

Welcome to the Public Buildings Reform Board

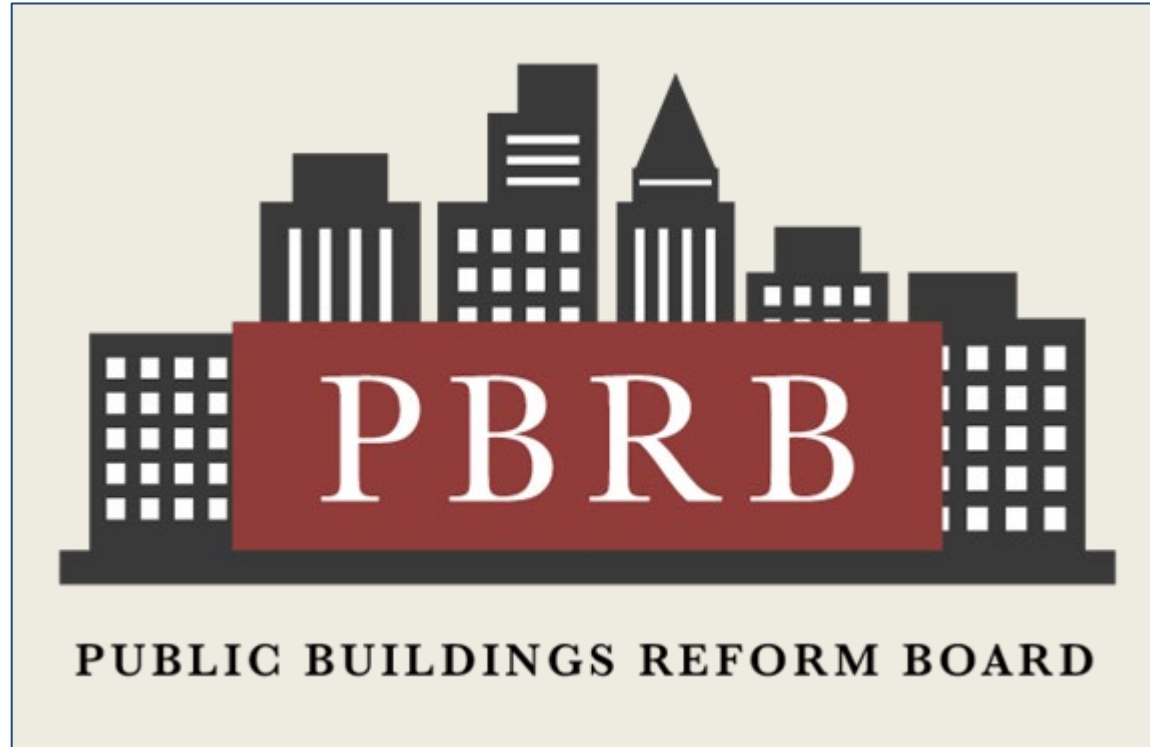
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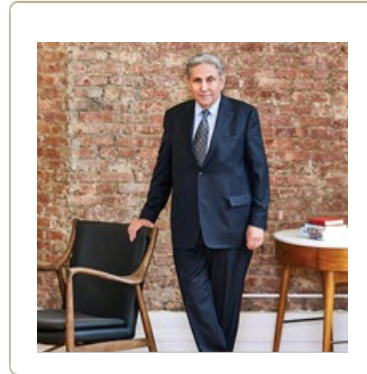


