MEMORIAL FIELD – PHASE 2 PUBLIC FORUM

FEBRUARY 20, 2017

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Goals and Format of Forum
- Background Information – Memorial Field
- Why updates are necessary?
- Work to Date
- Why this Option?
- Option Presentation
- Table Discussions
- Wrap up

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

GOALS AND FORMAT OF FORUM

- To provide the Board input on the Design Development of the approved project
- Format
  - Presentation
  - Facilitated Table Discussions
  - Question and Answer (Wrap up)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Memorial Field: District's only stadium facility
  - Use by teams for some or all of their interscholastic competitions, as well as many practices:

- Varsity Football
- JV Football
- Ninth grade Football
- MNMS Football
- PFMS Football
- Girls Varsity Soccer
- Girls JV Soccer
- MNMS Girls Soccer
- PFMS Girls Soccer
- Boys Varsity Soccer
- Boys JV Soccer
- MNMS Boys Soccer
- PFMS Boys Soccer
- Boys Lacrosse
- Girls Lacrosse
- Field Hockey

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Besides interscholastic sports, the district uses the field for other activities including intramural events and physical education
- Community uses include:
  - Youth sports
  - Adult sports
  - First Night State College
  - Centre Region Parks and Recreation (i.e. Halloween Parade)

WHY UPDATES ARE NECESSARY?

- The current stadium facility does not have:
  - Appropriate locker rooms for student athletes
  - Adequate restrooms for competitors and spectators
  - Appropriate Handicapped accessibility
  - Concession facilities
  - Adequate interior circulation (safety concern)
  - Adequate Press Box
  - Adequate space for Training services
  - Adequate ramp access to field
  - Appropriate and adequate East (Home) Bleachers
  - Classroom (program space for onsite instruction)

WHY USE CURRENT SITE?

- The High School campus does not have enough available acreage to support a stadium without displacing other athletic facilities.
- The district does not have other land available that would support a stadium facility.
- The costs to build on a "new" site would exceed the cost of this plan. Cost of "new" site include:
  - Land acquisition
  - Extend Utilities
  - Build Locker rooms, restrooms, concessions, etc.
  - Build new field
  - Install new field lighting
  - New bleachers
  - Build new parking lots and roads
  - Potential improvements to adjacent public roads

WORK TO DATE

- The district has already made commitments to this facility and has made initial investments in earlier projects and phases:
  - 2003 project $400,000
    (part of larger community project)
  - 2005 lights $250,000
  - 2007- 08 bleacher work $150,000
  - 2010 Master Plan
  - 2014 Phase 1 $2.3 million
    - West bleachers

WHY THIS OPTION?

- On January 9, 2017 the Board of School Directors selected "Option B," which is to remove the Nittany Ave, building and construct new facilities and bleachers.
- Considerations:
  - Option B cost comparable to that of renovation
  - The feasibility of completing new construction had less exposure to unforeseen conditions
  - The final product was better suited to the district's long-term needs

OPTION PRESENTATION

- Goals
  - Address the aforementioned deficiencies
  - Keep the facility open for fall sports throughout the project
  - Capacity of 3,000 seats (total) with option for 3,500
- Calendar
  - May-June 2018 — Demo Building
  - Aug-Nov 2018 — Football
  - Dec 2018-July 2019 — Construction
  - Aug-Nov 2019 — Football and Interior work
  - January 2020 — Substantial Completion

REPLACE THE EXISTING BLEACHERS ON THE EAST SIDE

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DEMOLISH THE EXISTING ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

DEVELOP PLAZAS TO CONNECT THE NORTH AND SOUTH ENTRIES ALONG THE EAST SIDE

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INCORPORATE PROJECT ELEMENTS INTO A NEW BUILDING UNDER THE BLEACHERS

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BUILD A RAMP TO THE FIELD ADJACENT TO THE PARKLET ON THE NORTH SIDE, AND

CONNECT THE EXISTING BLEACHERS ON THE WEST SIDE TO THE NEW CONCOURSE ALONG THE SOUTH END ZONE.

