

District: City of Everett
School Name: George Keverian School
Recommended Category: Eligibility Period (Re-categorization from Feasibility Study)
Date: August 22, 2018

Recommendation

That the Board of Directors (the “Board”) vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the George Keverian School in the City of Everett (the “City”) from the Invitation to Feasibility Study category to the Eligibility Period category.

Discussion

Subsequent to the Board’s vote of January 27, 2016 to authorize the City to proceed into Feasibility Study, the City requested that the MSBA support its intention to examine an 8-9 grade configuration for approximately 1,400 students. The City and its consultants completed an options analysis to further examine the issues of the overcrowding it was experiencing in grades K-8, as well as grades 9-12 to determine the optimum initial project and subsequent projects, compared with the current new PreK-8 project proposed at the George Keverian School.

To support this request, the following Eligibility Period requirements must be updated to reflect the expanded scope of the Feasibility Study requested by the City:

- Online Enrollment projection;
- Updated Study Enrollment Certification Executed; and
- Educational Profile Questionnaire – the City will be required to present adjustments to its existing Educational Plan for grades K-12 at a Facilities Assessment Subcommittee meeting.

After the successful completion of the requirements outlined above, MSBA staff anticipates recommending a second Feasibility Study Invitation for the City to return to Feasibility Study. The City will conduct an additional study enrollment for an 8-9 grade configuration. Based upon the MSBA’s understanding of the project and its conversations with the City, the tentative schedule for re-invitation to Feasibility Study and continuing the Feasibility Study will be as follows:

- Re-invitation to Feasibility Study – February 2019
- Complete site selection – June 30, 2019
- Preferred Schematic Report – December 2019
- Project Scope and Budget – June 2020

After the City and MSBA agree on enrollment and the City presents the change(s) to its educational plan at a Facilities Assessment Subcommittee meeting, MSBA staff will draft a recommendation for the February 2019 Board meeting to recommend an extension to the Feasibility Study Agreement. The potential recommendation will be subject to the following conditions:

- The MSBA will not review the City’s submittal for the Project Scope and Budget Agreement until on or after July 1, 2019.

- The City must complete its site selection process and Local Actions and Approval Certification on or before June 30, 2019. If the City is unable to meet this timeline, then the MSBA may request that the City consider withdrawing the Statement of Interest for the George Keverian School, submit a new Statement of Interest, and await a potential second invitation from the MSBA Board to enter the Eligibility Period phase of the MSBA's process.

Based upon the review above, MSBA staff recommends that the Board vote to re-categorize the Statement of Interest for the George Keverian School in the City of Everett from the Invitation to Feasibility Study category to the Eligibility Period category, to update certain preliminary requirements related to expanding the scope of the Feasibility Study and Schematic Design to include a more extensive investigation that includes an additional study enrollment for grades 8-9.