



University Hills Branch Library Parking Lot Expansion Project

Agenda



Project Information



Project Background



Existing Condition & Context



Relationship to Public Realm



Environmental / Sustainability Issues



Proposed Condition



Questions

Project Information

Project Information

- Type: City building and site
- Zoning: GR-MU-CO-NP
- Address: 4701½ Loyola Lane
- Applicant: Austin Public Library
- Owner: City of Austin
- Status: 100% Design/Site Plan Permit
- Const. Start: July 2020 (expected)
- Const. End: Dec. 2020 (expected)

Project Team

- Sponsor: Austin Public Library
Contact: Paul Sanchez
- Engineer: Stantec
Contact: Aldo Sotelo
- Contractor: Brown and Root

Project Background

Project Goals

- ✓ Provide additional parking to library visitors and staff due to:
Insufficient parking during City staff training events, public outreach events, student tutoring sessions, meetings and other library activities
- ✓ Reduce safety hazards due to:
Current need to park on and cross a curved and steep roadway with limited visibility,
Close proximity of sidewalk to roadway,
Limited lighting in vicinity of parking lot
- ✓ Improve ADA compliance / accessibility of sidewalks connecting library due to:
Non-compliant sidewalk slopes
Limited ADA parking spots

Project Background

Project Scope

- ✓ 26 New parking spots (2 handicap) and 3 new motorcycle spots
- ✓ New drive aisle and driveway
- ✓ New/improved sidewalks/ramps
- ✓ New/improved parking lot lighting
- ✓ Provisions for 2 future electrical car charging stations
- ✓ New public art sculpture
- ✓ New monument sign
- ✓ New trees/landscaping & irrigation
- ✓ New storm water detention pond



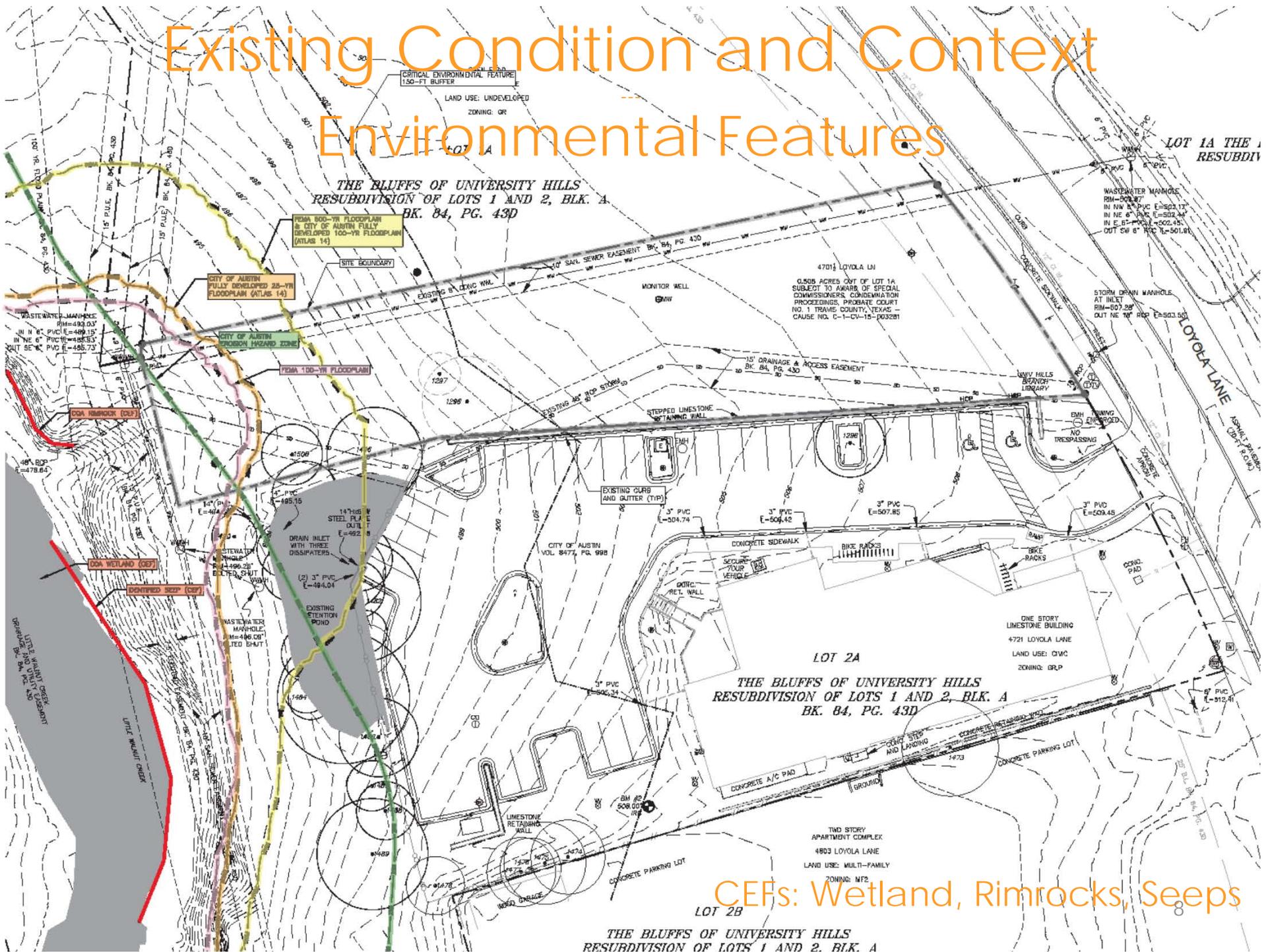
Existing Condition and Context

Vicinity Map



Existing Condition & Context

Existing Condition and Context Environmental Features



CEFs: Wetland, Rimrocks, Seeps

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Relationship to Public Realm

