



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: 1/28/2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: City Council Chambers
701 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

7:00 p.m. Regular Session

A. Call To Order

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Carlton, Combs, Nash, Mueller, Taylor
Absent: None
Staff: City Manager Starla Jerome-Robinson, Assistant City Cara Silver, City Clerk Judi A. Herren

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Public Comment

- Judy Adams spoke in support of City Council joining the "Back from the Brink" campaign (Attachment).
- Richard Duda spoke in support of City Council joining the "Back from the Brink" campaign.
- Elias Blawie spoke on the City's big picture and priorities.
- Michael Doran spoke in support of a new or updated accessory dwelling unit ordinance.
- Patti Fry spoke on goal setting and prioritizing traffic relief and the jobs housing imbalance.
- Charlie Peter spoke on health and safety (Attachment).
- Gail Wilkerson spoke on rental restrictions on Willow Road.

E. Presentations and Proclamations

E1. 2019 STEM Winners

Mayor Taylor presented the Certificate of Recognition to Om Chhaya.

Om Chhaya accepted the Certificate of Recognition and made a presentation on his project.

E2. Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

MidPen Open Space District Assistant General Manager Susanna Chan made the presentation (Attachment).

F. Consent Calendar

- F1. Accept the City Council meeting minutes for December 10, 2019 (Attachment)
- F2. Reject bid for the Hydration Station Improvement project (Staff Report #20-017-CC)
- F3. Authorize the city manager to execute a contract amendment with Accela, Inc. for direct access to the SaaS database for enhanced reporting and data recovery not to exceed \$74,967.98 (Staff Report #20-013-CC)

ACTION: Motion and second (Combs/ Nash) to approve the consent calendar, passed unanimously.

G. Public Hearing

- G1. Adopt resolution no. 6535 to approve architectural control, a vesting tentative map, removal of one on-street parking space, and denial of a variance for a mixed use development at 706-716 Santa Cruz Avenue; and adopt resolution no. 6536 to approve a below market rate housing agreement with 706-716 Santa Cruz Ave, LLC. (Staff Report #20-020-CC)

Senior Planner Kaitie Meador made the presentation (Attachment).

Applicant Bob Giannini made a presentation (Attachment).

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing.

By acclamation, Mayor Taylor closed the public hearing.

The City Council discussed the below market rate (BMR) and electric vehicle (EV) parking requirements. The City Council made sufficient findings to approve the variance.

ACTION: Motion and second (Combs/ Carlton) to adopt resolution no. 6535 to approve architectural control, a vesting tentative map, removal of one on-street parking space, and approval of a variance for a mixed use development at 706-716 Santa Cruz Avenue; and adopt resolution no. 6536 to approve a below market rate housing agreement with 706-716 Santa Cruz Ave, LLC, passed unanimously.

City Council took a break at 8:58 p.m.

City Council reconvened at 9:08 p.m.

H. Regular Business

- H1. Resolution of intent for the construction of a new community center and library in the Belle Haven neighborhood (Staff Report #20-014-CC)

Vice Mayor Combs was recused and exited the chambers at 9:09 p.m.

Deputy City Manager Justin Murphy made the presentation (Attachment).

Facebook representative Fergus O'Shea made a presentation (Attachment).

City Council took a break at 9:36 p.m.

City Council reconvened at 9:37 p.m.

- Pastor Teirrah McNair spoke in support of the project and retaining the name Onetta Harris Community Center.
- Greg Goodwin spoke in opposition of renaming the Onetta Harris Community Center.
- Gail Wilkerson spoke in support of retaining the Onetta Harris Community Center name.
- Adrian F. Perkins spoke in support of retaining the name Onetta Harris Community Center and expressed concerns on the cost to the public when using the facilities.
- John Joseph Contreras spoke in support of a basement level in the new project and in support of retaining the name Onetta Harris Community Center.
- Pamela Jones spoke in support of the project webpage and requested the inclusion of neighboring schools in project related conversations.
- David Harper spoke in support of retaining the Onetta Harris Community Center name.
- Israel Harris spoke in support of retaining the Onetta Harris Community Center name and requested upcoming important dates pertaining to the project be made easily available to the public.

The City Council discussed backup power fuel options, the public engagement process and translating information (past and future) into Spanish.

ACTION: Motion and second (Mueller/ Carlton) to adopt the Resolution of intent for the construction of a new community center and library in the Belle Haven neighborhood with a clarification to Item 9 that the community process for naming the new facility will include a timeline, passed 4-0-1 (Combs recused).

Vice Mayor Combs reentered the chambers at 10:28 p.m.

H2. Removed – applicants withdrew appeal.

H3. Authorize the city manager to execute an agreement with MidPen Housing for transportation improvements to support their affordable housing and sustainable communities funding application (Staff Report #20-015-CC)

Deputy Community Development Director – Housing Rhonda Coffman and Interim Public Works Director Nikki Nagaya made the presentation (Attachment).

- Karen Grove, representing Menlo Together, spoke in support of this application.
- Pamela Jones spoke in favor of the MidPen project with the support of CalTrans.
- Jen Wolosin, representing Parents for Safe Routes, spoke in support of the project.
- Adina Levin, representing Menlo Together, spoke in support of the project.

The City Council received clarification on the timeline for the grant application, staff and consultant costs, and CalTrans involvement.

By acclamation, the City Council extended the meeting past 11 p.m.

ACTION: Motion and second (Mueller/ Nash) to authorize the city manager to execute an agreement with MidPen Housing for transportation improvements to support their affordable housing and sustainable communities funding application, passed unanimously.

- H4. Certify the project environmental documents, approve the 30 percent project plans, and authorize the city manager to enter into all necessary agreements and amendments with the Peninsula Joint Powers Board (Caltrain) for the Middle Avenue pedestrian and bicycle rail crossing project (Staff Report #20-018-CC)

Senior Project Manager Morad Fakhrai introduced the item.

- Jen Wolosin, representing Parents for Safe Routes, spoke in support of the project.

The City Council received clarification on the restrictions around the completion dates and reasons around the reduction in estimated project cost estimate.

ACTION: Motion and second (Mueller/ Carlton) to certify the project environmental documents, approve the 30 percent project plans, and authorize the city manager to enter into all necessary agreements and amendments with the Peninsula Joint Powers Board (Caltrain) for the Middle Avenue pedestrian and bicycle rail crossing project, passed unanimously.

- H5. Receive subcommittee report on staff vacancies and provide direction to the city manager (Staff Report #20-022-CC)

This item was continued to a future meeting.

- Karen Grove spoke in support of additional staff working on housing related projects.
- Adina Levin spoke in support of pushing this item to a meeting after City Council goal setting.
- Elias Blawie commented on the need to focus on the demand as well as the supply on City services and projects.

I. Informational Items

- I1. Short-term rental regulation – community engagement and outreach summary, overview and next steps (Staff Report #20-019-CC)

- Elias Blawie spoke on the housing crisis, over-building of corporate units, and expressed concerns on public engagement.
- Karen Grove commented that more public outreach can be performed.

City Council received clarification on different models of corporate housing and accessory dwelling units State laws and discussed transient occupancy tax and regulation of corporate rentals.

- I2. City Council agenda topics: February 11 2020 – March 24 2020 (Staff Report #20-012-CC)

The City Council received clarification on the upcoming regular meeting ordinance item.

J. City Manager's Report

None.

K. City Councilmember Reports

None.

L. Adjournment

Mayor Taylor adjourned the meeting at 11:39 p.m.

Judi A. Herren, City Clerk

These minutes were approved at the City Council meeting of February 25, 2020.

Q&A for Back From The Brink: The Call to Prevent Nuclear War

What is this all about?

Created by the Union of Concerned Scientists and Physicians for Social Responsibility, the Back from the Brink campaign is a collaborative effort to reduce the risk of nuclear war by calling on our national leadership to make changes to our nuclear weapons policy.

What changes are being asked for?

Five specific steps are advocated:

1. Adopt a No-First-Use policy
2. End the authority of a U.S. president to singlehandedly launch a nuclear attack
3. Take U.S. nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert
4. Cancel the "nuclear modernization" program
5. Actively pursue a verifiable agreement to eliminate nuclear arsenals worldwide

What is the Menlo Park City Council being asked to do?

Sign an official proclamation endorsing The Call.

Why should Menlo Park endorse The Call?

It is a simple and concrete action that directly supports our membership since 2018 in Mayors for Peace, which has endorsed The Call. Menlo Park is one of over 200 cities nationally and 7,800 cities internationally that are members of Mayors for Peace. The core objective of Mayors for Peace is to promote the peaceful relations between nations that is needed for bringing about a world free of nuclear weapons. Our Sister Cities program – which has two Mayors for Peace cities – was created by Pres. Eisenhower after WWII with similar goals to Mayors for Peace, to create a “... hub of peace and prosperity by creating bonds between people from different cities around the world...to celebrate and appreciate their differences and build partnerships that would lessen the chance of new conflicts.”

Menlo Park passed the Mayors for Peace Resolution on Hiroshima Day, August 6, 2018. It is fitting that in the year of 2020, the 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, that we begin our work for a commemoration of that anniversary by endorsing the call to step back from the brink of a second nuclear holocaust.

What other California cities have endorsed The Call?

The Call has recently been endorsed by Arcata, Eureka, Los Angeles, Ojai, Santa Barbara, and Santa Monica.

What other endorsements has The Call received?

42 other cities and four states have endorsed The Call: California, Oregon, Maine and New Jersey. Assembly Joint Resolution 33, the endorsement by the California State Legislature, is reproduced on the other side. Moreover, The Call has been endorsed by numerous religious, environmental, and civic institutions. We are asking Menlo Park to join this humanitarian campaign.

Where can I find this and additional information?

Go to <https://www.preventnuclearwar.org/>

Assembly Joint Resolution 33, Limón. Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

[Filed with the California Secretary of State, September 05, 2018.]

This measure would urge our federal leaders and our nation to embrace the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, make nuclear disarmament the centerpiece of our national security policy, and spearhead a global effort to prevent nuclear war.

WHEREAS, Since the height of the Cold War, the United States and Russia have dismantled more than 50,000 nuclear warheads, but 15,000 of these weapons still exist and pose an intolerable risk to human survival; and WHEREAS, Ninety-five percent of these weapons are in the hands of the United States and Russia and the rest are held by seven other countries: China, France, Israel, India, North Korea, Pakistan, and the United Kingdom; and

WHEREAS, The use of even a tiny fraction of these weapons could cause worldwide climate disruption and global famine; for example, as few as 100 Hiroshima-sized bombs, small by modern standards, would put at least five million tons of soot into the upper atmosphere and cause climate disruption across the planet, cutting food production and putting two billion people at risk of starvation; and

WHEREAS, A large-scale nuclear war would kill hundreds of millions of people directly and cause unimaginable environmental damage and catastrophic climate disruption by dropping temperatures across the planet to levels not seen since the last ice age; under these conditions the vast majority of the human race would starve and it is possible we would become extinct as a species; and

WHEREAS, Despite assurances that these arsenals exist solely to guarantee that they are never used, there have been many occasions when nuclear armed states have prepared to use these weapons, and war has been averted only at the last minute; and

WHEREAS, Nuclear weapons do not possess some magical quality that prevents their use; and

WHEREAS, Former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara said, speaking about the Cuban Missile Crisis, "It was luck that prevented nuclear war," yet our nuclear policy cannot be the hope that luck will continue; and

WHEREAS, As the effects of climate change place increased stress on communities around the world and intensify the likelihood of conflict, the danger of nuclear war will grow; and

WHEREAS, The planned expenditure of more than \$1 trillion to enhance our nuclear arsenal will not only increase the risk of nuclear disaster but fuel a global arms race and divert crucial resources needed to assure the well-being of the American people and people all over the world; and

WHEREAS, There is an alternative to this march toward nuclear war: in July 2017, 122 nations called for the elimination of all nuclear weapons by adopting the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; now,

therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and the Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature urges our federal leaders and our nation to embrace the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and make nuclear disarmament the centerpiece of our national security policy; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature calls upon our federal leaders and our nation to spearhead a global effort to prevent nuclear war by renouncing the option of using nuclear weapons first, ending the President's sole, unchecked authority to launch a nuclear attack, taking U.S. nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert, canceling the plan to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced weapons, and actively pursuing a verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate, to the Minority Leader of the Senate, to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the Governor.

D.
Charlie Peters



Clean Air Performance Professionals

January 23, 2020 / 3:00 PM
Department of Consumer Affairs
Director Kimberly Kirchmeyer
1-916-574-8200 / fax: 8613

Health and Safety Article 6, Public information program 44070

Good afternoon Ms. Kirchmeyer.

Congratulations for the Appointment to serve the Governor in such a big way.

DCA/BAR Engineering is considering an interesting addition of the car emissions label information in the Smog Check test data.

Also the addition of a flag to notice of a previous test fail result at another location in the previous 60 days.

Thank you for your interest in this consumer information program.

Clean Air Performance Professionals, an award winning coalition of motorists.

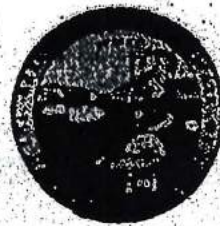
Charlie Peters
1-510-537-1796

cc: Interested parties

CAPP contact: Charlie Peters (510) 537-1796 cappcharlie@earthlink.net

The Sun

SAN BERNARDINO
COUNTY



SUNDAY

March 17, 1996

■ TODAY'S QUESTION

Do you think California's Smog Check program should be abolished? Story/A1

YES: (909) 386-3888 NO: (909) 386-3999

The Daily Question is an unscientific sampling of public opinion. If you have an idea for a question, call (909) 384-9859 or fax your suggestion to (909) 885-8741.

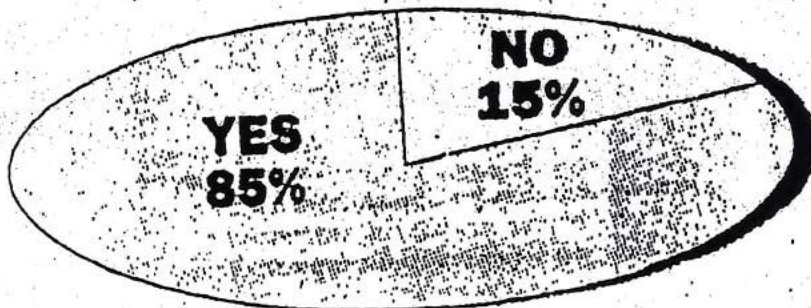
MONDAY

March 18, 1996

■ YESTERDAY'S QUESTION

Do you think California's Smog Check program should be abolished?

Responses: 1,365





MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

Exploring Your Open Space



**City of Menlo Park
January 28, 2020**



Our Mission



Mission

“To acquire a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.”

Coastside Mission

“To acquire and preserve in perpetuity open space land and agricultural land of regional significance, protect and restore the natural environment, preserve rural character, encourage viable agricultural use of land resources, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.”



About Us

- Local government agency
- Created in 1972 by a grassroots voter initiative
- 180 employees, 600 volunteers
- Seven-member elected Board of Directors
- Funded primarily through property tax
- Main office in Los Altos, with two field offices
- 26 Preserves in Santa Clara, San Mateo and Santa Cruz counties
- Nearly 64,000 acres, 240+ miles of trails
- Preserves are free and open to the public





District Map





Vision Plan

1. Scientific polling to measure attitudes and awareness
2. Establish Citizen's Advisory Committee
3. Expand engagement and education
4. Public priorities: access, acquisition & restoration
5. Develop priority project list that is geographically evenly distributed

Through a public deliberation process, 25 high priority project areas identified, that were geographically distributed and would have the greatest benefit regionally.



