

June 16, 2025

ITEM 1.1

TO: Facilities Planning Committee

**FROM: Jessie Gresley-Jones, Executive Director Facilities
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RE: 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Plan

*Reference to
[Education Plan](#)*

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

- Goal 1: The Vancouver School Board will improve student achievement, physical and mental well-being, and belonging by...
- Improving school environments to ensure they are safe, caring, welcoming, and inclusive places for students and families.
- Goal 2: The Vancouver School Board will increase equity by ...
- Eliminating racism and discrimination in all forms.

INTRODUCTION

This report contains recommendations for approval of the 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Plan by the Board of Education at the June 23, 2025, Board meeting.

BACKGROUND

The Province, (the Education and Child Care Capital Branch of the Ministry of Infrastructure) hereafter referred to as “the Ministry” requires that Major and Minor Capital Plans be approved by Board resolutions prior to submission. The Major Program requests are to be submitted by June 30, 2025, and the Minor Program requests are to be submitted by September 30, 2025. This report includes the proposed Capital Plan submission for each of the following Major Capital Programs:

- Seismic Mitigation Program (SMP)
- Expansion Program (EXP) (New schools and School Additions)
- Building Envelope Program (BEP)
- Major Child Care (CC – New Spaces, CC Conversion [Major], CC – New Spaces Integrated)

MAJOR CAPITAL PROGRAM UPDATES

On March 25, 2025, the Vancouver Board of Education (VBE) received the Capital Plan Response Letter from the Education and Child Care Capital Branch of the Ministry of Infrastructure (“the Ministry”) in response to the District’s 2025/26 Five-Year Capital Plan submission. No major capital projects were moved forward from Capital Plan status to Project Definition Report (PDR) status in the March 25, 2025, Capital Plan response letter.

Projects in Development from Previous Years

- **Elementary School at Olympic Village.** The new elementary school at Olympic Village project was funded in 2024 and work is underway to advance this important project. An update on this project is included in the April 9, 2025 and June 16, 2025, Facilities Planning Committee agendas.
- **Henry Hudson Elementary Addition.** The addition to the Henry Hudson Elementary school was approved in 2024 and is under construction. Completion is anticipated in fall 2025.
- **Sir Wilfred Grenfell Elementary.** The seismic upgrade was approved in 2023 and is under construction. Completion is anticipated in 2026.

STATUS OF SMP AND EXP

Six annexes, forty-seven elementary schools and seven secondary schools are considered seismically safe. There are six additional SMP projects in the construction or design phase that would increase the total number of safe schools to sixty-five. Four annexes, twenty-eight elementary schools and eleven secondary schools will remain at high risk in a seismic event.

Figure 1: Status of SMP

School Type	Safe	In Progress*	Total Safe	Total High Risk	Total
Annex	6	1	7	4	11
Elementary	47	4	51	28	79
Secondary	7	0	7	11	18
Totals	59	6	65	43	108

*Includes Coal Harbour, Lord Roberts Annex, and Olympic Village Schools.

Completed Projects

Figures 2, 3 and 4 list completed major capital projects (upgraded, replacement, and new) that have been funded through the SMP or EXP programs since the inception of the Vancouver Project Office (2014). Overall, projects related to seismic safety for the district are presented graphically in the maps in Figures 5 and 6.

Figure 2 – SMP Seismic Upgrade Projects

School Name	School Type	Capital Program	Project Type	Year Completed
Cavell	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2023
Livingstone	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2023
Byng	Secondary	SMP	Upgrade	2021
Wolfe	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2021
Selkirk	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2021
Maquinna	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2021
Jamieson	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2018
Kingsford-Smith	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2018
Strathcona	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	2017

Figure 3 – SMP Replacement Projects

School Name	School Type	Capital Program	Project Type	Year Completed
Hamber Secondary	Secondary	SMP	Replacement	2024
Hudson	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2024*
Bayview	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2023
David Lloyd George	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2023
Weir*	Elementary	SMP	Partial Replacement	2023
wəkw'aḥəs tə syaq'əm	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2023
Tennyson	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2020
Maple Grove	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2020
Fleming	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2020
Nelson	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2019
Kitsilano*	Secondary	SMP	Partial Replacement	2018
L'Ecole Bilingue	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2017
Queen Mary*	Elementary	SMP	Partial Replacement	2016
Gordon	Elementary	SMP	Replacement	2016

*The scope of each partial replacement project varies depending on the specific context of the school building(s).

