

Asian American Resource Center

Master Plan September 2019

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FEASIBILITY STUDY #1

**Asian American Resource Center
Added Program**

Building Program Options

- Theatre
- Dressing/Green Rooms
- Theatre Storage Room
- Exhibition/Gallery Space
- Art Studios
- Offices: ±4 Total
- Cafe/Concessions/Vending Machines
- Classrooms
- Storage Rooms: 3 Large, 1 Small & 1 Art
- Medium Meeting Space
- Lobby/Reception Area
- Restrooms: Mens, Womens & Family
- Janitor Room

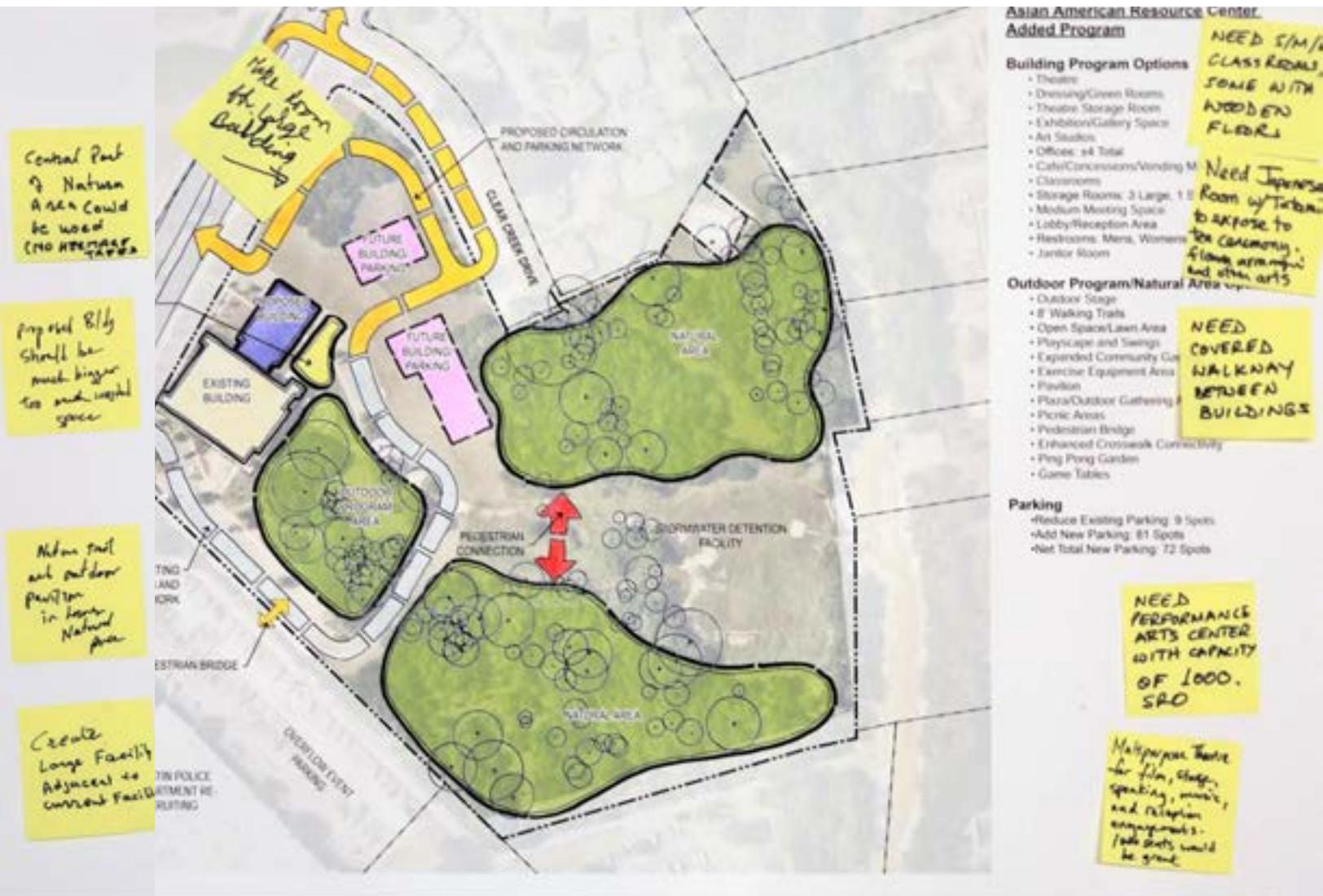
Outdoor Program/Natural Area Options

- Outdoor Stage
- 8' Walking Trails
- Open Space/Lawn Area
- Playscape and Swings
- Expanded Community Garden
- Exercise Equipment Area
- Pavilion
- Plaza/Outdoor Gathering Area
- Picnic Areas
- Pedestrian Bridge
- Enhanced Crosswalk Connectivity
- Ping Pong Garden
- Game Tables

Parking

- Reduce Existing Parking: 9 Spots
- Add New Parking: 81 Spots
- Net Total New Parking: 72 Spots

