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PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

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Minutes November 1, 2004

Present: F. Rothhaus, W. Morrison, C. Morrison, T. Koenig, J. Vaillancourt, S. Heinrich and School Board Liaison E. Coburn

W. Morrison called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM

Population Projections

The Committee reviewed the first Monday figures with the updated Population Projections. Members questioned why the first grade projection figures were the same for several years. In addition, they requested copies of the Michener/School Boards Association report that is usually provided with the population projections. Members questioned whether birth rate figures and numbers of building permits had been considered when determining first grade figures. Members also noted that Readiness was not included in future projections.

Transportation Report

Members reviewed a draft report, the collected data and worked on potential costs for various transportation options including using larger buses or adding additional regular buses. The Committee made several changes to the draft report. The Committee consensus was that the third run could be eliminated if the District added two additional buses and used a mixed fleet of regular and large buses. In addition, members determined that a statement should be added that there had not been enough time to adequately address all of the ancillary issues that had been brought up.

Members discussed when to hold its next meeting, as the goal is to have an approved report for presentation to the School Board as soon as possible. S. Heinrich made a MOTION to meet on November 15th at 6:30 PM to approve the report for presentation at the School Board meeting that night. The MOTION DIED for lack of a second. Instead members agreed to meet, as scheduled, on November 22nd. In any case, F. Rothhaus offered to represent the Committee and present the report when it is finalized.

S. Heinrich made a MOTION to adjourn. Second: C. Morrison and T. Koenig. The MOTION PASSED unanimously. W. Morrison adjourned the meeting at 9:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Heinrich