



AUGUSTA HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

September 15, 2020

Dear Augusta Heights family,

After months of preparation and weeks of questions, feedback, and discussion, it is finally time to vote as a church.

As you know, in early August the Property Committee and Deacons presented a recommendation - based on a concept from AWH Architects - to sell a section of the property (including the sanctuary and gymnasium), and to retain and renovate the chapel and education wing.

The recommendation from the Property Committee and the Deacons is as follows:

- ***to sell the +/- 2.25 acres (as shown in Figure A) for an amount of no less than \$1.5 million***
- ***to continue developing plans for renovations to the remaining site and buildings***

Since the recommendation was presented, we have hosted two virtual town hall meetings on Zoom (with about 30 people attending), two drive-thru discussions (with about 20 people attending), and an outdoor town hall meeting (with about 35 people attending). Now, it is time for us to make a decision as a church how we proceed.



Figure A. Renovate chapel and education wing, adding a small expansion to front of chapel and an elevator on the side of the two-story education wing

Enclosed in this mailing are ballots for every church member in your household. Any person who has officially joined the church in any of the ways we accept new members is eligible to vote. If you have questions regarding who is eligible to cast a vote, or believe there is an error in the number of ballots you have received, please contact the church office as soon as possible.

- Return all of the completed ballots from your household to the church in the self-addressed, stamped envelope included in this mailing. All ballots must be received no later than October 2nd.
- In order to be considered official, the vote requires a quorum (51%) of eligible members to participate. The Deacons have also decided to require at least 75% of votes in favor of the recommendation for it to pass (not just the simple majority mandated in our bylaws).
- The results of the vote will be announced on Sunday, October 4th, during our first in-person Sunday worship service.

Through this recommendation, we hope to prepare the church to meet the ever-changing needs of our congregation and community for years and decades to come. And more importantly, we hope it will allow us to continue to be the church and the people God calls us to be.

With you in the work of Christ,

David Blondeau, Property Committee co-chair
Greg Dover, Pastor
Andrew Faust, Deacon chair (incoming)
Christine Powell Kellett, Associate Pastor
Josh Kendrick, Property Committee co-chair
Mandy Scott, Deacon chair (outgoing)