Measure AA

- \$300 million general obligation bond
- Marked for capital projects only – 25 high priority project areas identified through vision plan.
- \$3.18 per \$100,000 of assessed value
- Authorization to bond for up to 30 years
- Bond Oversight Committee established
- Needed 2/3rd vote to pass; passed by 67.96%





Accomplishments

- Preserved an additional 1,947 acres
- Restored watersheds, forests & grasslands
- Opened the Mount Umunhum summit and award-winning 3.7-mile trail
- Opened Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve
- Opened La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve
- Opened Mindego Hill and the new 2.5-mile Mindego Hill Trail
- Expanded dog access



Regional Trail Partnerships

Bay Trail

Ridge Trail

Bay to Sea Trail

Skyline Ridge Preserve



Regional Trail Partnerships - SF Bay Trail

Bay Trail Vision

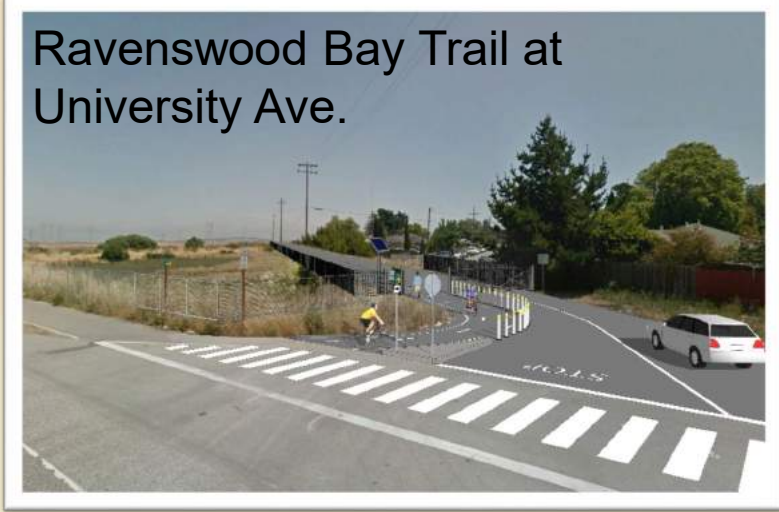
A 500-mile continuous hiking and bicycling trail around the shoreline of San Francisco Bay, connecting 9 counties and 47 cities, and crossing 7 toll bridges

- 355 miles (70%) complete
- 5 toll bridge pathways
- Public access to the bay
- Separated path where feasible
- Healthy communities, environmental stewardship/education
- Commute alternative, active transportation, links to transit





Ravenswood Bay Trail Connection



Ravenswood Bay Trail at University Ave.



Ravenswood Bay Trail Connection





Regional Trail Partnerships - Bay to Sea Trail

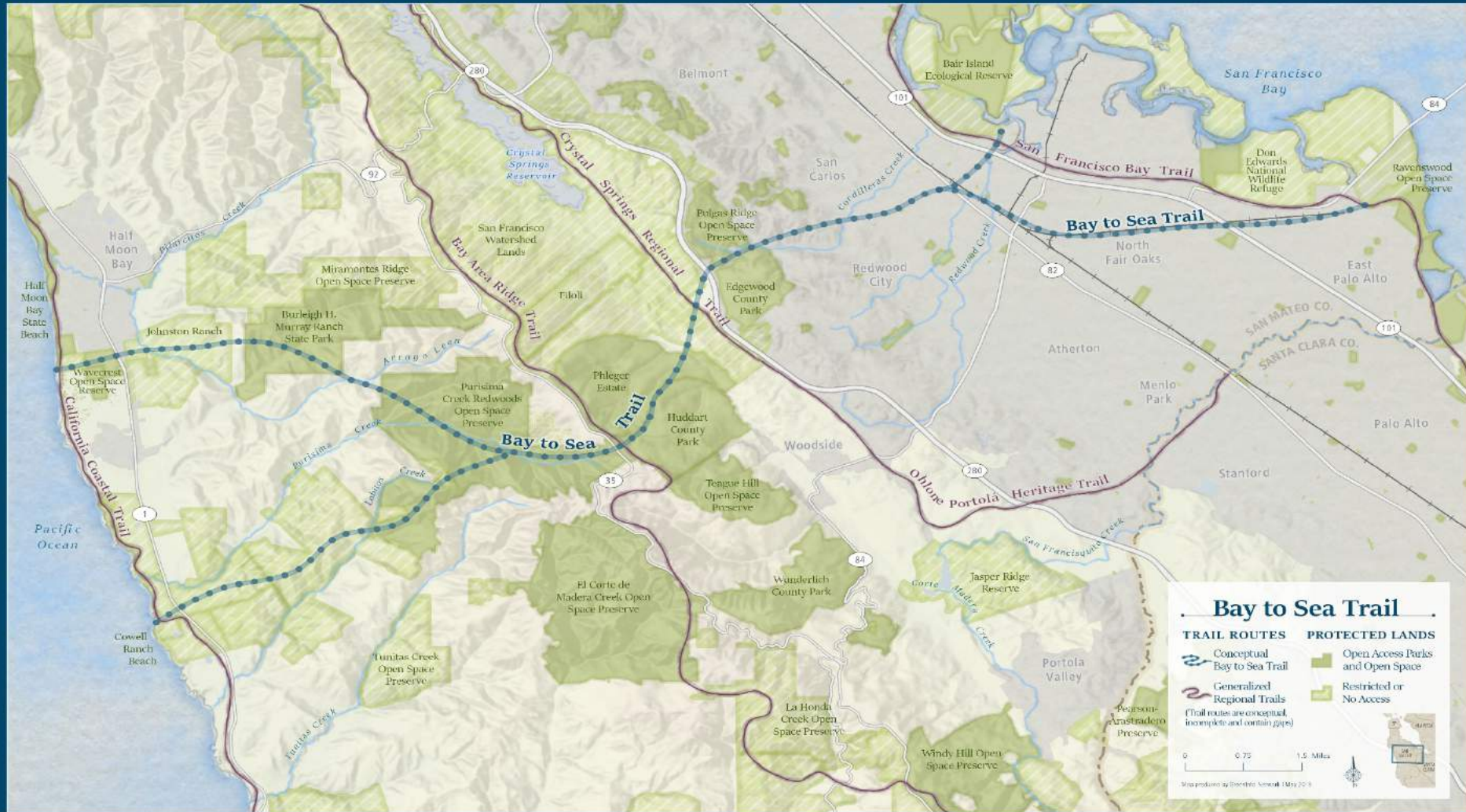
Bay to Sea Trail

40-mile multi-use regional trail connecting people to open space in the peninsula between the Bay and the coast





Regional Trail Partnerships - Bay to Sea Trail





Regional Trail Partnerships – Ridge Trail

Bay Area Ridge Trail



550*
TOTAL MILES



69% complete

375 dedicated miles

280+ planned miles

To plan, promote and sustain a connected hiking, cycling and equestrian trail on the ridgelines around San Francisco Bay – linking people, parks and open space for today and future generations





Regional Trail Partnerships – Ridge Trail

First Ridge Trail
Dedication

Purisima Creek
Redwoods
Open Space
Preserve on
May 13, 1989



Purisima Creek by Karl Gohl



Thank you to our partners!



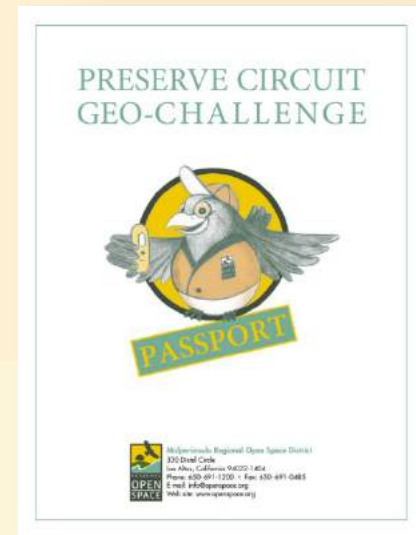
Coastal Conservancy





Open Space Activities

- **Hiking Trails** - 240 miles of open space trails
- **Mountain Biking** - 16 Preserves
- **Dog Friendly** - 11 Preserves
- **Camping** - Black Mountain Backpack Camp
- **Docent-led Tours**
- **Geocaching program**





Guided Activities

- 100+ docent-led hikes offered throughout the year, on weekends and weekdays, free of charge.
- All ages and abilities are welcome.
- Visit www.openspace.org/what-to-do/calendar to view the full list of scheduled hikes.





Volunteer Programs



1. Preserve Partner
2. Trail Patrol Volunteer
3. Nature Center Host
4. Outdoor Activity Docent
5. Outdoor Education Leader





**For more information on your
next adventure:**

Visit www.openspace.org

Contact Information:

info@openspace.org

(650) 691-1200



Thanks for listening!



Questions? Comments?



706 - 716 SANTA CRUZ AVENUE

January 28, 2020

A close-up photograph of a brick wall. The words "ARRIENGA FAMILY GYMNASIUM" are inscribed in gold-colored letters on the brickwork. The wall is illuminated from below, creating a warm glow.

ARRIENGA FAMILY
GYMNASIUM



SITE CONTEXT



PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

- 46,908 square foot mixed-use development
- 12,049 square feet retail
- 23,454 square feet office
- 4 residential units



PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT



SITE ACCESS & CIRCULATION

- Garage access on Chestnut Lane
- New Chestnut Lane sidewalk
- Removal of 1 parking space on Chestnut Street





HOUSING COMMISSION REVIEW

- May 1, 2019 - the Housing Commission unanimously recommended approval for the payment of an in-lieu fee
 - Based on construction cost of units and the cost of the HOA dues

- In-lieu fee estimated to be approximately \$430,000



PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW

- December 11, 2017 - the Planning Commission reviewed and continued the proposed project
 - Evaluate the site layout and pedestrian and vehicular safety and access on Chestnut Lane
 - Revise the design to create more character and an intimate, pedestrian scale, including use of materials

- September 17, 2018 - the Planning Commission reviewed the revised project at a study session

- December 9, 2019 - the Planning Commission reviewed the project and recommended approval of the subdivision, architectural control, parking removal and BMR agreement.



VARIANCE

- Planning Commission motion to recommend approval of the Variance failed
- Applicant is requesting 6 skylights on the third floor to exceed the maximum height
- Staff believes several of the findings cannot be made and recommends denial of the variance request



RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

- Attachment A: Resolution 6535
 - Approve the Major Subdivision, Architectural Control and Parking Removal
 - Deny the Variance

- Attachment B: Resolution 6536
 - Approve the BMR Agreement



THANK YOU



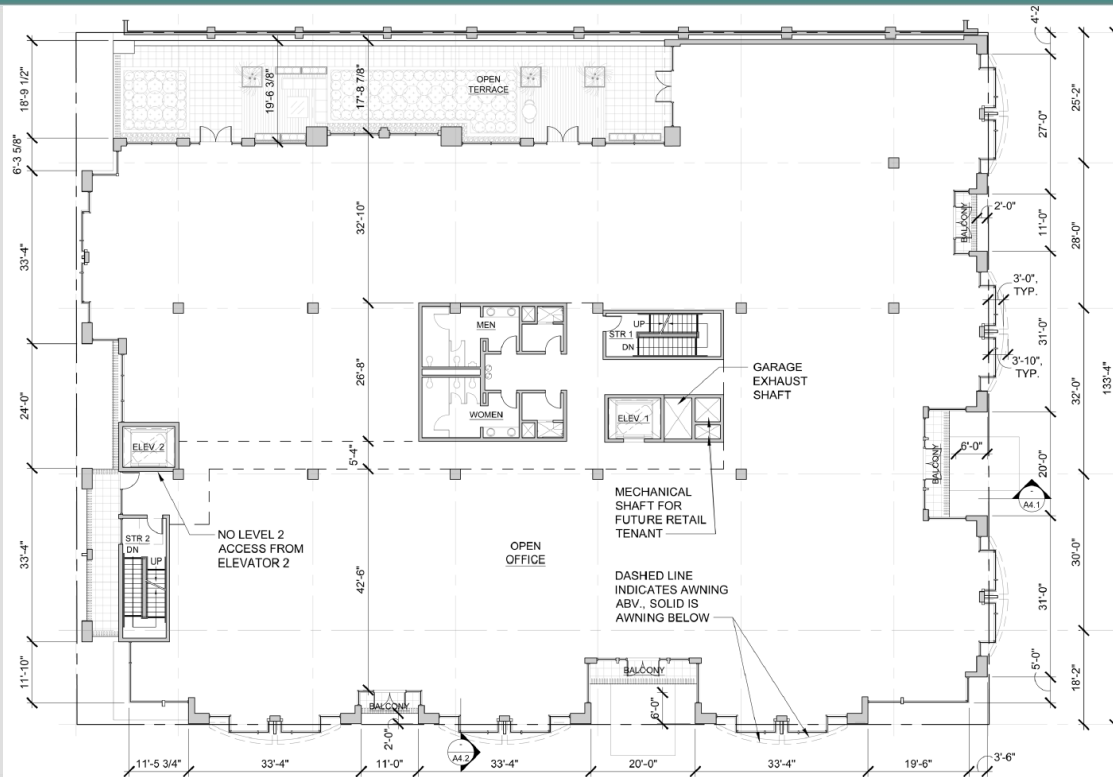
VARIANCE FINDINGS

- That a hardship peculiar to the property and not created by any act of the owner exists. In this context, personal, family or financial difficulties, loss of prospective profits and neighboring violations are not hardships justifying a variance. Further, a previous variance can never have set a precedent, for each case must be considered only on its individual merits
- That such variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of substantial property rights possessed by other conforming property in the same vicinity and that a variance, if granted, would not constitute a special privilege of the recipient not enjoyed by his/her neighbors
- That the granting of the variance will not be materially detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property
- That the conditions upon which the requested variance is based would not be applicable, generally, to other property within the same zoning classification.
- That the condition upon which the requested variance is based is an unusual factor that was not anticipated or discussed in detail during any applicable Specific Plan process.



