

Community Engagement Session

- The Site Selection Committee
- The Site Selection Policy
- The Timeline
- Goal for this evening
- Community Input
- Site recommendations
- Report to HRSB

Community Engagement Session

- The Site Selection Committee would like to present the site selection policy and the findings of the first four meetings held on the site selection for the replacement of JL Ilsley High School.
- Introduction of the committee members.
- Program for this evening. The goal of tonight is to present the work of the SSC, collect the community input on the recommendations presented, finalize the report with community information.

Site Selection Committee

In January of 2017, the provincial government announced, as part of the 2017-2018 Capital Plan, a new high school would be built to replace JL Ilsley High School.

Site Selection

- Part of the process for the building of a new school involves a site selection process.
- A Site Selection Committee (SSC) is formed by the Superintendent and the mandate of the committee is to identify three possible locations for construction of a new school.
- The recommended locations are presented to the school board in a report for approval and then they are sent to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

Mandate

- Identify three possible sites
- The timeline for the SSC is three months
- Our resources are Department of Transportation Infrastructure and Renewal (DTIR), Halifax Regional School Board (HRSB), Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM), and Community Engagement
- All minutes are posted as soon as they are approved
- Where are we in the process?
- Presentation of material

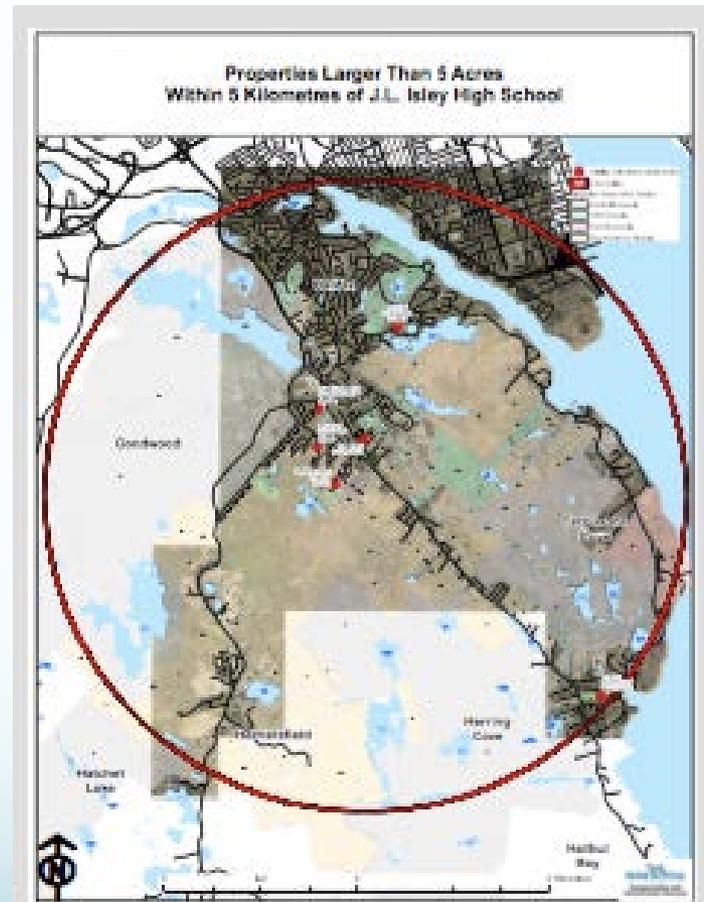
What we have now.

- In the initial meeting, the committee set a five kilometer radius on land areas to be identified for a possible site.
- The five kilometer area is in the most populated area of the community.
- The committee asked DTIR to provide them with available parcels of land 5 acres and greater
- The committee also asked for student bussing information on each area.
- The committee has asked about services in the area, topography, availability of land area and “Blue sky” views of the land in relation to a school on the land.

School Boundary



Five Kilometer Radius



Criteria

- Availability and proximity to sidewalks
- Proximity to crosswalks/traffic lights
- Access to parks/trails/pathways
- Proximity to bus stop
- Adjacent uses – mixed use (residential, commercial, institutional)
- Access to site
- Within Regional centre, growth centre, surrounded by existing neighbourhoods

Criteria

- CPTED-eyes on the site most of the time
- Current topography/vegetation cover
- Environmental considerations
- Proximity to cultural, community amenities
- Centre of the catchment area
- (CPTED) Crime prevention through environmental design. An approach to deterring criminal behavior through environmental design. Relies on the ability to influence decisions that precede criminal acts.)

The sites

- According to the provincial policy, if a new public school building is replacing one or more existing public school buildings, one recommendation for at least one of the sites of the existing public school buildings must be the present site.
- The SSC is to recommend three sites to the Halifax Regional School Board. The HRSB receives the report from the SSC and upon approval sends the report to the DOEEC (Minister of Education)

The sites

- The Minister shall refer the recommended sites for a new public school building accepted under subsection (5B) to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and that department shall evaluate the sites and recommend the most appropriate site to the Minister.
- If the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal does not recommend any of the sites for a new public school building after its evaluation under subsection (5C), the Minister shall select the site for the building on the advice of the Department of Transportation Infrastructure Renewal and in consultation with the school board.

The sites

- Each site identified by the Site Selection Committee will be rated with the criteria previously mentioned for Opportunities or Constraints.
- The committee using the initial criteria of land requirements found 8 possible sites to date to look at during the process.
- A map of each site is posted around the room for your perusal and comments.
- The names on each site were names used by the SSC for location only

The sites

- 1—Present site
- 2—Leiblin Drive
- 3—Urban Farm
- 4—Greystone site
- 5—South of Greystone
- 6—Northwest of Captain William Spry Centre
- 7—Williams Lake Road
- 8—McIntosh Estate

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- View the selected sites
- Comment on the opportunities/constraints for each site
- Other sites?
- Speak to the committee member
- Ask a question (put the question on the site sheet)
- Ask it through email
- JLISSC2017@hrsb.ca

Where we are in the process.

- Gather all questions, concerns, input and recommendations.
- Continue with meetings
- Ask more questions
- Write the report
- Present to the School Board

- Please take some time to view the material we have provided and please add to the opportunities and constraints.
- Please add any other places we could look at.
- Write down your opinions or use email to help the committee

Thank you