

#CarverMuseumATX

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER MUSEUM, CULTURAL & GENEALOGY CENTER

Facility Expansion Plan

Library Commission - April 26, 2021 / 3:00 pm



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PLANNING PROCESS

We are here

Initiation



Needs Assessment
Small Group Discussions

March - July 2020

Planning



Preliminary Planning Concepts
Community Meetings

Community Meeting # 1 - 08/8/20

..... **Community Meeting # 2 - 10/3/20**

..... **Community Meeting # 3 - 11/21/20**

Conception



Draft Planning Report

Adoption



Boards, Commissions & City Council Presentations

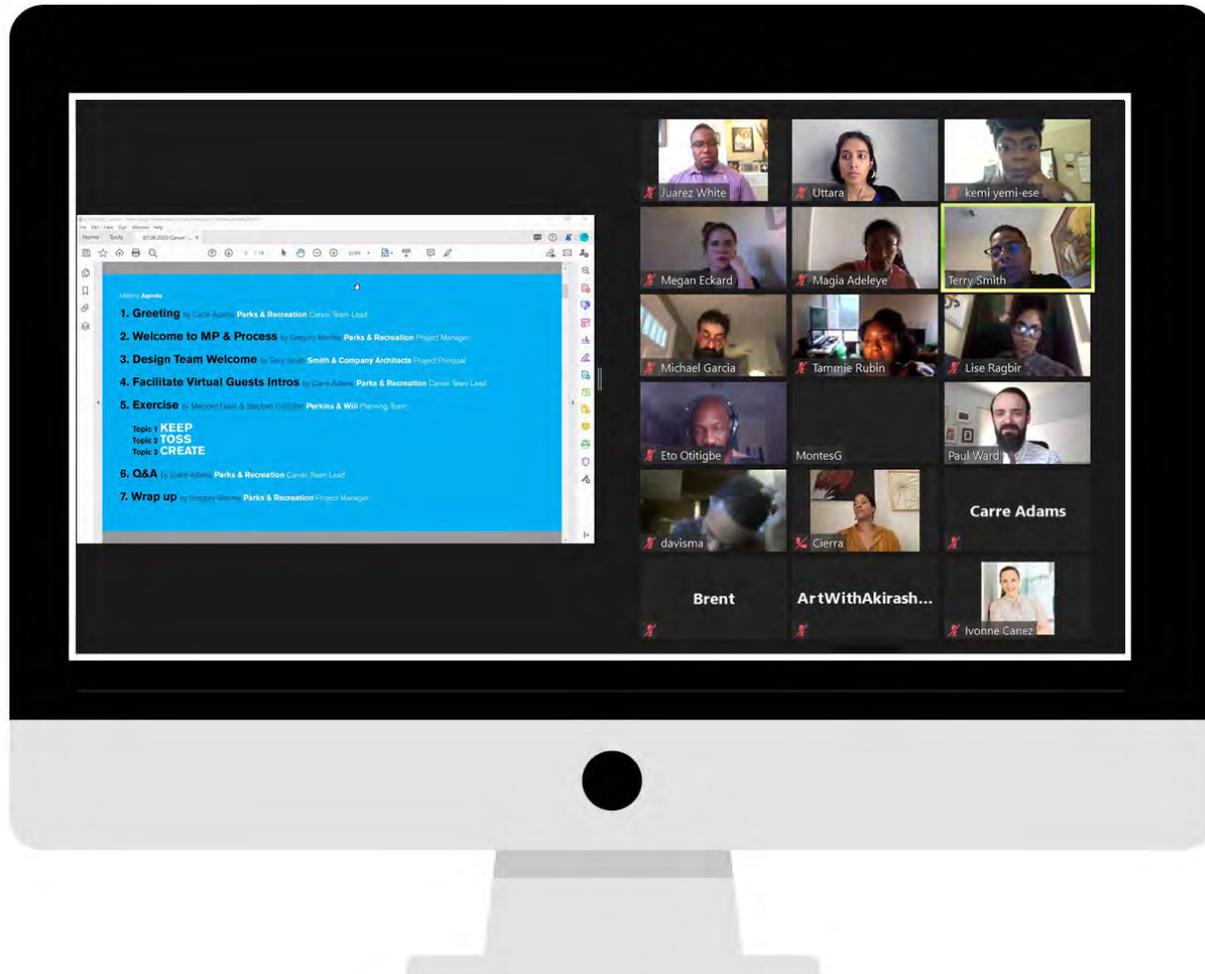
Implementation



Final Facility Expansion Plan Submission

May 2021 / TBD

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & INPUT



Community Meetings: x 3

Small Group Discussions:

**8 Groups
77 Participants**



- **Performing Artists**
- **Carver Task Force**
- **Civic Leaders**
- **Visual Artists**
- **COA African American Employees**
- **Carver Museum Staff**
- **Carver Ambassadors**
- **African American Resource Advisory Commission**

Technical Advisory Group Meetings: x 3

A Critical Piece of the African American Community in Austin



1. Texas State Cemetery



2. Rosewood Neighborhood Park



3. Charles E. Urdy Plaza



4. Historic Victory Grill



5. Six Square



6. Huston-Tillotson University



7. Oakwood Cemetery



8. James L. Farmer Jr. Home



9. Dedrick Hamilton House



10. African-American Cultural Heritage Facility

GOALS & PRINCIPLES

1. Recognize, respect and reflect the community's **history, culture and heritage**.
2. As the heart of Black art and culture in Austin, the plan should **advance the vision and mission** of the Carver Museum.
3. Establish stronger **outdoor amenities that connect with nature**.
4. Strengthen the **diverse and inter-generational** experiences in and around the facility, while meeting **present and future needs** of the community and staff.
5. Create **flexible spaces** that could be used by everyone in the community.

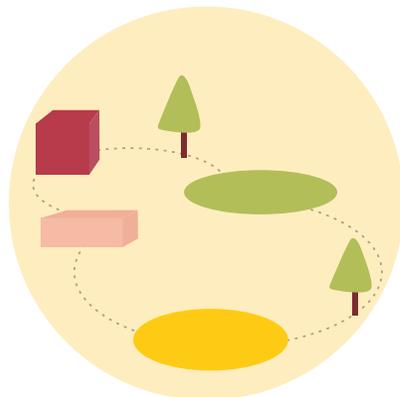


KEY PLANNING THEMES



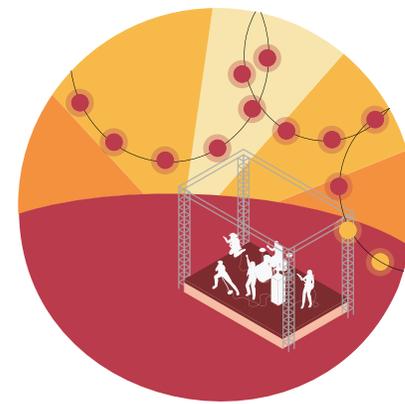
Idea of the Carver

Explores the multiplicity of meanings and relationship of the community with the Carver



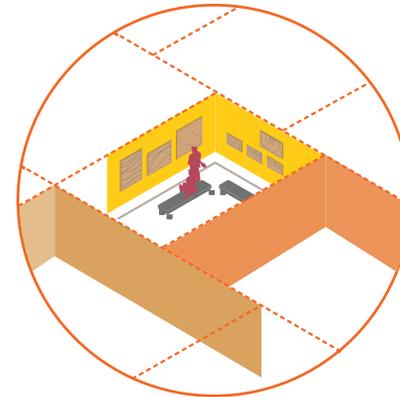
Experience

Looks at one's perception and experience of the building and the complex as a whole –includes branding, wayfinding & accessibility



Program

Elaborates upon the programs and events organized by the Carver and their spatial requirements



Indoor Spaces

Understanding the design and utilization of existing indoor spaces



Outdoor Spaces

Understanding the relationship and utilization of existing outdoor spaces to the buildings

PROPOSED BUILDING & SITE PROGRAM

Building Program

BUILDING PROGRAM ZONE	Total Existing Program Area (NSF)	Total Required Program Area (NSF)	Net Area Increase
GENERAL BUILDING	4,882	8,381	3,499
ADMINISTRATION	1,190	3,647	2,457
GALLERIES / EXHIBITION	4,162	12,500	8,338
COLLECTIONS HANDLING	2,676	6,400	3,724
COLLECTIONS STAFF	637	763	126
BUILDING SUPPORT - Lower Level North	750	1,415	665
BUILDING SUPPORT - Main Level	3,683	6,065	2,382
BUILDING SUPPORT - Lower Level South	167	167	0
EDUCATION	1,855	10,270	8,415
EVENTS	314	7,900	7,586
THEATER / PERFORMANCE	4,786	14,238	9,452
THEATER SUPPORT	1,964	5,485	3,521
ROOF LEVEL	1,844	3,715	1,871
SUB TOTAL (NSF)	28,910	80,946	52,036