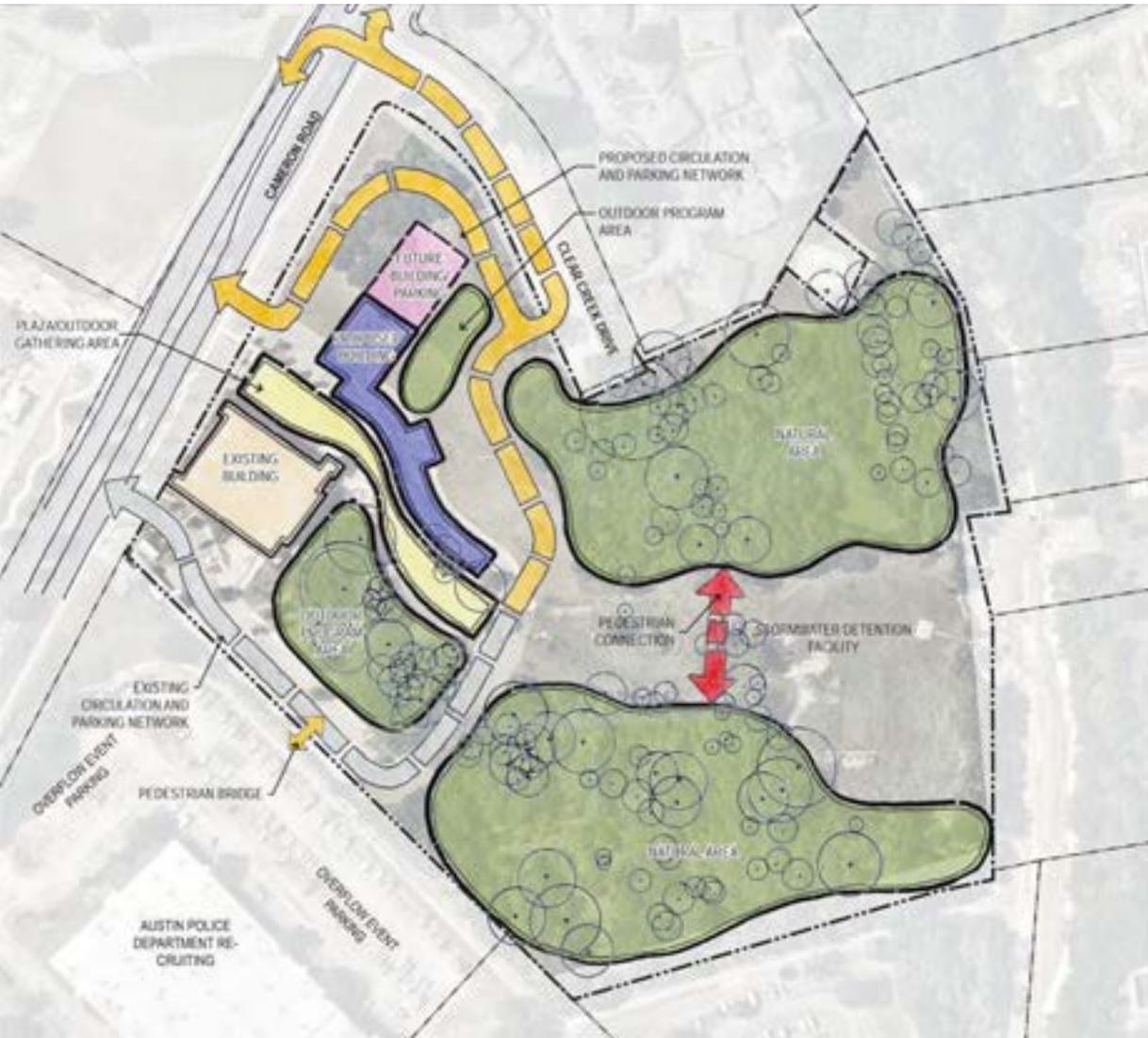




Comments

1. Maximize building space combine with #2 Amenities

FEASIBILITY STUDY #2



**Asian American Resource Center
Added Program**

Building Program Options

- Theatre
- Dressing/Green Rooms
- Theatre Storage Room
- Exhibition/Gallery Space
- Art Studios
- Offices: 64 Total
- Cafe/Concessions/Wending Machines
- Classrooms
- Storage Rooms: 3 Large, 1 Small & 1 Art
- Medium Meeting Space
- Lobby/Reception Area
- Restrooms: Mens, Womens & Family
- Janitor Room

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Parking

- Reduce Existing Parking: 27 Spots
- Add New Parking: 81 Spots
- Net Total New Parking: 54 Spots



Comments

1. 54 parking space is not enough, maybe 100+ parking spaces
2. Larger Building instead of outdoor program areas.
3. Maximize functional space, instead of outdoor program area by new building
4. Make room for large building
5. Maximize functional space, instead of outdoor program area

