Facilities Optimization Committee
Weston, CT
Special Meeting Agenda Minutes
April 6, 2021
2:00 PM
Via Zoom

#### **Attendance:**

<u>Committee Members:</u> Rick Bertasi, Gayle Weinstein, Denise Harvey, Ken Edgar, Tony Pesco, Hillary Koyner, Richard Wolf, Jonathan Luiz <u>Tecton Architects:</u> Jeff Wyszynski, Derek Bride, Justin Hopkins, Antonia Ciaverella

Chairman Bertasi called the meeting to order at 2:00PM

Tecton Architects presented the attached PowerPoint. The Committee asked questions related to the presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM



# FACILITIES OPTIMIZATION PLANNING SERVICES

WESTON, CT

04.06.2021

## **OUR TEAM**



#### **CORE TEAM & ON THE CALL**



JEFF WYSZYNSKI AIA

Principal-in-Charge



JUSTIN HOPKINS RA

Project Manager



ANTONIA CIAVERELLA EDAC, LEED AP BD+C, WELL AP, FITWEL

Sustainability & Wellness



DEREK BRIDE

MEP Engineer – CES



ERNEST NEPOMUCENO LEED AP

Senior Designer



ALISON FREDERICKS
ASSOCIATE AIA

Architectural Designer

FUSS & O'NEILL Civil Engineering, Landscape Architecture CES - CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES MEP Engineering, Fire Protection **SZEWCZAK ASSOCIATES**Structural Engineering

## A COLLABORATIVE TEAM





**50+** PEOPLE

90%
REPEAT CLIENTS



# MARKET DIVERSITY / LEVERAGING OUR EXPERIENCE TO ELEVATE DESIGN













Our collective team has:

COMPLETED

100+

K-12

**PROJECTS** 

# OUR FIRST MEETING WITH YOU















# WHERE DO YOU START?

Over 3 dozen documents, spanning 5 years of work, 500+ pages of information

Spend at least \$1-2 Millions on BOE Building Improvements per year Town departments
& BOE in 10
different buildings

Master Plan begins
to develop
cohesion of
commercial and
municipal/town

POCD sets the tone for long range planning mindset

COVID Impact, Demographics, and the future





# WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

- 1. Consider the reasons why past initiatives have stalled?
- 2. Engage both supporters & skeptics in the process
- 3. Make the process clear for developing your Master Plan
  - a. State the goals, need, and vision
  - b. Identify opportunities for participation
  - c. Be transparent with the developments of the options
  - d. Listen and adapt







Is it time to consider a different approach?





# Community conversations and understanding expectations

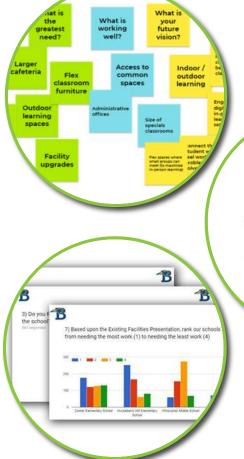




# HOW TO ENGAGE YOUR COMMUNITY

- Asking vs. telling them
- Get their attention
- Meet them where they are at
- Tours to illustrate conditions
- Make it easy to catch up or contribute
- Respond





#### FOCUS GROUP RESULTS BY QU

anges in current programs are expected or desired ov

- dedicated language lab space
- Birth-3 population unknown from year to year need more bring in more peer models
- Prek daycare for employees early childhood at (HS)
- Parent resource center
- More in-district SPED programs (currently at capacity) enrich the office space, etc. shared services

#### World language lab - HS - MS - ES (office s

- Maker spaces science labs MS ES STEM
- Common spaces for classroom clusters
- Professional Development space model classes
   HS STEM & Career spaces mastery learning
- ELL students increasing need for support space technology equipment issues, space for set up)
- Improved space design to accommodate needs
- Increased special needs population; behavioral issues
- support staff & materials
- More adults in classrooms working with stude