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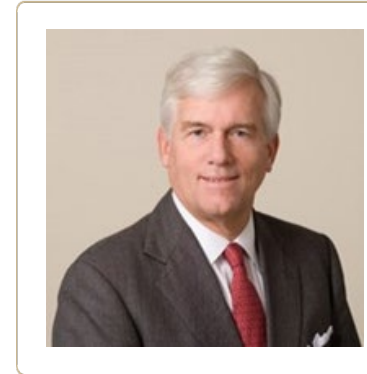
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Former PBS
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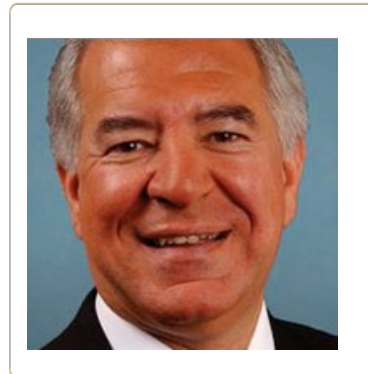
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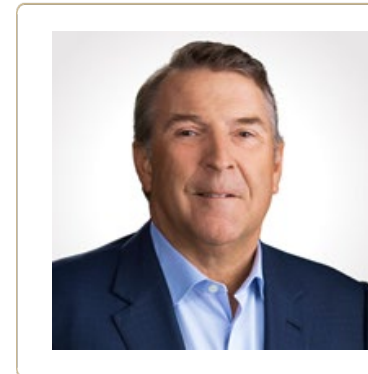
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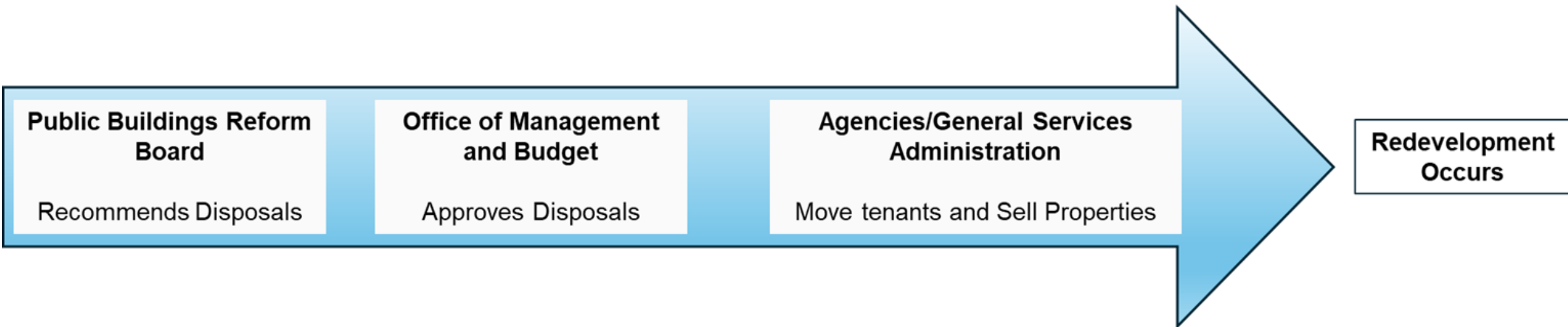
Congress authorized the Board to make recommendations



-  **Identify:** Find underutilized, vacant, and unneeded federal properties.
-  **Analyze:** Assess properties with high deferred maintenance and operating costs.
-  **Recommend:** Advise on the sale, disposal, or redevelopment of these assets.
-  **Reduce:** Lower federal real estate costs and reduce the government's footprint.
-  **Reinvest:** Return properties to local communities for economic growth and reinvestment.

The Board looks for underutilized, high value, or high capital liability assets

- The PBRB does not sell properties nor determine the relocation for any existing tenants, nor does it determine the future use of the property.
- The PBRB is not part of the DOGE, nor is it part of the General Services Administration – the landholding agency for most non-DoD federal office space.
- The two primary criteria the Board uses for identifying a federal property is the building's attendance and deferred maintenance capital liabilities. Criteria such as the valuation of a property, the return on investment from a divestiture, political and stakeholder support, economic impact and historic preservation requirements of local communities all constitute factors the Board takes into advisement during its analysis.



Round 2 Disposal Update



Building Name	Tenant Relocation	Disposition	Transfer
Wilbur J Cohen, D.C.	Under Review		
Forrestal Fed Bldg, D.C.	5/30/2029		
Brickell Plaza Bldg, Miami	9/30/2028		
Peachtree Summit, Atlanta	10/31/2029		
William O. Lipinski, Chicago	6/7/2028		
CPT JF Williams Coast Guard Bldg, Boston	3/27/2029		
Estes Kefauver Fed Bldg, Nashville	7/15/2029		
LaBranch Fed Bldg, Houston	2/28/2025		
Federal Office Building 7 th and D St, D.C.	2/28/2025	1/21/2026	3/23/26
4700 River Road, Riverdale MD	10/30/2025	3/13/2026	5/5/2026
Chet Holifield Fed Bldg, Laguna Nigel CA		5/1/2026	6/30/2026

The Cost of Inaction

Estimated Deferred Maintenance Across the GSA Portfolio - \$50 billion



Paul Rogers U.S. Courthouse - West Palm Beach, FL- Column Deterioration

Across the nation, federal buildings face billions in deferred maintenance and repairs.

The cost per person for this poorly maintained inventory is skyrocketing.

Fewer workers are using increasingly expensive and poorly maintained properties.

These costs burden taxpayers and hinder agency missions.

The PBRB identifies properties where disposal is more fiscally responsible than continued upkeep.

