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Letter of Intent, UDC & Land Use City Submittal

Proposed Sherman Middle School – Malcolm Shabazz High School
1601 N Sherman Ave, Madison WI 53704

Madison Metropolitan School District is proposing to construct a new combination Middle School – Small High School to replace the current school on the existing site located at 1601 N. Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704. The new school will be constructed on the unused portion of the site while the existing school is in use. Upon completion of the new construction the existing building will then be demolished with new parking and green space constructed on the site.

The School District is anticipating Common Council approval on September 16, 2025. It is the School District's objective to start site infrastructure construction and site development in early 2026, with building completion set for July 2027.

The proposed Sherman Middle School – Shabazz High School is a 150,000gsf two story structure, that will house sixth thru eighth grade for the middle school portion of the facility and ninth thru twelfth grade for the high school. Functionally, the new school will operate the same as the existing school, with typical staffing levels of 100 people. Since the school is important component of the community's school system, the site and building require special considerations for site access with safe and separate circulation for public entrances as well as separation between yellow bus and vehicle.

Enclosed for review please find the proposed site plan and architectural plans and elevations. Please contact Susan Bowersox with OPN Architects or Scott Chehak with Madison Metropolitan School District if additional information is needed prior to the upcoming review meeting.