### **KEEP THE MESSAGE CLEAR & SIMPLE**

- State Goals/Vision
- Maintain Simple Navigation
  - Where to go to find info
  - Where you are in the process
  - How can you contribute
  - Next steps in the process



# Validate conditions & programming





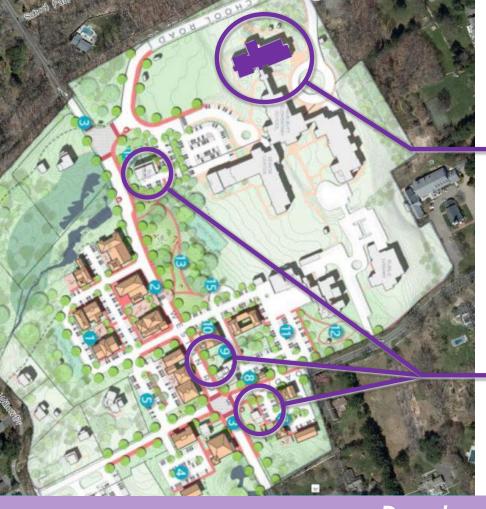
# EXISTING CONDITIONS & PROGRAMMING VALIDATION

- Validate & Update
- Graphically depicting clearly
- Summarizing the findings
- Help prioritize yearly improvements, cost benefit analysis



# Develop, analyze, and consider planning options





# DEVELOP, ANALYZE, AND CONSIDER PLANNING OPTIONS

 Consider "best fit" scenarios to Town Annex departments & BOE offices

Existing Annex ~ 15,000 gsf

Existing BOE Building ~ 8,000 gsf

North House Footprint ~ 16,000 gsf x two

Consider relocation of Park & Recreation, Onion Barn, and Bus Depot

# CAMPUS COMMUNITY / CLOSE/REPURPOSE HURLBUTT













Develop, analyze, and consider planning options



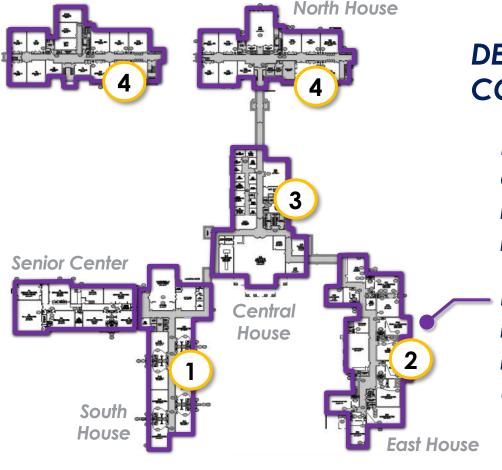


# DEVELOP, ANALYZE, AND CONSIDER PLANNING OPTIONS

Consider "best fit" scenarios to maintain PK & K in place

Contemplate long term
 planning impacts and consider
 relocation of parking to create
 pedestrian quads for
 "municipal campus"





# DEVELOP, ANALYZE, AND CONSIDER PLANNING OPTIONS

Review and analyze opportunities to isolate/separate building infrastructure

Hurlbutt School building infrastructure lends itself to isolating each house if multiple uses are contemplated