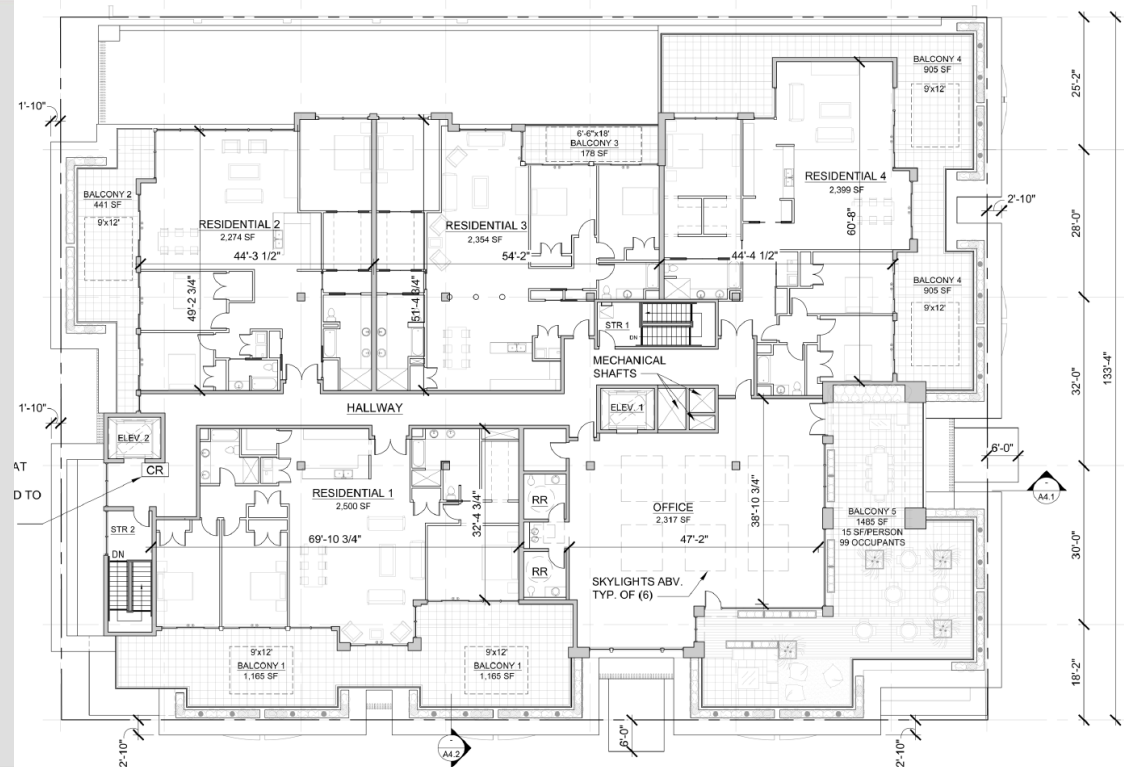
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

- Second level
19,099 square feet of
non-medical office



PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

- Third level four residential units and 3,440 square feet of non-medical office





TOPICS

December 10, 2019

- *Scale & Context*
- *Conformance with the Downtown Plan*
- *Chestnut Lane*
- *Multi Use*
- *Skylights*

706 Santa Cruz Mixed Use PLANNING COMMISSION

form 4



PROJECT SITE

“Buildings with minimal setbacks have a special relationship with the sidewalk and street.”

Scale & Context Conformance with the Downtown Plan



✳️ **The project strives to be a contributing neighbor:**

- Extroverted - Contributes to the character of the street.
- Bay Windows protrude to engage the street
- Interesting, memorable & aspirational design elements

✳️ **People-level scale**

✳️ **Modern: “Of its time”**

✳️ **Warm Modern: High Quality Materials**

- Buff color stone & gray tile, brown mullions
- Clear Glass / Transparency
- Wood Soffits





MODULATION

- * *Each module's infill is designed as an artistic composition:*
 - *Clear Glass*
 - *Bay Window*
 - *Curving Sunshades*
- * *Major modulation is a different color and material*

- * *No width reduction*
- * *Creates buffered sidewalk & entrance to the Lane special*
- * *Garage moved to the far edge*
- * *Width of garage opening is City minimum*
- * *Roll down grill*



Chestnut Lane

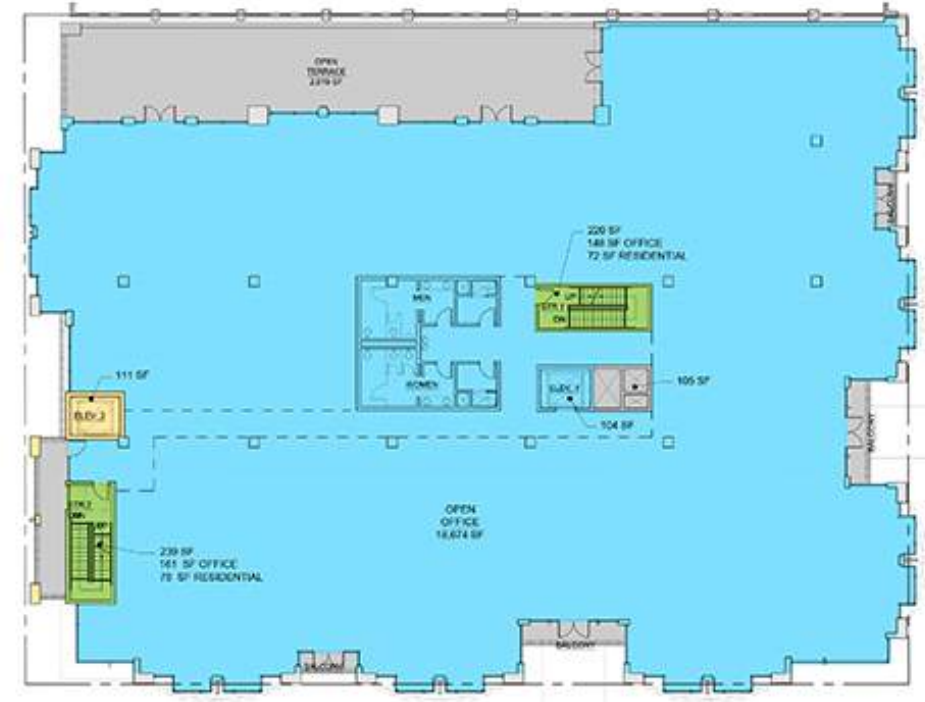
Garage entry shifted to the edge of the site & is narrower than before.

The turn movement is quicker because one drives straight in.



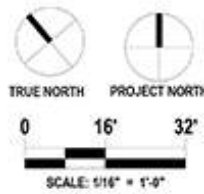


THIRD FLOOR PLAN

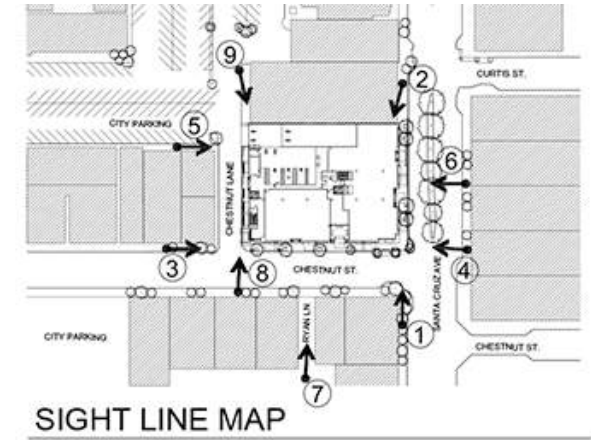


SECOND FLOOR PLAN

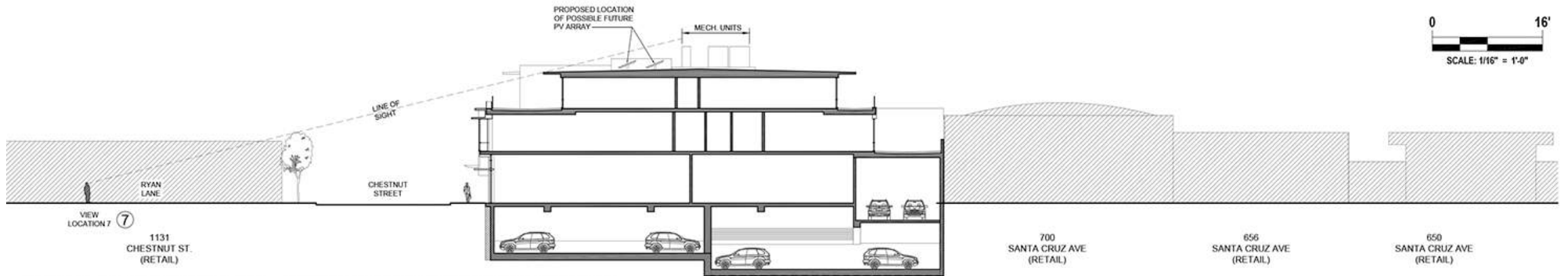
- AREA LEGEND
- RETAIL
 - OFFICE
 - RESIDENTIAL
 - SHARED
 - EXCLUDED
 - 1% & 3% EXCLUDED



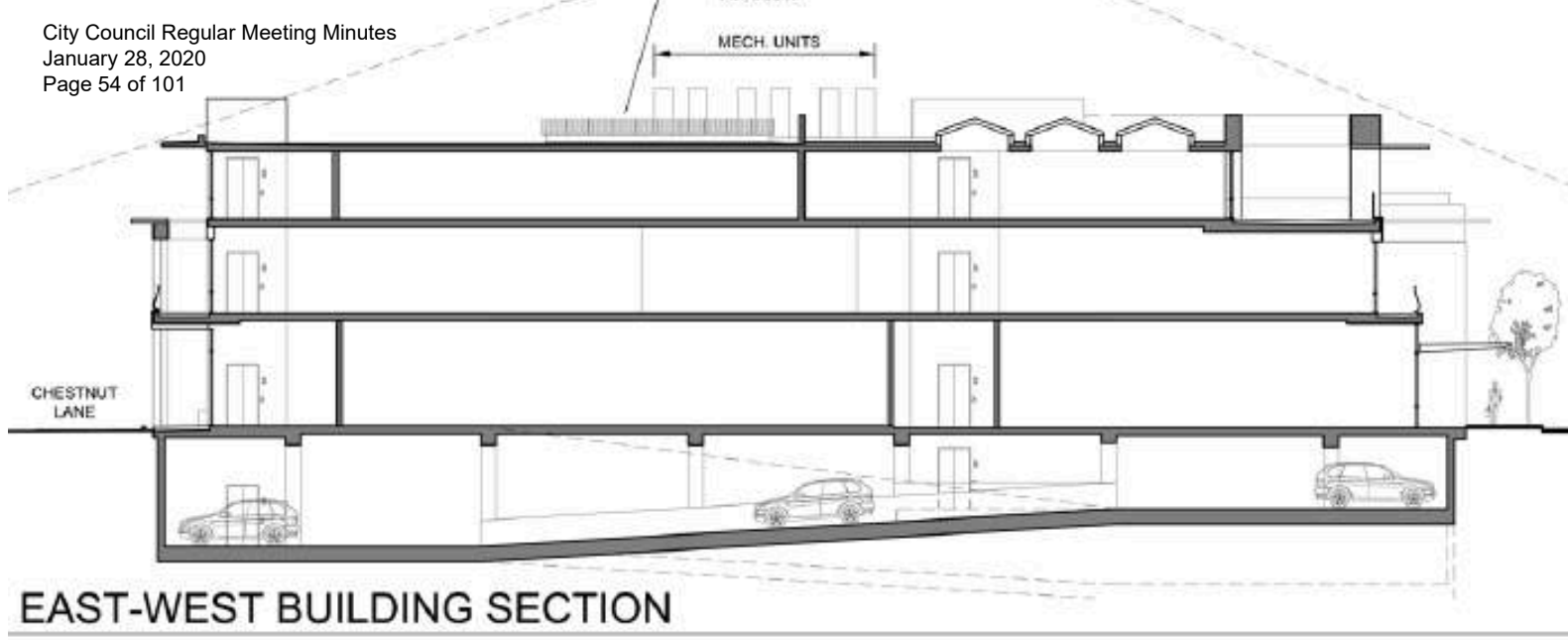
FIRST FLOOR PLAN



SANTA CRUZ AVENUE SIGHT LINES - EAST ELEVATION

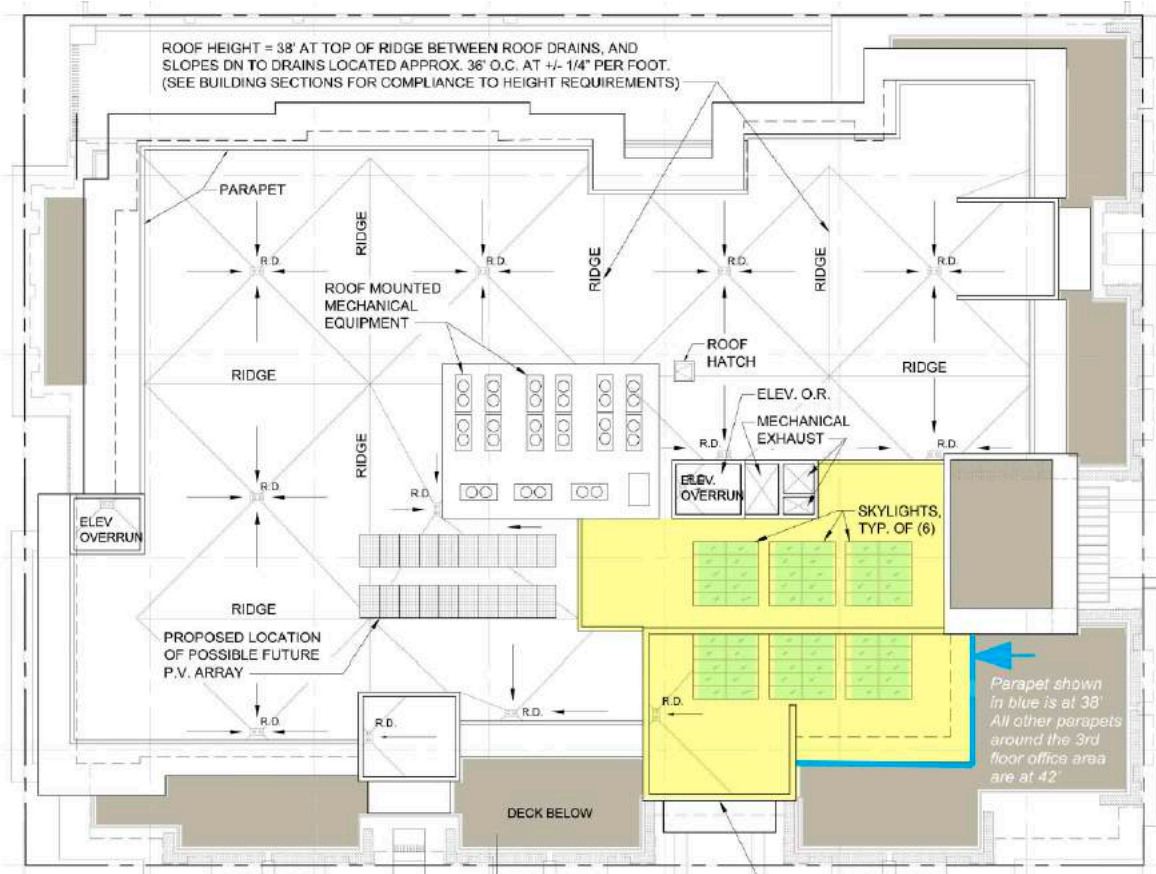


RYAN LANE SIGHT LINES - NORTH-SOUTH BUILDING SECTION



EAST-WEST BUILDING SECTION

*Variance
Request for
Skylights*





CITY COUNCIL MEETING

New Belle Haven community center and library project





AGENDA

- Introductions
- Project Overview
- Tonight's Action Item





RESOLUTION OF INTENT

- Reflects the content of Facebook’s offer
- Includes 10 affirmative statements that reflect the City’s intent to proceed with the project and make is a high priority
- Calls for development of an agreement with Facebook to memorialize expectations by June 2020
 - Draft agreement would be presented to the City Council ad hoc subcommittee before presentation to the full City Council
 - Some details to come later, after construction plans and specifications are prepared (late fall 2020)
- Project designed to comply with environmental review exemption for replacement of existing facilities



