

# Master Planning and Visioning

Summary of Community Feedback

August 23, 2016

# Agenda

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# Summary of Feedback Process

Date	Action
March 2015	Public input session as part of Task Force process
Summer 2015	Task Force recommendation and minority report
September 2015	Superintendent Recommendation
Oct. 2015-March 2016	Development of 5 options and provision of input to White + Burke
March 2016	Initial presentation of White + Burke work and feedback from the community
April-May 2016	3 additional community meetings – Chamberlin, Central and Orchard
Sept. 2015-June 2016	Superintendent meetings with administrators, staff, seniors, library patrons
March-August 2016	Emails, suggestion box entries, public comments at meetings
May-August 2016	Review of community feedback by the Board

# Community Meetings – Objectives

- Provide further information to community
  - Tradeoffs imbedded in each option
  - Further details on costs and impact on taxpayers
- Understand community priorities and concerns
- Develop a sense of the community's preferred option(s)

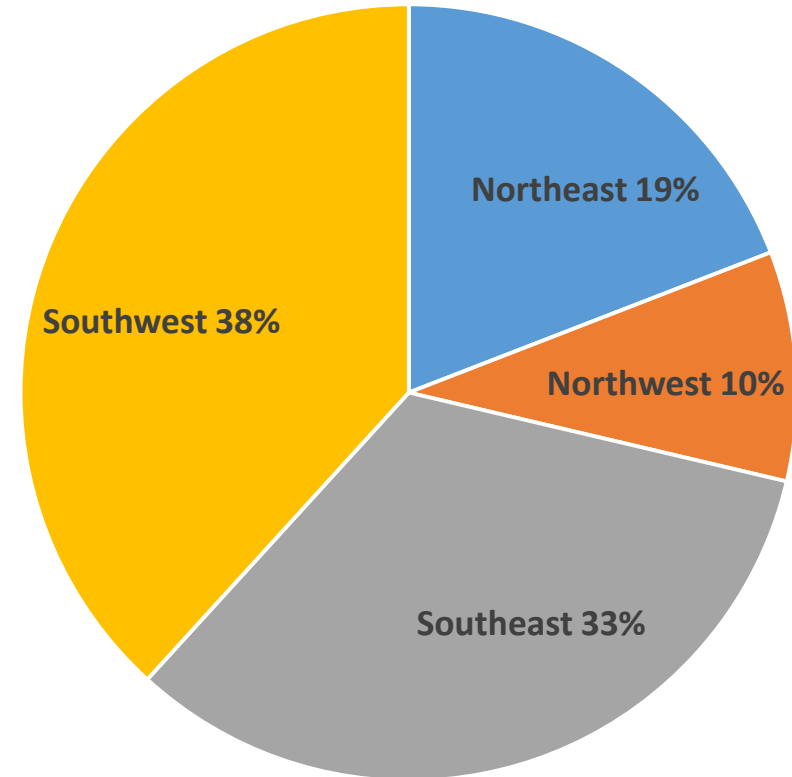
# Community Meetings – Participation

Meeting	Approximate Attendance	Feedback Forms Received
High School (March 22)	150	111
Chamberlin (April 26)	30	13
Central (May 7)	10	1
Orchard (May 24)	30	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>145</b>

# Community Meetings - Participants

- Parents – 68%
- Business Owners – 8%
- Teachers – 10%
- Owners of property – 97%
- Average years in South Burlington – 18
- Average age – 50
- 220 participants represents 1.2% of SB population

