

MELROSE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

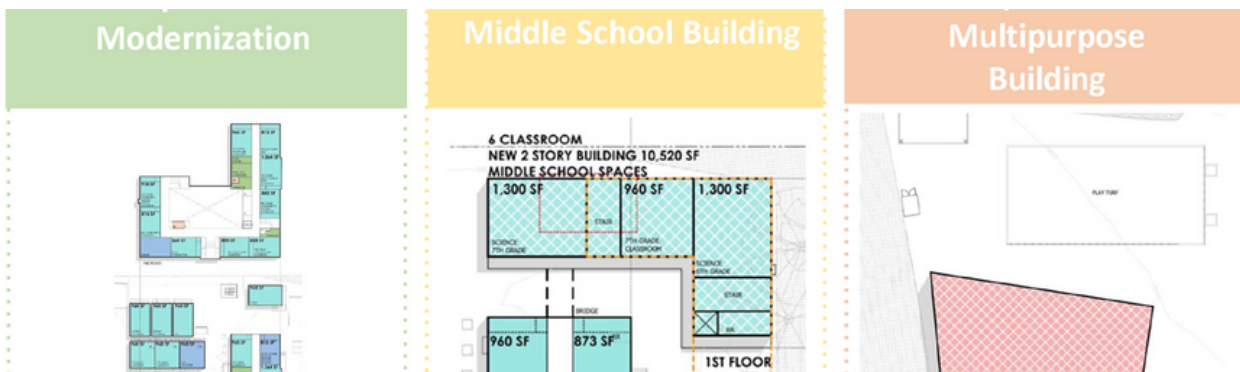
NOVEMBER 28, 2023

MEETING EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Project Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting, held on November 28, 2023, via Zoom, embraced a webinar structure to enhance interaction and inclusivity. The panel, consisting of the Project Team and PAC, facilitated a dialogue allowing participants to listen and pose questions.

The focus of the meeting was to gather valuable feedback from the PAC regarding scope of the project. Three distinct options were discussed:

- 1) Modernization of the existing structure
- 2) Construction of a new middle school
- 3) Development of a multipurpose building.



The PAC and the public engaged in a constructive dialogue, seeking clarification on these options. A significant highlight was a report from an MLA Youth directed to Apocalypse proposing the replacement of the existing boiler with a heat pump for improved HVAC. The Project Team presented initial survey results from parents, teachers, and community members to help inform the decision-making process.

The active and dedicated participation of both PAC and attendees significantly influenced the depth of discussions. This meeting represented a milestone in the MLA project, and we appreciate everyone's commitment and participation.

BUDGET

The total budget for the project is \$36.5M. A notable allocation of \$2M was dedicated to constructing an ADA-compliant ramp from the upper yard to the lower yard, enhancing accessibility. The construction budget itself is set at \$22.2M, with an additional \$12.3M earmarked for mandatory soft costs.

This portion of the soft cost budget encompasses various essential elements such as professional contracts, permits, and inspections, ensuring the comprehensive success and compliance of the project.

NEXT STEPS

- *November 28 to November 30, 2023:* The Project Team will process feedback received from students, teachers, staff, and the community. This crucial step aims to incorporate diverse perspectives and ensure that the final decision aligns with the needs and preferences of all stakeholders involved.
- *November 30, 2023:* The Facilities Planning & Management team will reach a final decision based on the processed feedback. Following this decision, the team will promptly follow up with the site to communicate the chosen project scope. This marks the closeout of the Project Planning Phase, signifying a pivotal step toward the subsequent stages of the project.
- The initiation of the design phase for this project will be determined based on the feedback processing period, concluding on November 30, 2023. Following the closeout of the Project Planning Phase, the Project Team, in collaboration with the Facilities Planning & Management team, will assess the gathered insights and make a well-informed decision on when to commence the design phase.

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