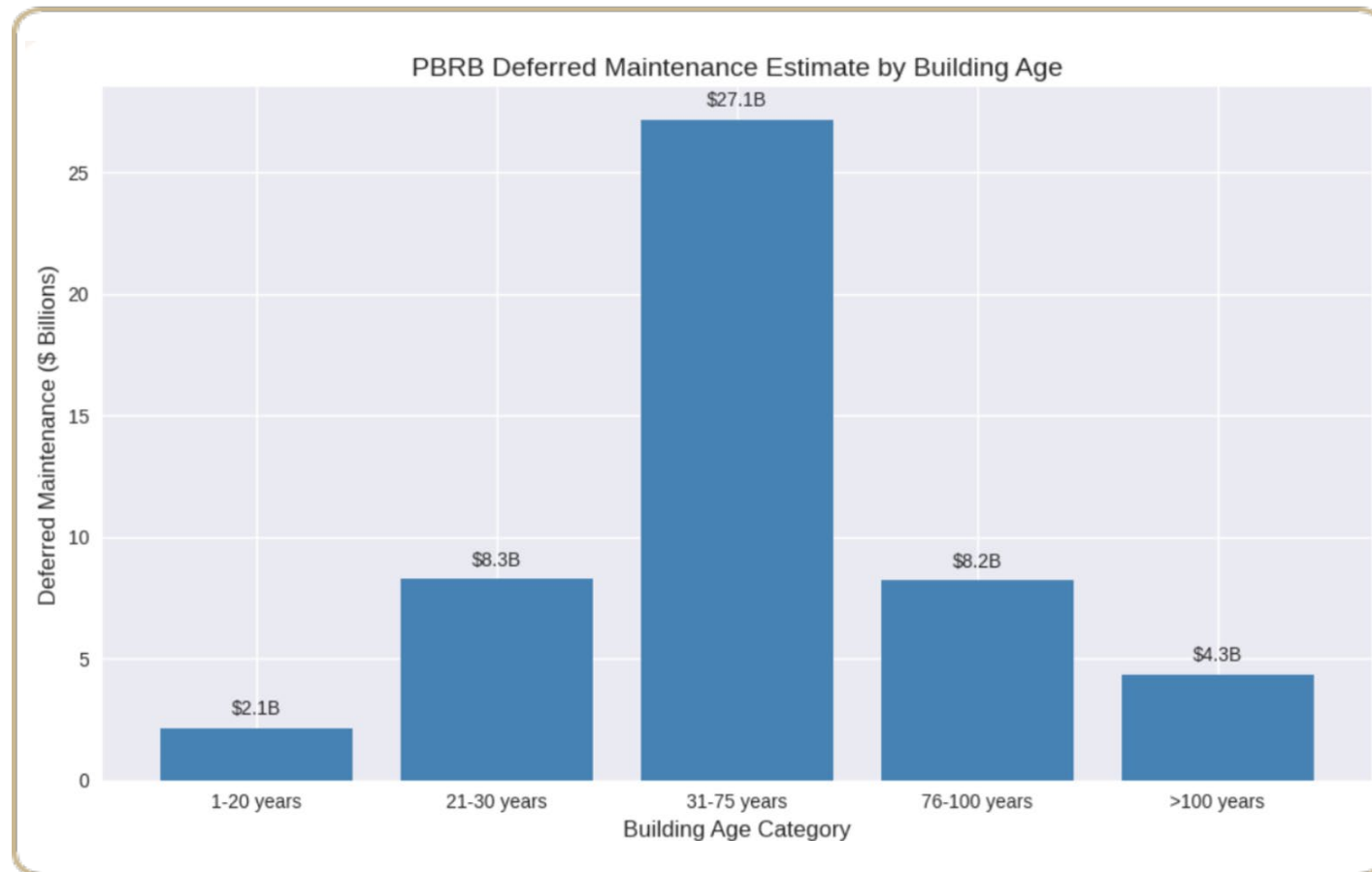
Value Erosion through Capital Neglect

The largest concentration of deferred maintenance is in buildings built from 1951 to 1995

The most common property characteristics:

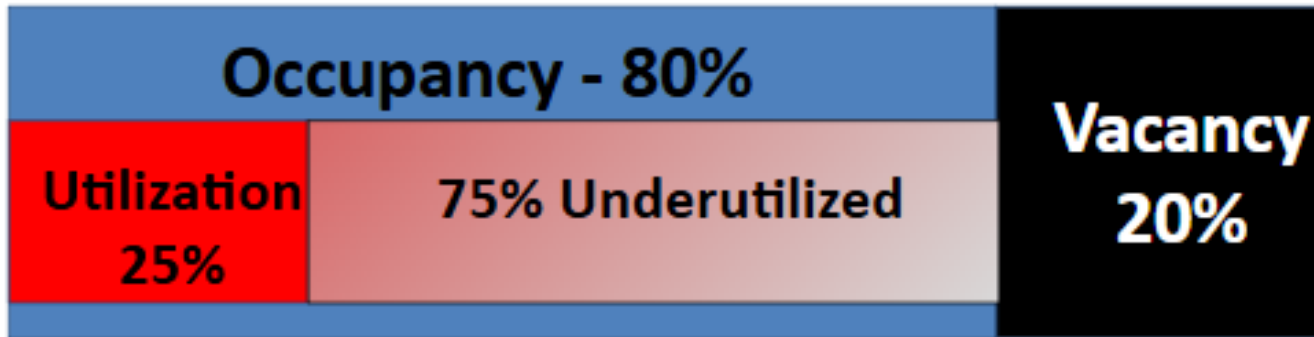
- High deferred maintenance
- Low space utilization
- No market value.

