



## Board of Trustees Special Called Meeting

**October 30, 2020 at 2:00 P.M.**

<https://zoom.us/j/91793307609?pwd=MExzOUZZWWpnekIQVWhxdkFrV3JzQT09>

Meeting ID: 917 9330 7609 **\*\*Items in blue to be changed\*\***

The Board of Trustees of the Harris County Department of Education will meet on **October 30, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.**

Texas Governor Greg Abbott temporarily suspended a number of open meetings laws in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, allowing government entities, including the HCDE Board of Trustees, to conduct meetings by telephone or videoconference. Notice is hereby given that the HCDE Board of Trustees intends to conduct this meeting via videoconference. As required by the temporary suspension, HCDE Board of Trustees:

- Has provided online written notice containing a free-of-charge videoconference link, as well as an electronic copy of any agenda packet, before conducting this meeting via videoconference; specifically, the public may use the following free-of-charge videoconference link:

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Password: w8dTAY

- Will provide the public with access and a means to participate in the meeting;<sup>1</sup> and
- Will provide the public with access to a recording of the meeting.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Come to order.
2. Consider selection of architects for the HCDE Capital Improvement Program Projects, based on demonstrated competence and qualifications, pursuant to RFQ #20/043IA, and authorize the Superintendent or his designee to negotiate, finalize, and execute contracts for the projects for fair and reasonable prices. The recommended architects for each project are: (1) ***cre8 Architects*** for the new Adult Education building and the Adult Ed Renovation project, the new Highpoint School East middle school campus, and the new Academic and Behavior School East campus project (Projects funded primarily from Series 2020 Lease Revenue Bonds) and (2) ***English + Associates, Inc.*** for the renovation of the Reagan (Irvington) Administration building project – funded through Series 2020 Maintenance Tax Notes.

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<sup>1</sup> In lieu of a public appearance at the Board Meeting, members of the public may submit written comments to the Board of Trustees via email prior to the beginning of the meeting addressed to [publiccomment@hcde-texas.org](mailto:publiccomment@hcde-texas.org), which will be provided to the Board. In your email, please state your name, address, topic, and comment and reference “Board.”

3. Consider approval for HCDE to conduct a one-day community education and outreach event at an HCDE Head Start Center in collaboration with the Texas Medical Center and its member institutions and delegate authority to the Superintendent or his designee to negotiate, finalize, and execute Memoranda of Understanding with entities as necessary for the event.

4. Adjournment

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Under the Texas Government Code, pursuant to all purposes permitted by Sections 551.001-551-084, including, but not limited to: 551.071.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James Colbert, Jr.", is positioned above the printed name.

James Colbert, Jr.  
County School Superintendent