SUMMARY	NET SF	GROSS SF*
EXISTING	28,910	30,665
NEW	52,036	59,841
TOTAL	80,946	90,506

Site Program

Room Name	Total Existing Program Area (NSF)	Total Required Program Area (NSF)	Net Area Increase
New Community Garden	n/a	400	400
Existing Swimming Pool	n/a	n/a	n/a
New Underground Detention	n/a	TBD	TBD
Existing Juneteenth Sculpture Walk	n/a	n/a	n/a
New Black Austin History Sculpture Walk	n/a	400	400
New Juneteenth Plaza	n/a	14000	14000
New Exterior Classrooms	n/a	225	225
New Flexible Green Space	n/a	4500	4500
New Formal Pavilion Gathering Space	n/a	1500	1500
Existing /New Detached Restroom	1750	2350	600
Existing / New Carver Museum Parking	7614	44064	36450
TOTAL GROSS SF	7,614	65,689	58075

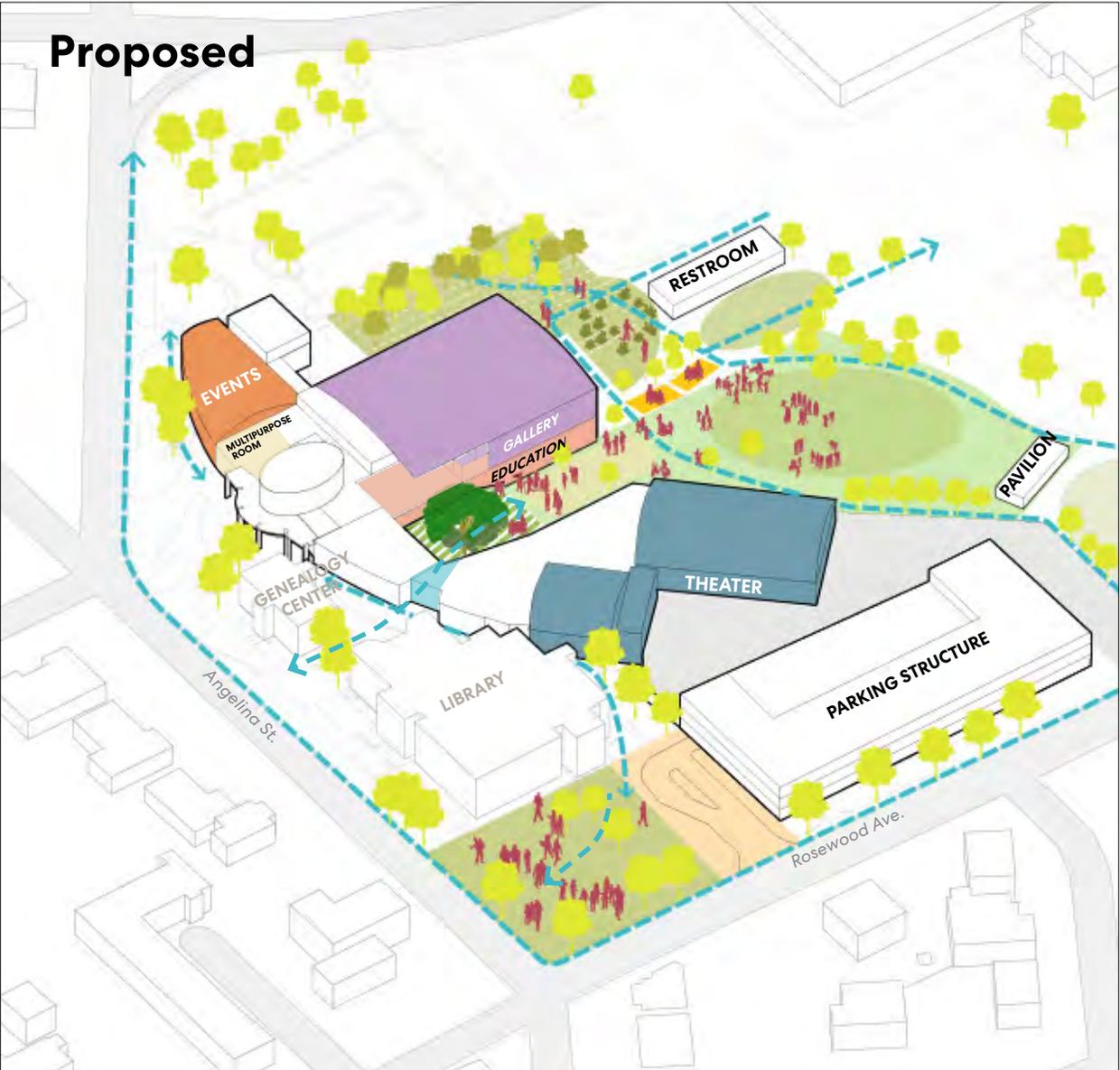
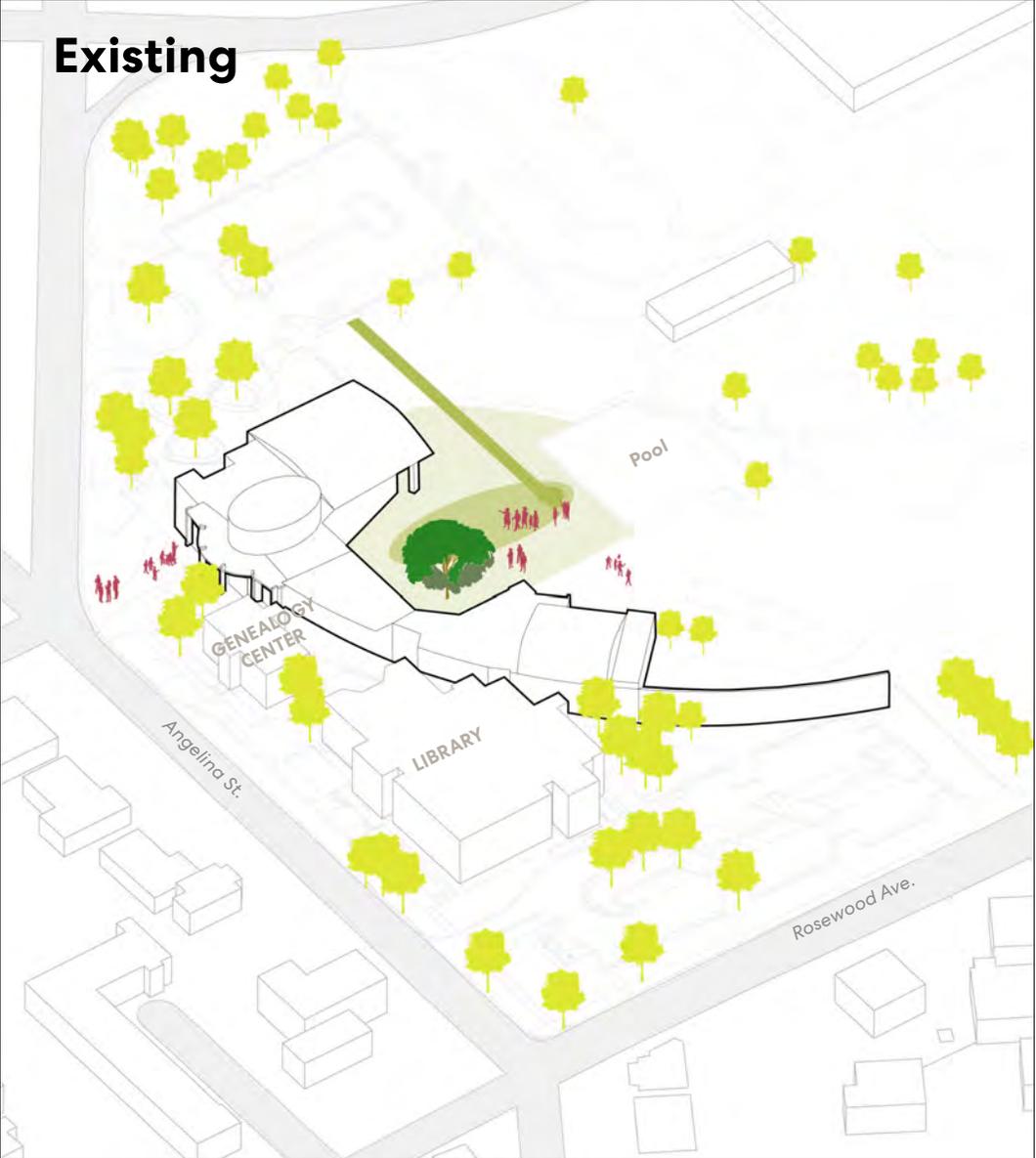
SUMMARY	
EXISTING	7,614
NEW	65,689
TOTAL	73,303