The effect: sale proceeds cannot support agency move costs while reinvestment is not supported by market dynamics



Utilization tells us what occupancy doesn't

Occupancy vs. Utilization



- “Occupancy” : % of a building under a lease
- “Vacancy”: % of a building NOT under a lease
- “Utilization”: % of a tenant “occupancy” actually used by staff (calculated at benchmark space allocation of 150 useable square feet per employee)

Joseph P. Addabbo Federal Building,
Jamaica, NY

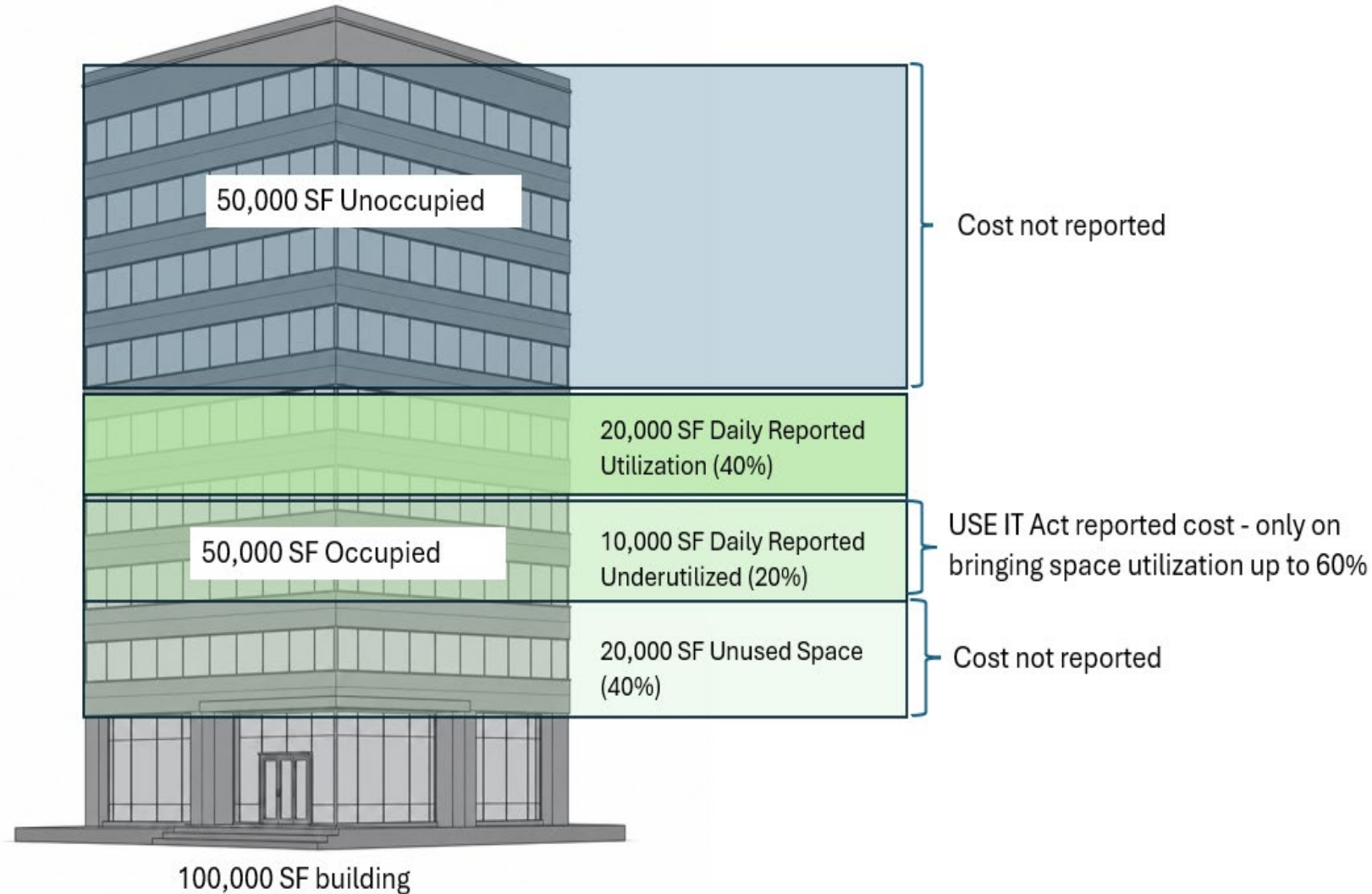


- 800,000 rentable square feet
- 100% reported “occupied” by Social Security Administration
- 13.5% reported space “utilization”

