

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: July 8, 2003
TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**
FROM: Dr. J. Hairston, Superintendent
SUBJECT: **Increase in Contingency Authorization – Major Maintenance Renovation Project at Cromwell Valley Elementary Regional Magnet School**

ORIGINATOR: J. Robert Haines, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services

RESOURCE

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves an increase to the contingency allocation.

Increase Contingency Authorization - Major Maintenance Renovation Project at Cromwell Valley Elementary Regional Magnet School.

**Recommendation for Increase Contingency Authorization
Major Maintenance Renovation Project at
Cromwell Valley Elementary Regional Magnet School
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On January 29, 2002, the Board of Education approved an award of contract with Phillips Way, Inc. to perform the Major Maintenance Renovation Project at Cromwell Valley Elementary Regional Magnet School. Subsequently, the Board approved increases to this project for the replacement of the automatic temperature control valves in the building, as well as a total replacement of the fresh air intake ductwork system. During the course of construction, numerous unforeseen mechanical and electrical problems were identified and corrected using the available contingency allocation. Unfortunately, as the contractor progressed to the exterior ductwork construction, unsuitable soils bearing material have been identified that need to be removed and replaced. At the same time, heavy rains this spring have exacerbated the existing problems with the storm water drain line. In addition, a few minor unforeseen issues were identified due to the preparation of the project's final interior punch-list. The original contingency established for this project was \$76,600.00. At this time, the Department of Physical Facilities requests approval to increase this contingency by \$27,172.00 to cover the costs associated with the removal and replacement of unsuitable soil, repairs to the storm water line, and minor unforeseen conditions. The final contingency for the project, provided this requested increase is approved, will equal \$103,772.00 or approximately 6.8% of the total contract award of \$1,532,000.00.

Funding for this increase contingency allocation is available through Capital Budget Project #665 – Major Maintenance.

APPROVED:


Donald F. Krempe, Ph.D.
Executive Director