Building proposed to nearly **triple in size** long-term

Outdoor classrooms, event lawn and pavilion, community garden and restroom amenities to be added

* (i.e. walls, shafts, BoH circulation, egress stairs, etc.)

CARVER FACILITY EXPANSION PLAN



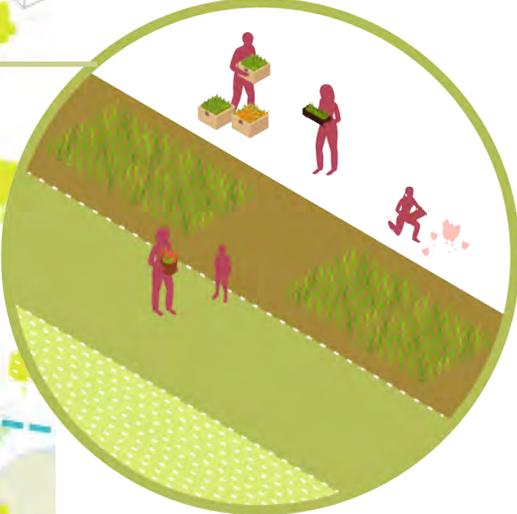
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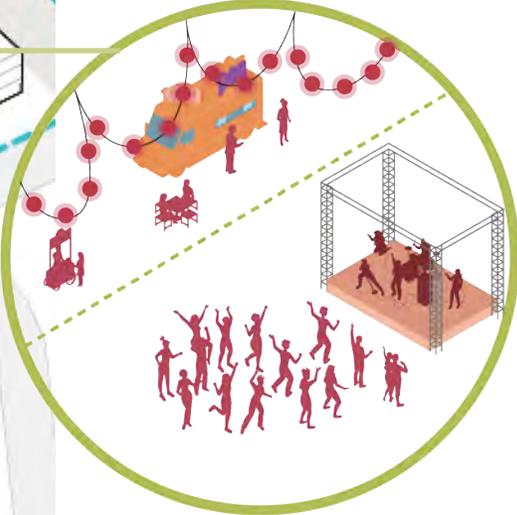
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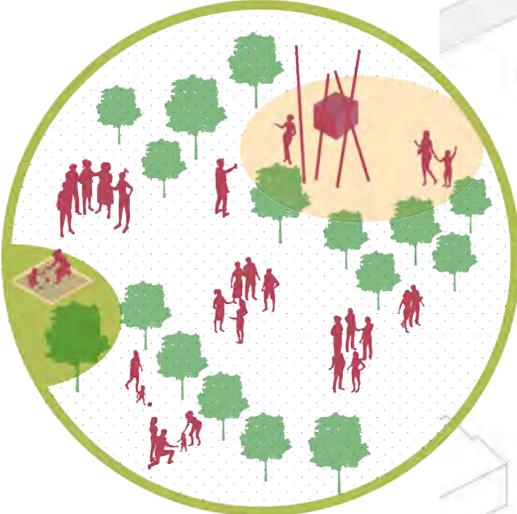
Community Garden



Event Lawn



Plaza Open Space



PHASING / COST ESTIMATES

Phase 1a - Building Renovations

Create new Multi-Purpose Room in existing Admin Suite
 New Roof Level Admin. Suite
 New Elevator
 Approved Relocation of the Existing Statues

Phase 1b - Outdoor Spaces & Site Improvements

Outside Classrooms
 New Community Garden
 Renovation of existing Public Restrooms
 New Flexible Event Lawn with Covered Pavilion

Phase 2a - Site Utilities Work

Re-route Existing underground Transmission Water Line
 Re-route Existing Storm Drainage Line
 Re-route Existing Wastewater Line
 Expand Existing Site Detention