USE IT Act - Cost of Underutilization

PBRB Data Observations

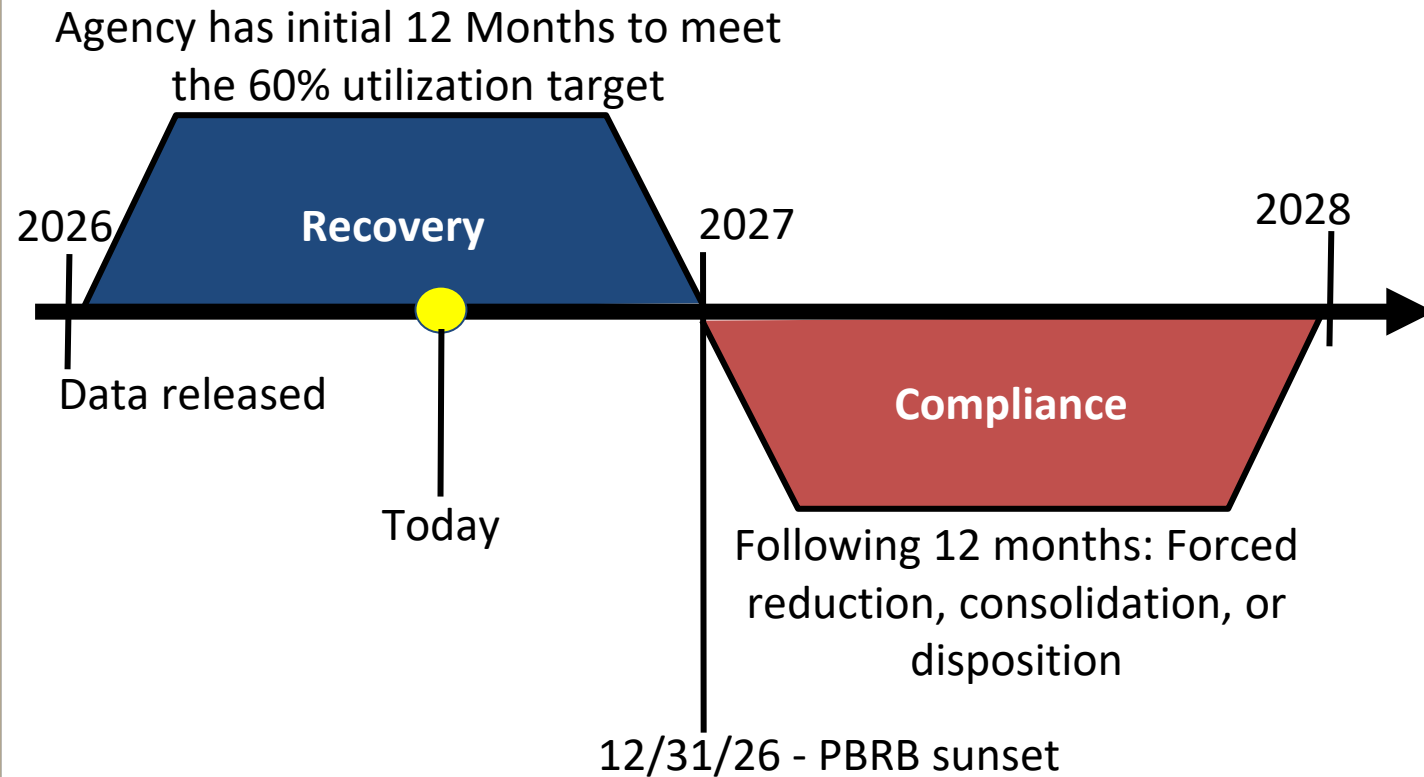
- No agency met the overall 60% utilization target
- **Space** for only 275,336 employees were reported out of a federal workforce of over 2 million
- **Cost of Underutilized Space:** \$1.34 billion per year (\$660 million owned and \$677 million leased)
- Judicial Branch and Dept of Defense did not report



USE IT Act - Compliance Timeline

- Agencies are responsible to meet the 60% utilization target
- 12 month “Recovery” period followed by a 12 month “Compliance” period
- The USE IT Act will force a wave of dispositions

USE IT Act Compliance Timeline



Properties Supported by Landholding Agencies



Name	City, State	GSF / Acreage	DM&R	NPV Savings
Paul D. Wellstone Federal Building	Minneapolis, MN	142,910 GSF	\$6,790,020	\$21,461,839
Franconia Warehouse Building – “B Side”	Springfield, VA	308,483 GSF	\$2,186,566	\$112,519,701
Bozeman Federal Building & Post Office	Bozeman, MT	93,297 GSF	\$27,448,487	\$17,141,967
U.S. Custom House	Philadelphia, PA	542,896 GSF	\$68,385,194	\$116,510,875
Strom Thurmond Federal Complex	Columbia, SC	456,734 GSF	\$56,296,860	\$125,293,768
Matthew Perry Parking Deck	Columbia, SC	315,633 GSF	\$21,965,723	\$62,511,484
Columbia Plaza	Washington, DC	713,411 GSF	\$12,667,878	\$124,548,720

Sale proceeds support future agency consolidations



NWS Sterling Field Support Center - Sterling, VA

- MARKET TIMING
- Surplus land sale - ~154 acres
- High value
- No mission impact - No relocation cost
- Advantageous local zoning
- Land-holding agency retains sale proceeds

Underutilized Property Sale



Paul D Wellstone FB - Minneapolis, MN

- High Vacancy - 46K RSF or 38%
- Underutilized
- High maintenance costs
- LOI received
- Critical market timing opportunity

