Meeting Minutes FHSBC Neighborhood Communications Subcommittee Neighborhood Engagement Meeting April 30, 2020 Online Zoom Webinar 6:30 PM

Attendees:

Meg Guerrera Sharon Mazzochi Kathy Greider Matt Ross Devon Aldave Mark Garilli Michael Scott Ryszard Szczypek

A. Welcome

Meg Guerrera welcomed the attendees to the meeting at 6:33 P.M.

- B. Meeting Goals- Meg Guerrera, FHS Building Committee Chair Meg Guerrera reviewed the meeting goals which included providing a high-level overview of the approved conceptual option, reviewing concerns from abutting neighbors, and discussing next steps.
- C. FHSBC Process and Timeline Update- Meg Guerrera, FHS Building Committee Chair

Meg Guerrera reviewed the FHSBC Process and provided a Timeline Update.

- **D. FHSBC Abutting Neighborhood Liaison- Sharon Mazzochi**Sharon Mazzochi introduced herself to the members of the public. She encouraged the neighbors to ask any questions they might have.
- E. Presentation by TSKP Studio, Project Architects
 Ryszard Szczypek and Michael Scott gave a presentation which is recorded with these minutes as Attachment A.

F. Question & Answer Session with Neighbors

Kate Ryan, 39 Knollwood Road, asked about the general construction timeline, specifically about the duration of construction and when neighbors can expect to experience the most disruption. Michael Scott responded by saying that construction would ideally begin in late winter/early spring, with an anticipated 18-20 month phase to construct the new building (ideally wrapping up in mid-summer so

faculty has time to prepare for the school year). The noisier but less intensive period of demolition of the current facility and sitework will occur over the course of a year. Ryszard stated that work would likely not begin until 2022, with a target date of the new building in 2023 and demolition and sitework finished in 2024.

Kate Ryan suggested creating a construction timeline visual, not tying to specific months on a calendar, but more about durations of certain phases.

Kate Ryan asked when the proposal will go to the Town Planning and Zoning commission for evaluation. Ryszard responded saying that we will not go to TPZ for site plan approval until after the referendum. This is when the drawings will be developed enough for TPZ. Ryszard estimated that this would be in around 6 months.

Kate Ryan asked about security and parking during construction. Ryszard stated that the Construction Manager would develop a security plan for the site.

Kate Ryan asked the committee to consider the placement of loudspeakers for non-emergency announcements.

John LaForest-Roys, asked the committee to consider beginning site work around the proposed building before construction begins. He asked if this aspect can be descoped from the project and sent back to Town Council to ask if this is something can be done for the Town immediately as it will add safety benefits to those walking on the construction site. Ryszard thought that an early site package could be made a part of the project. However, taking it out of the project and doing it separately would make this ineligible for reimbursement from the State. By creating this an early site package that goes to bid early, the State Department of Education would have to approve this. Ryszard stated that TSKP Studio has done this successfully in the past. If the State agrees to an early package, we would bid it separately and construction would be done separately for berming and pedestrian walkways and other safety features before construction occurs. Ryszard said more conversation would be needed with the FHS Building Committee for this, however it is possible. Ryszard asked John if he could draw up a site plan so we can consider an early site package.

Steven Lamoureux, 86 Knollwood Road, asked the committee how long the project is expected to take from start to end. Ryszard

responded saying we anticipate a minimum of 29 months, possibly longer.

Janne Gauthier, 26 Briarwood Road, asked a question regarding distance from the property line.

Peter Jones, 21 Briarwood Road, stated that this is an outrageous proposal. He felt that constructing a new building in a residential neighborhood is unacceptable. He stated that Town taxpayers can't afford this proposal and the three years of construction would cause much disruption in the neighborhood. Meg Guerrera thanked Peter for his comment and stated that it is important that we hear concerns and perspectives from everyone.