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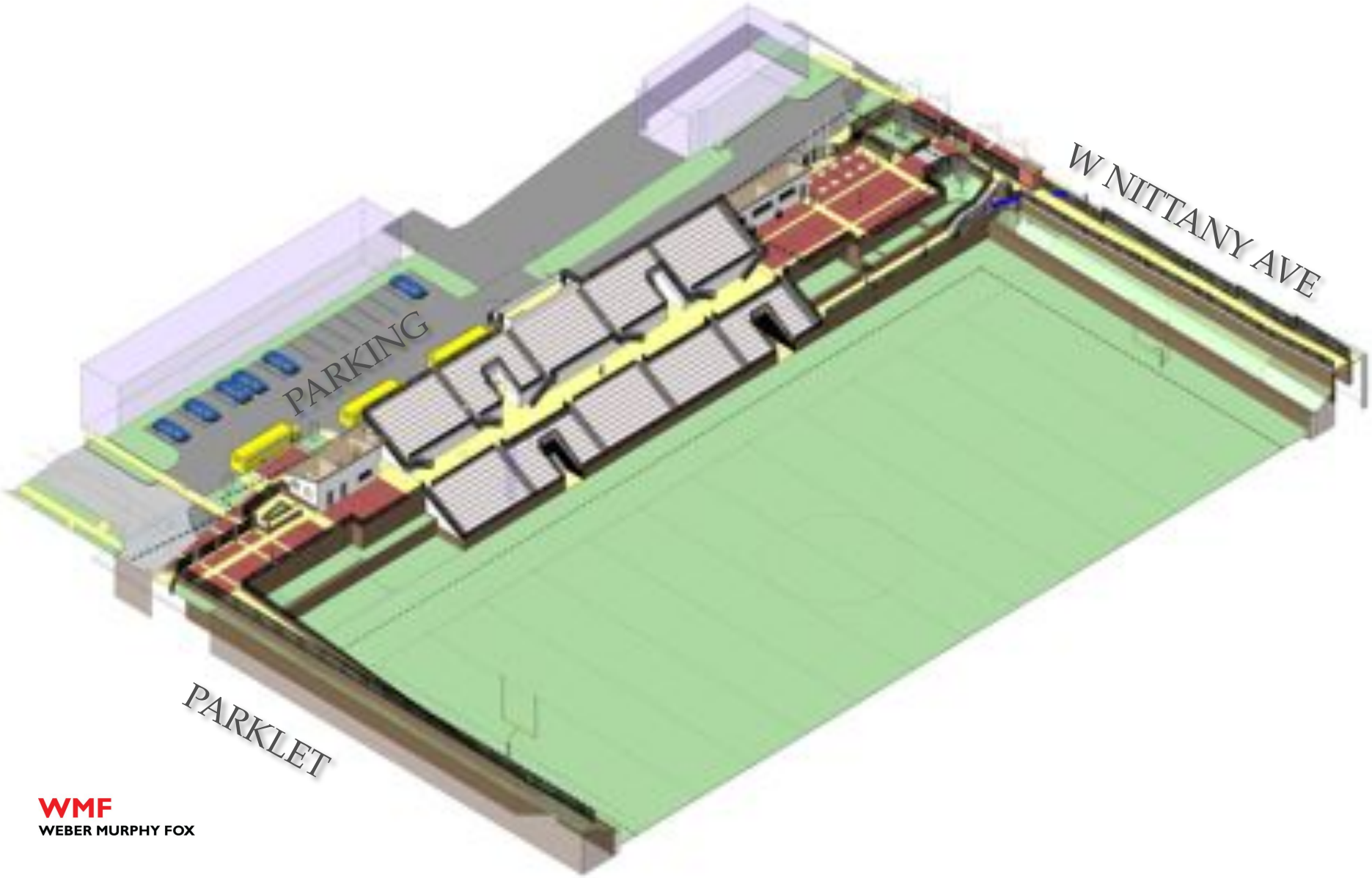

