



Wilkinson School Surplus & Disposition Hearing

3/30/21

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions – 5 minutes
- Purpose of the community surplus & disposition hearing – 2 min
- Site background and intended purpose – 3 min
- DC Prep Academy presentation – 12 minutes
- Public comment period – 35 minutes
- Conclusion – 3 minutes

Welcome and Introductions

District agencies, government representatives and school leaders in attendance

- Jenn Comey, Director of Planning and Analysis at the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education
- Tiwana Hicks, Interim Director of the Portfolio Division at the Department of General Services
- Wayne Gore, Community Outreach Coordinator at the Department of General Services
- Neils Ribeiro-Yemofio, Chief of External Affairs for DC Preparatory Academy Public Charter School

Special thank you to the ANC commissioners, in particular:

- Commissioner Coleman from 8B04
- Commissioner Steven Tiller from 8A07

Feel free to drop your name and affiliated organization in the chat! Please send to the **EVERYONE** option, and not All Attendees.

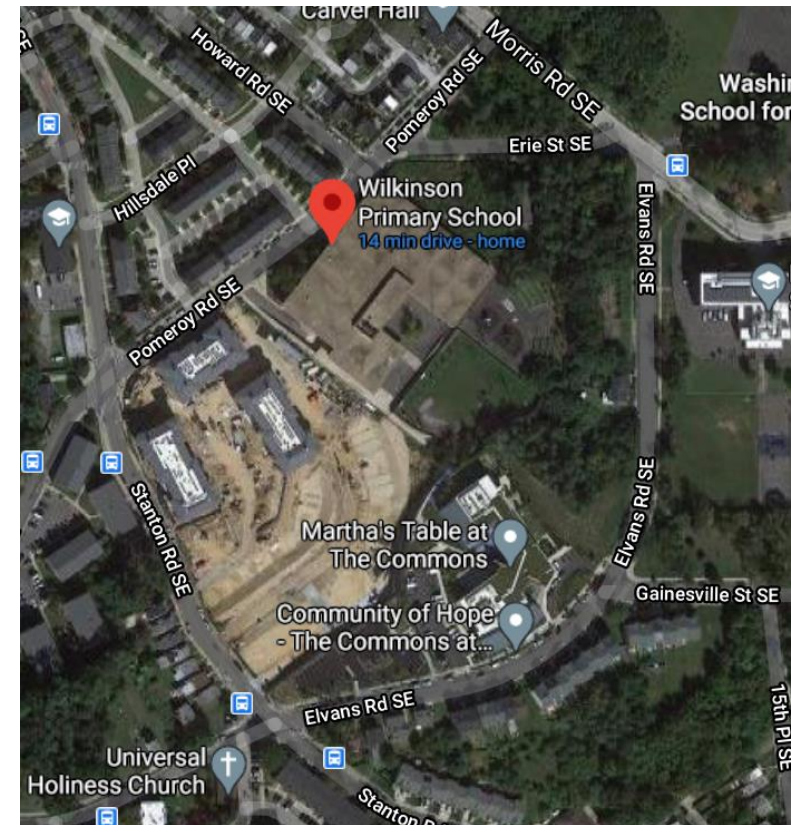
Tonight's hearing is being **recorded** and will be included as part of the public record and submitted to DC Council.

Purpose of the Community Surplus & Disposition Hearing

- Purpose of tonight’s hearing is to receive **community comments on the proposed surplus & disposition** of the former Wilkinson Elementary School, located at 2330 Pomeroy Road SE.
- Designating a property as “surplus” means that the **government no longer requires the property for District-operated public uses**, including DCPS schools, fire stations, police stations, and District agency office space, etc.
- In 2020, the Mayor introduced the **Wilkinson School Disposition Process Amendment Act of 2020**. This allows the Mayor to give the right of first offer to purchase, lease, or use the former Wilkinson Elementary School building to a charter school facility incubator or a public charter school that occupied the former Birney Elementary School, in whole or in part, as of October 1, 2020; and allows the Mayor to hold a combined surplus and disposition public hearing instead of two separate hearings.
- Tonight's surplus & disposition hearing is the first step in the process of designating the site as surplus and eventually disposing of the property.

Site Background and Intended Purpose

- According to the 2010 Master Facilities Plan, the Wilkinson building was initially built in 1976 in Ward 8 (see map).
- Wilkinson Elementary School was closed at the end of SY2008-09 and last served grades PK-5 with approximately 440 students. Students were redistricted to Moten Elementary School.
- Per the **Wilkinson School Disposition Process Amendment Act of 2020**, the District proposes that the Wilkinson building should be designated as a surplus government property and disposed of to either a charter school facility incubator or DC Preparatory Academy, both of whom occupied the former Birney Elementary School, in whole or in part, as of October 1, 2020.



DC Preparatory Academy – Background & Future Use of Site

DC Preparatory Academy will share the school's history and intended use for the site.

Please welcome Neils Ribeiro-Yemofio, Chief of External Affairs for DC Preparatory Academy.

Public Comment

- We would like your thoughts around Wilkinson being designated surplus and disposed of.
- Ways to share your feedback
 - > Please share your thoughts in the chat so it can be included in the public record.
 - > If you would like to share your thoughts verbally, please raise your hand to be unmuted to share.
 - When you introduce yourself, please clearly state your first and last name and state the organization you represent, if any.
 - Each person will have a total of 3 minutes to deliver their comments. If commentary exceeds 3 minutes, we kindly request that a written draft be submitted so we can fully capture the remarks.
- All comments may be emailed to anc.comments@dc.gov and will be accepted until April 16, 2021.

Conclusion

- Reminder to send any other feedback to anc.comments@dc.gov by April 16, 2021.

Thank you for attending tonight's meeting!