

Staff Report
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Adequate Public Facilities for Schools

This ordinance proposes that school capacity become one of the public facilities that is tested at the time of Adequate Public Facility Review. The goal of the ordinance is to ensure that the capacity of the elementary, middle, and high schools can support additional students before an application for a residential subdivision of more than five dwelling units is approved. Non-residential, residential with no new dwelling units, institutions for the care of the aged, and age-restricted residential projects would be exempt from the requirements of this ordinance.

Testing would occur annually after July 1, when the *Educational Facilities Master Plan* is approved by the Board of Education. A utilization chart will be prepared by the Director of Planning and Zoning and forwarded to the City Council. Capacity will be based on 100% of state-rated capacity. A conditional review process will allow projects in restricted areas to continue through the review process with an approval contingent upon capacity becoming available or after a six-year waiting period.

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