G. Next Steps

Meg Guerrera stated that this is the first step in neighborhood engagement. She stated that the committee and professional partners will consider the questions and conversations that were had in this meeting and that there will be more meetings in the future. She encouraged everyone to ask any other questions they may have through the committee website. She reminded the neighbors that Sharon Mazzochi is the Neighborhood Liaison and is a good contact.

Ryszard Szczypek thanked the neighbors for their comments and feedback.

Kathy Greider thanked everyone for the attendance and feedback.

H. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Welcome to the FHSBC Neighborhood Engagement Meeting!

- All participants will be muted upon entry to the meeting
- For the Q & A portion of the meeting, a moderator will call on participants one at a time for their comments and/or questions
 - Please use the "Raise Hand" Feature or chat to indicate you would like to speak and wait until your name is called

Thank you!



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- 2. Meeting Goals
- 3. FHSBC Process and Timeline Update
- FHSBC Abutting Neighborhood Liaison Sharon Mazzochi
- 5. Abutting Neighborhood Project Presentation TSKP
- 6. Questions and Answer Opportunity
- 7. Next Steps



Welcome



Meeting Goals:

- Provide a high level overview of the Town Council approved conceptual option for the Farmington High School
- Review abutting neighborhood concerns identified to date
- Discuss additional questions and concerns
- Identify next steps



FHSBC Process and Timeline

<u>Conceptual Option Phase - Complete</u>

Evaluate conceptual design options from multiple architects to provide Town Council with the information they need to set the net municipal project cost range and overall project scope.

- Establish FHSBC and Sub-Committees
- Begin Communications Planning
- Complete Site Analysis
- Select firm for Owner's Representative Services (RFP & Interviews)
- ✓ Select firms for Architect Services (RFP & Interviews)
- Review Educational Specifications
- Create Conceptual Design Options (Maintain/Renovate/New)
- Review and Analyze Conceptual Design Options
- Present Conceptual Design Options to Town Council

Town Council Unanimous Decision
TSKP New Build

Net Municipal Cost Target Range: \$105M - \$110M



Preliminary Plan Phase

Design a comprehensive solution to address the BOE Statement of Needs that falls within the net municipal project cost range and overall project scope set by Town Council

Select Project Architect

Schematic Design Development

Collaboration with Stakeholders

Schematic Design Review and Analysis

Schematic Design and Budget Presented to Town Council

Schematic Design and Budget Approved by Town Council (6/20)

Continued Community Education and Communication

Town Meeting/Referendum (Fall 2020)

We are here (4/30)



Sharon Mazzochi

FHSBC Abutting Neighborhood Liaison

Neighbor Presentation

Farmington High School





Sequence of Construction



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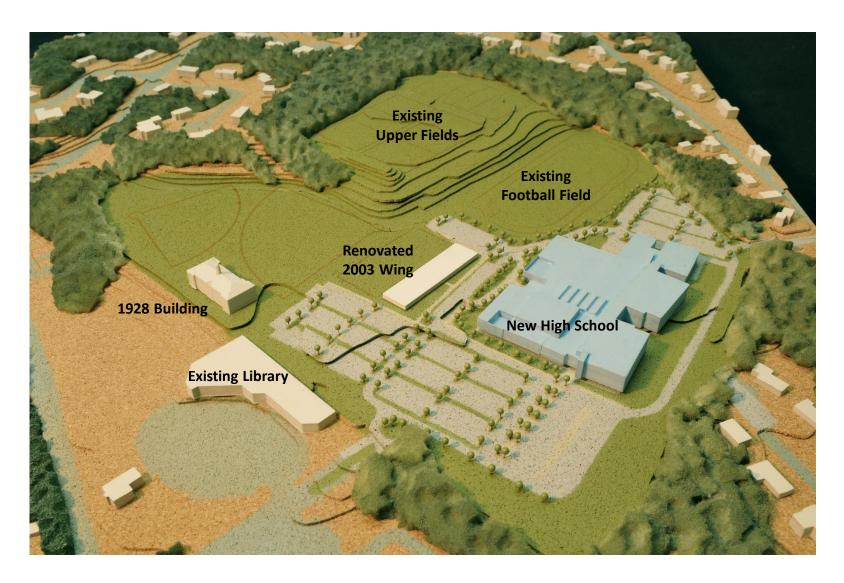