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NORTH PLAZA
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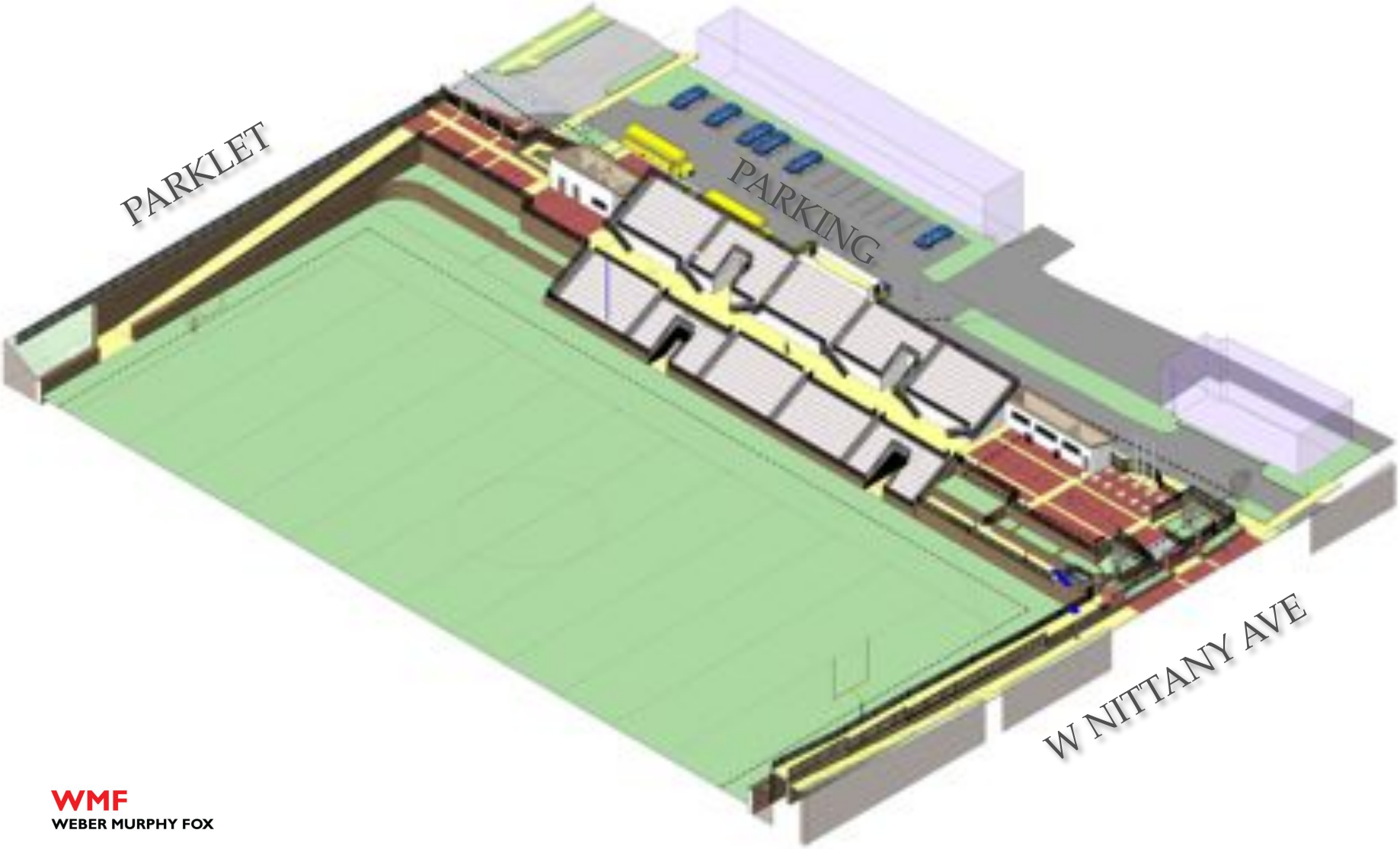

