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Board approves budget increase for transportation construction project

LEXINGTON, S.C. — During its meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, the Lexington County School District One Board of Trustees accepted the administration’s recommendation to increase the budget for the construction of a new transportation facility by \$6.5 million. The district will use bond premium and interest earnings on the 2018 Bond Referendum sales to cover the additional scope of the transportation construction project.

On November 6, 2018, Lexington District One residents voted for and passed a \$365 million 5-year building plan that included \$3 million allocated for the construction of a new transportation facility to replace the existing Barr Road facility. The new facility, located off Two Notch Road and I-20, is centrally located to better serve the Lexington, River Bluff and White Knoll attendance areas.

Administrators explained that the increase of \$6.5 million would pay for needed propane and diesel fueling stations, maintenance bays to service the district-owned buses, covered wash bays, a training room, offices and enhancement of lot security.

Chief Operations Officer Jeff Salters also explained that the original study, conducted in 2017, included a smaller facility which no longer addresses the current and future needs of the growing transportation office.

Construction of the new transportation facility begins this fall with an expected completion date in spring of 2022.

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