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Requested Changes to Fenwick High School Village of Oak Park Planned Development

The construction method of the exterior walls on the East, South, and West facades will be changed from granite veneer integrally precast into concrete to granite veneer with cast stone copings, surrounds, and quoining set against and into a concrete masonry unit (CMU) backup wall. The cast stone will be colored to match the limestone of the existing school buildings as closely as possible, and the granite remains the same.

The requested aesthetic changes to the approved Plan Development façade of the Fenwick High School Parking Garage would be minimal:

North Façade: The metal-bar barrier at the base of the elevation will be replaced by cast-in-place concrete, as the north half of the basement will be eliminated. This façade area is not directly visible from the street, instead facing the south wall of the existing gymnasium and natatorium.

East Façade: The previous openings at the base of the building will be removed and the new solid wall will be granite against CMU backup, identical to the rest of the granite conditions.

South Façade: The four openings at the base of the structure on the southeast corner will be removed, and replaced with a single point of egress from the new lowest part of the garage. Outside this new opening will be an area well and stair cast in concrete, leading up to grade. The walls of the area well will be painted. The opening itself will have a black metal gate, operable only from the inside. The area well will be capped with cast stone to match the rest of the quoining and coping, and the area well will have black metal guard and hand railings, matching the rest of the metal work (muntins in the window openings). The new solid wall areas (replacing the previous openings) will be granite against CMU backup, identical to the rest of the granite conditions.

West Façade: The pedestrian opening at the north side of the west façade will be moved to the northern-most part of the adjacent grouping of window-openings. This results in a small “transom” condition above the new pedestrian entrance. The previous opening will be a new solid wall with granite against CMU backup, identical to the rest of the granite conditions.