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Owner's Project Manager Approved for East Longmeadow High School Improvements

In a letter dated December 7, 2021, the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) approved the selection of Skanska USA Building, Inc. as the Owner's Project Manager (OPM) for the renovation and/or rebuilding of East Longmeadow High School. This approval also confirmed the key personnel included in the proposal that Skanska USA Building, Inc. submitted to the Town of East Longmeadow. The Town used the required qualifications-based selection process that complies with Massachusetts law.

Skanska USA Building, Inc., has vast experience in institutional projects, including municipal, K-12, and higher education construction. Locally, Skanska is the OPM for the Brightwood-Lincoln Elementary School (new construction), which was completed in August 2021. Throughout the selection process, the OPM Selection Subcommittee was impressed with the Skanska team. We know that the Skanska team will use its experience and expertise in MSBA processes, community processes, construction planning, cost estimating, scheduling, safety, quality assurance, and change management to minimize risk, keep costs under control, maintain the schedule, and ensure that the Town and its students receive the greatest possible value for the dollars invested in this project. ELPS is really looking forward to working with the Skanska team. On December 17, 2021, ELPS submitted a completed and signed contract with Skanska USA Building, Inc to the MSBA finalizing the process.

The MSBA partners with Massachusetts communities to support the design and construction of educationally appropriate, flexible, sustainable, and cost-effective public school facilities. Since its 2004 inception, the Authority has made over \$15.4 billion in reimbursements for school construction projects. Additional information on the MSBA can be found at <https://www.massschoolbuildings.org/>.