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- City Council's adopted TIERS framework
- Previous work from the Belle Haven Library Space Needs Study and the Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan
- Engagement outline is proposed to be focused due to the rigorous project schedule and phased
 - Design critical input
 - Future programs and services
 - Facility naming
- Project information, meetings and events, signup for project updates are all available online at menlopark.org/bellehaven



NOLL AND TAM SCOPE CHANGES

- Facebook and its architect have requested assistance especially for library portion of project
- Noll and Tam is under contract with City for Belle Haven Library site analysis, conceptual designs and preliminary cost estimates
 - Contract scope can be revised to focus on this project
 - Would rely on existing contract budget initially
 - Staff would re-evaluate after Phase 1 of this project and return to the City Council if additional work is needed for Phase 2



BUDGETING AND CONTRACTING

- Identify overall project budget and identify any contracting modifications to ensure timely project delivery
 - Particular focus on specific costs not covered by offer
- Amend fiscal year 2019-20 budget to merge funding from two projects into this new project
 - Belle Haven Branch Library project
 - Belle Haven Youth Center Improvement project



BELLE HAVEN POOL

- Facebook's offer includes reconstruction of locker rooms, but not pool itself
 - Recognize construction efficiencies if the pool were reconstructed concurrently
- Identify funding options to ultimately cover construction costs in order to pursue an integrated design now
 - Potential sources:
 - Recreation impact fees
 - Measure T recreation bonds
 - General Fund
 - Private donor



FACILITY NAMING

- Recognize the combination of 5 existing facilities
 - Belle Haven Youth Center
 - Onetta Harris Community Center
 - Belle Haven Pool
 - Menlo Park Senior Center
 - Belle Haven Branch Library
- Create a community process to determine name of new combined facility while reflecting history



SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY

- Design as all-electric, in compliance with new Reach Codes
- Parks and Recreation master plan calls for LEED Gold or equivalent
- Subcommittee requested analysis of operational benefits and long term savings potential of designing to LEED Platinum
- Existing solar panels on roof of Onetta Harris Community Center present a challenge due to power purchase agreement
- Design to serve as emergency evacuation shelter with backup power



FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Interim services during construction
 - February 11 City Council study session
 - February 25 City Council direction on level of service
- Project approvals – target dates
 - Right of way vacation and abandonment (first step consent) March 2020
 - Planning Commission May 2020
 - City Council June 2020 (includes environmental review determination)
- Future programming and operations
 - Ongoing to ensure adequate building layout
 - Concerted focus during construction period



RECOMMENDATION

- Accept the recommendation from the City Council ad hoc subcommittee on the new Belle Haven community center and library that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 6537 (Attachment A) to collaborate with Facebook on the construction of a new public facility for the community.



THANK YOU

Belle Haven Community Center & Library

City Council Meeting

JANUARY 28, 2020

HART HOWERTON
NEW YORK · SAN FRANCISCO

Agenda

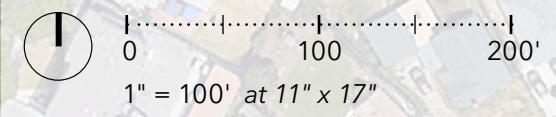
- Welcome & Introductions
- Concept Presentation by HH
- Lessons from Community Meeting #1
- Community Engagement
- Proposed Project Schedule



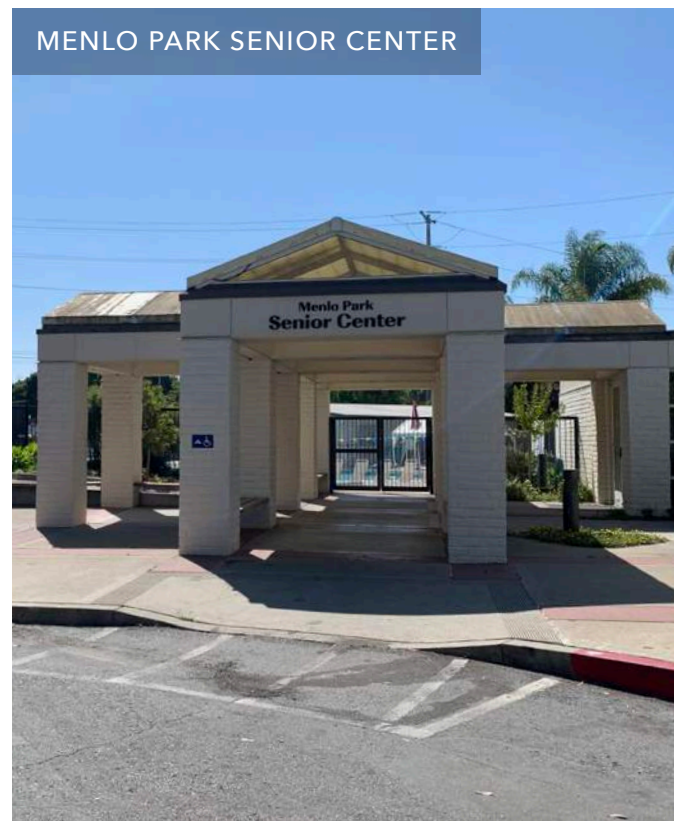
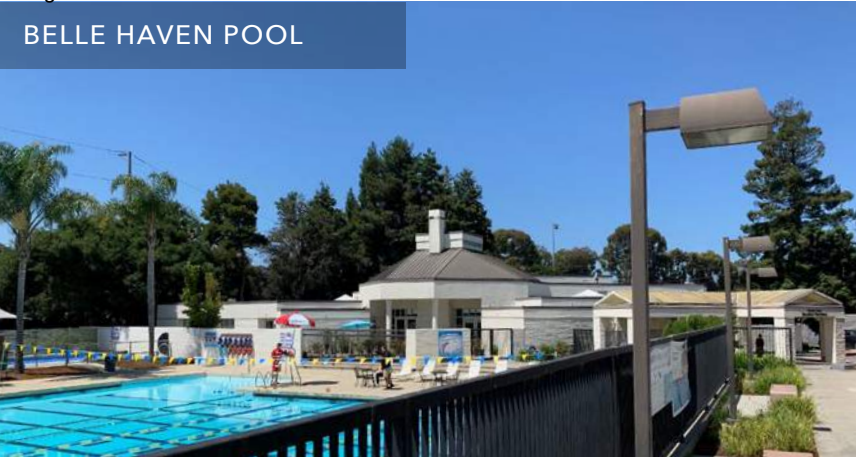
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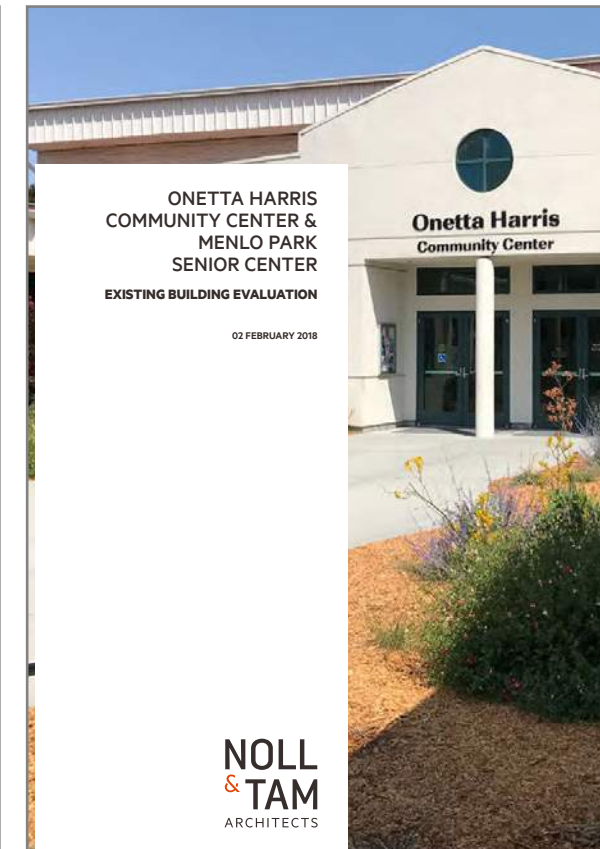
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Existing Layout



Existing Conditions | Site Photos



<p>PRELIMINARY DESIGN PACKAGE 12 February 2019</p> <p>NOLL & TAM ARCHITECTS</p>	<p>City of Menlo Park Belle Haven Youth Center 100 Terminal Ave. Menlo Park, 94025</p> <p>Chris Noll Principal Jessica Jobe Sea Project Manager Elizabeth McLeod Project Architect</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">M I G</p> <p>Belle Haven Community Visioning Communications and Engagement Strategy March 2013</p> <p>Introduction The Belle Haven neighborhood lies within the City of Menlo Park, a predominantly affluent small city in San Mateo County. Belle Haven is geographically, demographically and economically distinct from the larger city. Its residents are not included in the Menlo Park School District; they are instead served by the Ravenswood School District. The Belle Haven population is less affluent, less educated and more ethnically diverse than the population of the City. The Belle Haven community has many assets, a strong sense of identity and a desire to improve its neighborhood.</p> <p>The Belle Haven neighborhood and nearby commercial areas were previously part of Menlo Park's Redevelopment Area (RDA), the Las Pulgas Community Development Area. In 2012, under state law, RDAs were dissolved, resulting in significant budget cuts that have impacted the services the City is able to provide. Inclusion in the RDA allowed the City to provide a higher annual allocation of funds per resident to Belle Haven, compared to the City as a whole. Without RDA funds, the City's ability to provide services levels at previous levels is compromised, and cost-cutting measures – such as the elimination of the Housing Department – have been put in place. Major land use changes are also underway near Belle Haven, including Facebook's relocation to the Willow Road East Campus and West Campus Expansion and the approved mixed-use Menlo Gateway Project.</p> <p>Although Belle Haven has been involved in previous planning and priority-setting efforts, these changing circumstances led City Council in 2012 to support a neighborhood-wide Community Visioning process to ensure the City provides resources to the highest-priority services as defined by the Belle Haven community. This effort will also seek to organize and position the community to work effectively with the City to advocate for its needs and priorities, and identify opportunities for the neighborhood to benefit from changing neighborhood dynamics and new resources.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This strategy will create a community visioning process that is:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -opportunity-driven -place-based -cost-effective, and -action-oriented. <p style="text-align: right;">1</p>
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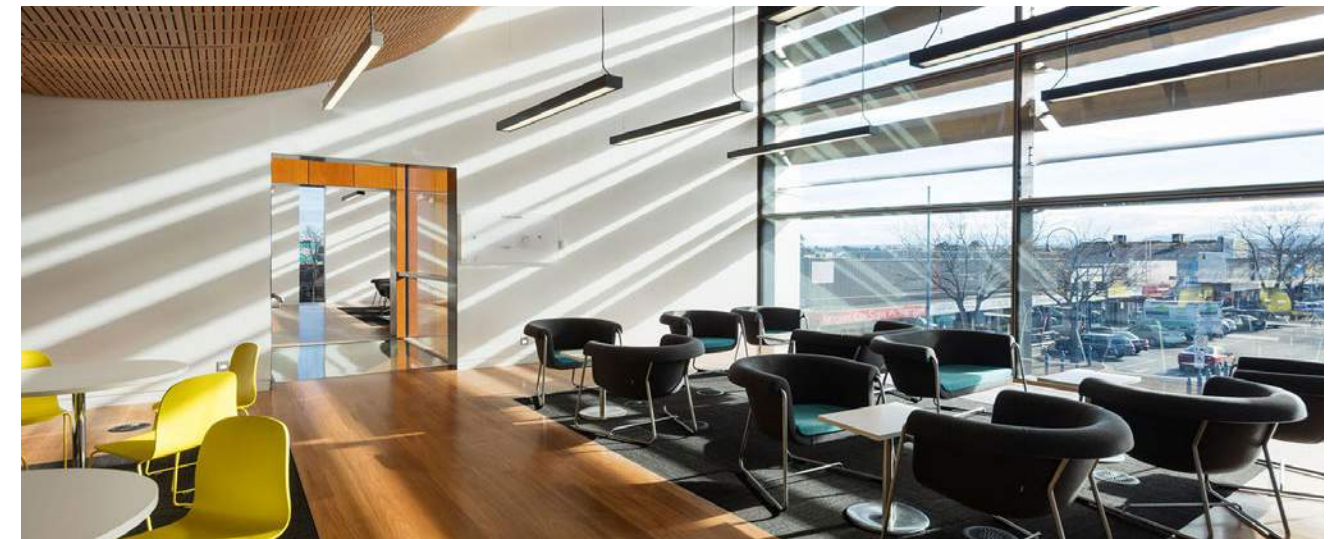
What We've Learned | City Reports & Community Outreach Programs



Suggested Layout

COMMUNITY CENTER

VIBRANT
MULTI-GENERATIONAL
ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY BUILDING
EVENT SPACES
BOTH QUIET AND SOCIAL SPACES
OF MEETING ROOMS
COMFORTABLE SEATING AREAS
FLEXIBLE CLASSROOMS



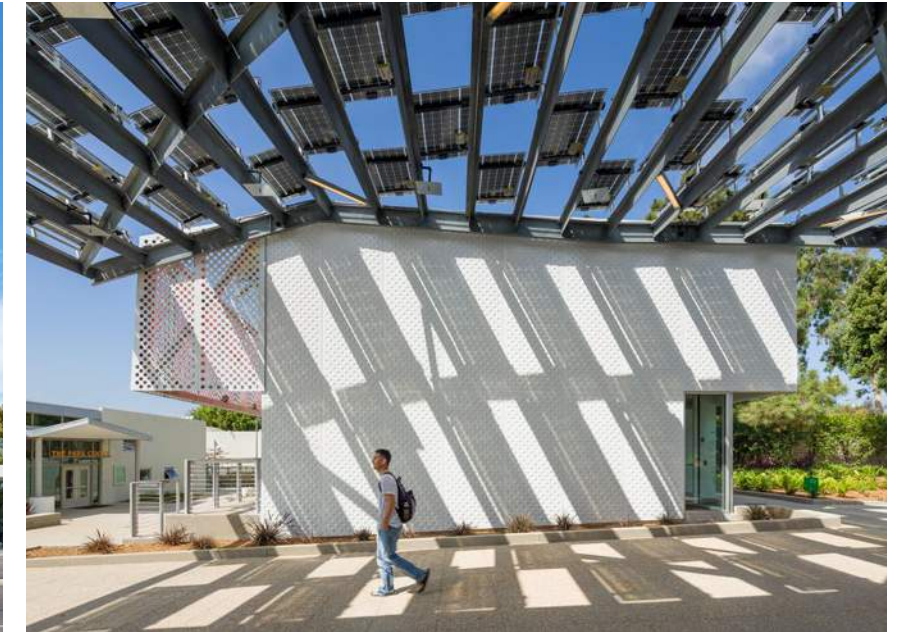
SENIOR CENTER

- ARTS & CRAFTS SPACES
- OPEN DINING ROOM
- SOCIAL GATHERING SPACES
- COMFORTABLE LOUNGE SEATING
- COMMUNITY GARDEN
- RECREATION SPACES



LIBRARY

EDUCATION-FOCUSED
AFTER-SCHOOL HOMEWORK TUTORING
ADULT/SENIOR COMPUTER SKILLS CLASSES
COMMUNITY MAKERSPACE & ARTS/CRAFTS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
LIFELONG LEARNING ACTIVITIES