Valuable Location with Redevelopment Potential



Franconia Complex Side “B” - Springfield, VA

- Soon to be vacant warehouse
- High potential sale proceeds
- Desirable zoning
- No relocation costs
- Critical market timing



Columbia Plaza - Washington, DC

- DOS plans to fully vacate
- Prime location for multifamily redevelopment
- Proximity to GW campus

Valuable Location with Conversion Potential



Bozeman Federal Building and Post Office

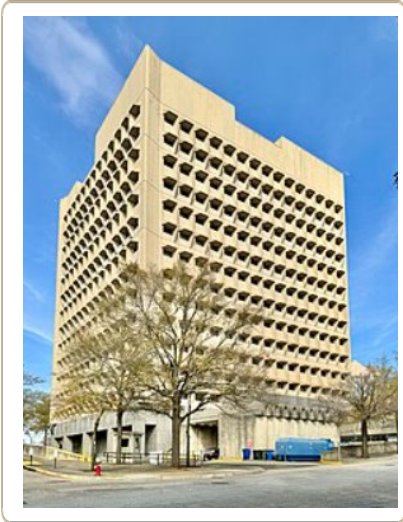
- High deferred maintenance
- Central location in a high value real estate market
- High housing demand
- LOI and Congressional letters of support received
- 32% Utilization in 73% of the building sf
- 11% Vacancy



Philadelphia Custom House

- High deferred maintenance
- High Vacancy - 114K SF vacant (26%)
- Central location prime for redevelopment
- 19% Utilization reported for 156K SF (half the building)

Excessing Deferred Maintenance = Win



*Left: Strom Thurmond Federal Building; Right: Strom Thurmond U.S. Courthouse Columbia, SC



*Matthew J. Perry, Jr. Parking Deck - Columbia, SC

Strom Thurmond Federal Building

- Underutilized
- High vacancy (**38%**)
- Low utilization
- Significant deferred maintenance liabilities
- Support from City

Strom Thurmond Courthouse

- 100% Vacant
- Significant deferred maintenance liabilities
- Eliminate operational expenses and liabilities via sale

Matthew J. Perry, Jr Parking Deck

- Only 15% of parking used for federal vehicles
- Significant deferred maintenance liabilities
- Mission-driven parking need will be eliminated via sale of Strom Thurmond complex

Additional Properties Under Examination



Building	Location	GSF or Acreage	Deferred Maintenance/ Repair	30-yr Net Present Value Savings
Central Arizona Project	Phoenix, AZ	41 Acres	N/A – Surplus Land Sale	\$22,576,158
John W. Powell Building	Reston, VA	20 Acres	N/A – Surplus Land Sale	\$37,692,893
Mid Atlantic Social Security Center	Philadelphia, PA	574,704 GSF	\$51,866,264	\$76,358,771
Wilshire Federal Building	Los Angeles, CA	544,357 GSF	\$236,362,065	\$110,221,523
VA Palo Alto	Sunnyvale, CA	59,910 GSF	\$368,804	\$32,727,031
Chas. E Bennett Federal Building	Jacksonville, FL	317,556 GSF	\$20,211,119	\$9,995,911
Juliette Gordon Low Federal Building	Savannah, GA	239,098 GSF	\$13,500,000	\$1,162,755

Building	Location	GSF or Acreage	Deferred Maintenance/ Repair	30-yr Net Present Value Savings
John W. McCormack Federal Building	Boston, MA	726,885 GSF	\$959,967	\$185,605,389
U.S. Custom House	Charleston, SC	50,542 GSF	\$6,250,898	\$12,461,306
Paul G. Rogers Courthouse & AUTC	West Palm Beach, FL	176,042 GSF	\$51,578,440	\$24,867,612
Robert G. Stephens Federal Building	Athens, GA	85,748 GSF	\$10,358,028	\$29,539,829
Claude Pepper Federal Building	Miami, FL	279,728 GSF	\$42,315,388	\$15,220,109
U.S. Custom House	Portland, ME	23,935 GSF	\$1,900,000	\$10,244,522
U.S. Custom House	Savannah, GA	25,946 GSF	\$5,500,000	\$7,108,844

Additional Properties Under Examination



Building	Location	GSF or Acreage	Deferred Maintenance/ Repair	30-yr Net Present Value Savings
IRS Service Center	Atlanta, GA	344,099 GSF	\$12,390,414	\$57,533,721
Fritz G. Lanham Federal Building	Fort Worth, TX	759,414 GSF	\$14,340,597	\$32,894,603
Terminal Annex Federal Building	Dallas, TX	244,357 GSF	\$8,183,113	\$23,646,099
Silver Spring Metro Center 1	Silver Spring, MD	205,879 GSF	\$13,663,724	\$27,336,139
Tucson Federal Building	Tucson, AZ	134,651 GSF	\$23,839,705	\$29,512,672
Howard St. Garage	New York, NY	57,123 GSF	\$3,968,126	\$65,091,530

