

HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: November 15, 2021

Subject: First Reading – Committee Attendance Zone Recommendation for Elementary School #15

Administrator Responsible/Position:

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Action Needed

Information Only

Receive Input

B. Authority for This Action:

Local Policy

Law or Rule

NA

C. Goal or Need Addressed: Policy FC (Local) details the process for establishing a new attendance zone.

D. Summary:

Previous board action relating to this item – Empaneling the attendance zone committee

Future action anticipated – December vote on final attendance zone map.

Background information –

In May 2021, Hays CISD voters approved a bond measure that included the construction of the district's 15th elementary school. When it opens in August 2022, it will need an attendance zone. On August 23, 2021, the Hays CISD Board voted to empanel an Attendance Boundary Rezoning Committee comprised of seven citizens to advise and assist the Board in the process of creating an attendance zone for the new school. The committee met in October and held the first public forum on October 28, 2021, regarding a map the committee developed (known as Map Plan C). On November 2, 2021, the committee voted 11 out of 11 members in attendance to recommend Map Plan C for the Board's consideration, along with the caveats that: (1) affected students entering 5th grade be grandfathered an allowed to stay at their current schools should they choose to do so and (2) remaining affected students be given first priority for transfers to remain at their existing campuses if they do not wish to attend school at their new campus. The second public forum was held embedded in the Board meeting on November 15, 2021.

The committee developed Map C Plan to address member considerations that differentiate Map C from the policy-required starter maps presented by administration (Maps A & B). Map C succeeds by: • Limiting the number of students that have to be moved • Allowing additional space at Elementary #15 for potential growth faster than expected • Allowing Elementary #15 (as a new prototype school floor plan) to open with a smaller population to work out the best building movement and traffic patterns, and troubleshoot any other issues that may arise prior to it hosting a full student body • Arresting the projected population explosion at both Tom Green and Camino Real Elementary Schools.

E. Monitoring and Reporting Timeline:

Person responsible for evaluating this decision or action – Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer

In December, the Board will be asked to adopt an attendance zone for Elementary School #15.

The full process with supporting materials is enshrined on the hays CISD website at: www.hayscisid.net/rezone.