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CONCESSION
SOUTH PLAZA
CONNECTION
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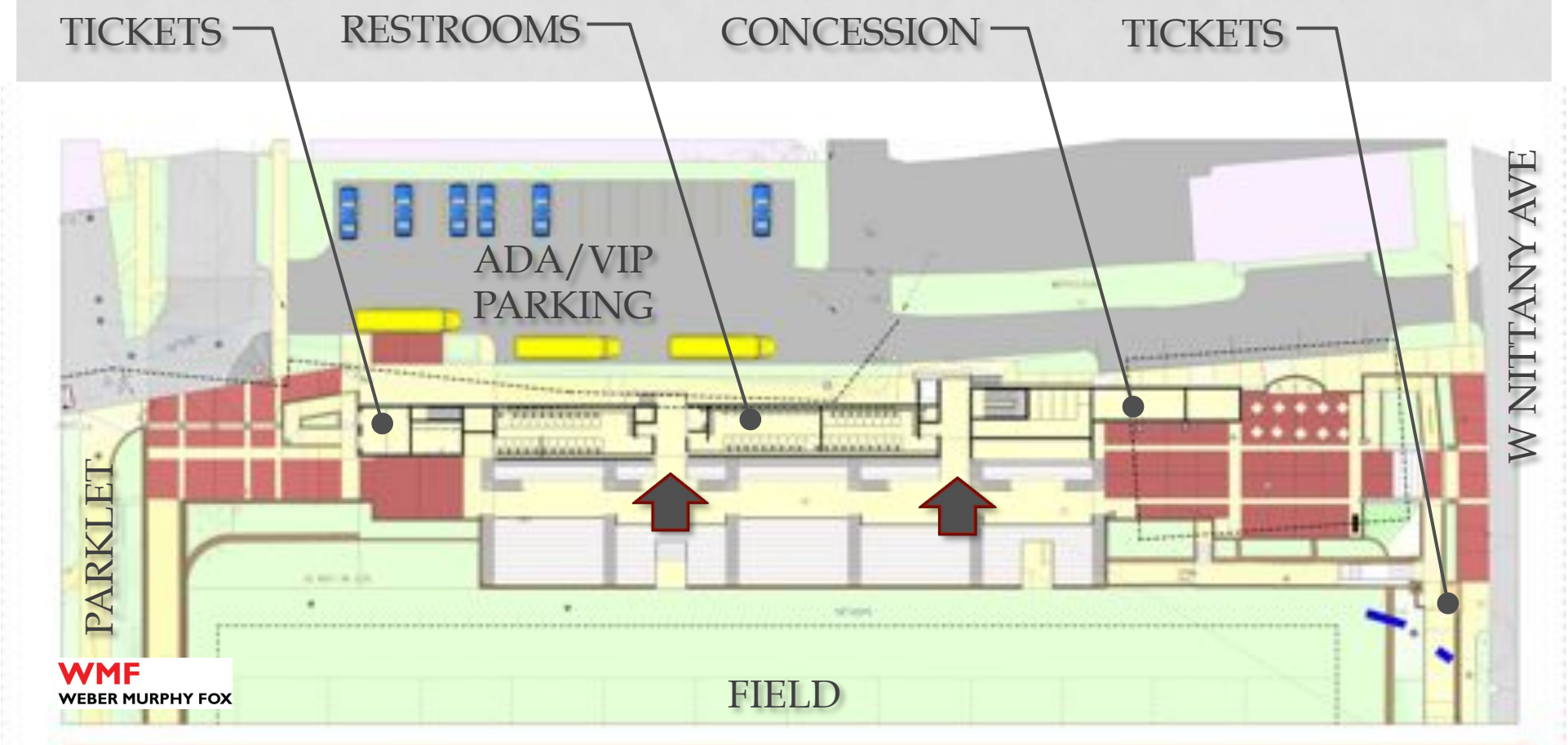
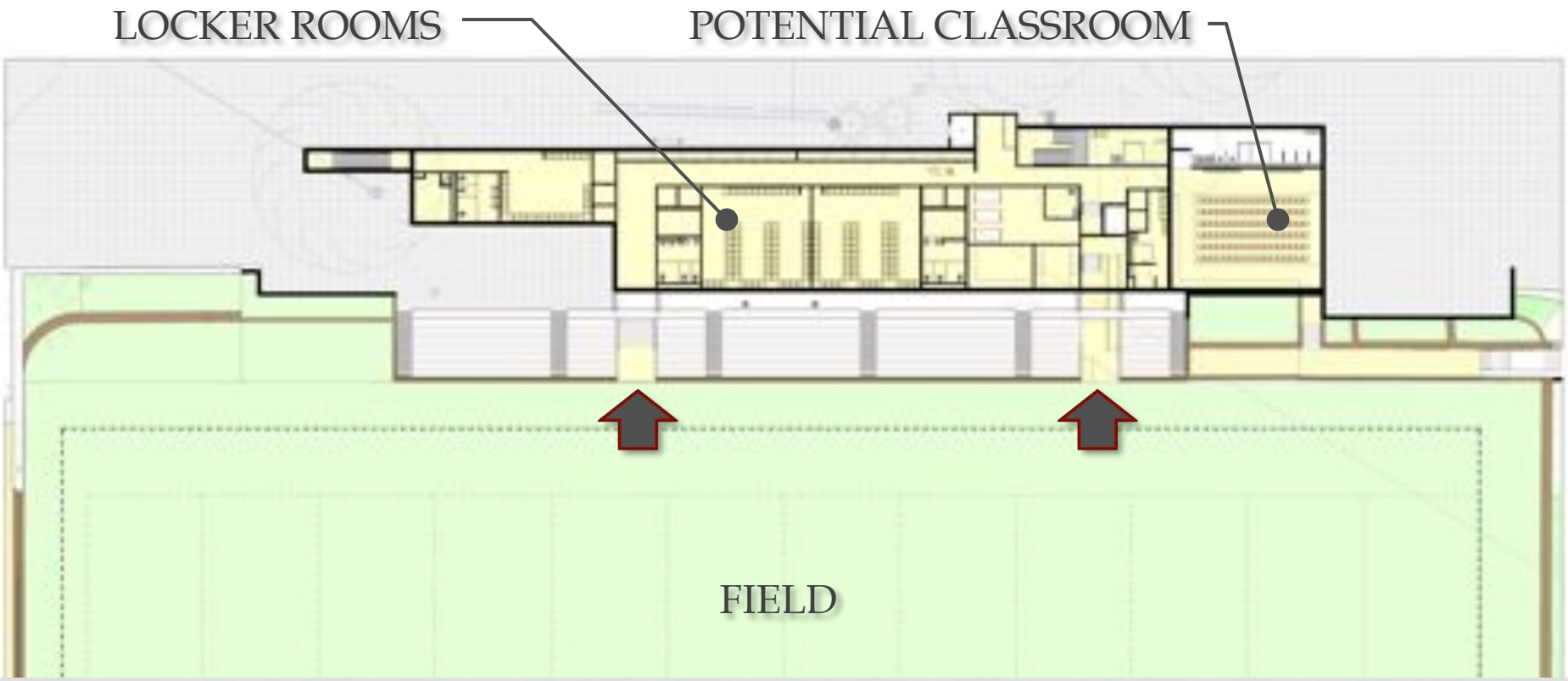
FLOOR PLANS
PLAZA / CONCOURSE LEVEL



FLOOR PLANS
FIELD / LOCKERS LEVEL



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COSTS

- The estimated cost of the project is $8.8M
- District's capital financing plan:
  - Includes capacity to fund debt service for borrowing portion or entire project cost.
    - Using capital reserve funds rather than borrowing would lower total project cost, but may alter financing of other district projects.
    - Financing scenarios to be reviewed and considered based upon market conditions.

TABLE DISCUSSIONS

- Questions
  - What aspects of the design features are appealing?
  - What suggestions do you have to improve the design?

WRAP UP

- At this point we will answer questions submitted on comment cards