Building	Location	GSF or Acreage	Deferred Maintenance/ Repair	Net Present Value Savings
Minton Capehart Federal Building	Indianapolis, IN	610,778 GSF	\$41,000,000	\$131,480,129
A. Maceo Smith Federal Building	Dallas, TX	196,173 GSF	\$9,636,573	\$23,182,208
Timberlake Federal Complex	Tampa, FL	305,536 GSF	\$44,459,776	\$95,225,263
J.J. Jake Pickle Federal Building	Austin, TX	262,613 GSF	\$36,659,211	(\$29,387,166)
James Hansen Federal Building	Ogden, UT	198,909 GSF	\$36,794,407	\$68,748,752
Joseph P. Addabbo Federal Building	New York, NY	896,515 GSF	\$36,809,348	\$111,181,847

Potential Taxpayer Savings

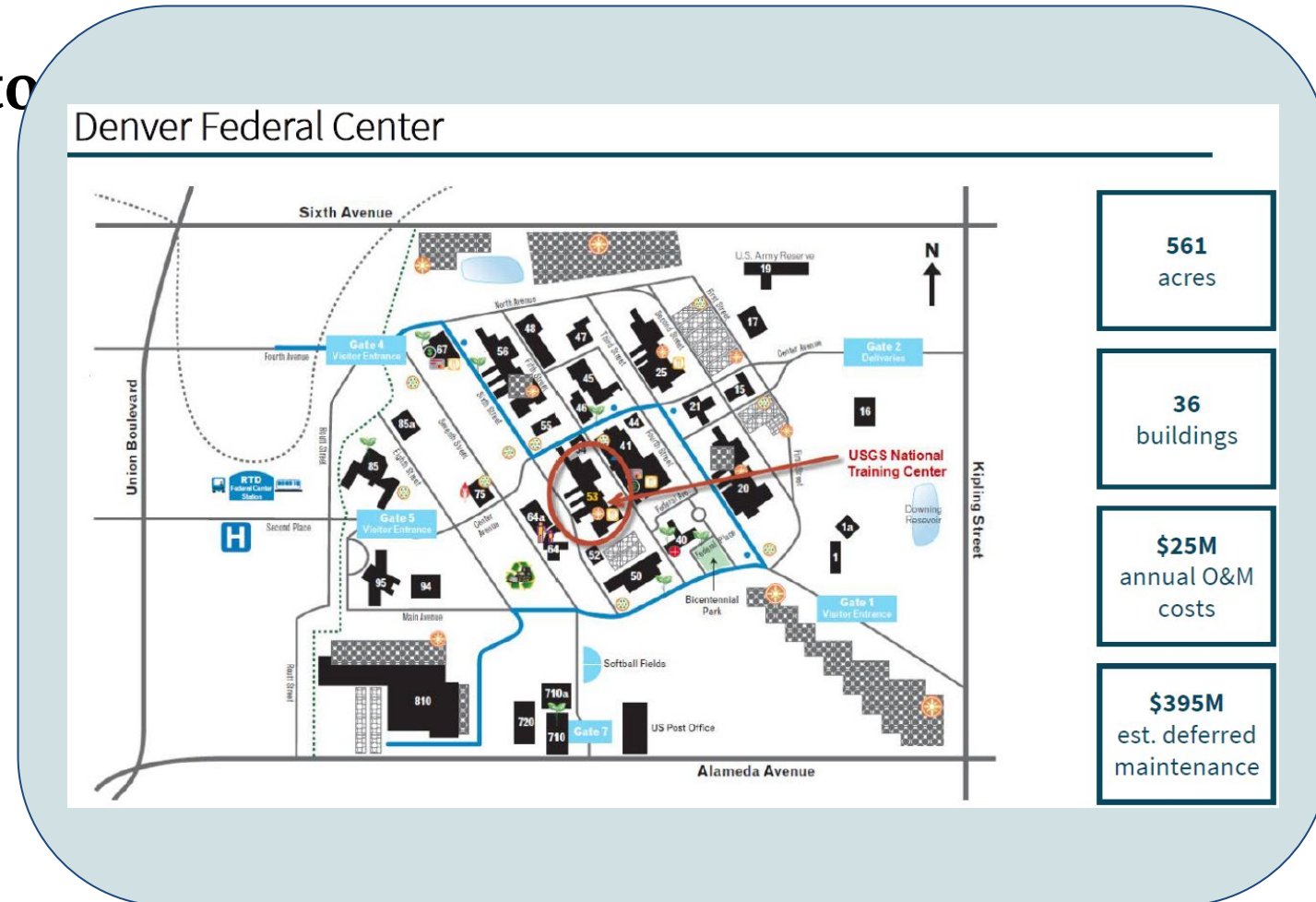
- 26 assets recommended for disposal
- 7.34 million gross square feet reduction
- \$706 million deferred maintenance avoided
- \$50 million annual operating expenses eliminated
- \$1.2 billion 30-year net present value savings