# OTHER CONSIDERATIONS... WHAT'S RIGHT FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?

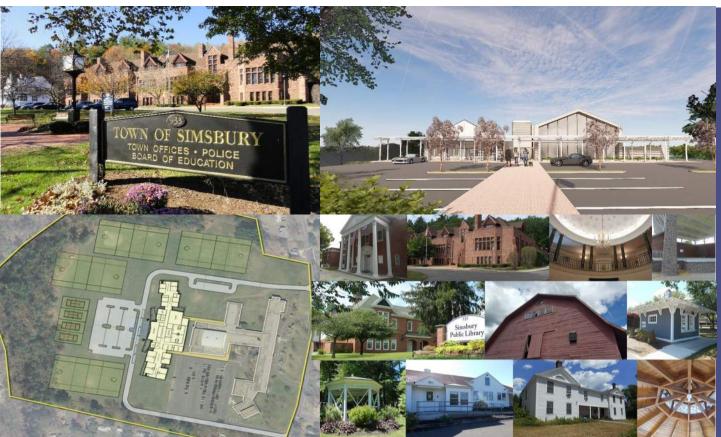


## Synergies in co-locating

- Benefit to community as one stop shop
- Ability to increase/enhance controlled access & security to offices
- Promotes the use of shared amenities;
  - Conference & Presentation space
  - Break areas & Work Centers
  - Public facing functions
- Encourages interaction and interdisciplinary approach to programs
- Could reduce overlap and in turn provide additional opportunities to enhance benefits to town.



## SIMILAR EXAMPLE...simsbury

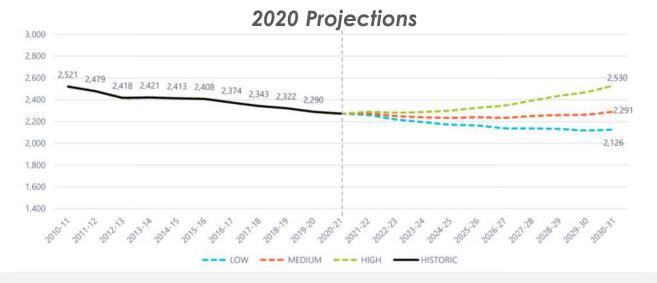


#### TOWN OF SIMSBURY:

- School Facilities Master Plan
- Elementary Renewal Plan
- Town-Wide Facilities Master Plan

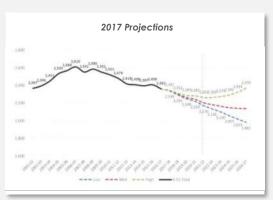
**59**Town Buildings

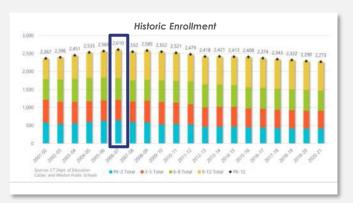




### **COVID IMPACT:**

- Look at historic enrollment and bubble years as indicator of max enrollment
- Build in flexibility







### Benchmarking ~ Maximum Allowable Area as per OSCG&R

	Existing SF	Option 1			Option 2			
School		Grade Config.	Enroll.	Max SF	Grade Config.	Enroll.	Max SF	
Hurlbutt	92,885	-	-	-	PK-4	807	121,050* (+30.3%)	
Intermediate	111,713	PK-4	807	<b>96,840</b> (-13.3%)	5-8	738	121,368 (+8.6%)	
Middle	172,863	5-8	738	121,368 (-29.8%)	-	-	-	
High	145,977	9-12	794	143,338 (-1.8%)	9-12	794	1 <b>43,338</b> (-1.8%)	

\*Additional space allowance due to age of building

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# UNDERSTANDING THE OPTIONS... WHAT'S RIGHT FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?

Options	Cost	Duration & Disruption	Operational & Energy Efficiencies	Impact on Town Buildings	Quality & Aesthetics	Parent, Bus, Site Safety	Fields & Site	21st Century Learning Space	Grade Config.
Option 1 (Repurpose Hurlbutt)									
Option 1A (Early Childhood @ Hurlbutt)									
Option 2 (Repurpose Middle School)									







### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS... WHAT'S RIGHT FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?



## Impact of Grade Reconfiguration

- 5-8 Structure often considers: social and emotional development, schools within a school and team teaching with shared core
- PK & K relocation requires:
  - more area per student (50% More ~ 1,200 vs. 800 sf)
  - age-appropriate play
  - Properly size core and support spaces
  - Different parent drop off
  - Synergies with community programs



# Refining and finalizing the master plan





# Refining the Preferred Option

- Refine and detail scope
- Define schedule (Short & Long)
- Implementation & Phasing Diagrams
- Fiscal Impact & Reimbursement



## UNDERSTANDING THE OPTIONS... WHAT WILL IT COST?





### UNDERSTANDING THE OPTIONS...coordination with oscg&r

Experience with all three PMs

Kermit, Bob, and Barbara.