Figure 4 – EXP New Schools

School Name	School Type	Capital Program	Project Type	Year Completed
Crosstown	Elementary	EXP	New School	2017
Norma Rose Point	Elementary	EXP	New School	2014

Elementary School Projects Currently in Progress

Figures 5 and 6 list the status of elementary school projects with signed capital project funding agreements.

Figure 5 – Status of Elementary SMP Projects

School Name	School Type	Capital Program	Project Type	Year Completed
Grenfell	Elementary	SMP	Upgrade	Construction

Figure 6 – Status of Elementary EXP Projects

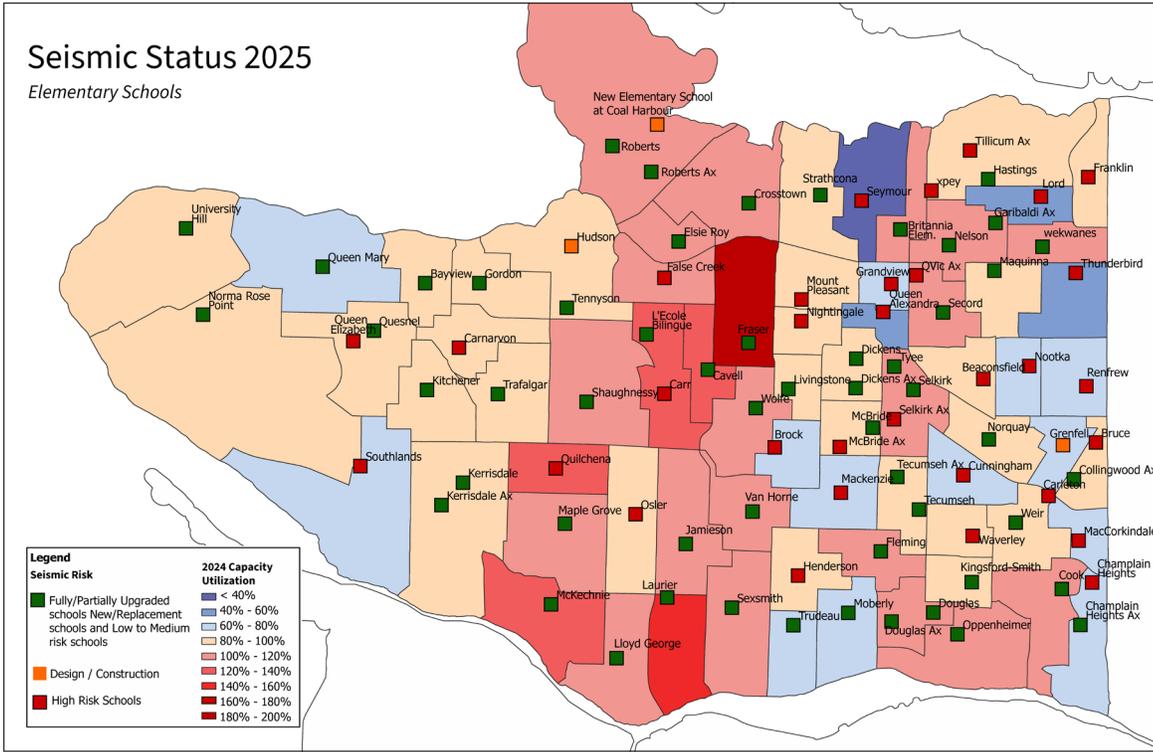
School Name	School Type	Capital Program	Project Type	Year Completed
Coal Harbour	Elementary	District Funded	New School	Construction
Hudson*	Elementary	EXP	Addition	Construction
Olympic Village	Elementary	EXP	New School	Design

*Hudson Elementary is still under construction to complete EXP scope, but the SMP scope is complete.