More complex properties remain

Complexity requires planning to maximize value

- Federal Campuses
 - BARC
 - Denver Federal Center
- Southwest DC
- Identifying parcelization of surplus land
- Connected facilities



Private sector underwriters need planned sales

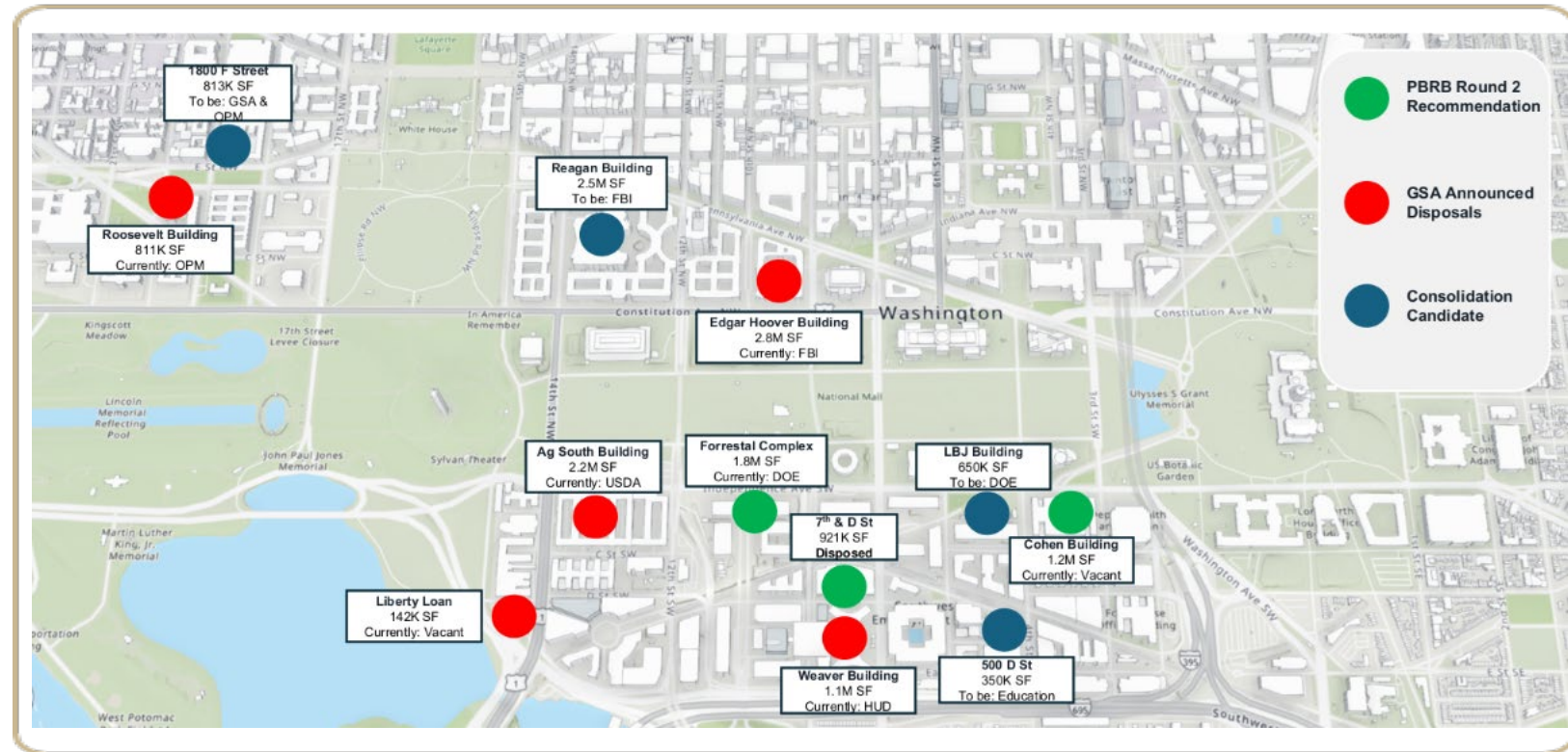
Selling “where-is, as-is” presents challenges

Concerns that Create Risk

- Historic Preservation
- Regulatory
- Infrastructure
 - HOTD Steam Plant
 - WMTA
- Market Conditions - Oversaturation

Opportunities to Reduce Unknowns

- Market Assessment
- Anchor Tenant
- Address Zoning
- Site Optimization
- Scaling Opportunities
- Parcelization
- Infrastructure
- Phasing



*Southwest D.C. - Current Strategy Map

The PBRB's work continues...



- Round 3 recommendations to be submitted no later than December 31, 2026
- Identify market opportunities with private sector expertise
- Market cycles require constant asset evaluation
- Refinement of Use It Act data will reveal new opportunities
- D.C. rightsizing, consolidations, and maximization of sale proceeds
- Agency retention of sale proceeds motivates and incentives action
- State and local government outreach promotes collaboration across the public sector.
- Collaboration with Courts



Open for Public Remarks

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Imagining Tomorrow



*James V. Forrestal Federal Building - Washington, D.C.



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