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1. The adaptability of the building to continue to be used in its present purpose;
2. The suitability of the site of the building;
3. The costs of maintenance and upkeep of the building; and,
4. The historic value of the building to the community.
5. The possibility that the facility could continue to be used to support students and communities.

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If the School Board determines to close a facility, it will first consider other uses that the school division might make of the building prior to considering relinquishing possession of the building. For properties owned by the Board, changes in ownership will be in compliance with the City of Alexandria 9.06 Review Process

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, §§ 22.1-79, 22.1-129, 22.1-131, 22.1-135, 22.1-136.
City of Alexandria § 9.06

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The Board shall invite the viewpoints of community residents and staff members in making its decision to retire a school building by establishing an ad hoc committee under Policy BCE or by holding at least one community meeting before making its decision to retire a school building.

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Commented [4]: the city requires us to go through what is called a 9.06 Review for the change in ownership of public facilities - should that process be included here? The board does not have sole authority to buy or sell its property

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