Secondary School Projects Currently in Progress

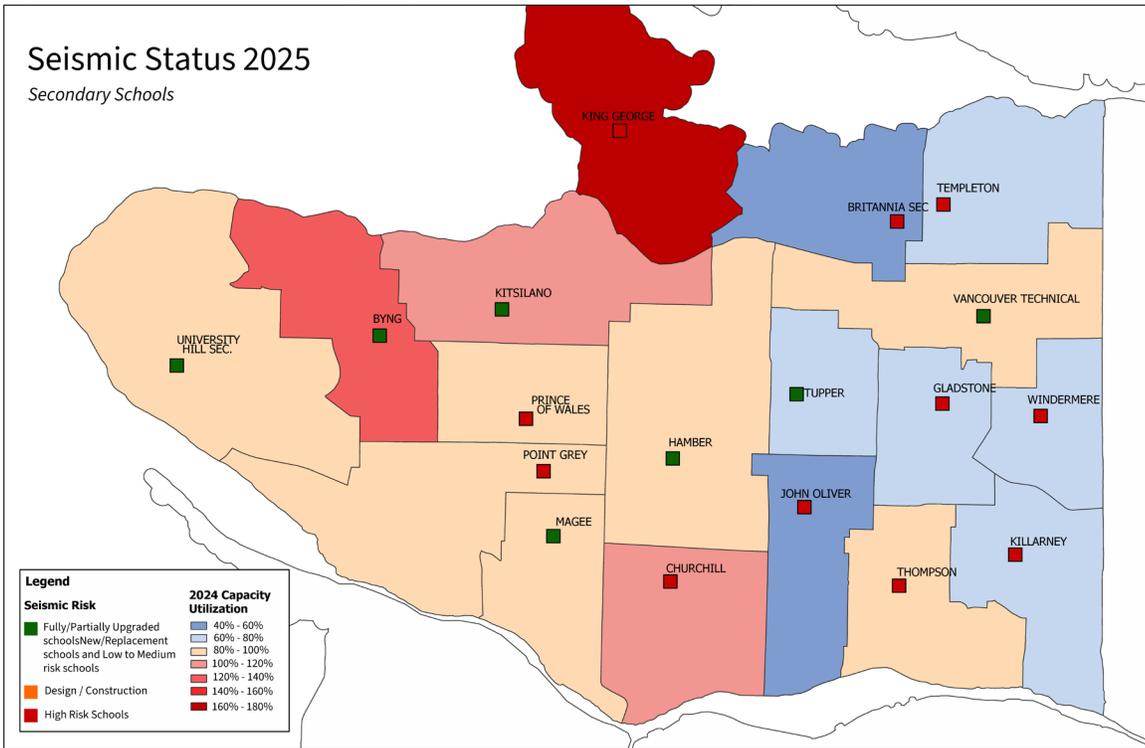
There are currently no secondary school projects in progress.

Figure 7 – SMP Status and Capacity Utilization at the Elementary Level



Note: The image does not show the following schools utilization rates as they have the District boundary as their catchment: Quesnel, Tennyson, L'Ecole Bilingue, Tyee, and xpey.

Figure 8 – SMP Status and Capacity Utilization at the Secondary Level



METHODOLOGY FOR PRIORITIZING SMP & EXP PROJECTS

An analysis was completed in 2020 to review SMP/EXP project priorities. A pairwise decision-making tool was used to establish parameters considered relevant to project prioritization. Each parameter was matched and compared to determine which of the two is considered more critical to the project prioritization. From this series of comparisons, parameters were given a percentage of the total weight. Then, each SMP project was scored for each parameter based on a rubric for each, and the scores per parameter were weighted by the pairwise results. The projects were ordered by score to give a sense of priority. The parameters used at that time were:

- High Seismic Risk Factor (% of the buildings gross floor area that is H1 or H2 X school enrolment)
- High youth population in the catchment
- Large site size and operating capacity offers flexibility for future programming
- High-capacity utilization
- Low surplus seismically safe seats in surrounding schools
- Potential for limited scope of project
- Available temporary accommodation options

A final lens is applied to the initial ranking list to consider factors like strategic priorities, expansion areas, possibilities for school replacement, and reconciliation considerations. The plan priorities developed in 2020 have not been re-assessed – primarily because the seismic mitigation program has not advanced substantively since that submission.