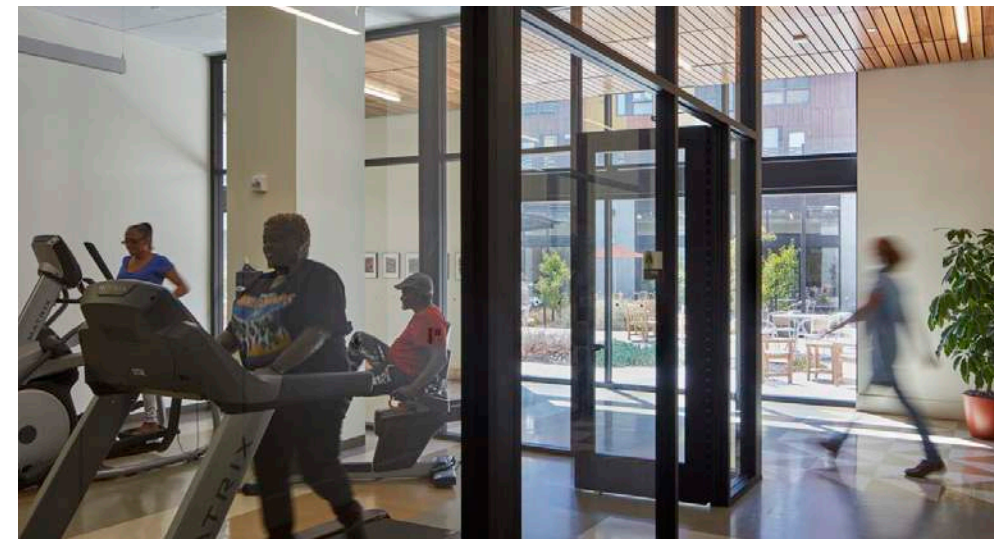
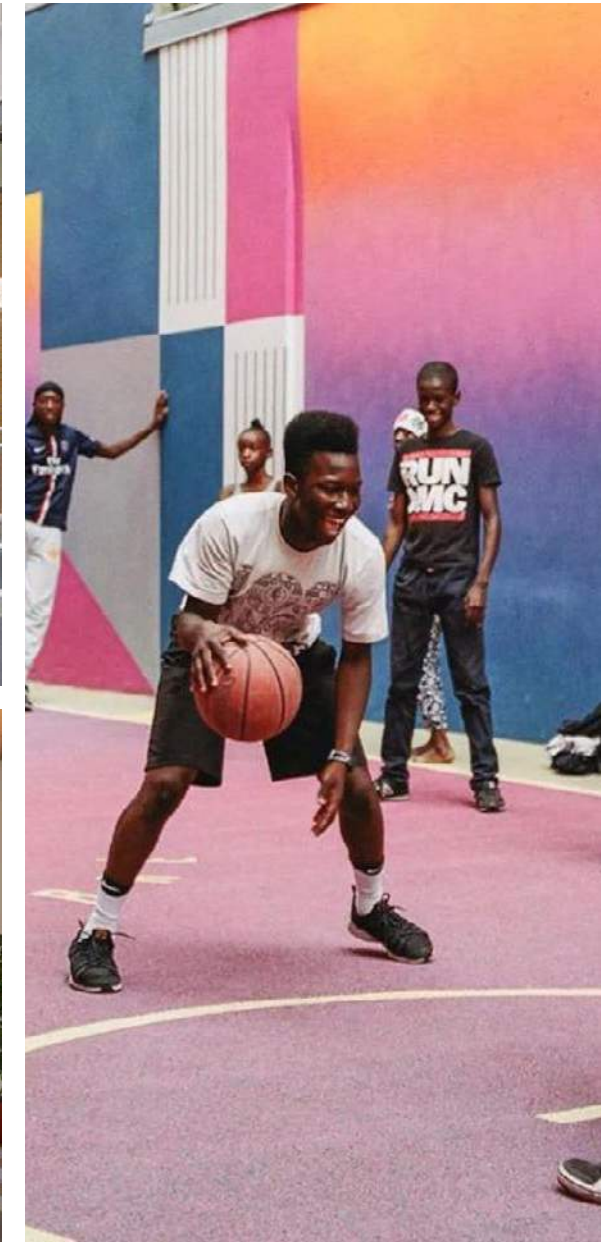
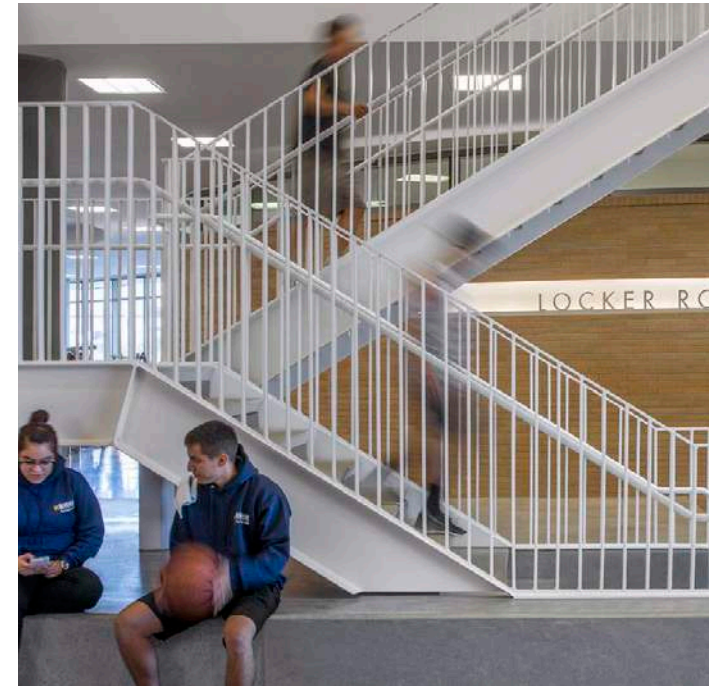
YOUTH CENTER

- IMAGINATIVE PLAY AREAS
- INDOOR/OUTDOOR GAMES
- TEEN TECH LOUNGE
- AGE-APPROPRIATE SPACES
- AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM



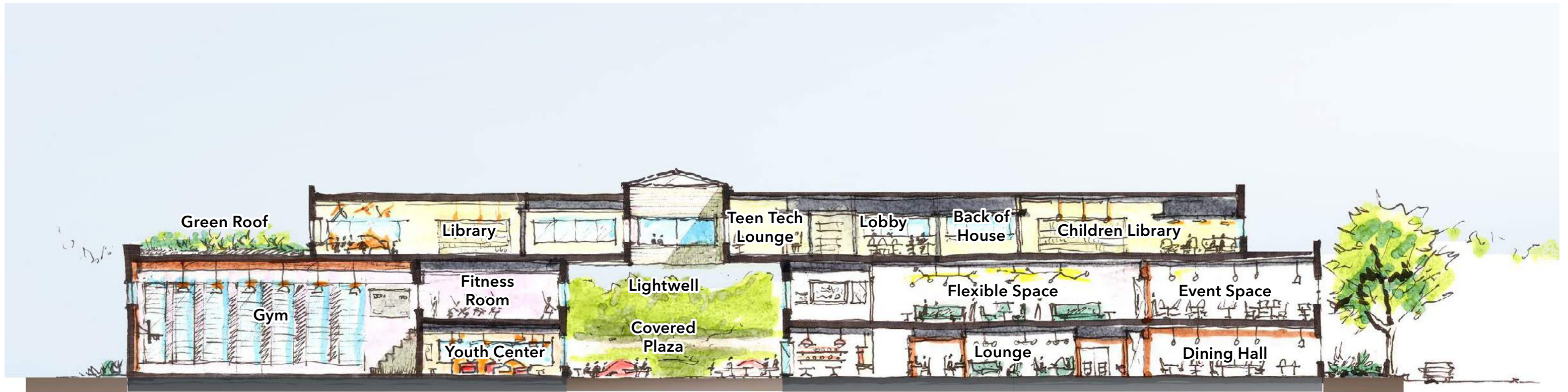
FITNESS CENTER

WELCOMING
CLASSES FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES
GYMNASIUM
FITNESS ROOMS

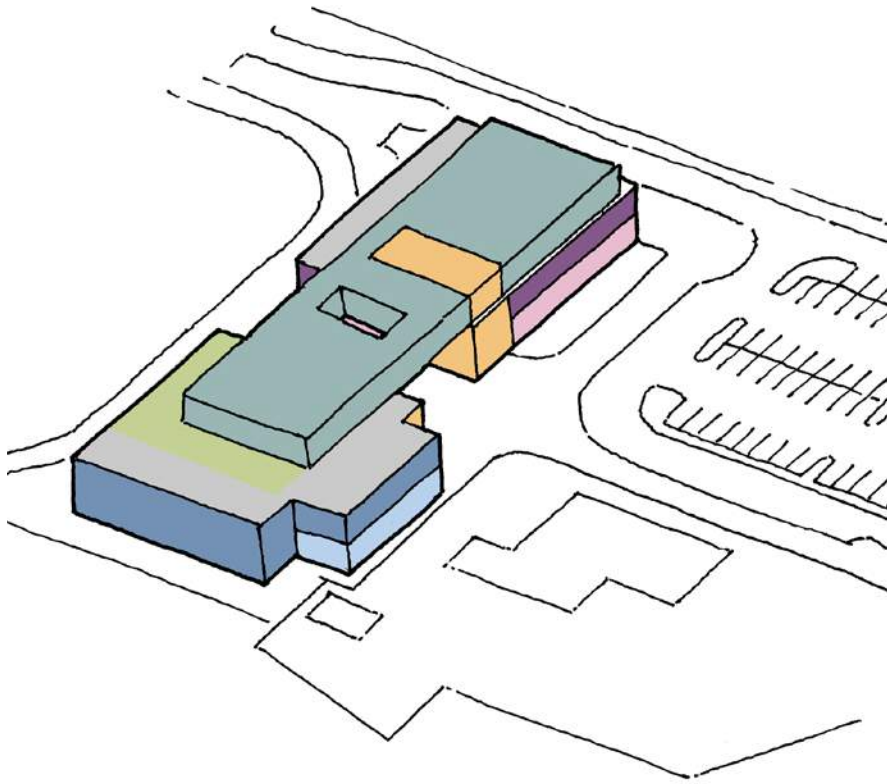




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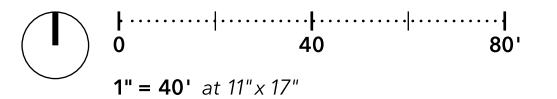
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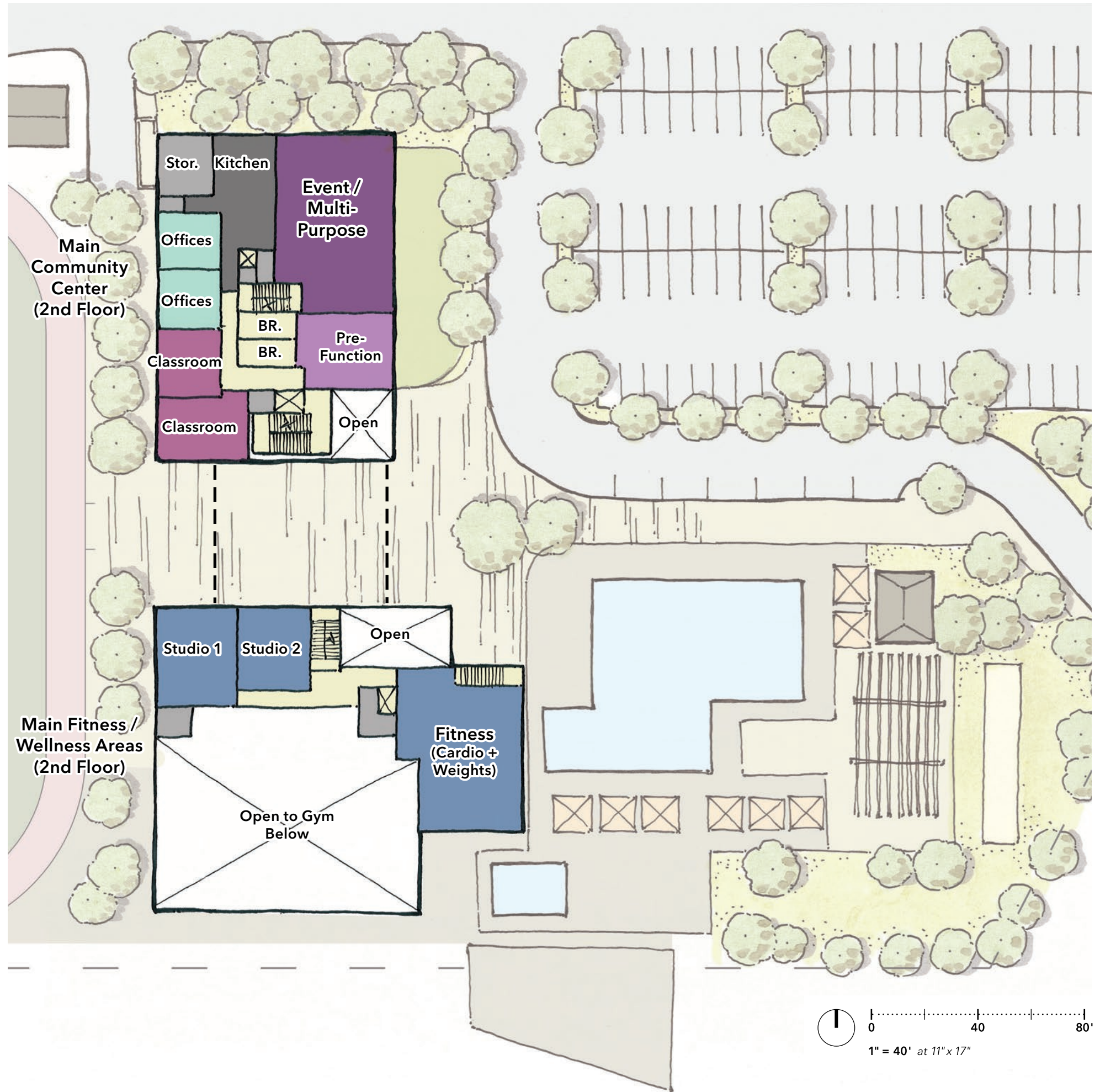
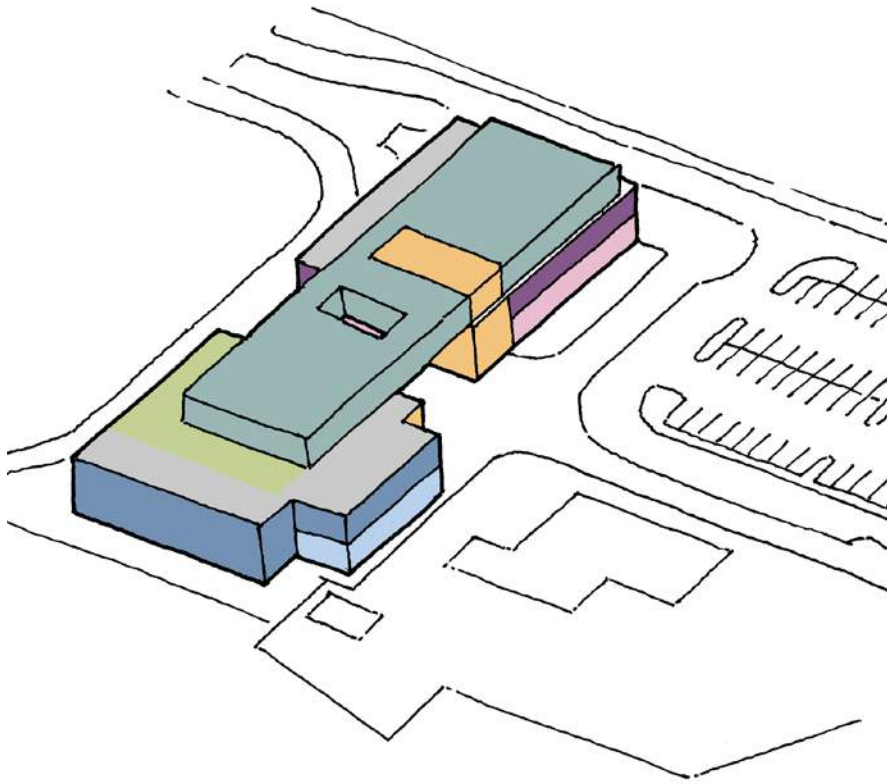


