WAC 392-342-020 Site review and evaluation. The superintendent of public instruction together with the school district shall conduct a review and evaluation of sites for new and existing state funding assisted projects. In selecting sites for schools, a district shall consider the following:

(1) The property upon which the school facility is or will be located is free of all encumbrances that would detrimentally interfere with the construction, operation, and useful life of the facility;

(2) The site is of sufficient size to meet the needs of the facility. The minimum acreage of the site should be five usable acres and one additional usable acre for each one hundred students or portion thereof of projected maximum enrollment plus an additional five usable acres if the school contains any grade above grade six. A district considering the use of a site that is less than the recommended minimum usable acreage should assure that:

(a) The health and safety of the students will not be in jeopardy;

(b) The internal spaces within the proposed facility will be adequate for the proposed educational program;

(c) The neighborhood in which the school facility is or will be situated will not be detrimentally impacted by lack of parking for students, employees, and the public; and

(d) The physical education and recreational program requirements will be met.

(3) A site review or predesign conference has been conducted with all appropriate local code agencies in order to determine design constraints;

(4) A geotechnical engineer has conducted a limited subsurface investigation to gather basic information regarding potential foundation and subgrade performance.

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