The recently completed enrolment projections review confirms that altering the above process is not necessary at this time. Considering the above parameters, there are some changes recommended in capital planning priorities related to:

- The approval of the new Olympic Village elementary school
- The timing of City of Vancouver plans for False Creek South
- A larger than anticipated secondary school expansion at King George Secondary
- High growth and capacity utilization at UBC/UEL
- The critical importance of aligning the sequence of BC Hydro substation construction with the Lord Roberts Annex replacement school
- The Court decision made on May 23, 2025 by the British Columbia Supreme Court in the *Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique v British Columbia and Vancouver School Board*, 2025 BCSC 962 which requires that the VSB enter into discussions and negotiations with the Conseil Scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique (CSF) regarding sites in Vancouver, Northeast and Vancouver, between Main and Granville.

These changes are explained in further detail under Project Requests – EXP.

PROJECT REQUESTS – SMP

The parameters identified have been applied to the high-risk schools to prioritize the funding requests for the draft 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Plan Submission. District staff consider the approach to secondary school priorities and elementary school priorities as two distinct processes. However, there are interconnections between the two school levels, and the projects are ultimately submitted in a single list of project priorities.

YEAR ONE PRIORITIES

Figure 9 – Year 1 Priority SMP Project Requests

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Seismic Risk (2015 MECC)
1	King George Secondary*	375	SMP	H1
1	Mackenzie Elementary	635	SMP	H1
1	Killarney Secondary	2,200	SMP	H1
1	Renfrew Elementary	760	SMP	H1
1	Thompson Secondary	1,550	SMP	H1

*This SMP project can only be done in conjunction with the King George EXP project.

King George Secondary is the smallest secondary school in the District with a nominal capacity of 375. The main classroom block of the school is identified as H1 high seismic risk. The school enrolls 645 students and is operating at 172% capacity utilization (2024-25). It is important to consider the King George SMP project in conjunction with a concurrent proposed EXP project to add an estimated 625-1,125 nominal capacity to the school. Enrolment forecasts indicate that King George is unable to accommodate all catchment enrolment demand. The ability to accommodate future secondary students coming from new elementary schools at Coal Harbour and Lord Roberts Annex (replacement), as well as existing schools at Elsie Roy and Roberts Elementary is of high importance in the analysis of concurrent SMP and EXP project requests.

Mackenzie Elementary is a large, centrally located school that currently enrolls 411 students (2024-25). It has sufficient capacity to offer diverse programming options or receive students from surrounding schools that are not seismically safe. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Mackenzie. Mackenzie is a site that would be a suitable location for District Programs as it is in a main transit corridor accessible from various parts of the District.

Renfrew Elementary is a large school on the east side of the District that currently enrolls 462 students (2024-25). Renfrew's enrolment is forecast to remain stable. It has sufficient capacity to offer diverse programming options or receive students from surrounding schools that are not seismically safe. Based on its operating capacity of 619, Renfrew has about 160 seats of additional capacity available. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Renfrew.

A detailed feasibility study was initiated for both the **David Thompson Secondary** and **Killarney Secondary** SMP projects. In the 2022-23 Capital Plan response letter, the District was advised that the Thompson and Killarney projects were deferred and that these projects are not supported projects in the Ministry Capital Program. There is no seismically safe secondary school capacity in the Southeast region of the District. Seismic projects for David Thompson and Killarney remain top planning priorities and these schools remain prioritized in Year 1 of the Capital Plan.

There is a long-term need for a secondary school at David Thompson. In 2024-25 Thompson enrolled 1420 students. In the previous feasibility plan process, there was a possibility of a land exchange between the Vancouver Park Board (VPB) and the VSB to facilitate the construction of a new replacement school for David Thompson Secondary. The District engaged the VPB in an agreement for a land exchange involving Gordon Park that is located next to the school. The VSB and the VPB have conditionally approved this land exchange to facilitate the seismic mitigation at David Thompson school. Final approval of a land exchange would be subject to the Ministry funding a full replacement school.

There is a long-term need for a seismically safe secondary school at Killarney to continue to serve the southeast area of the district. In 2024-25, Killarney enrolled 1608 students. The track and field facility on adjacent Vancouver Park Board property is receiving a substantial upgrade in 2025-2026, which will improve the outdoor facilities available to students.