Final Site

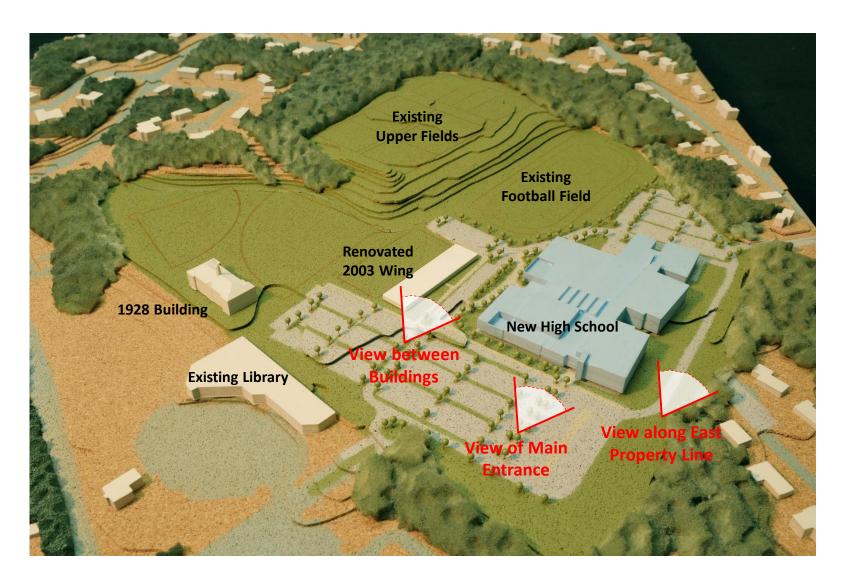


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Aerial View



Aerial View



View of Main Entrance



View between Buildings



TSKP STUDIO April 30, 2020 **14**

View along East Property Line - Existing



TSKP STUDIO April 30, 2020 **15**

View along East Property Line



View along East Property Line – Evening View



Site Section



East Edge of Property



Extent of Berm



View from Public Ways



View from Public Ways









Review and Oversight for Public Safety

Section 25. STORMWATER SYSTEMS

- A. Stormwater systems designed and installed in conjunction with the development of land must receive the approval of the Commission in consultation with the Town Engineer.
- B. Stormwater systems shall be designed for the following objectives:
 - 1. Prevent flooding of onsite or offsite property.
 - 2. Feed and recharge inland wetlands, surface and subsurface waters.
 - Minimize pollutant loads in stormwater runoff into inland wetlands, surface and subsurface waters.
 - 4. Maintain the hydrology of existing sub watersheds including wetlands and watercourses.
- C. The Commission may withhold the approval of a storm water system design if it fails to meet the above objectives.
- D. The maintenance of a private storm water system is the responsibility of the property owner. The Commission may require that a maintenance program be developed and submitted to them for approval. The Commission may require that a bond be posted and/or that periodic reports be filed with the Town to ensure that the required maintenance has been performed.

Section 26. CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

When a conservation easement is offered or required in conjunction with any approval granted by the Commission, such easement area shall be located on the property by affixing a marker provided by the Town to a tree or a 4" x 4" cedar or pressure treated post, a maximum of 48" high. Such markers shall be spaces at each change of direction of the easement line or a maximum of 50 feet apart. The actual layout of posts and markers shall be approved by the Planning Department staff and must be installed prior to any construction activity unless otherwise approved.