Phase 2b - Galleries & Education Addition

New Main Level Gallery & Lower Level Education Addition with Receiving Dock

Phase 2c - Events / Ballroom

New Main Level Events Ballroom with Pre-Function space & Lower Level Pre-Kitchen Addition
 Redesign of the ADA Accessible Route (Existing ramp will be removed)

Phase 3 - Theater Addition & Parking Garage

New Theater & Performance Addition with New Loading Dock
 New 4 Level Parking Garage
 Design of Service drive @ Rosewood Ave
 New Juneteenth Plaza at corner of Rosewood & Angelina
 New Book Drop-off Drive

Phase 1a	\$ 3,177,720
Phase 1b	\$ 2,700,990
Phase 2a	\$ 5,050,625
Phase 2b	\$ 11,522,000
Phase 2c	\$ 5,967,500
Phase 3	\$ 15,834,000
Escalation	\$ 13,452,726
Total	\$ 57,705,561

* Base cost estimates by phase are based on current (2021) cost assumptions. Cost escalation has been projected over a 3, 6, and 9 year horizon for each phase respectively. Actual costs are subject to market conditions and actual date of construction.

FUNDING STRATEGIES

Capital Funding Strategies for Implementation

- General Obligation Bond
- City Council allocation
- Interdepartmental Capital Improvement Project with Austin Public Library
- Corporate Partnership
- Private donors
- Grant opportunities for museums, arts & culture, or historic preservation
- Parkland Dedication Funds



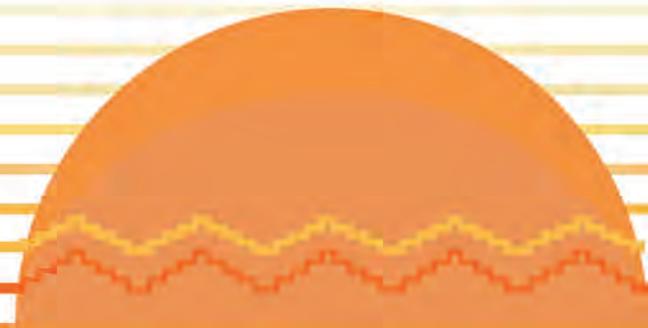
PROPOSED EXPANSION PLAN



Questions ?



Appendix



BUILDING PROGRAM: MAIN LEVEL

Existing



Proposed



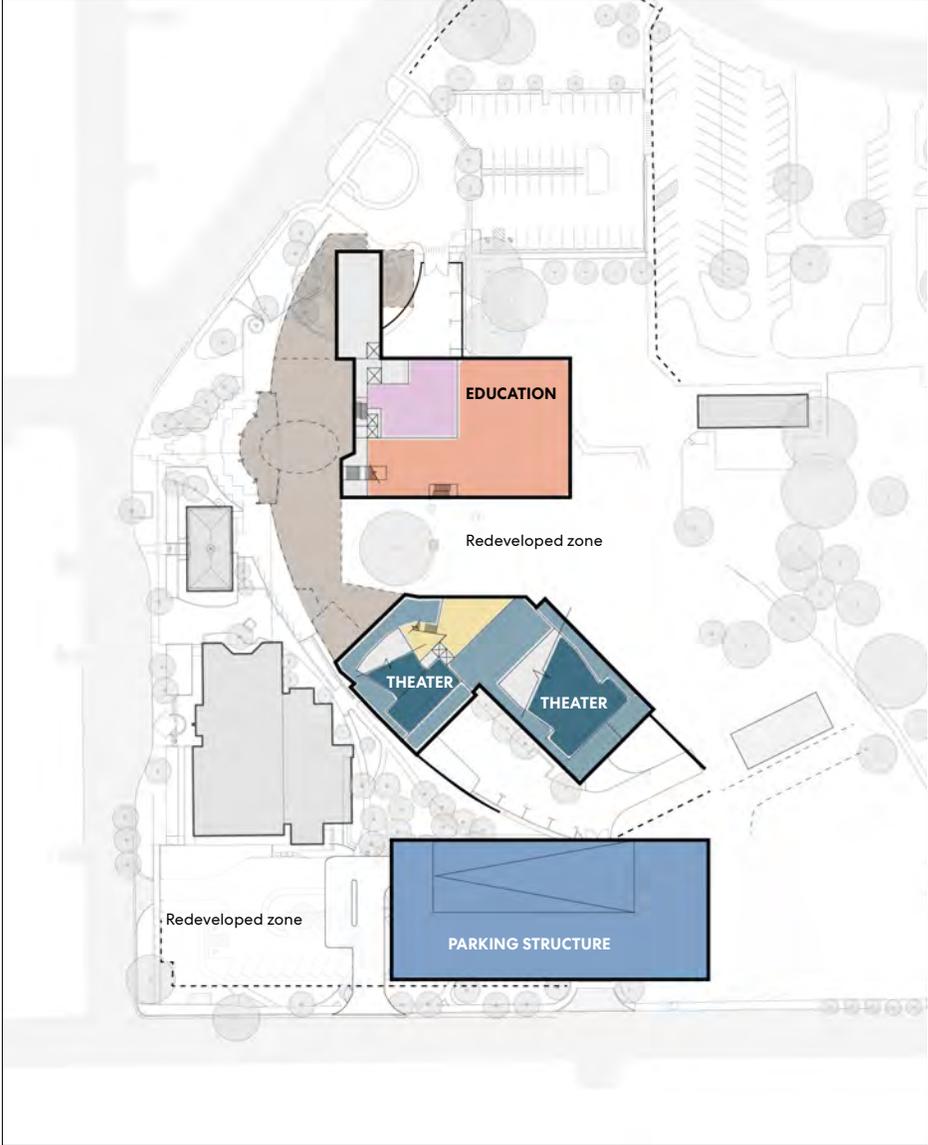
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BUILDING PROGRAM: LOWER LEVEL