LEGEND

- Lobby / Circulation
- Fitness / Wellness
- Lockers
- Senior Center
- BOH / Kitchen
- Youth Center
- Library
- Event
- Flexible Classrooms
- Core / Circulation / Support
- Roof Terrace

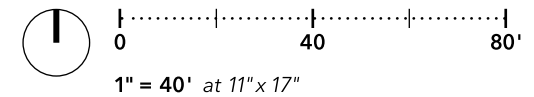
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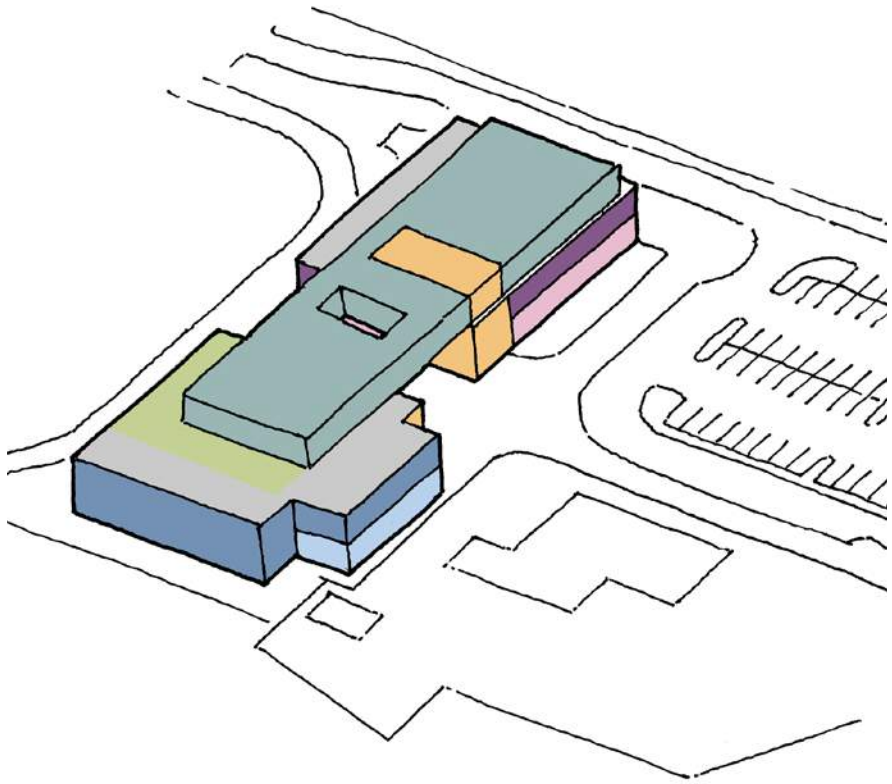


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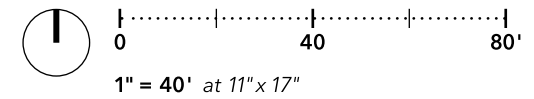
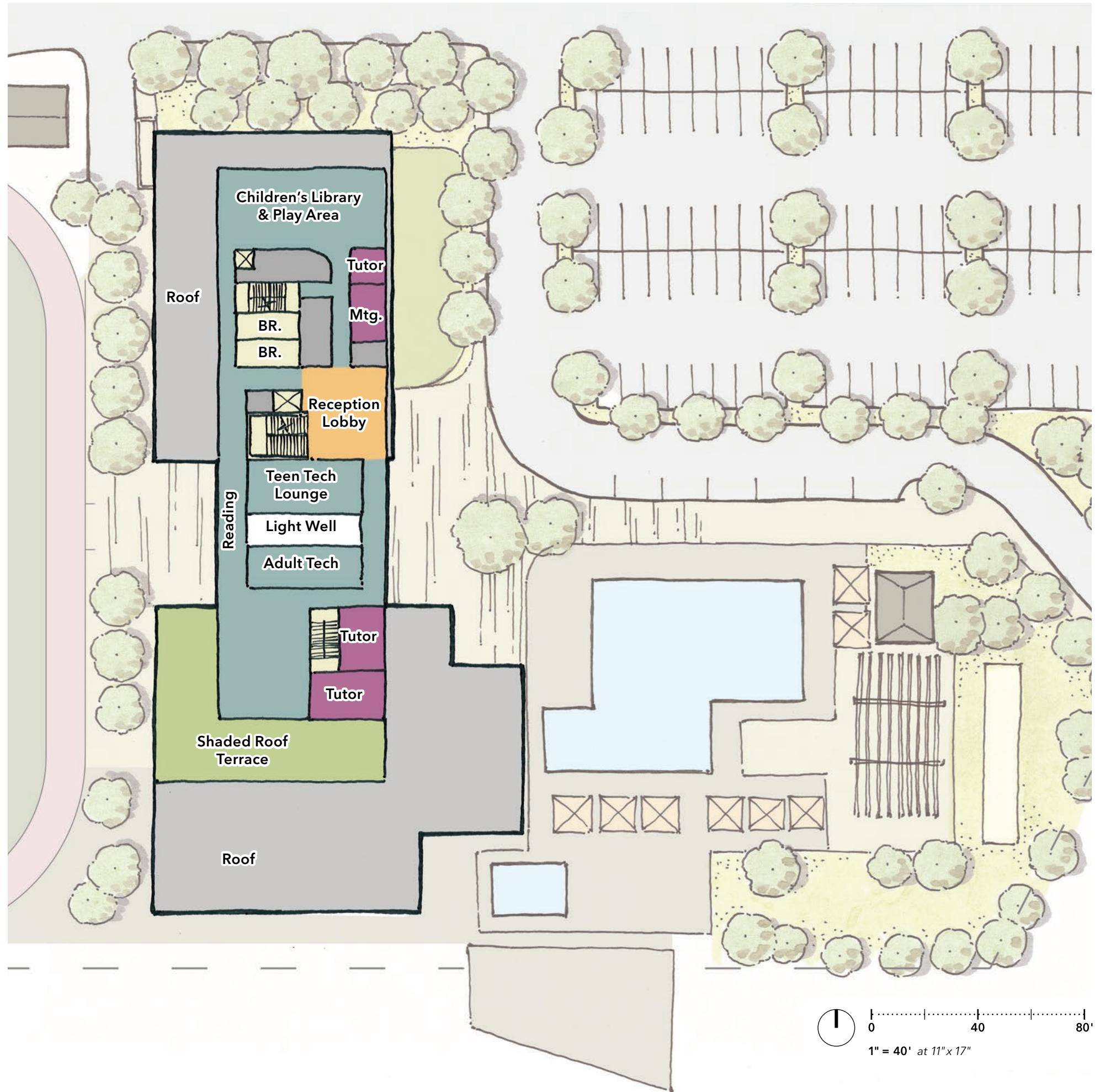


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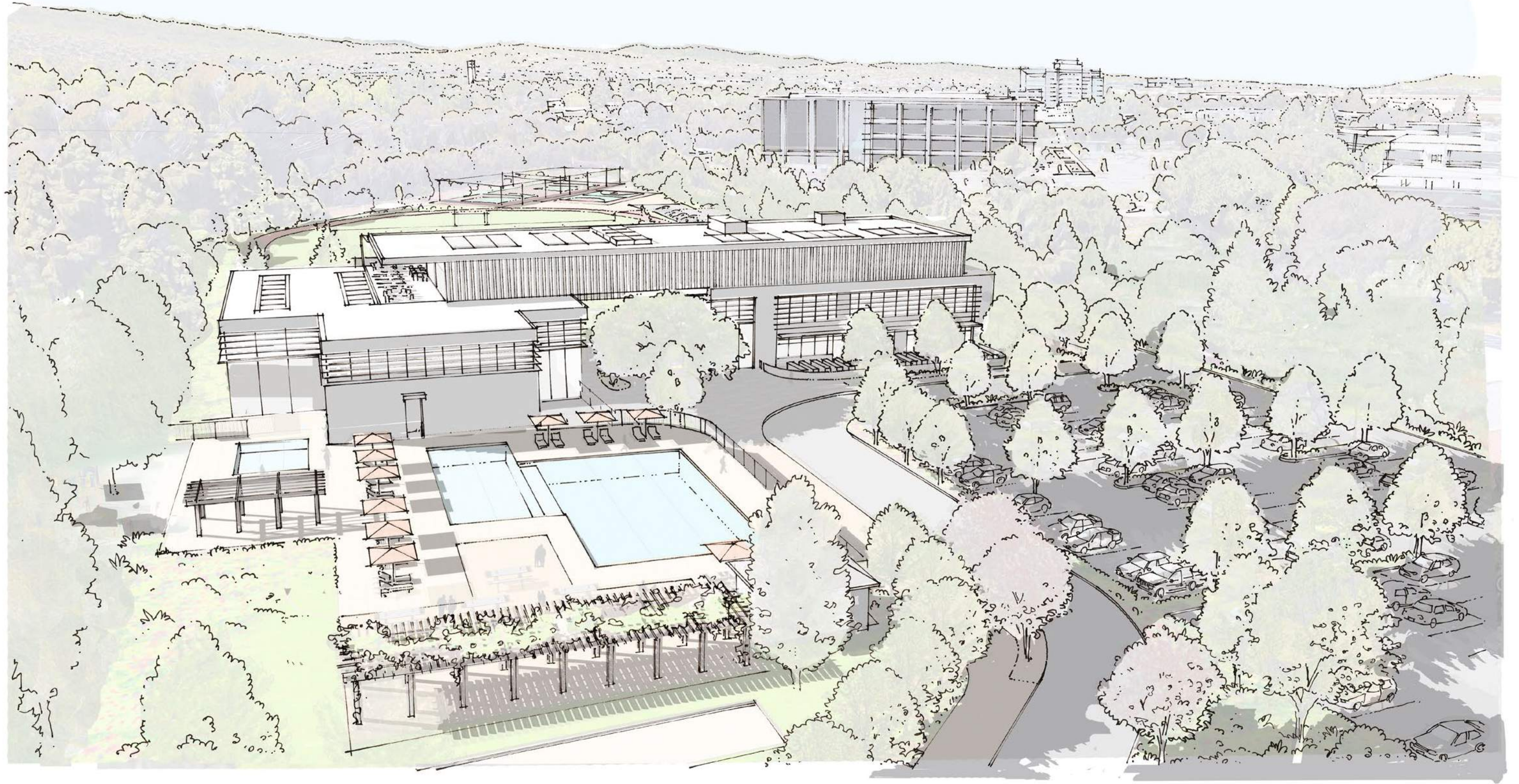