YEAR TWO PRIORITIES

Figure 10 – Year 2 Priority SMP Project Requests

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Seismic Risk (2025 MECC)
2	Carr Elementary*	290	SMP	H1
2	Churchill Secondary	2,000	SMP	H1
2	Waverley Elementary	510	SMP	H1
2	John Oliver Secondary	1,700	SMP	H1
2	Nightingale Elementary	390	SMP	H1

*This SMP project should be considered in conjunction with the Carr Elementary EXP project.

Carr Elementary is a medium sized centrally located school in the North Cambie corridor. Carr currently enrolls 335 students and is forecast to remain full for the foreseeable future. The North Cambie corridor faces ongoing enrolment pressure and Carr was designated as a full school for the 2021- 2022 school year. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Carr.

Churchill Secondary is a large school operating at 102% capacity utilization (2024-25). It offers, among its programs, French Immersion, IB, and Ideal Mini. The high number of students enrolled at Churchill is a key component of this project being prioritized as a Year 2 project. Additionally, two major development projects, Pearson Dogwood and Langara Gardens, are planned to build a combined 5,320 residential dwellings in the Churchill catchment along with numerous townhome projects nearby. There is a clear long-term need for secondary school capacity at Churchill.

Waverley Elementary is a large school in the southeastern area of the District. Waverley currently enrolls 375 students (2024-25). Waverley’s enrolment is forecast to decline. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Waverley. Most the schools surrounding Waverley have been seismically upgraded or replaced and there are limited feasible opportunities to increase the number of safe seats in the area to accommodate Waverley students.

John Oliver Secondary is a school in the southeast area of the district with five H1 blocks, two H2 blocks and two H3 blocks. In 2024-25 John Oliver enrolled 944 students and includes special education programming, the JO Digital Immersion mini school program, and the Take-A-Hike alternative program.

Nightingale Elementary is a centrally located mid-sized school which serves as an overflow school for Fraser Elementary. Fraser is in an area with increasing enrolment due to residential redevelopment. Nightingale currently enrolls 288 students (2024-25), and enrolment is forecast to increase due to the influx of students from the Fraser catchment. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Nightingale and overflow students from Fraser.

YEAR THREE PRIORITIES

Figure 11 – Year 3 Priority SMP Project Requests

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Seismic Risk (2025 MECC)
3	Franklin Elementary	295	SMP	H1
3	Osler Elementary	315	SMP	H1
3	Mount Pleasant Elementary	315	SMP	H3

Franklin Elementary serves a catchment that is geographically unique or isolated with the Burrard Inlet to the North, Burnaby to the east, and the Cassiar connector to the west. Franklin currently enrolls 228 students (2024-25). Enrolment at Franklin is forecast to increase slowly and there is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Franklin.

Osler Elementary is a medium sized school that currently enrolls 275 students (2024-25). Osler is adjacent to schools to the east that are currently experiencing enrolment pressure. Osler currently serves as an overflow school for neighbouring schools and will continue to do so in the future. Substantial residential development is ongoing within the adjacent Jamieson catchment. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Osler.

Mount Pleasant Elementary is a medium sized school that currently enrolls 242 students (2024-25). Mount Pleasant continues to serve as an overflow school for False Creek. To accommodate overflow students from neighboring schools, Mount Pleasant has undergone renovations to create additional classrooms. There is insufficient seismically safe capacity in surrounding schools to accommodate students from Mount Pleasant.

YEAR FOUR AND YEAR FIVE PRIORITIES

Projects listed in years four and five of the Capital Plan Submission are ‘notional’. Capital requests in years one to three are most extensively studied by the Ministry and are typically the topic of planning discussions between the Ministry and school districts. The projects identified for year 4 and 5 are shown in Figure 13.

In the 2022-23 Capital Plan response letter, the District was advised that the **False Creek Elementary** project has been deferred and that this project is not a supported project in the Ministry Capital Program. False Creek is now prioritized in Year 4 of the draft capital plan as a result of increased capacity being funded with the new elementary school at Olympic Village. A Project Definition Report (PDR) had been developed for the False Creek project.

