

AGENDA

MURFREESBORO CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING--
INFORMATION SESSION
Tuesday, October 15, 2013
4:00 p.m.—City Hall, Room 218

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY BOARD CHAIR
- II. DISCUSSION OF ZONING
- III. ADJOURNMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

*To assure academic and personal success
for each child.*

MURFREESBORO CITY SCHOOLS 2014-2015 REZONING PROCESS AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

WHY WE ARE REZONING THE SCHOOL ZONES

Murfreesboro City Schools will be opening up its newest school, Overall Creek in August of 2014. This school will relieve the overcrowding of students at Scales Elementary School and provide for the growth to the west side of Murfreesboro. In addition to rezoning the west side of Murfreesboro, a major rezoning effort will be necessary for the growth in the district on the north and east side of the city which has put additional pressure on the capacity at John Pittard, Hobgood and Black Fox. Basically, the district will be going through the process to rezone multiple areas of the city at the same time.

THE GOAL

The goal in the rezoning process is to have the final rezoning plan approved no later than late fall of 2013. The target date for approval of the plan is at the November 19, 2013, Special Called Board Meeting.

THE PROCESS

The Board will be presented with the first draft of rezoning plan at the October 15, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting. The plan will include: maps, anticipated enrollments, recommended grandfathering and sibling considerations. After the Board has had an opportunity to review the proposed plan, area meetings will be conducted to share the plan with the community.

A large copy of the proposed plan will be sent to each school to be appropriately displayed. Three area meetings will be scheduled throughout the district to share the proposed rezoning plan with the community through a presentation specific to the area where the meetings are held. At those meetings, interested community members will be able to see the proposed plans and submit in writing questions about the plans and provide input to the Board members in attendance before the Board has to make a final decision. Comments can also be made thru the district's website at www.cityschools.net by clicking on the "AskMCS" icon at the bottom of the Home page. Board members will also be provided with the written input from the community prior to the Board's vote.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Once the Board finalizes the new rezoning plan and any other zone considerations such as grandfathering and sibling clauses, a copy of the approved plan will be distributed to each school for display. The new zones will also be posted on the district's website and each individual school's website. Maps will also be distributed to the media for their use.

A new street index will be developed to reflect the board's action indicating where each child will be zoned to attend school for the 2014-2015 school year. The transportation department will then begin to develop bus routes to serve the new school zones for distribution to the community over the summer months.

PROPOSED REZONING CALENDAR

- 10/15/13 Presentation to the School Board on Proposed New Zoning Plan
- 10/18/13 Proposed new zoning maps sent to schools for public display
- 10/24/13- Community Information Meetings
11/11/13

SCHEDULED MEETING DATES AND TIMES

- 10/24 Scales Elementary (5:30 – 6:30 pm)**
- 10/28 John Pittard Elementary (5:30 – 6:30 pm)**
- 11/11 Bradley Academy (5:30 – 6:30 pm)**

- 11/14/13 Written Summary of Community Input Provided to the School Board
- 11/19/13 Special Called Board Meeting for Board vote on approving a New District Zoning Plan
- 1/13/14 New Zoning Plan Maps Distributed to Schools



COMMUNITY INPUT COMMENT SHEET

Based upon the information provided to you about the proposed rezoning plan, please state your comments in the space below. Be sure to include the information requested at the bottom of the form. If you prefer to email your comments, you can submit them through the district website at www.cityschools.net by clicking on the "AskMCS" icon at the bottom of the home page.

Comments:

Name	Address
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School Your Student(s) is/are now attending: _____

Grade(s): Pre-K K 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th
(Circle all grades that currently apply to your students if you have more than one in a school)

School Your Student(s) would be attending based on the proposal: _____

Thank you for your input. A summary of your comments will be provided to the School Board members for their review.