



Your Voice Matters

FACILITIES MASTER PLANNING: PHASE TWO

Jones Building Team Meeting #2 Feedback

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What do you like or dislike about each of the options? Why?

Matching the exterior of the new building with the exterior of the old building, adding flex space, and using the center of the building for courtyards are all excellent ideas.

Stacked parking with the tennis courts on top is an innovative idea that may help alleviate the problem of limited space. As the community grows, that may turn out to be a wise decision even though the initial expenditure is a bit more costly.

I like the flexibility of the rebuild option, including tearing down the entire exterior. It makes the most sense logistically to put each grade level on a separate floor, to keep related arts together, and to put the stage/auditorium/cafeteria/gym/gym support spaces in a separate wing of the building for after-school access. I grew up in UA K-12, my parents, and my in-laws also live in UA, and I currently work at Jones; none of our friends or acquaintances in the UA feel passionate about keeping the exterior of the building. My in-laws did say if the price wasn't too much more that, keeping the original facade on the mallway might be beneficial; just depends on the cost.

Liked the rebuild option with more light/windows for classrooms.

Liked the ideas of courtyard to bring in light and also provide outdoor space.

Great presentation! I liked the options that included more new building. This seemed to allow optimization of the space and addition of natural light. In fact I'd prefer a complete new build while preserving the historical look with the design of the new building. This also would likely shorten the project duration and student displacement.

I like the idea of right sizing spaces and bringing content areas together in the renovate/rebuild options.

I know we are bound by land constraints, but I don't feel like any of the options are really creative.

I like the options that maximize space and daylight. I'm not married to preserving the original Jones building. I'd fully support a complete rebuild that respectfully honors the original style of architecture.

I think the two renovate options and the rebuild option all look good to me. I lean towards more change, i.e., renovate options B and "rebuild." My priorities are logical flow through the building and increasing natural light to as many rooms as possible. I also think increasing the majority of the building to three floors is the best option to give us a) the best flow and b) the most space, especially for potential future growth.

Rebuild! Most efficient use of the footprint

Are there any other thoughts or options we should be considering?

My hope is that we are thinking 30 to 40 years down the road rather than 15 years. (I don't recall seeing any future expansion opportunities on the Jones options like those that were provided on the Hastings options.)

I like the idea of a large stage and auditorium. It'd be great to have at least 275 seats in each "section" of the auditorium for each of the three grade levels when we do assigned seating. I don't know if it's a possibility, but for pep rallies, we've opened up the gym and auditorium wall for additional seating. It's nice to have that flexibility! I think it's difficult to have the gym support spaces on the second floor, away from the gym. Having the wrestling/weight room adjacent to the gym would allow for better adult supervision and consistency. Is it possible to put classrooms on the outside of the space surrounding the gym/auditorium/cafeteria? The only benefit to having the current Jones set-up is that those two spaces don't need daylight and I didn't know if there was a way to increase direct light by having them surrounded by a classroom.

In the admin spaces, it'd be great to have a gathering area that could be turned into a "calm down" space for students who are waiting to talk to the nurse/counselor/admin. At Hastings, they have a whole room (Zen Den). It'd be great to have this waiting space in view of the secretaries so that there is an adult always present of students in that space. There could also be a large closet/small room for our "Beartique." Unlike the high school, I think it is important to have the admin offices more private. I have heard students complain about being overheard through the sliding glass doors and being very visible while talking to the admin support staff at

the high school. I also personally love the wooden doors that seem warmer than the harsh glass of the high school. It would be great to continue to have offices in the admin/counseling spaces that support room for 5 people in each of our spaces. We often hold parent meetings with two parents/guardians, the student, the counselor, and the admin, we need a space large enough to fit comfortably. I also hold small student groups in my office. Currently, if I have larger counseling groups, we reserve the LC, ask teachers with open periods, and try to find any space available. More flexible space in a new building would be wonderful!

Do we need to build a tennis court on site? The Hastings tennis court is technically owned by the city I believe so it wouldn't necessarily be an equity issue. When I coached field hockey for many years, both middle school teams had parents drive them to Burbank for practices and games. There are about 50 girls each year that play field hockey and I'm assuming only 20ish girls/boys that play tennis. Seems like omitting a tennis court might reduce cost. I've also heard that Upper Arlington has many more tennis courts than other communities.

My in-laws, parents, and my family feel strongly that Hastings should remain on the current site near Reed Road Park and NOT be relocated to Thompson Park. Thompson Park is so beautiful; we call it the "tree park."

An option for a complete rebuild of Jones.

Really get input from teachers - they will be there the longest. Sounds like most teachers want a brand new building.

I would like to have a total rebuild (with sensitivity to rebuilding a similar facade), possibly even moving forward toward the flag pole, as an option for the community to see what they can get with the extra space.

I would love to learn more about discussions with the city and what possibilities there are to expand the land possibilities.

I'd be curious to understand the estimated price differential between total rebuild and saving just the original Jone structure. I also can't help but wonder if presenting a total rebuild option would make a "near total" rebuild appear like a more moderate option (vs being presented as the "furthest right" option like it was this evening).

We are curious about what a true rebuild (i.e., full tear down and rebuild with a similar looking facade) would look like.

Include a basement for auxiliary spaces that don't need windows.