Figure 12 – Year 4 and Year 5 Priority SMP Project Requests

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Seismic Risk (2025 MECC)
4	Windermere Secondary	1,500	SMP	H1
4	Champlain Heights Elementary	495	SMP	H3
4	Beaconsfield Elementary	315	SMP	H1
4	False Creek Elementary	290	SMP	H1
4	MacCorkindale Elementary	490	SMP	H2
5	Templeton Secondary	1,400	SMP	H1
5	Grandview Elementary	220	SMP	H1
5	Southlands Elementary	340	SMP	H1
5	Seymour Elementary	420*	SMP	H1

* Note includes strong Start and classrooms B-217 and B-218.

PROJECT REQUESTS – EXP

The school expansion program (EXP) includes new schools, site acquisitions, and additions to existing schools required to accommodate sustained demand for additional student enrolment. The school addition requests identified for consideration by the Ministry are intended to address sustained enrolment pressure in the Kitsilano, Downtown and Central regions of the District. There are fiscal economies that could be realized if expansion requests were approved in alignment with SMP project approvals. Priorities are sequenced by the identified year in each table.

Figure 13 – Expansion Requests (EXP – Addition)

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Description
1	King George Secondary	1,000-1500	EXP	Addition of 625-1,125 capacity to be done in conjunction with SMP project.
2	Carr Elementary	510 (60K/450E)	EXP	Add 20K/200E nominal capacity in conjunction with SMP project.
4	False Creek	410 60K/350E	EXP	Add 20K/100E. Addition to align with SMP project

Figure 14 – Expansion Requests (EXP – New Schools)

CP Year	School Name	Nominal Capacity	Capital Program	Description
1	New Elementary School at Roberts Annex Site	510 (60K/450E)	EXP	Replace Roberts Annex with full-sized K-7 school
1	A.R. Lord	365 (40K/325)	EXP	Jointly redevelop A.R. Lord school site with the CSF
3	New Elementary School at UBC South Campus	410 (60K/350E)	EXP	Build a new elementary school
5	New Elementary School at Jericho Lands	510 (60K/450E)	EXP	Build a new elementary school
5	New Elementary School at River District	TBD	EXP	Build a new elementary school

The recently completed enrolment projections review (item 3.3) confirms that the overarching prioritization process remains applicable. However, using the prioritization process, the following notable changes in capital planning priorities are recommended:

The five-year capital plan priorities have been further updated to reflect the decision rendered by the courts on May 23, 2025 in the matter of Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique v. His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of British Columbia, The Minister of Education and Child Care of the Province of British Columbia, the Minister of Infrastructure of the Province of British Columbia, and the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver). Specifically, the VSB has now included A.R. Lord as a priority expansion project and once a decision is made with respect to Laurier Annex, the VSB will have to consider adding Laurier Elementary as priority expansion project.

Downtown Peninsula – King George Secondary and Lord Roberts Annex Replacements

King George

VSB's Long Range Facilities Plan indicates an expanded replacement of King George Secondary School (KGSS), along with a new expanded Lord Roberts Annex warrants a top priority projects ranking to address existing and long-term enrolment pressures in the downtown peninsula. KGSS is the only public secondary school serving the downtown peninsula. The City of Vancouver's West End Community Plan, developed in 2013, is generating significant growth, and added school spaces to accommodate a growing population is necessary. Rapid residential densification is one of the core strategies of the City's West End Community Plan over the next 30 years.

The KGSS has a capacity for only 375 students, but it is presently operating with 648 Students at 173% capacity. It is expected to grow to 192%. Presently, multiple programs inside the school share the same tight spaces.

A recent population and enrolment analysis (see Item 3.2) indicates that in the 2043 to 2053 time period, a secondary school replacement for King George may need to accommodate 1,500 capacity to meet anticipated school age demand. This will be reflected in the estimated total project cost column for the King George EXP in Appendix A.

The KGSS expansion is also critical in the context of the new School of Choice provision in the *School Act* that enables inherent rights holders to decide which school First Nations students who live on reserve, self-governing or Treaty Lands will attend. The Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) indicated that King George Secondary School would likely be the School of Choice for the secondary school aged population residing at Seḥákw.

