**

**Current Status** 

On Hold

### Special Education Department

 Ensures children who receive special education services are provided with access to a free and appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment

### Ombuds Office

- Helps families and staff navigate the Austin ISD system by hearing concerns that have not been resolved by a campus or Central Office.
- Neutral, confidential, and informal department mean to provide information, reduce grievances, and promote a culture of respect within the district.



### **Metz Elementary**



#### **Current Status**

On Hold

- Library Media Services
- STEM Department
- Health Services & Nursing
- 2022 Bond Program
- Staff Training

## Sims Elementary

### What we heard...

- Repurpose existing building to support local businesses, service providers and community
- Provide affordable homeownership opportunities
- Honor history of the school and neighborhood
- Incorporate green space and public amenities

### Next Steps:

Community meeting on February 20th

#### **Current Status**





## **Sims - Swing Space Update**

- Sims will be used as swing space for Harris Elementary students and a second elementary school
- Prioritizes keeping students in school facility versus portables
- Students will be housed at Sims from Fall 2024 to Spring 2028





### Former Rosedale School

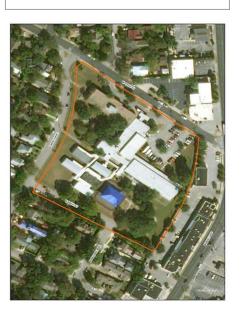
### What we heard...

- Supportive of building housing on site but not density
- Prefer to see single family homes or townhomes
- Concerns about traffic and impact on neighborhood
- Want to preserve park and green space

### Next Steps:

Board approval to issue request for proposal to identity development partner

#### **Current Status**







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### **Rosedale - Preliminary Conceptual Design**



## **Pease Elementary**

- Goal for the site is to open an early childhood education center that provides high quality affordable care to district staff and families
- Board named United Way for Greater Austin as the district's exclusive partner

### Next Steps:

Secure federal funding and other grants

#### **Current Status**



## **Pease Elementary**

- United Way proposes to reinvigorate Pease as a state-licensed learning center in partnership with Goodwill:
  - o For children, ages 6 weeks to 5 years
  - Modeled after Goodwill Exploration Center
  - Texas School Ready and Texas Rising Star through Workforce Solutions Capital Area
  - National accreditation through the NAEYC
- It will operate Monday through Friday from 7:30AM to 6:30PM.
- Targeting 2025 opening.



## **Anita Ferrales Coy Site**

- Goal for the site is to build a new facility for the Alternative Learning Center and high quality attainable rental housing for teachers, staff and families
- Board named The NRP Group as the district's exclusive development partner

### **Next Steps:**

- Site due diligence and floodplain analysis
- Hiring architect for Alternative Learning Center

#### **Current Status**







## Something's Happening

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### **Coy - Current Site**





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### **Coy - Conceptual Site Plan**



### **Learn More**

Check out the District website:

https://www.austinisd.org/repurposing

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