

Ashe County

Planning Department

Staff Report

3/25/2019

RE: Covered Walkway – WCC Expansion and AC High School

Summary:

The covered walkway between Ashe County High School and the new WCC building at the Ashe Campus had been removed from the project. With these conditions, the project will be added back to the WCC expansion:

- Any mention of the covered walkway would be removed from the lease between WCC and Ashe County Schools
- WCC will enter into an agreement with Ashe County for construction of the covered walkway at a point where it would fit into the overall construction plans, similar to how it is worded in the current draft lease between WCC and ACS
- WCC would commit \$50,000 towards construction of the covered walkway
- Funds remaining, if any, from the up to \$8M committed by Ashe County to the Ashe Campus project would go towards the covered walkway
- Ashe County would cover the costs of the covered walkway, less the \$50,000 and remaining funds from the up to \$8M committed. E.g., assuming the cost of the covered walkway is \$150,000, and if there were \$40,000 remaining from the county appropriation to the Ashe Campus, then the county would cover the remaining \$60,000--\$40,000 remaining + \$50,000 WCC commitment + 60,000 remainder from Ashe County = \$150,000

The covered walkway will address safety concerns the School Board and ACHS staff and faculty have with students traveling between buildings.

Attachments:

1. none



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