As a way of effectively using limited resources, it is important to consider the seismic mitigation project requested at King George Secondary in conjunction with an expansion of that school, as a single project with funding requested through two capital programs. There is substantial coordination required between VSB, City of Vancouver, Vancouver Park Board, and Vancouver Public Library to realize a joint vision for this site overall which has been initiated through the [W.E. Connect: West End Community Hub Renewal Plan](#) process. However, the concepts considered enable a phased approach and school redevelopment is not reliant on City of Vancouver funding.

Lord Roberts Annex

In 2018, the VBE entered into an agreement with BC Hydro to sell the underground rights of the property at 1150 Nelson Street, to enable the construction of an underground transfer station. The public asset delivery commitment included the replacement of the aging Lord Roberts Annex with a new expanded elementary school, as well as a new elementary school at Coal Harbour.

Following the completion of Coal Harbour Elementary, the students from Roberts Annex will vacate that school and the building will be demolished to allow for the construction of a new BC Hydro underground substation. In conjunction with this construction, work will be done to develop the site to accommodate a new VSB K-7 elementary school. VSB staff are working with BC Hydro to align these respective projects to create an effective combination of public infrastructure. These projects must be coordinated as an integrated overlapping construction project.

A new Lord Roberts Annex replacement school will be crucial to provide additional enrolment space matching the anticipated growth of the downtown area and capital funding approvals must coincide with BC Hydro's timing for construction of a new underground transfer station. Therefore, this project has been placed as a Year 1 priority.

A. R. Lord Elementary

The current A.R. Lord site is 2.3 hectares (5.68 acres) in size. A new elementary school on the A.R. Lord school site is prioritized as an expansion project to allow for the joint redevelopment of this school site with the CSF.

The Conseil projects the need to build an elementary school in Vancouver (Northeast) capable of accommodating at least 410 students. A new school for the Conseil could be located on a portion of the site with the remainder of the site facilitating a replacement VSB elementary school. The site plan and replacement buildings would need to consider efficient use of space and the possibility of multi-storey buildings to make the most effective use of this school site.

Sir Wilfred Laurier Elementary

As a result of the increased densification of the Cambie Corridor and the impact of the decision of *Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique v British Columbia*, 2025 BCSC 962, the VBE will likely need an increase of future enrolling space to accommodate enrolment needs in that area. This work should be undertaken in the 2027/28 submission.

False Creek South and False Creek Elementary

With the forthcoming addition of new safe capacity at Olympic Village, along with evolving planning initiatives in False Creek South Neighbourhood, it is recommended that the relative priority of the replacement and expansion of the False Creek Elementary School be moved from Year 3 to Year 4 in the Capital Plan.

The final scope of the False Creek elementary school seismic replacement and expansion will evolve as part of both the Broadway Plan implementation as well as the City's future plans for the False Creek Neighbourhood that spans the area from Burrard Bridge to the Cambie Bridge. The City of Vancouver has adopted a vision and principles for the area as a result of an extensive ten-month consultation process with residents, surrounding communities, and the broader public. Long-term comprehensive planning for False Creek South will occur at an appropriate time, when greater clarity is reached on lease negotiations for City land in the community. Upon completion of the City's planning program, the False Creek Elementary School project scope and timing will be further evaluated.

Other New School and Expansion Requests

Carr Elementary currently enrolls 335 students (2024-25) and is forecast to remain full for the foreseeable future. The North Cambie corridor faces ongoing enrolment pressure. The project priority for remains the unchanged.

There is a long-term need for additional elementary capacity in the UBC area as the community develops further residential areas of the campus. Existing schools in the UBC area have a high-capacity utilization. The UBC Campus Vision 2050, published in June 2024, is an ambitious, long-range plan for how UBC's Vancouver campus will change and grow to support the needs of the university, its students, residents, staff, and Musqueam. In alignment with the UBC Housing Action Plan, at least 40 per cent of all new neighbourhood housing will be rental and at least 25 per cent of all new housing will be discounted rental for faculty and staff. New residential developments are planned for the Stadium Neighbourhood, Wesbrook Place South, Acadia, and Hawthorne Place.

