
BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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Item: Approval of Property Transfer Request

Submitted by: Kevin Philipps

Date: 06-08-2026

Recommended by: Kevin Philipps *KP*

Board Meeting Date: 06-15-2026

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Kent ISD Board approve the property transfer request from John Versluis for his vacant lot located at 14th Ave, Tallmadge Twp. to be transferred from the Grandville Public Schools to Coopersville Public Schools.

BACKGROUND:

Administration received a property transfer request from John Versluis, who lives at 1424 Leonard St. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49534, who also owns the contiguous parcel located at 14th Ave, Tallmadge Twp. Mr. Versluis would like to build a pole building on the 14th Ave, Tallmadge Twp parcel, however; per the township zoning requirements, the township will not allow him to build unless the properties are merged.

As you can see on the attached map, 14th Ave. is a contiguous parcel to the immediate south of 1424 Leonard St. NW, which is Mr. Versluis' principal residence. The 14th Ave., Tallmadge Twp. parcel is located in Grandville Public Schools where his principal residence is located in the Coopersville Public Schools. Functionally, the two parcels function as one for the purposes of the residential property. Mr. Versluis has requested the transfer of the 14th Ave. parcel be transferred from Grandville Public Schools to Coopersville Public Schools.

Administration has sought the input of Ottawa ISD, Grandville Public Schools and Coopersville Public School and both districts and Ottawa ISD agreed this transfer request makes sense and would recommend the Kent ISD Board of Education approve the request.

If the request is approved, the administration will work with both school districts, local municipalities, Michigan Secretary of State and Department of Treasury to complete the transfer.



KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
2930 Knapp Street NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49525

PROPERTY TRANSFER REQUEST

Name John Versluis Date 3/17/26

Address 1424 Leonard St NW

City Grand Rapids Zip 49534 Phone 616.250.4929

Are you the legal owner of the property? Yes

Property Tax Description Number (Found on Tax Receipt)

County	Township	Section	Block	Parcel
<u>Ottawa</u>	<u>Tallmadge</u>	<u>** Not Listed **</u>	<u>** Not Listed **</u>	<u>70-10-23-100-014</u>

Legal Description of Property (Found on Tax Receipt):

PART OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 COM 1099.08 FT E OF NW COR, TH E 265.95FT, TH S 02D53M21S E 123.33 FT ALG E LI OF SD NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4, TH W 272.09 FT, TH N 123.21 FT TO BEG. SEC 23 T7N R13W .76A

Requested transfer from: Grandville (School District)

To: Coopersville (School District)

Assessed Valuation for the last Two Years

20 ~~23~~ 25 - \$ 6,400 20 ~~24~~ 26 - \$ 6,600

Is this property contiguous (touching) the school district to which you are requesting transfer?

Yes

Signature of Property Owner: 

Signature of Co-Owners: n/a

If your request is approved, will you have school-aged children attending the new district? No

If yes, please list all children:

Name	Age	School Attending	Grade
<u>None</u>	<u></u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u></u>
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Please explain below the reasons for this property transfer request (please use back if necessary)

Cannot build a barn on my property without merging parcels due to township zoning laws. I cannot build it unless the primary parcel meets acreage requirements. The two parcels combined meet the requirement, i need to merge them. Nothing will be built on this smaller parcel, I just need the primary parcel total acreage increased.

Thank you for your consideration.