Existing



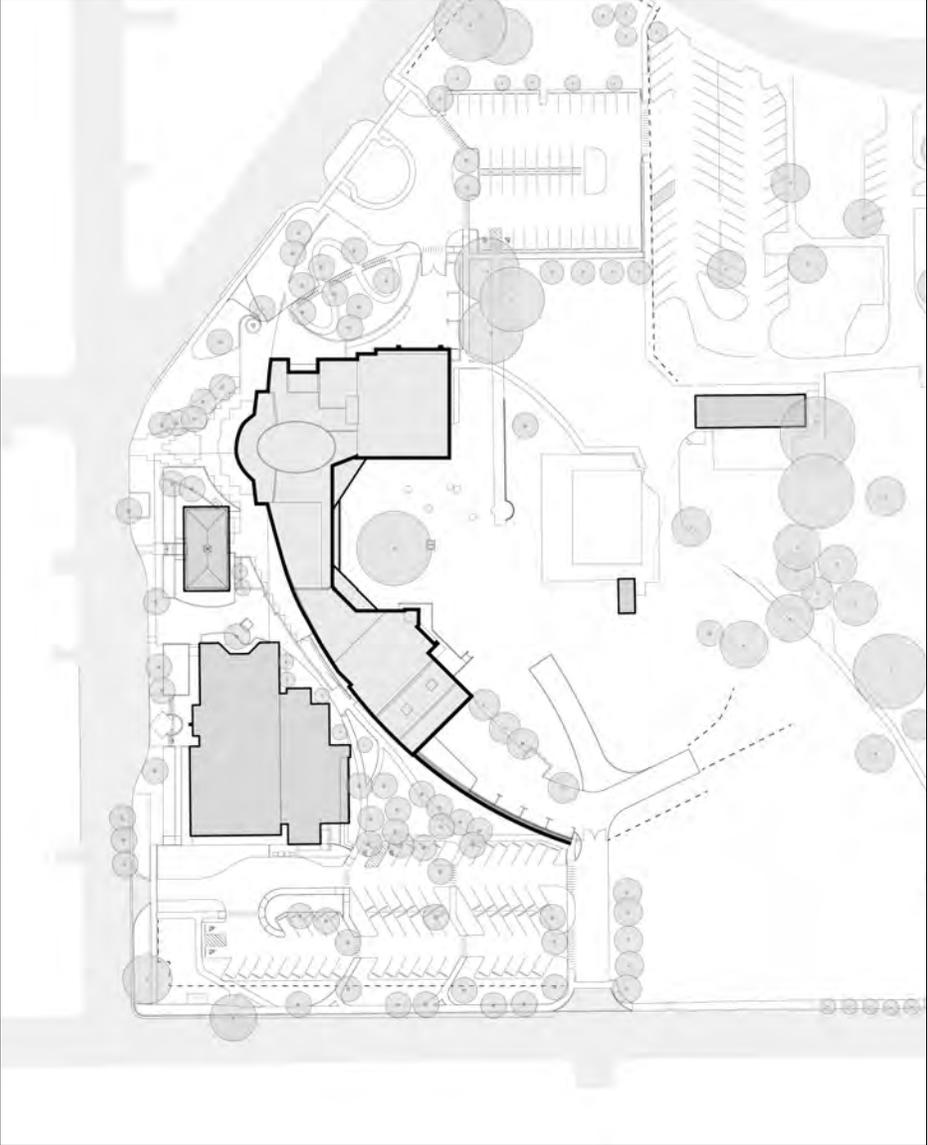
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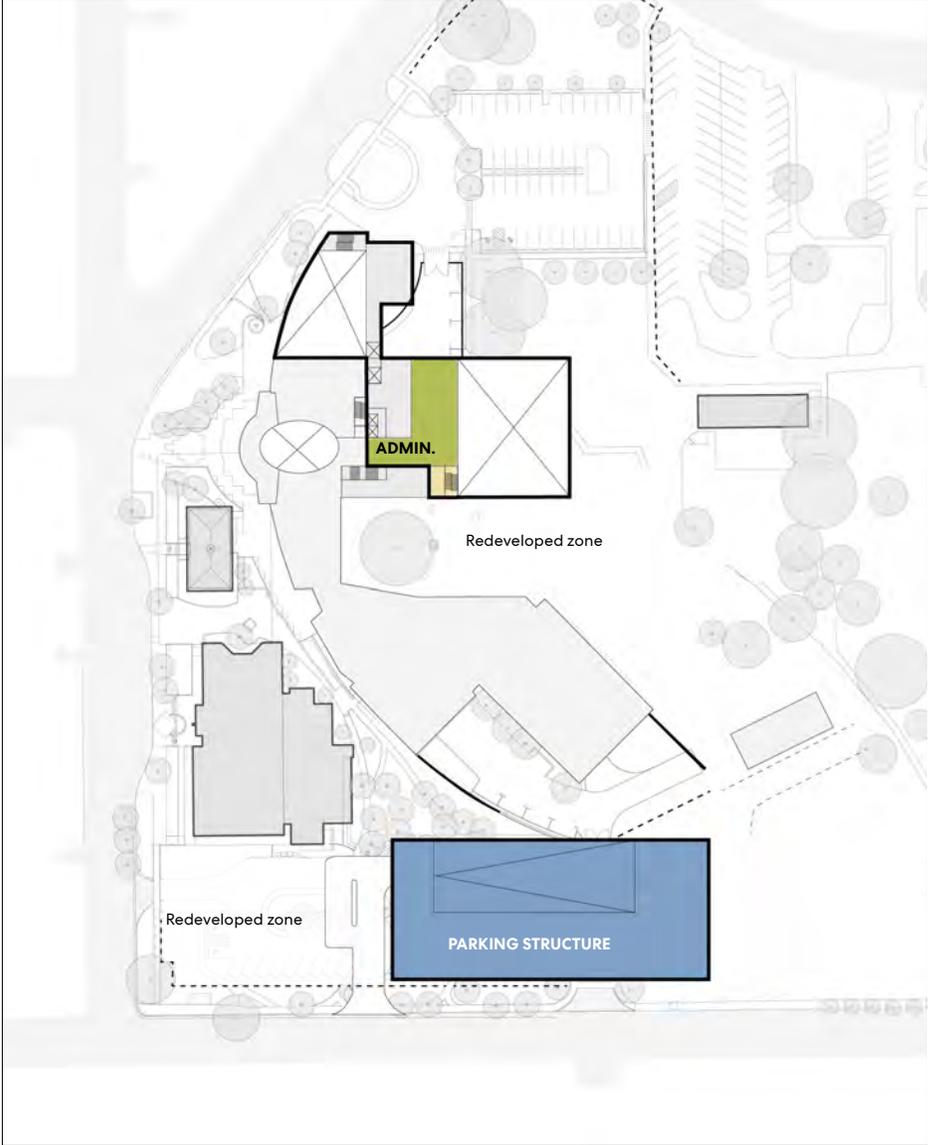
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BUILDING PROGRAM: UPPER LEVEL

Existing



Proposed



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