Director Kosta Diamantis & Michele Dixon from Grants

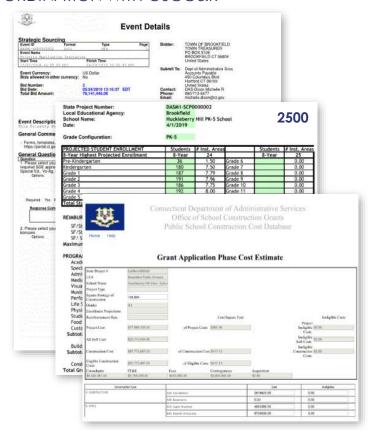
Several Active Projects

Milford, Simsbury, Ellington, LEARN, Sherman, Brookfield

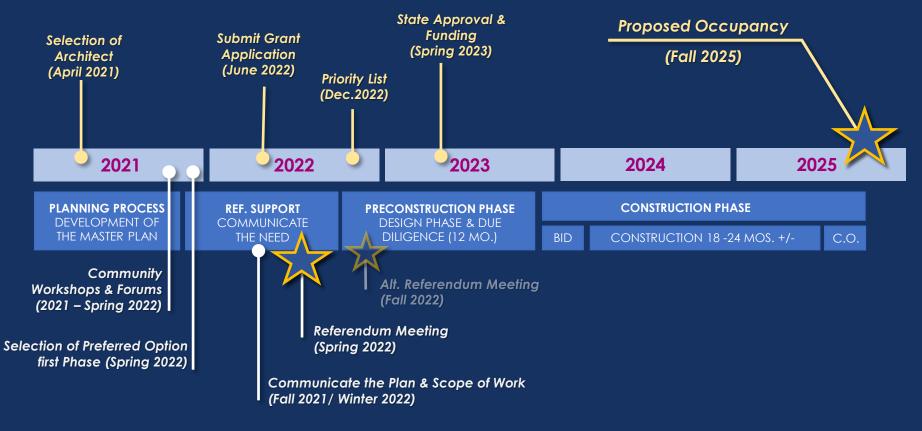
Experience with atypical projects

Colchester ~ Space Waiver & Renovate as new LEARN ~ specialty building & program Milford ~ Unique city schedule

REIMBURSEMENT RATE: 21.43% (General), 11.43% (New) for 2021



# KEEPING THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE







**SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL IMPACT** 



21st CENTURY EDUCATION



**BUILDING SYSTEMS** 

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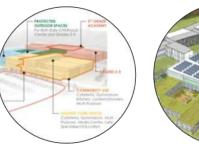
**CONCEPTUAL IMAGES** 

DOM:	BOILER REPLACEMENT IN 2 YES
\$25,000 \$22,000	STATION ONLY THE PLACEMENT
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\$19,000 \$19,000	

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCIES

	10/1/2020 Actual	2021-22 Projection	Dir
K-6	2018	2081	+6.
7-8	633	633	0
9-12	1309	1306	- 0
Total	3960	4020	+61
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**DEMOGRAPHICS** 



**CONCEPTUAL DIAGRAMS** 



RESILIENCY/SUSTAINABILITY



COST IMPACT & REIMBURSEMENT

# Being responsible and comprehensive

- What are the benefits?
- What could it look like?
- What will it cost?
- What is the process?
- When will it start and finish?



# Seeing past what is in front of you



# TRANSFORMING SPACE / REPURPOSING HURLBUTT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL













# TRANSFORMING SPACE / REFRESHING THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

















# Q&A

SCOPE OF WORK

EXISTING CONDITIONS
ASSESSMENT

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY LEARNING COMMUNITY

BENCHMARKING

CASE STUDIES/ EXPERIENCE

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

**THANK YOU!**