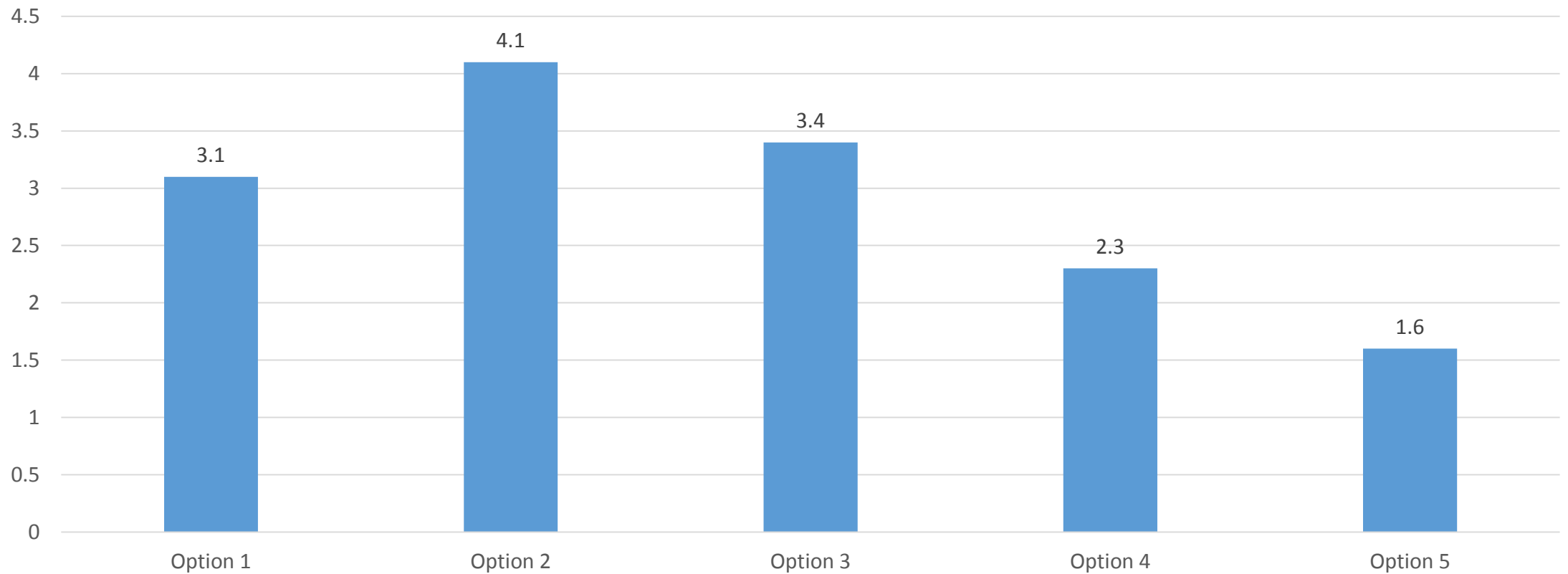
City Quadrant Representation



■ Northeast ■ Northwest ■ Southeast ■ Southwest

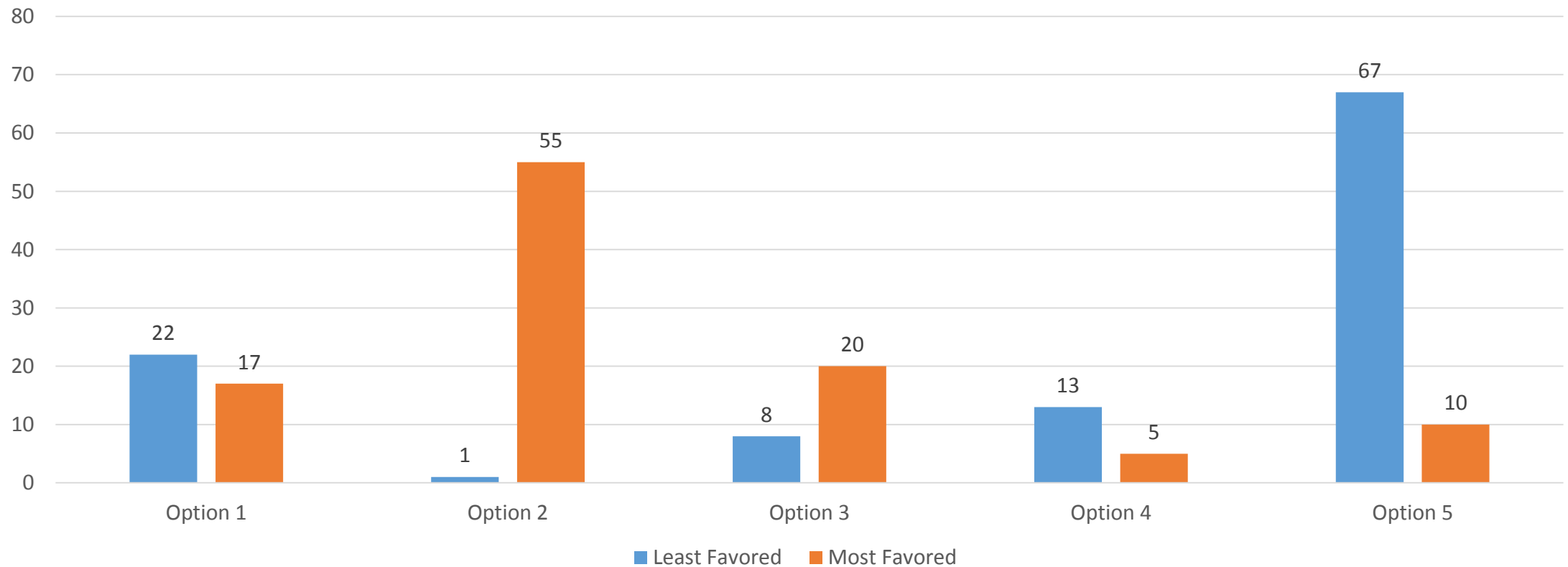
# Community Meetings - Rankings

Average Ranking - 145 Respondents



# Community Meetings – Rankings

Least and Most Favored Options – Number of Respondents





# Community Meetings – Themes

- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade at the Middle School
- Prioritize High School
- Community Impact
- Student and Family Impact
- Cost/Benefit Analysis
- Changes to Options
- MPV Process and Leadership

# Other Community Input

- Approximately 30 emails and suggestion box comments received
- Numerous public comments at board meetings

# Themes

- Keeping Chamberlin open is a priority despite noise concerns
  - Need further study of noise and possibilities for mitigation
  - Need to address problems related to declining enrollment
- Concern about moving the 5<sup>th</sup> graders to the middle school (Option 3, 5)
  - Some opportunities for expansion of middle school offerings and grouping with 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- High school is a priority for community versus elementary schools
- Concerns about property values and impact on communities if schools are consolidated
- Concerns about costs of building new facilities
- Concerns about impact on students and families if schools are consolidated

# Next Steps

- Post to district website
  - Aggregated community comments
  - Answers to selected frequently asked questions
  - August 23<sup>rd</sup> reports
  - Final White + Burke report
- Review community reaction to August 23 presentations
- Develop and present Board recommendations to community