
Gibbs School Public Meeting

October 20, 2014



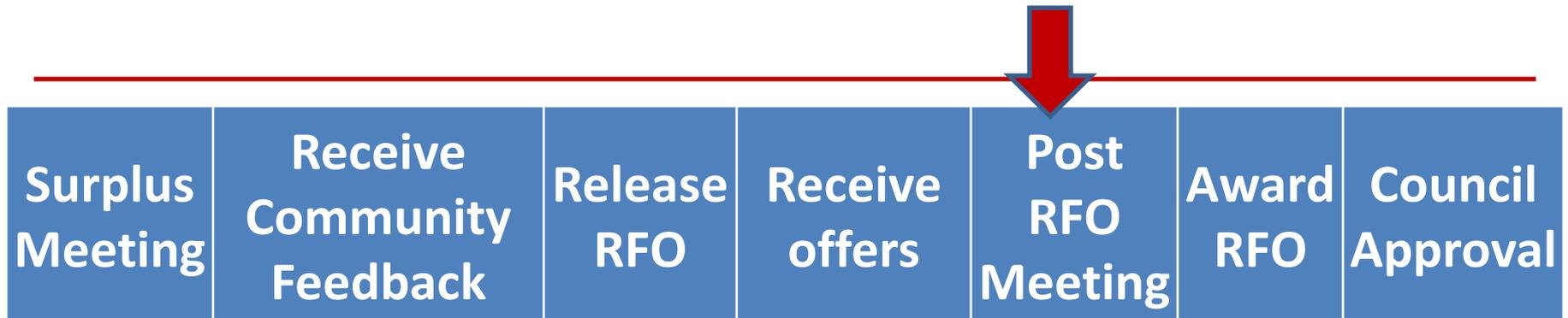
Agenda

- Goals
- Review Reuse Process
- RFO Presentations
- Next Steps and Timeline

Goals for this Meeting

- Allow charter applicants to present offers directly to the community.
- Receive feedback from the community on the presentations for reuse of the Gibbs School.
- Review next steps and the process moving forward for award and Council approval.

School Reuse Process



- DC Law requires that the District receives offers for the reuse of surplus school buildings from charter schools before any other offer is considered – this is the right of first offer.
- DME released a Request for Offers (“RFO”) on September 19, 2014. We are here today to review the responses to that RFO.
- Once an award is made, the proposed transaction is sent to Council for approval. Council has the final decision on whether or not a school is leased and makes the final surplus determination.

Community Meeting Recap

What we heard (at the meeting and through worksheets) at our last meeting (9/10/14)

- There was community interest in:
 - Adult education, vocational and technical programs
 - Specialized programs such as Montessori, Dual Language, STEM, and CTE programs
- There was also concern about impact of incoming charter schools on enrollment at surrounding neighborhood schools and parking

Next Steps

- Comments received tonight will be used to inform the RFO review process.
- Awards will be posted on the DME website.
- Awardees are referred to DGS for lease negotiations.
- Lease terms are sent to Council for final approval.

- Additional questions or comments?
 - Contact Althea Holford althea.holford@dc.gov or 202.727.4036

Presentations / Q&A

- Charter School Incubator Initiative
 - Monument
 - Washington Global
 - Community College Prep
- Friendship Public Charter School

