

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 11, 2021  
**TO:** Members of the School Board  
**VIA:** Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent  
**FROM:** Jeffrey Chambers, Director, Design and Construction

**CIP QUESTION:** Are we currently paying for leased parking at the Heights and will this project provide any savings in our annual budget?

**RESPONSE:** Parking is currently provided for 56 full time staff parked at no charge as part of the County Agreement at 1500 Wilson Blvd. The balance of parking for full-time staff, part-time staff and short-term visitors is provided in leased garages. On June 1, 2021, staff will be moving from current parking arrangements to having 90 staff spaces and 10 short term spaces in the “Highlands” adjacent to “The Heights” building as part of the County agreement. Leased spaces for the balance of full-time staff, part time staff and short-term visitors will have to continue to be leased.

Due to getting parking established and the disruption of COVID, we do not have good data on an annual cost. However, Option A in conjunction with the spaces in the Highlands should provide enough parking for all full-time staff and itinerate parking based on current numbers and allow spaces for parent pick-up and drop off throughout the school day. The Option A garage would also provide enough parking without the need for validation for most smaller evening/weekend events at the school. Validation would be required for events where more than 75 vehicles would need a parking space.