FEASIBILITY STUDY #3



Asian American Resource Center Added Program

Building Program Options

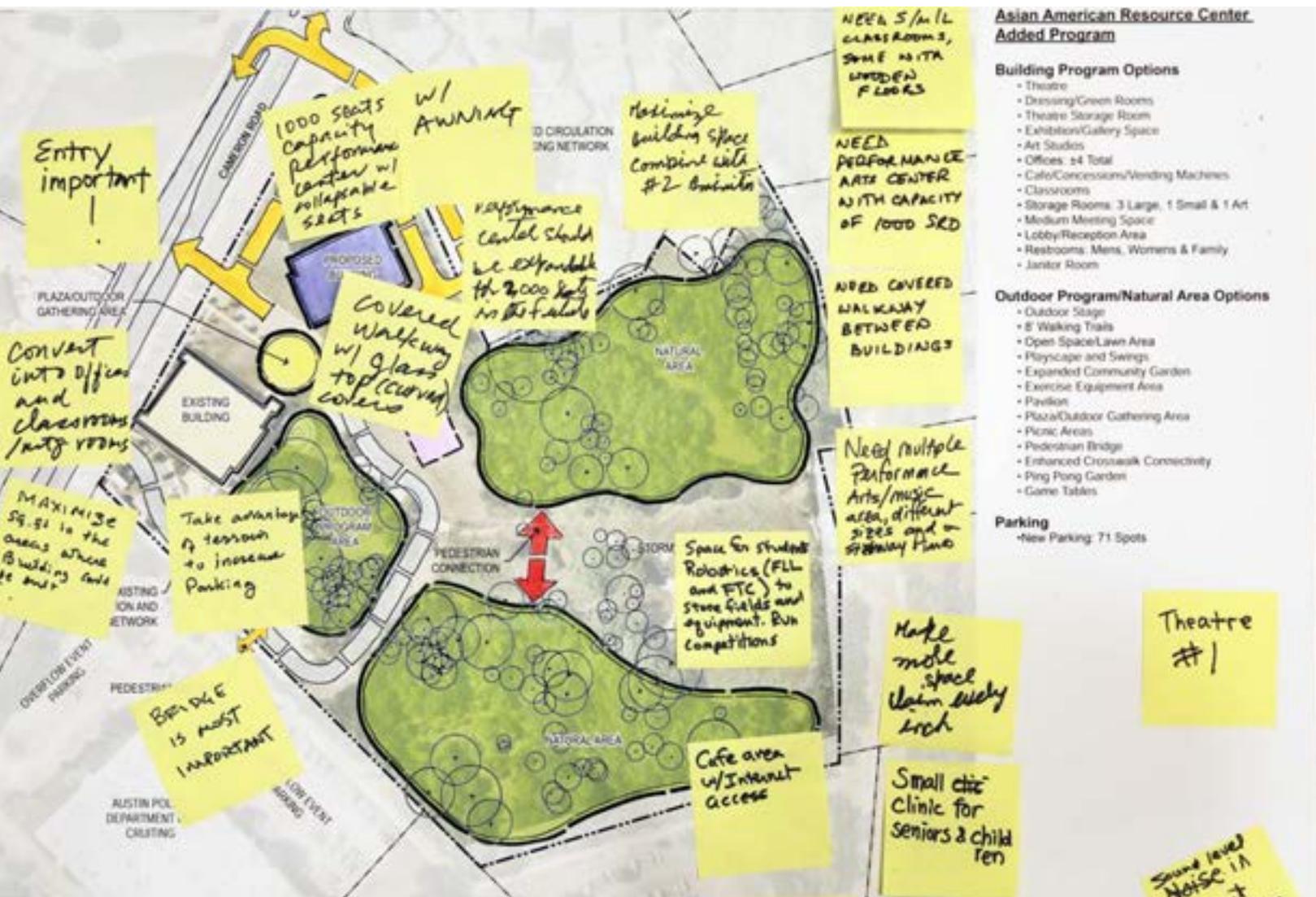
- Theatre
- Dressing/Green Rooms
- Theatre Storage Room
- Exhibition/Gallery Space
- Art Studios
- Offices: 4 Total
- Cafe/Concessions/Vending Machines
- Classrooms
- Storage Rooms: 3 Large, 1 Small & 1 Art
- Medium Meeting Space
- Lobby/Reception Area
- Restrooms: Mens, Womens & Family
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Parking

- New Parking: 71 Spots



**Asian American Resource Center
Added Program**

- Building Program Options**
- Theatre
 - Dressing/Green Rooms
 - Theatre Storage Room
 - Exhibition/Gallery Space
 - Art Studios
 - Offices: 14 Total
 - Cafe/Concessions/Vending Machines
 - Classrooms
 - Storage Rooms: 3 Large, 1 Small & 1 Art
 - Medium Meeting Space
 - Lobby/Reception Area
 - Restrooms: Mens, Womens & Family
 - Janitor Room

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Parking
-New Parking: 71 Spots

Comments

1. Proposed building should be much bigger, too much wasted space
2. Create large facility adjacent to current facilities

