

**Bremerton Collaborative School Siting/Co-Location Project
Stakeholders Workshop #2** **August 18, 2008**

Arrival and Introductions

Andrea Spencer from the City of Bremerton Planning Department welcomed the group, noted that this is the first collaborative project the city has undertaken with the School District, and introduced the representatives from NAC|Architecture.

Greg Stack from NAC|Architecture asked individuals new to the workshop to introduce themselves and then generally described the process we are using. The goal of Workshop 2 is to identify the top potential partners/uses that should be located with a middle school. Workshop 3, to be held in September, will compare the impact of locating potential partners/uses on urban and suburban sites to see how the characteristics of a site might impact the partner selected.

It was asked if the District had identified a specific site or sites for the project. Greg responded that the focus of the study is not to choose a site, but rather to explore the relationship between the type of site (urban vs. suburban) and the type of co-location uses that make the most sense for a particular type of site.

*National talent,
local focus*

Greg then reviewed the outcome of the first Stakeholders Workshop, which generated the goals of the process and why co-location is a good idea. The voting totals, published in the first meeting's minutes, were displayed and Greg noted that the goals would be revisited in later sessions and be used to inform and evaluate future decisions.

Greg Stack, Kevin Flanagan, Boris Srdar, and Kevin Hannifan of NAC|Architecture presented examples of co-location projects from the Northwest, the U.S., and around the world.

Small Group Session 1 – Generating “Big Ideas”

Following the presentation, attendees were divided into four groups and asked to brainstorm potential partners and uses, or “Big Ideas,” for the project. Responses were recorded and presented to the entire group.

Small Group Session 2 – Pros and Cons of Each “Big Idea”

The four groups then generated pros and cons for each “Big Idea” and presented their findings. The “Big Ideas,” pros and cons are recorded on subsequent pages.

The “Big Ideas” were summarized and similar items from multiple groups combined. Individuals were given 4 dots to vote for their 4 highest priorities. The voting tally is recorded on a subsequent page.

Group 1:

1. Youth Oriented Indoor and Outdoor space

Pro:

- Community Involvement
- Fulfill a need

Con:

- Security (who's coming and going)
- Ownership

2. Olympic College Adult Education Facility

Pro:

- Gets services closer to families
- Make kids aware of college

Con:

- Program compatibility

3. Adult Community Room

Pro:

- Community Involvement in school
- Promotes volunteers in school

Con:

- Security

4. Early Learning Center (Pre-school)

Pro

- Developing better relationships between age groups
- Promoting babysitting/child development skills

Con:

- Age appropriate contact

5. Public Health Center

Pro:

- Serve large need
- Promote Partnerships (Community Health/Harrison)

Con:

- Community Concerns

6. Boys & Girls Club

No pros or cons recorded.

7. Family Advocate (connectivity to social services)

Pro:

- Meet large need
- Bring access to services into community

8. Parent Education Co-Op

Pro:

Promote parenting skills

9. Office Space for Small Non-Profits

Pro:

Bring community interests into schools
Interface with teachers and Students
An opportunity for youth oriented groups
Nutrition and Nature programs

Con:

Selection- personal views

10. Practice space for Bremerton Symphony

Pro:

Meets a need
Student connectivity to Symphony

11. Pool:

Pro:

Improved Access
Wellness/Health
Availability for sports teams

Group 2:

1. Teen Center/YMCA/Boys & Girls Club

Pro:

Need
Proximity
Peer Pressure

Con:

Competing resources
Peer Pressure

2. Restaurant/Cafe:

Pro:

Get adults to slow down
Reason to be on campus
Healthy eating/garden

Con:

Economics of business
Compete with school lunch programs

3. Community/School Food Garden

Pro:

- Education
- Quality interaction with different ages

4. Community/Public Health Center/Clinic

Pros:

- Obvious

5. Family Services: Parenting, Financial, Literacy, Adult Education

Pro:

- Parents on site
- Coping skills

Con:

- Some services may conflict with School

6. Residential Housing:

Pro:

- Security
- Helps to pay bill

Con:

- Potential bad neighbor

7. Non-Profit Office/Storage/Meeting Space

Pro:

- Need for small non-profits
- Shared amenities

Con:

- Can't provide need due to large demand
- Can't afford monthly expenses

8. Performing Arts (Available To School and Community)

Pro:

- Includes all arts (i.e. ceramics)
- Connecting students to art
- Arts build community
- Multi-cultural Exchange

Con:

- Bremerton High School

9. Senior Center/Facilities/Learning

Pro:

- Intergenerational activity
 - Need
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10. Computer Lab for Community Use:

Pro:

Intergenerational activity
Need

11. Sports/Ball Field, Courts, Soccer with Lighting

Pro:

Children outside
Community need

Con:

Neighborhood may not like lighting or activities
Competition for other facilities

12. Transportation Hub

Pro:

Gas Prices
Efficiency

13. School On Top Of Ferry Terminal

No pros or cons recorded.

14. Law Enforcement

No pros or cons recorded.

15. Kitsap EZ Earth

No pros or cons recorded.

16. Green Building

E.g. environmental education/compost/garden/worms

No pros or cons recorded.

Group 3:

1. Early Learning and Daycare

Pro:

- Proven Success
- Parental involvement
- Attracts parents to neighborhood
- Community support
- Raise property values
- Time savings
- Safety factor- siblings nearby
- Stability
- Mentoring

Con:

- Older students could be a bad influence
- Difficult to recruit and maintain quality staff

2. After School Programs

E.g. music, YMCA, Arts, Technology, Boys & Girls Club, Tutoring
No pros or cons recorded.

3. Transit/Park & Ride

Pro:

- Convenient
- Greenhouse reduction/fuel savings
- Encourage transit use
- School bus/funding

Con:

- Safety around moving vehicles

4. Senior Citizen Center

Con:

- Screening for student safety

5. Private Business or Non-Profit

E.g. Dental, Doctor's office, health care, social services

Pro:

- Saves parents time
- Convenience
- Decrease school absences (for use of related services)
- Encourage preventative care
- Career opportunities
- Easier connection with school and social services

Con:

- Perceived client base limits abuse of services by students
- Parking for customers

6. Multi-Purpose Indoor/Outdoor Fitness Sports Complex

Pro:

- Encourage fitness
- Community use/support
- #1 priority for health department
- Decrease obesity/increase activity
- Afterschool availability/use

Con:

- Coordination of Use
- Liability issues
- Space availability

Group 4:

1. Senior Center

Pros:

- Ease of transportation
- Builds community
- Respect for elders
- Prevent social isolation
- Voting block
- Possibility for meal services

Cons:

- Separation of uses when noise is involved
- Time management
- Security

2. Social Services

Pros:

- One stop shopping
- Family planning
- Reaching a broader population with health services
- Convenience
- Ease of dispensing medications to youth

Cons:

- Youth exposed to troubled adults/youth

3. Boys & Girls Club:

Pros:

- Proven commodity as youth service provider

Con:

- Age separation

4. Religious Activities:

Pro:

- Provide background in religion to all

Con:

- Selecting a denomination/religion

5. Private Business Partnership:

Pros:

- Financing maintenance/operations offset
- Sponsorship of activities
- Teach responsibility
- Trade skills

Cons:

- Capitalization of the schools

6. Library

Pros:

- More books/better selection to students
- Public computer access
- Study Location

Cons:

- School Noise
- Competition for books/materials

7. Daycare

Pro:

- Need for more daycare
- Convenience
- Early Learning Opportunity

8. Aquatic Facility/Sports Complex

Pro:

Availability to community

Con:

Cost

Voting Results:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Votes</u>
Teen Center/Boys & Girls Club	19
Daycare/Afterschool Care/Early Childcare/Early Learning Center	11
Senior Center	10
Environmental Center	
-Composting	
-Earth Science	9
-Kitsap EZ Earth	
-Food growing	
Family Services	
-Connection with social services	8
-Parenting Support	
Multi-Use Activity/Sports Center	
-Indoor/outdoor activities	8
Community Center	
-Meeting	
-Computers	7
-Activities	
-Parent Room	
Law Enforcement Space	
-Connection between students and police	5
Private Business/Professional Services	
-Restaurant	5
Public Health/Professional Services/ Medical Services	3
Transit Center/Park & Ride	2
Non-Profit Space	2
Adult Education Services	
-Connection with Olympic College	1
Residential Housing	1
Performing Arts Center	
-Center for all Arts	1
Pool	0
Religious Activities	0
Library	0
Symphony Practice Space	0