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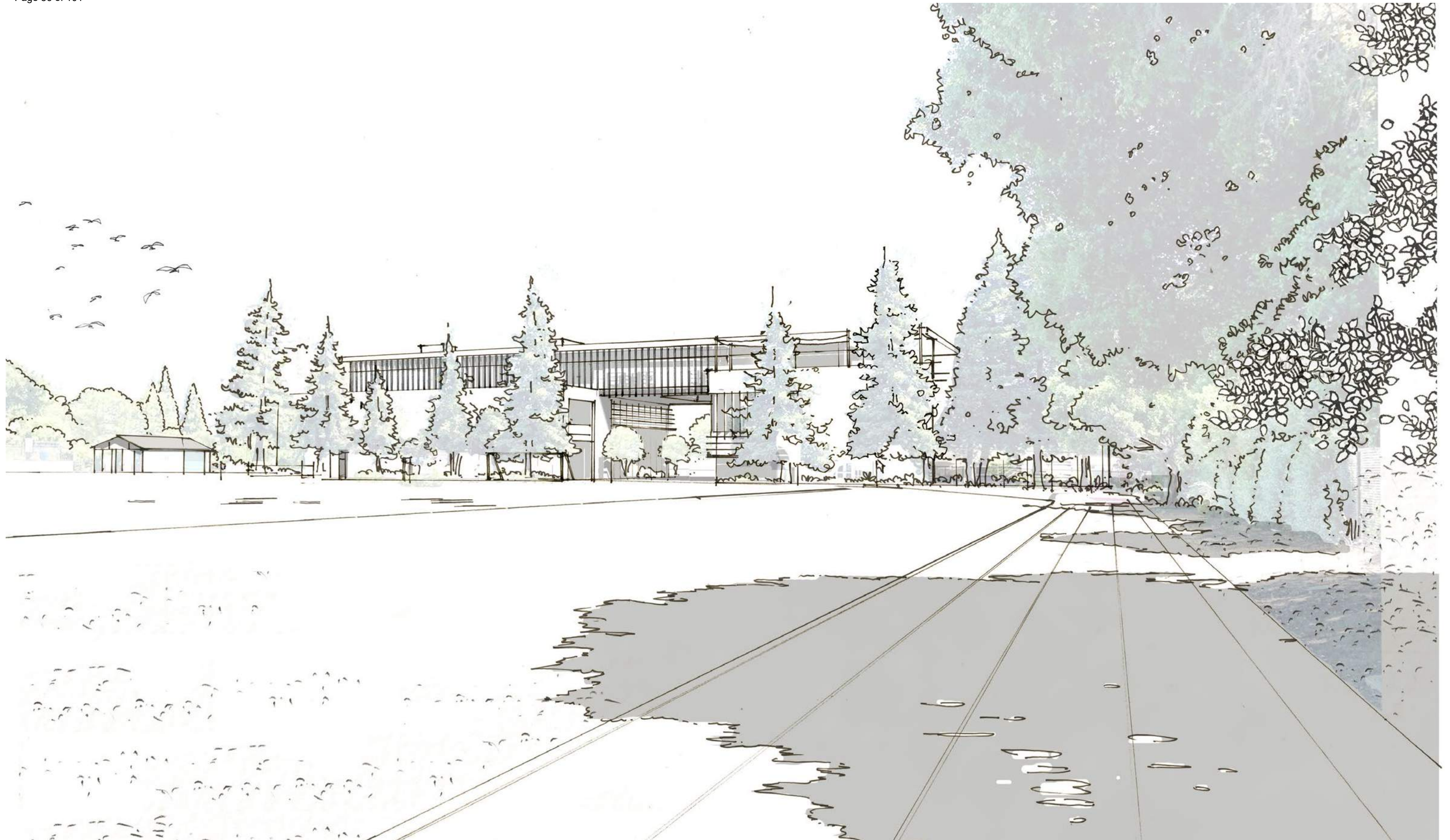
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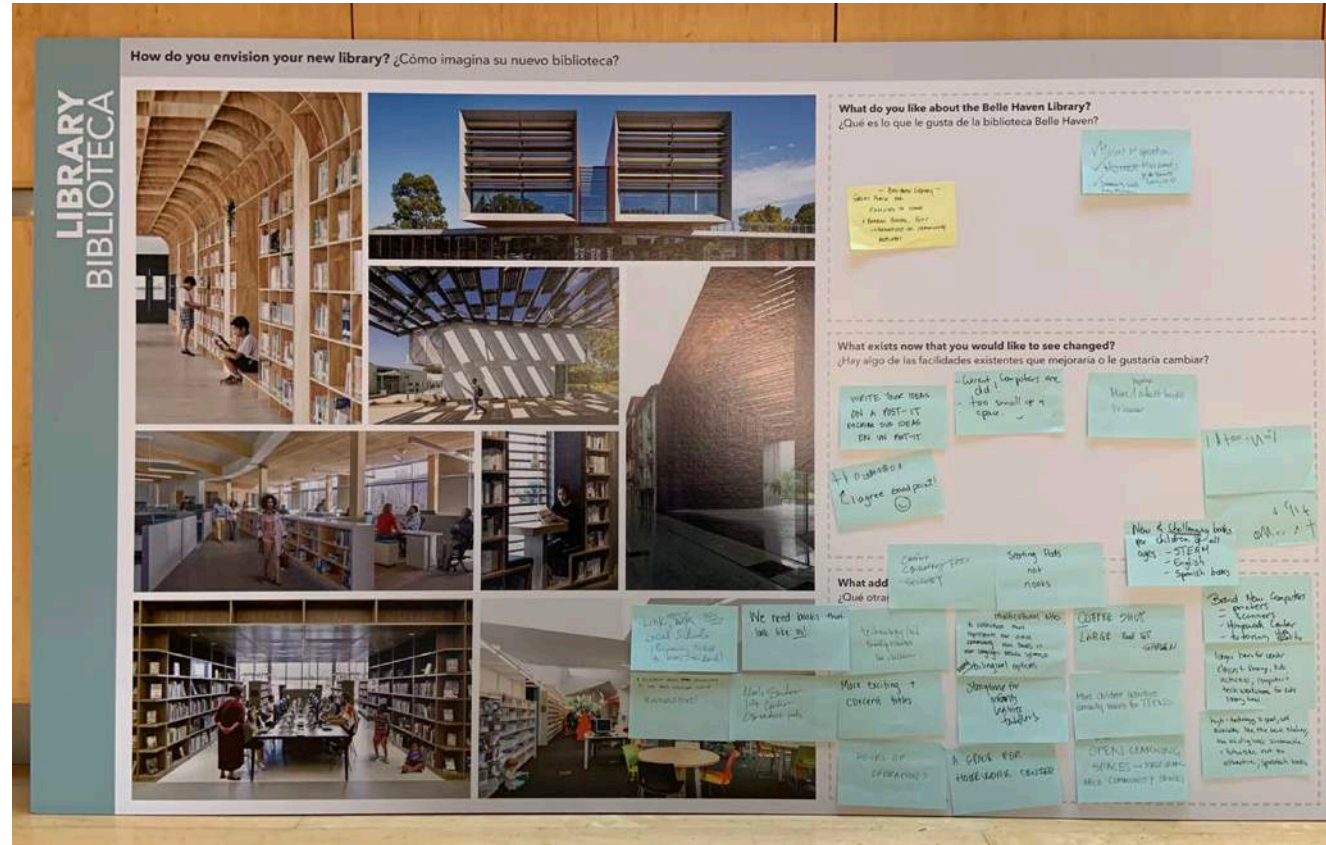
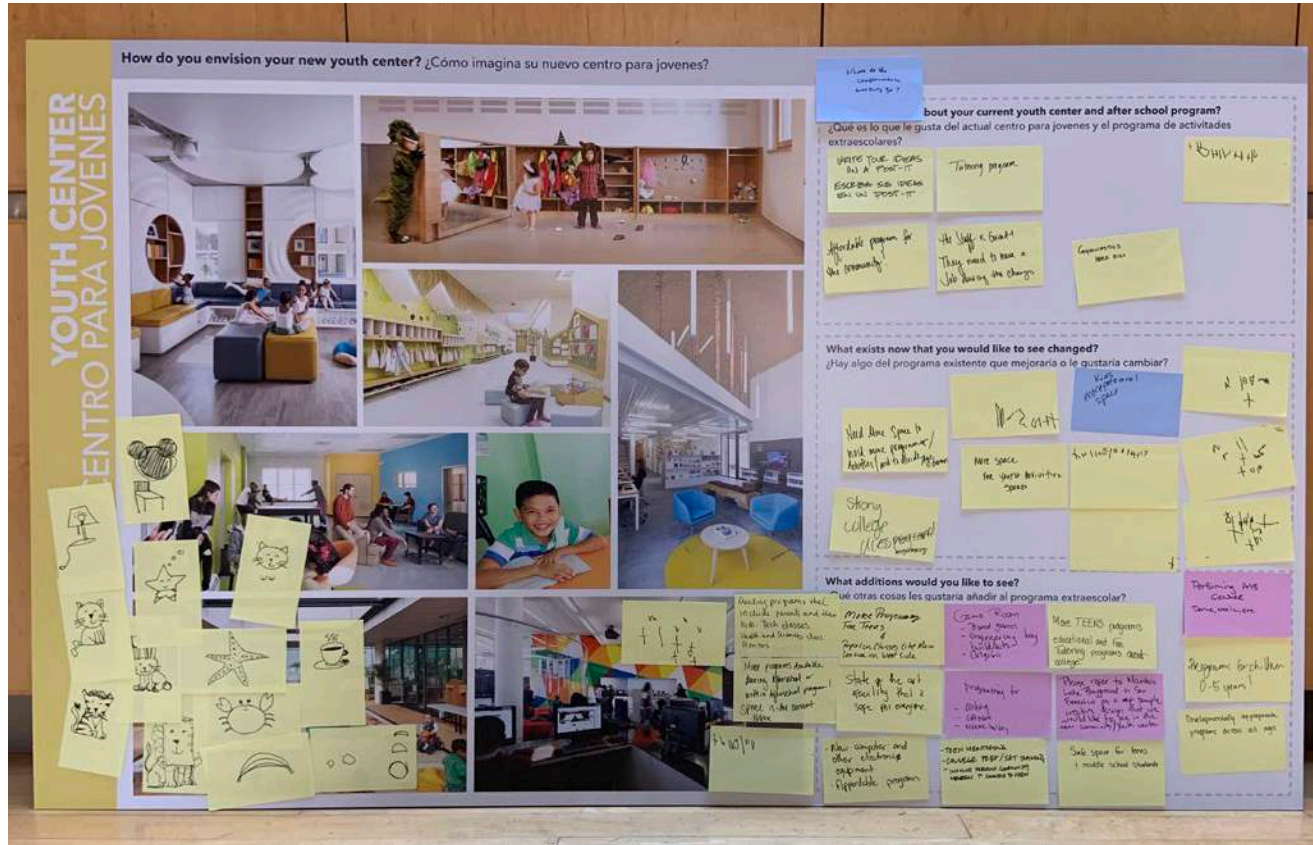
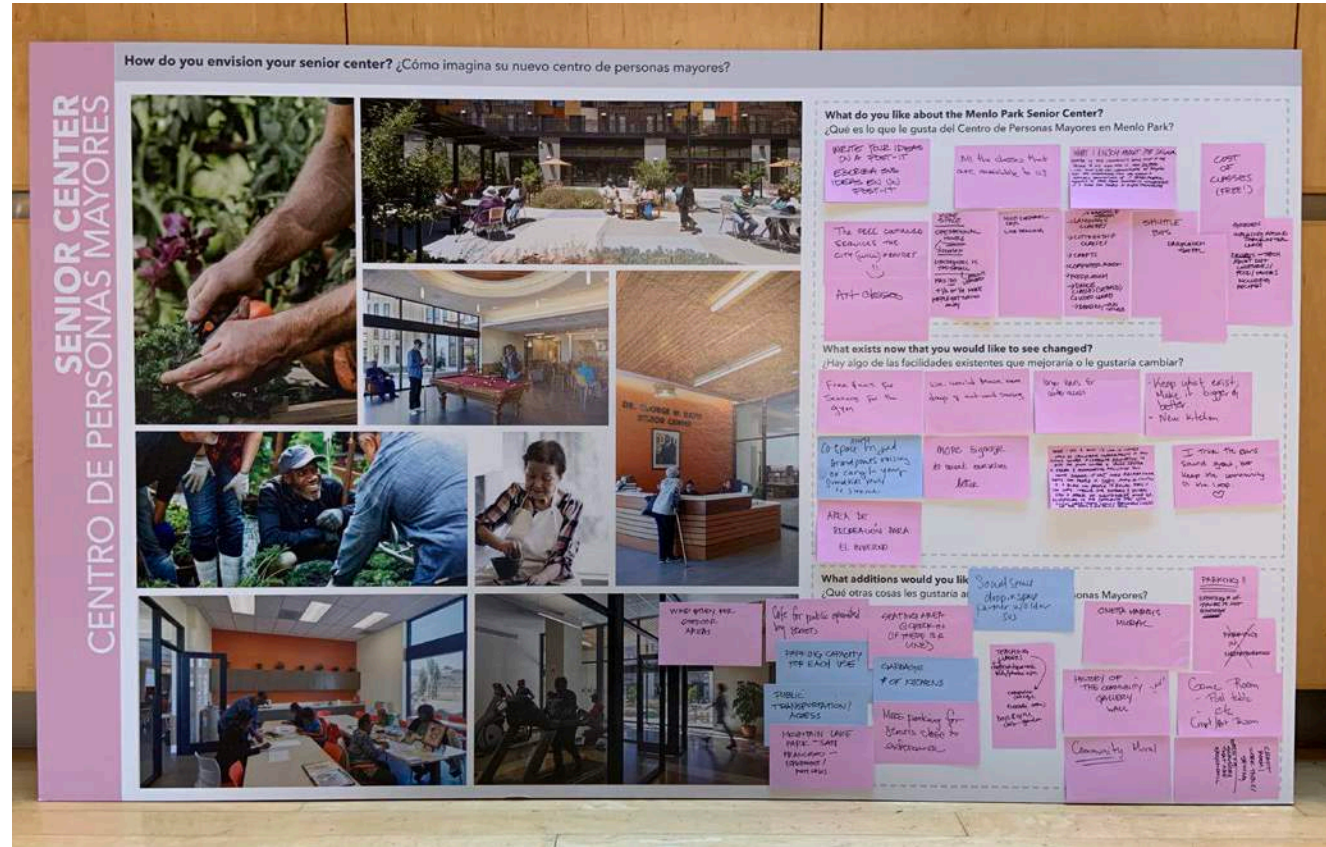
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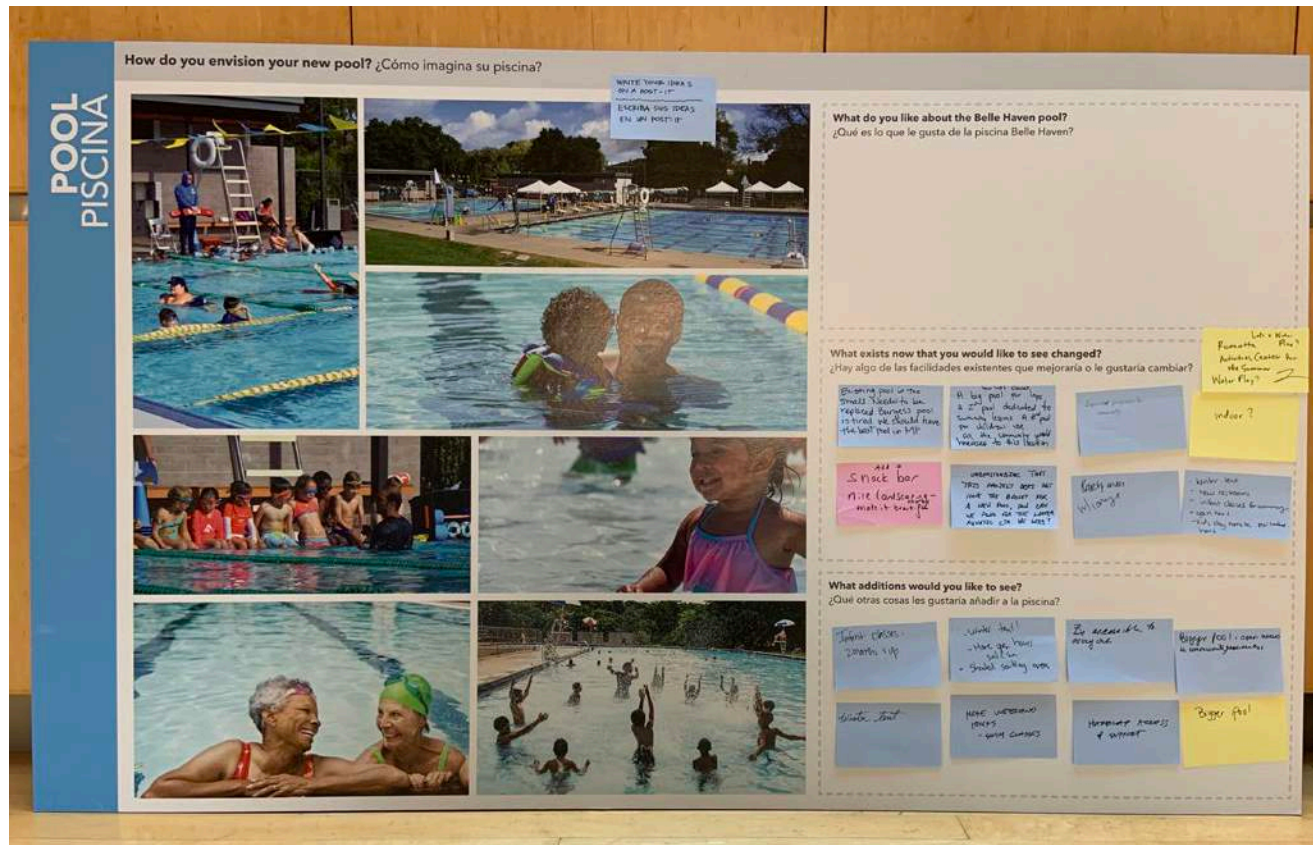
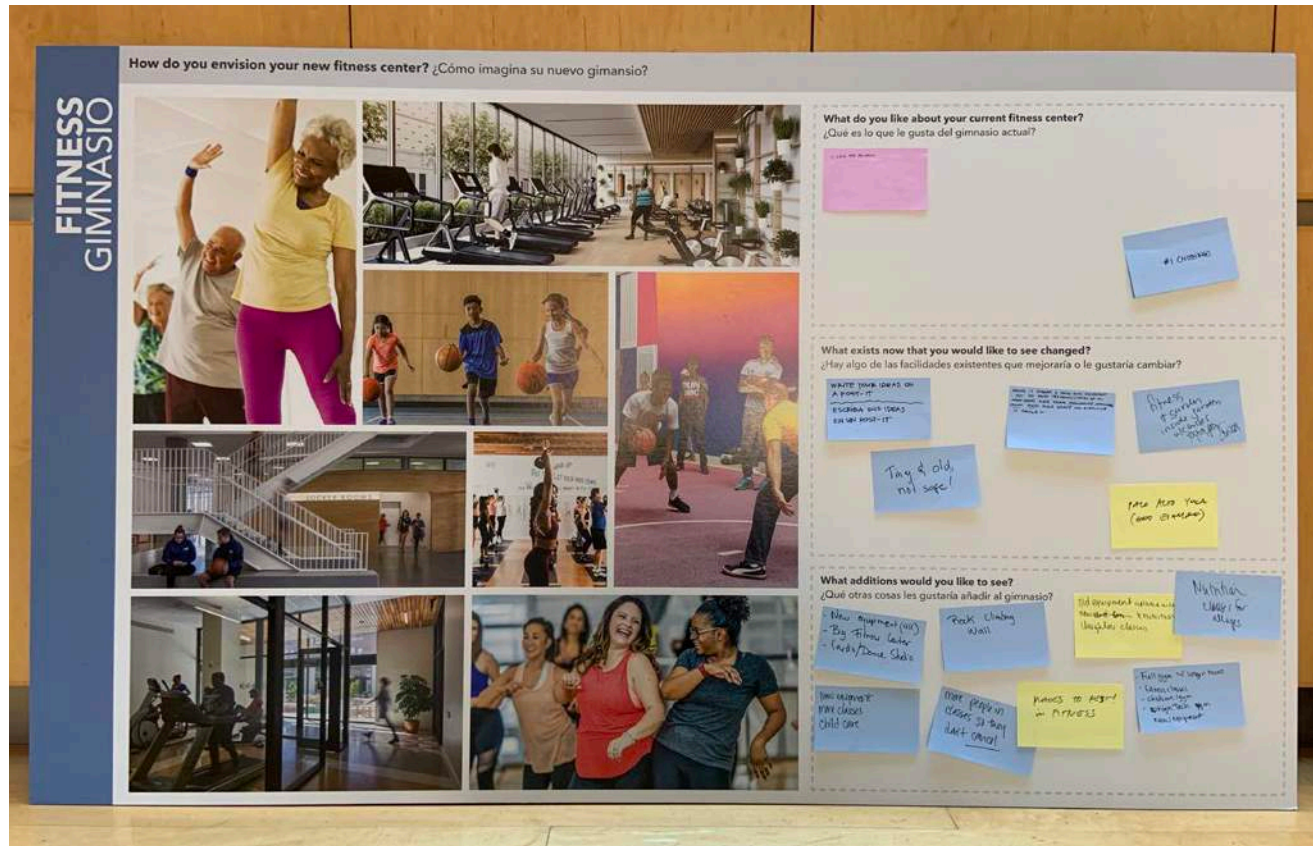