FEEDBACK SUMMARY

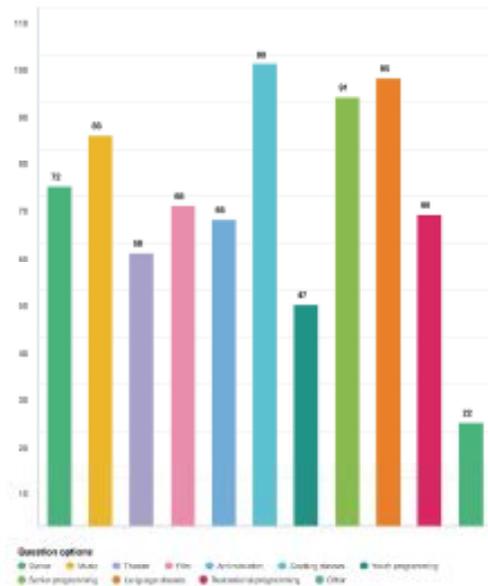
Indoor Space Priorities

1. Performance theater (300-500 sloped seats) – 43.8%
2. Senior Housing – 20.9%
3. Additional Classrooms – 12.6%
4. Additional Meeting Rooms – 7.9%
5. Asian Art Studios/Stores – 5.2%
6. Additional Exhibit Space – 4.5%
7. Additional Office Spaces – 3.1%
8. Others – 2.1%

Outdoor Space Priorities

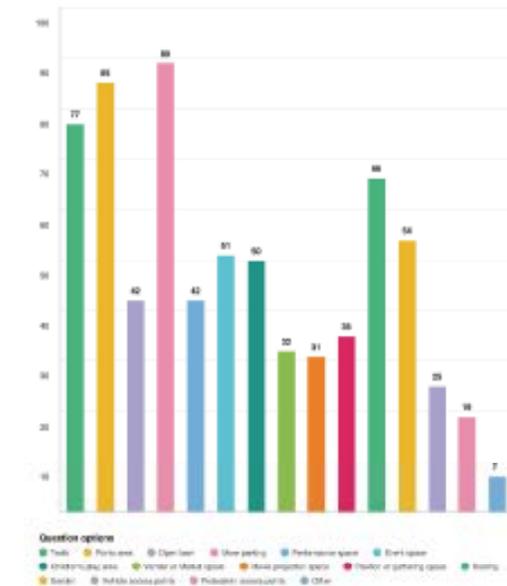
1. Additional Parking Spaces – 52.7%
2. Asian Style Street – 12.3%
3. Outdoor Tai-Chi/ Chi-Gong/ Meditation Space – 11.6%
4. Outdoor Picnic Areas – 10.2%
5. Outdoor Amphitheater – 9.3%
6. Outdoor Art Exhibit Spaces – 3.9%

What type of Programming would you like to see more of at the AARC?



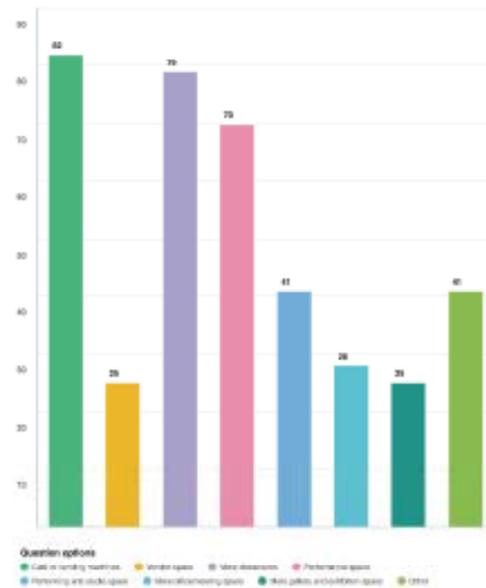
98% Cooking classes
91% Senior Programming
95% Language Classes
202 survey responses

What additional outdoor space amenities would you like to see added at the AARC?



85% More Parking
85% Picnic area
77% Trails
197 survey responses

What new structure or spaces would you like to added at the AARC?



82% Cafe/ Vending Machine
79% More Classrooms
70% Performance Space
196 survey responses



Community Meeting #2



The community was provided with opportunities to review the comments from Community Meeting #1, Small Group Discussions, and results from the community survey alongside the survey conducted by NAAO in 2017. From these comments and results, Master Planning Values were derived. Community members were asked to add any additional comments they had and to provide feedback on the Master Planning Values.

