



MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE



Anchorage School District

Educating All Students for Success in Life

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is entered into this 30th day of April, 2009, between the Anchorage School District (“ASD”) and the Municipality of Anchorage (“MOA”) regarding the renovation and renewal of West High and Romig Middle Schools.

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize and agree that the renovation and renewal of West High and Romig Middle Schools as 21st Century centers of learning is of paramount importance to the surrounding neighborhoods and the community at-large; and

WHEREAS, the MOA and ASD desire that renovation and renewal of the schools be geared to meet ASD educational specifications, and focus on graduating students academically prepared and job ready; and

WHEREAS, the MOA and ASD agree that the existing 44.23 acre site is well-below ASD guidelines that mandate 50 acres for high schools and 30 acres for middle schools, offering many challenges from a redevelopment perspective; and


WHEREAS, the MOA and ASD are committed to working collaboratively in seeking innovative solutions that address site constraints as part of the renovation and renewal process, including potential public/private partnerships which enhance or complement ASD’s Education Plan; therefore

The MOA and ASD agree to work in a coordinated effort during the scoping of the renovation and renewal of West High School and Romig Middle School, and agree as part of the process, to:

1. Explore the concept of the West/Romig Campus as a “center of community.”
2. Ensure that improving the educational environment for West/Romig students is a priority.
3. Scope improved community access to, and use of, the West/Romig campus.
4. Explore options for optimal use, management and operations of facilities (including sports facilities) and adjacent public and private lands.
5. Ensure a process that facilitates public involvement.

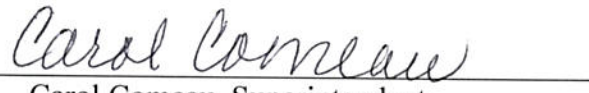
The effective date of the MOU shall be from the date of final signature.

Municipality of Anchorage

By 
Matt Claman, Acting Mayor

Date 30 APRIL 2009

Anchorage School District

By 
Carol Comeau, Superintendent

Date 4/30/09