The possible placement of students at other schools and catchment boundary changes are two enrolment management strategies which are typically considered. However, Pacific Spirit Park somewhat separates the schools in the UBC area from other VSB schools resulting in a unique challenge to consider in the enrolment management process. Elementary schools at University Hill Elementary and Norma Rose Point do not have district choice programs. The ranking for new elementary school at UBC South Campus is moved from 4th to 3rd priority as a result.

There are plans being developed for a long-term redevelopment of the Jericho Lands. Staff continue to work with the City of Vancouver to understand the future educational needs of this community. At this time, it is anticipated that a VSB elementary school would be a practical community asset for the large scale of development planned. A new school request at Jericho in Year 5 remains the same.

A site has been set aside for an elementary school at the River District neighbourhood in southeast Vancouver. Currently, students are primarily in-catchment students at Champlain Heights Elementary. A new school request at the River District in Year 5 remains the same.

NEXT STEPS

The Education and Child Care Capital Branch of the Ministry of Infrastructure (“the Ministry”) will inform school districts of supported project(s) through the Capital Plan Response Letter in Spring 2026.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Facilities Planning Committee recommends:

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) approve the 2026-2027 Five-Year Major Capital Plan.

Attachment: Appendix A: Draft 2026/2027 Five-Year Major Capital Plan

DRAFT 2026-2027 FIVE-YEAR MAJOR CAPITAL PLAN

EXPANSION – ADDITION				
SD Category Rank	Facility/Site	Project Type	Project Description	Total Project Cost (Estimated)
1	King George Secondary	Addition	Expand nominal capacity from 375 to 1,500	\$99,750,785
2	Emily Carr Elementary	Addition	1 kindergarten and 8 elementary classrooms addition (40K/250E to 60K/450E)	\$14,915,117
3	False Creek Elementary	Addition	1 kindergarten & 5 elementary classroom addition (40K/250E to 60K/350E)	\$13,050,118
			Submission Category Total:	\$127,716,020
EXPANSION – NEW SCHOOL				
SD Category Rank	Facility/Site	Project Type	Project Description	Total Project Cost (Estimated)
1	New Elementary at Roberts Annex Site	New (School)	New Elementary at Roberts Annex Site (60K/450E)	\$194,164,993
2	A.R. Lord	New (School)	Joint redevelopment of school site with CSF	\$40,901,766
3	New Elementary at UBC South Campus	New (School)	New Elementary at UBC South Campus (60K/350E)	\$40,797,280
4	New Elementary School at Jericho Lands	New (School)	New Elementary School at Jericho Lands (60K/450E)	\$45,738,084
5	New Elementary School at River District	New (School)	New Elementary School at River District in Southeast Vancouver (60K/450E)	\$45,738,084
			Submission Category Total:	\$367,340,207
SEISMIC MITIGATION				
SD Category Rank	Facility/Site	Project Type	Project Description	Total Project Cost (Estimated)
1	King George Secondary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement to be done concurrently with expansion project	\$67,214,576
2	Sir Alexander Mackenzie Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$49,599,313
3	Killarney Secondary	Upgrade	Seismic upgrade	\$164,640,000
4	Renfrew Community Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$51,838,315
5	David Thompson Secondary	Upgrade	Seismic upgrade	\$153,806,841
6	Emily Carr Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement to be done concurrently with expansion project	\$33,898,845
7	Sir Winston Churchill Secondary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$180,777,273
8	Waverley Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$43,035,291
9	John Oliver Secondary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$167,203,776
10	Florence Nightingale Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$37,886,380

SEISMIC MITIGATION				
SD Category Rank	Facility/Site	Project Type	Project Description	Total Project Cost (Estimated)
11	Sir John Franklin Community	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$32,830,227
12	Sir William Osler Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$33,898,845
13	Mount Pleasant Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$33,898,845
14	Windermere Community Secondary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$152,760,632
15	Champlain Heights Community Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$43,179,609
16	Lord Beaconsfield Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$33,898,845
17	False Creek Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement to be done concurrently with expansion project	\$55,838,996
18	Dr H N Maccorkindale Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$43,179,609
19	Templeton Secondary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$146,426,333
20	Grandview Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$28,479,328
21	Southlands Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$35,835,412
22	Admiral Seymour Elementary	Full Replacement (Seismic)	Seismic replacement unless otherwise determined in project definition phase	\$37,934,486
			Submission Category Total:	\$1,628,061,777