## NORTHERN LIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# Vera M. Welsh Elementary School

# **#I Capital Priority**

### **Urgent Considerations**

- Deteriorating condition as per facility condition reports:
  - Mould
  - Asbestos
  - Artesian well in boiler room
  - Water Damage
  - Roofing membrane is deteriorating and needs replacement
- Aging infrastructure
- Proximity to railroad (~100 feet)
- Trains hauling dangerous goods, like oil, distillates, and other toxic chemicals
- Low lying playground subject to melt waters
- Potentially dangerous interactions with homeless population





- Top 3 capital priority since school board amalgamation in 1995
- NLPS continues to request a replacement school for Vera M Welsh Elementary
- Poor investment of IMR funds to maintain existing facility (e.g. mould abatement at Vera M Welsh Elementary was estimated at \$194,000+GST in April 2021 and does not include restorative/rebuilding)
- Deferred maintenance costs of \$11.7 M based on an independent architectural assessment (2016)

#### **Solution Focused:**

Central School—already declared surplus to NLPS needs

Dr. Swift—upcoming motion to declare it surplus









