

Fort Lawton
Base Realignment & Closure
(BRAC)

Informational Open House
October 17, 2006

Purpose

- To inform & engage community on Fort Lawton closure
- To gather public comments on Fort Lawton reuse

Fort Lawton Area

- What is at Fort Lawton?
 - 46+/- acres and 10 buildings and 1 cemetery
- What is surplus now?
 - 29+/- acres & 9 buildings





Organizational Maintenance Shop (OMS)

Fort Lawton Army Reserve Center (FLARC)
Federal to Federal Property Transfer
to
Veterans Administration

Leisy Center

Area Maintenance Support Activity 79 (AMSA 79)

Harvey Center

Workshop

Storage Bldg

Pence Auditorium &
Band Practice Rooms

Cemetery

100 ft



Fort Lawton Photos



BRAC Process Overview

- Federal Base Realignment and Closure Act
 - Determines process for closing & realigning domestic military facilities
 - Determines process for reuse of closed BRAC facilities
 - Fort Lawton is a BRAC closure

BRAC Process

- BRAC is governed by federal laws and regulations
- The federal process is:
 - Federal government determines military facilities for closure or realignment and if federal government has need for property
 - If property remains local government asked to serve as Local Reuse Authority (LRA)
 - LRA responsible for developing reuse plan. **Federal requirement that reuse plan balances needs of homeless and other community needs**
 - Federal Departments of Defense and Housing and Urban Development review reuse plan and **Defense makes final property decisions giving deference to plan**

Who is Eligible for Fort Lawton Property?

- **Homeless Service Providers** - State and local government agencies or private nonprofit organizations that provide or propose to provide assistance to homeless person and families
- **Public Benefit Conveyances** – public bodies, non profit organizations and tax supported institutions, depending on the rules for each conveyance. Conveyance uses: education, public health, wildlife conservation, self help housing, airport, emergency management, parks & recreation, lighthouses, corrections & law enforcement, historic monuments, & seaport uses

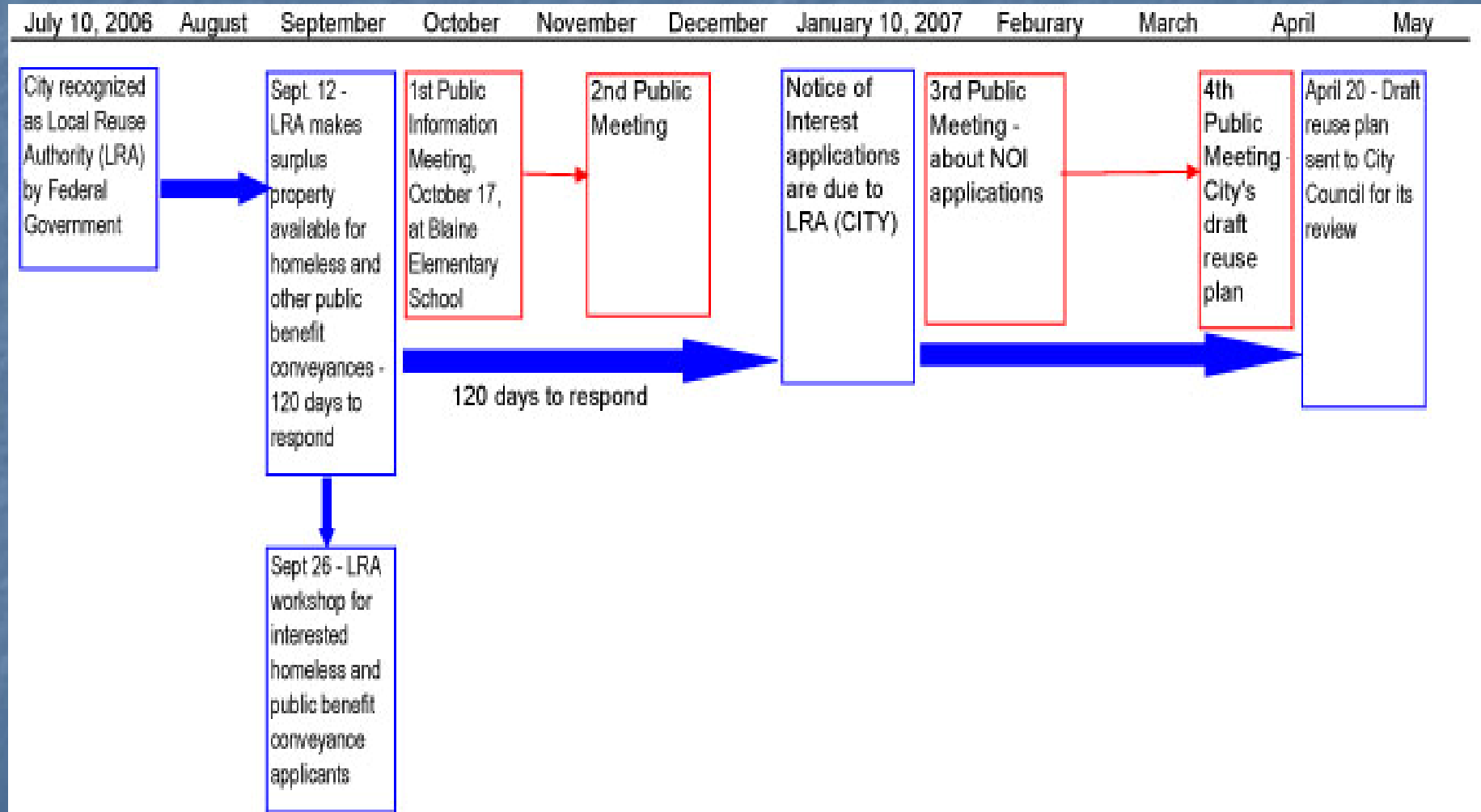
What is LRA?

- **Local Reuse Authority (LRA)** - By federal law LRA is an entity recognized by the Secretary of Defense as the entity responsible for developing the redevelopment plan with respect to the installation
- Who is Local Reuse Authority?
 - City of Seattle is the Fort Lawton LRA

What are LRA functions?

- Conduct outreach for homeless assistance providers and other eligible recipients of public benefit property transfers
- Provide leadership, prepare and build consensus for base redevelopment plan
- Consult with Military Department on personal property disposal
- Serve as single community point of contact
- LRA determines uses - Military Department determines users

Fort Lawton Time Line





Dept. of Housing and Urban Development Role in the BRAC Process

- Provide ongoing technical assistance.
- Help to provide a link between the LRA (City of Seattle) and area homeless assistance providers.
- Review and approve the application: Reuse Plan and Homeless Assistance Submission

The Reuse Plan must demonstrate:

Compliance with the statutory and regulatory requirements summarized below.

- That it was developed in consultation with homeless assistance providers
- That it takes into consideration the size and nature of the homeless population.
- That it takes into consideration the availability of existing services to meet the needs of the homeless.

Reuse Plan (cont.):

- The plan takes into consideration the economic impact of proposed reuse. (Job Loss)
- The plan takes into consideration the suitability of the buildings and property on the installation.
- The plan appropriately balances the needs of economic and other public benefit needs with the needs of the homeless for the community.



Discovery Park

Aerial photo taken: July 1999
Map date: January 23, 2001

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