Conceptual View from Track

Community Meeting #1







Community Boards | Images

Community Feedback Summarized | Top 3 Comments

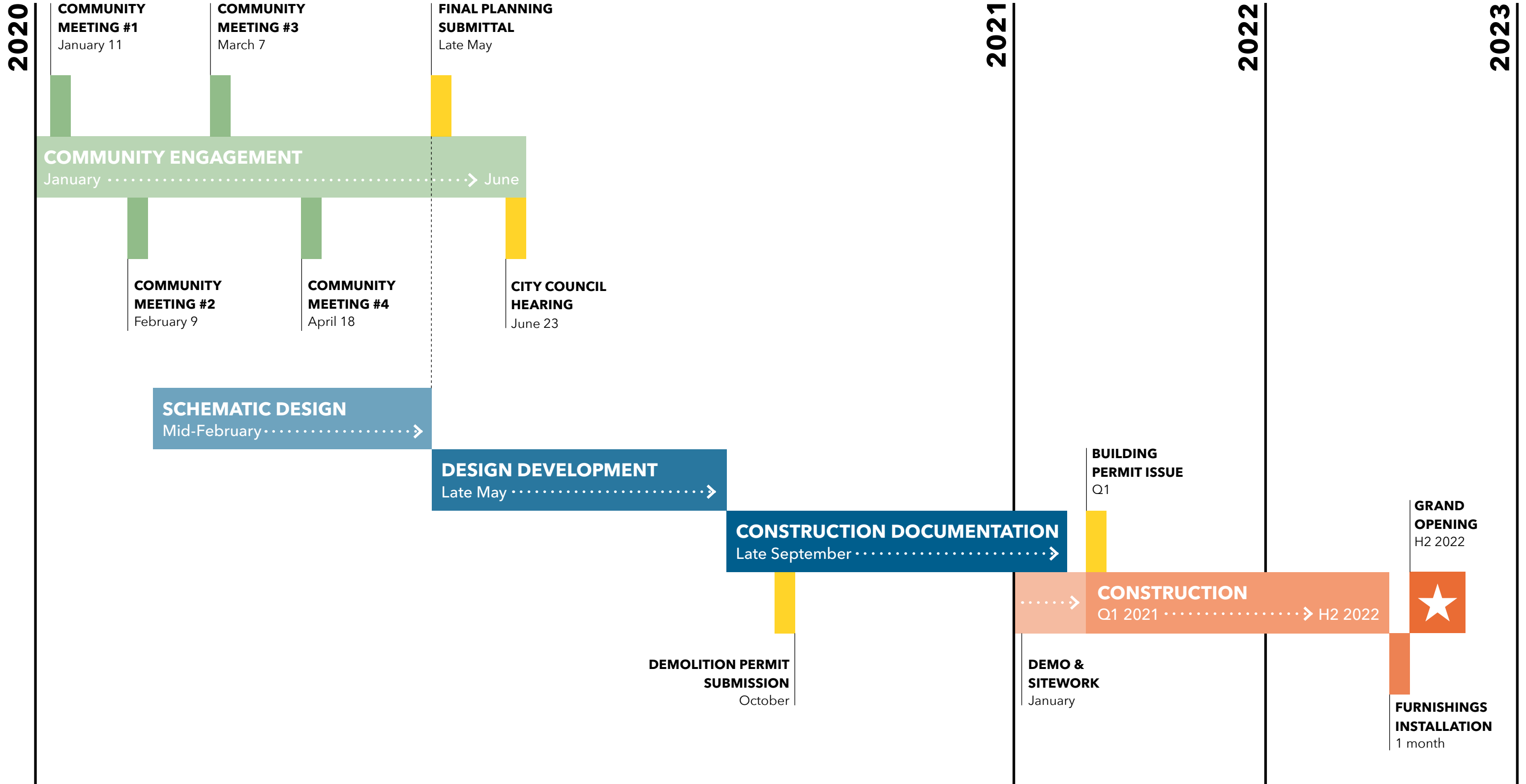
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SENIOR CENTER	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) PARKING2) VARIETY OF CLASSES3) DINING AREA
LIBRARY	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) CONNECT CHILDREN'S LIBRARY TO YOUTH CENTER2) DIVERSE SELECTION OF BOOKS3) SEAMLESS RETURN SYSTEM
YOUTH CENTER	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) SPACES PROGRAMMED BY AGE GROUP2) MENTORING & JOB DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS3) STROLLER PARKING
FITNESS CENTER	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) LONGER HOURS2) NEW EQUIPMENT3) VARIETY OF CLASSES
POOL	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) LONGER HOURS2) ACCESSIBILITY3) NEW POOL & SOCIAL OUTDOOR SPACES



Community Engagement

- *January 11 - Community Meeting #1*
- **February 9 - Community Meeting #2**
- **Early March - Community Meeting #3**
- **April - Community Meeting #4**
- **May - Planning Commission Hearing**
- **June - City Council Meeting to Approve Project**

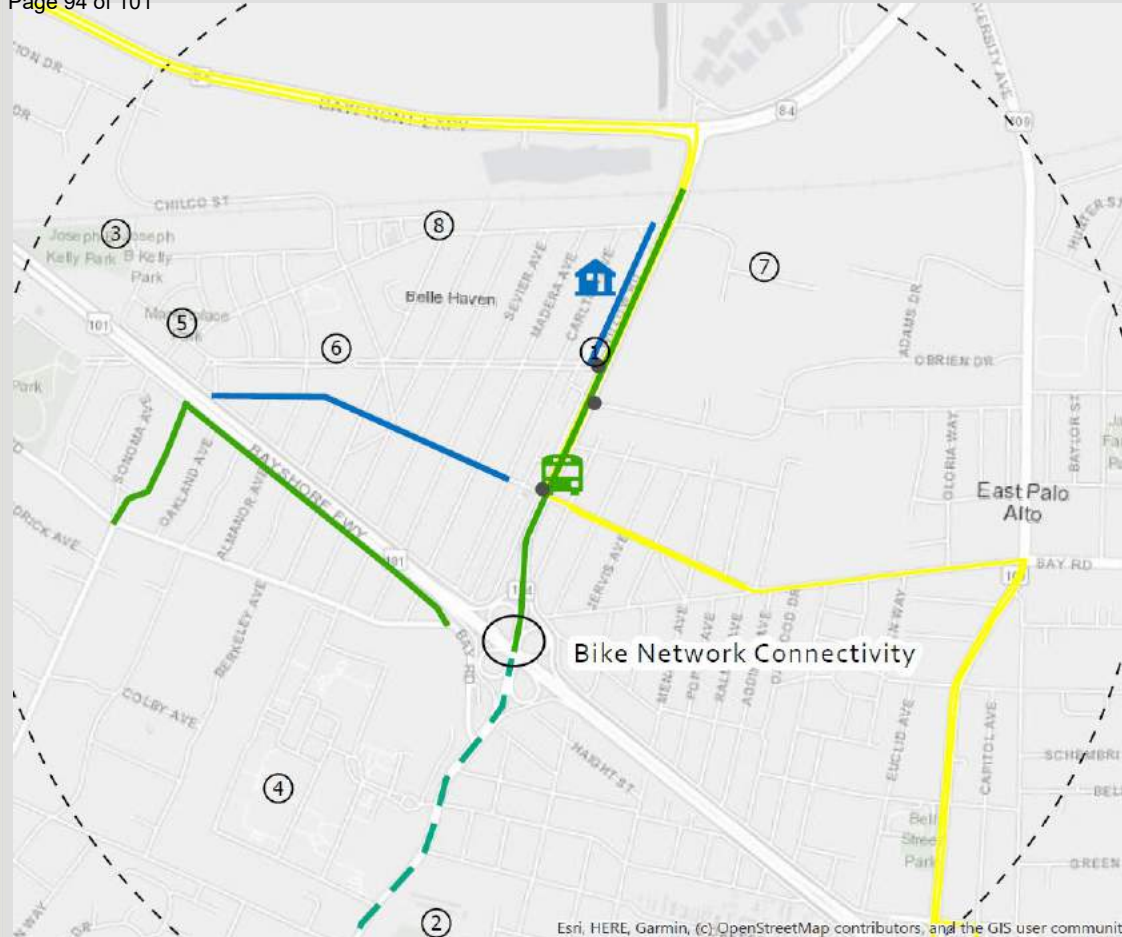
Proposed Technical Schedule





AFFORDABLE HOUSING & SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT OPPORTUNITY





Esri, HERE, Garmin, (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS user community

Legend

- Project Area Boundary
- Affordable Housing Development
- Qualifying Transit Station
- Pedestrian Improvements: 1.22 miles
- Bike Improvements: 0.64 miles
- Existing Bike Facility
- SamTrans Transit Improvement
- Key Destinations
- Traffic Calming Measures

Source: Enterprise on behalf of MidPen Housing

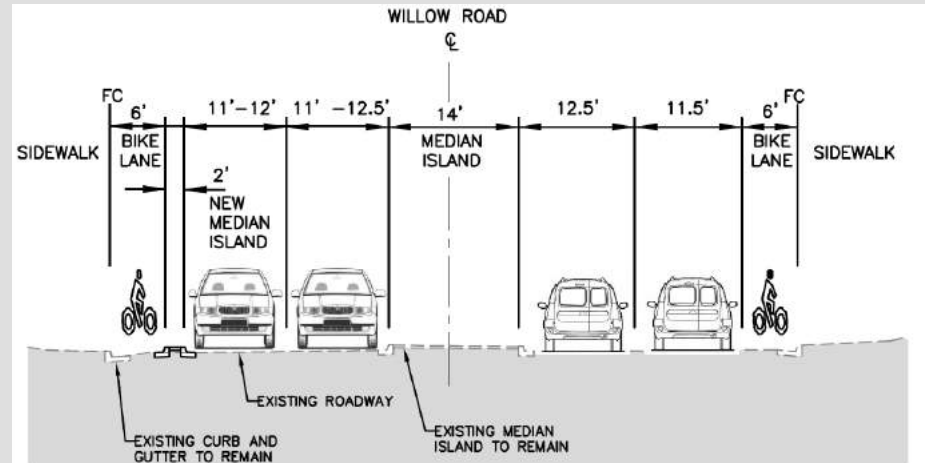
CITY-CONTROLLED PROJECTS

- Newbridge Street
 - Widen sidewalks
- Van Buren & Ringwood Ave
 - Install Class III bike routes



CALTRANS-CONTROLLED PROJECTS

- Willow Road
 - Class IV bike lane (westbound)

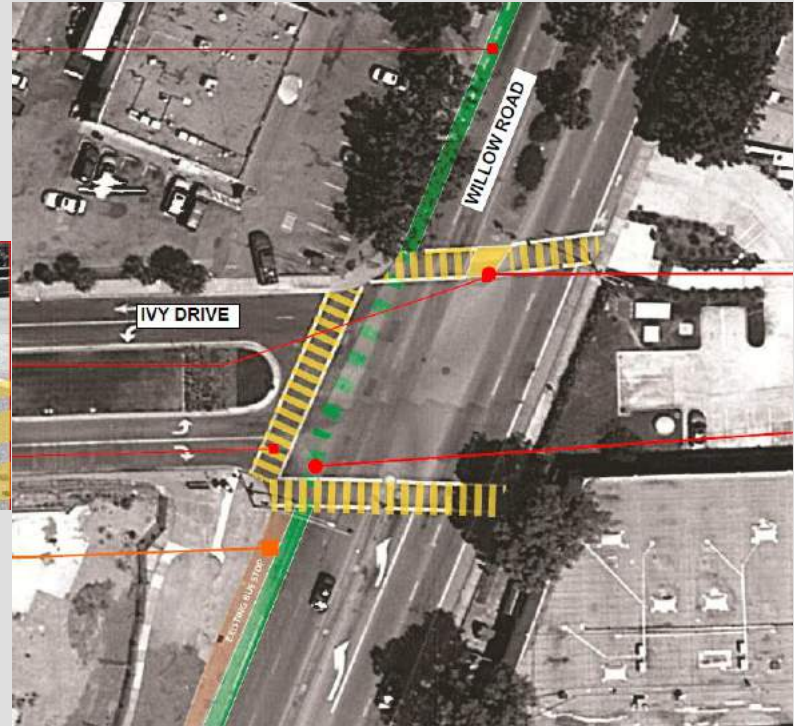
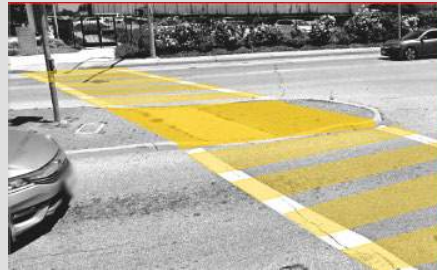


TYPICAL WILLOW ROAD CROSS SECTION (A-A)
(2' MEDIAN ISLAND)

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RECOMMENDED ACTION

- Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with MidPen Housing for transportation improvements to support their affordable housing and sustainable communities funding application



THANK YOU