Section 27. REGULATION OF INTENSIVE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- A. <u>PURPOSE</u>. Vibration, noise and dewatering associated with various construction activities which are deemed intensive including but not limited to pile driving, blasting, mass excavation or compaction and rock crushing may have physical and psychological impact upon neighboring structures and occupants. These impacts could include damage to real property, a reduction of quantity or quality of water from drinking water wells and a diminution in quality of life from various deleterious effects. The following set of regulations has been developed to prevent or diminish such effects.
- B. <u>GENERAL REQUIREMENTS</u>. Construction activities such as blasting, pile driving, mass excavation or compaction and rock crushing shall be undertaken in a manner, which avoids or minimizes impacts on surrounding properties and persons. This shall include but not be limited to the following provisions:

STATE:

 Air quality procedures and monitoring defined by State

TOWN:

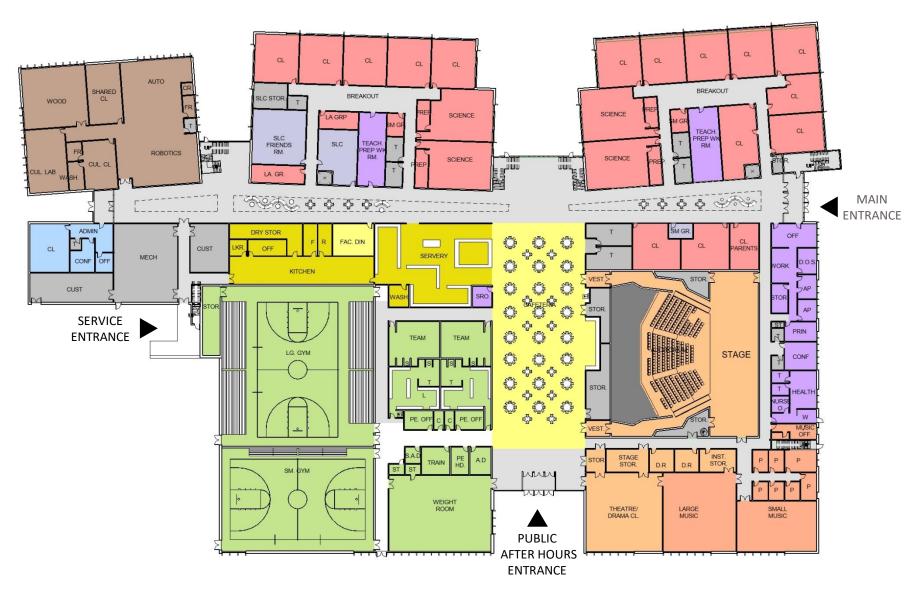
- Ordinance geared towards blasting, pile driving, and mass excavation
- Limits activities to 8 AM- 2PM weekdays
- For vibration and noise control, defines:
 - Procedures
 - Performance standards
 - Monitoring
 - Reporting

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Service and Traffic



First Floor



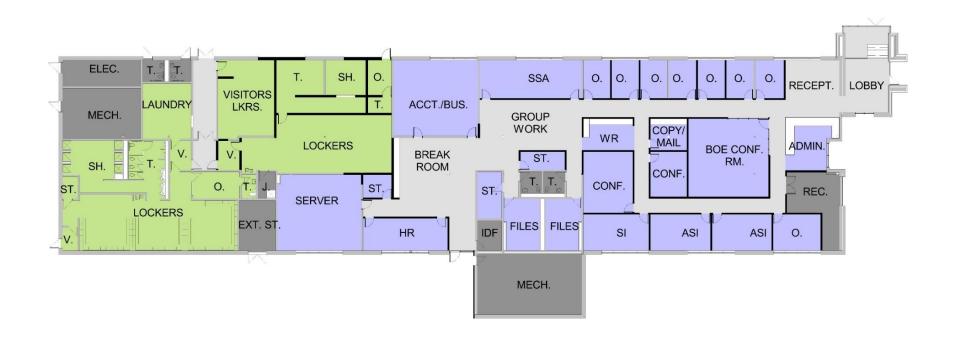
Second Floor



Third Floor



Renovated 2003 Wing





Questions & Answers

A moderator will call on participants one at a time for their comments and/or questions

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Next Steps

Thank You!