Urban Design Guidelines Shared Values

✓ Density & Diversity

Project includes additional parking for a diverse group of library visitors and staff to encourage use of public space, especially during staff training events, public outreach events, tutoring sessions, meetings and other activities that promote social interaction and place many people together at the library

✓ Safety

Project includes new/improved sidewalk, ramps and lighting to reduce safety hazards, attract people and allow them to fully engage in library activities in a safe manner

Relationship to Public Realm

Urban Design Guidelines Shared Values

✓ Sustainability

Project includes porous pavement / pavers to reduce impervious cover and improve water quality

Project includes provisions for future electric car charging stations to reduce carbon footprint

Project includes energy efficient light fixtures to reduce electric energy consumption

Project located outside 500-year floodplain (Atlas 14), critical water quality zone (CWQZ), Erosion Hazard Zone (EHZ) to minimize environmental impact to Little Walnut Creek

Project includes 100% native/adapted trees and plants to reduce maintenance, reduce water use, and preserve ecosystem

Relationship to Public Realm

Urban Design Guidelines Shared Values

✓ Human Character

Project includes new sidewalks and ramps to improve accessibility, promote pedestrian use and improve connectivity and activity level

✓ Civic Art

Project includes a new public art sculpture and monument sign to promote local artist, stimulate regional culture, revitalize the neighborhood and improve community's quality of life

✓ Connection with Outdoors

Project includes new native trees/ plants landscaping around the site to connect outdoors with urban space and provide shade

Environmental / Sustainable Issues

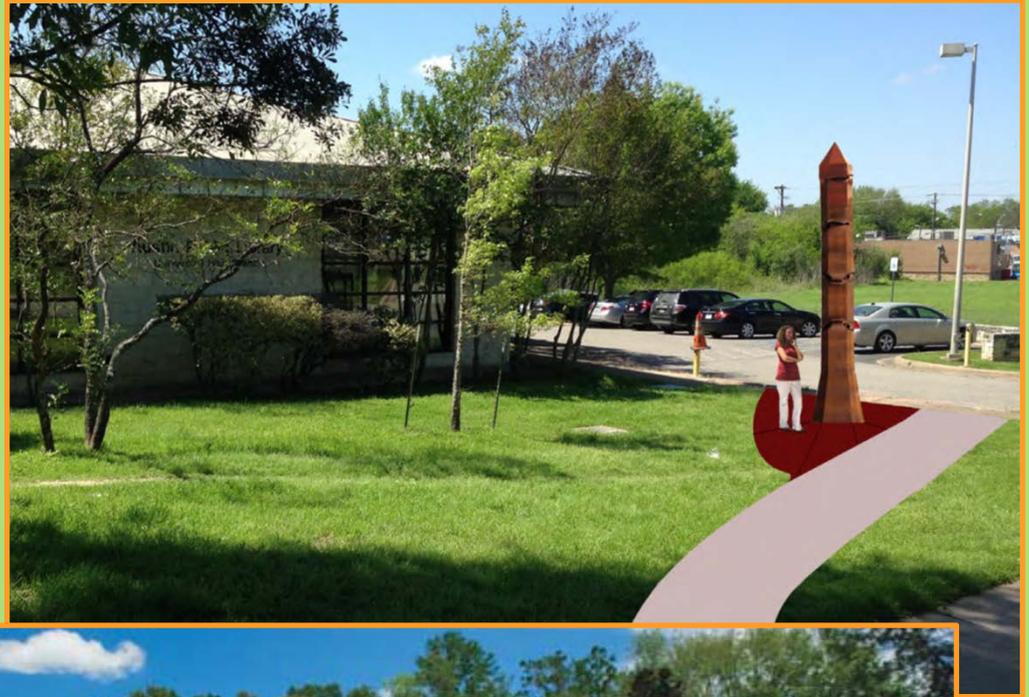
Project Features & Benefits

- ✓ Porous pavement / pavers
 - Reduce impervious cover
 - Improve water quality
- ✓ Provisions for future electric car charging stations
 - Reduce carbon footprint
- ✓ Energy efficient light fixtures
 - Reduce electric energy consumption
- ✓ Improvements located outside 500-yr floodplain (Atlas 14), CWQZ and EHZ
 - Minimize environmental impact to Little Walnut creek
- ✓ 100% Native/Adapted Trees and Plants Landscaping
 - Reduce maintenance and water use
 - Preserve ecosystem

Proposed Site Plan Rendering



Proposed Condition



Questions

- Contact Paul Sanchez with Austin Public Library at (512) 974-7469