Master Planning Values

- Future plans should advance the mission and vision of the center as a cultural and life-enhancing space.
- To cultivate cross cultural Asian American experiences.
- To create opportunities for intergenerational experiences both indoors and outdoors.
- The space should be flexible; capable of supporting a wide range of programming with a priority for cultural arts and active life activities.
- Design should reflect Asian American identities.
- New development must meet the present and future needs of staff (offices, storage, meeting space).
- Acknowledge and incorporate previous planning processes to the maximum extent possible.
- Use sustainable planning practices to take full advantage of current and future resources and funding.

Board Comments

Under Senior Programs:

“Increased activities in more accessible areas in District 6”

“Intergenerational Programming

Under Senior Meals:

“Again, Senior family to be at ...[cannot read note on board]

Under Transportation:

“Why are seniors having to be bused 20 mi. from their houses for services?”

Under Kitchen:

“Demo kitchen for classes” (3)

Under Physical Activity:

“Low cost/free coaching for kids. Sliding scale.

“Divided Activity Room for classrooms is a high priority”

Under Meeting Space/Classrooms/Programs in General

“Need 15 classrooms for language schools”

“Social services – connecting to mainstream providers and govt benefits”

“What else would you like to see?”

“Smaller event spaces outside of ballroom”

“More medium size classrooms”

“Inclusivity!!! AAPI – Didn’t see this in presentation”

“Asian Street needs to be more inclusive South Asian friends”

“Asian street – keep in mind countries do not equal cultures”

“Services for new immigrants and refugees. More space for more nonprofits”

“After school programming (safe spaces for youth)

Under Outdoor Uses “More garden beds!”

“Labyrinth for mediation (walking)

“Promenade”

Under Other

“Need drinking fountain (hot water)”

“Need crochet class for seniors”

Under Indoor Space Priorities

“The survey result seems to be very important.”

Community Meeting #3

PLAN LEGEND

- ① PERFORMING ARTS SPACE (8,000-12,000sf)
 - Theater Proscenium
 - Dressing/Green Rooms
 - Storage
 - Exhibition/Gallery Space
 - Entry/Lobby
 - Box Office
 - Projection
- ② 2 STORY BUILDING (6,000-9,000 sf)
 - Upper Level
 - Studio Space
 - Meeting Space
 - Lower Level
 - Office Space
 - Storage
- ③ 2 STORY BUILDING (6,000-9,000 sf)
 - Upper Level
 - Office Space
 - Classroom Space
 - Storage
 - Cafe/Vending
 - Lower Level
 - Classroom Space
 - Meeting Space
 - Library
- ④ STAGE/ PAVILION (1,600sf)
- ⑤ ASIA STREET / EVENT COURT
 - (14,000sf - 1,200 people)
 - Market Space
 - Formal Events
 - Art Display
- ⑥ FORMAL ENTRY GATE & WALL
- ⑦ ARRIVAL FEATURE
- ⑧ ROCKERY AT GRADE CHANGE
- ⑨ EVENT & ACTIVITY LAWN (23,000sf - 2,000 people)
- ⑩ EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AREA
- ⑪ SCULPTURE GARDEN
- ⑫ NATURE PLAY AREA
- ⑬ WATER QUALITY/ DETENTION WET POND
- ⑭ CLEAR CREEK DRIVE ENTRY SCULPTURE
- ⑮ LEARNING GARDEN
- ⑯ COMMUNITY GARDEN & OUTDOOR KITCHEN
- ⑰ VEHICULAR & PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES
- ⑱ SCENIC VIEW GARDEN
- ⑲ FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AREA
- ⑳ LITTLE WALNUT CREEK OVERLOOK
- ㉑ RIPARIAN GARDEN WITH BOARDWALK
- ㉒ PICNIC AREAS
- ㉓ OUTDOOR GAME & PICNIC PAVILION

PARKING

	REQUIRED	PROVIDED
EXISTING	32	91
PROPOSED	164	164

VISION

The vision is to empower Austin's diverse communities through cultural understanding and life-enhancing opportunities.

MISSION

The mission of the Asian American Resource Center (AARC) is to provide spaces, services, resources, and programs through an Asian American Pacific Islander perspective.



PLAN LEGEND

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VISION

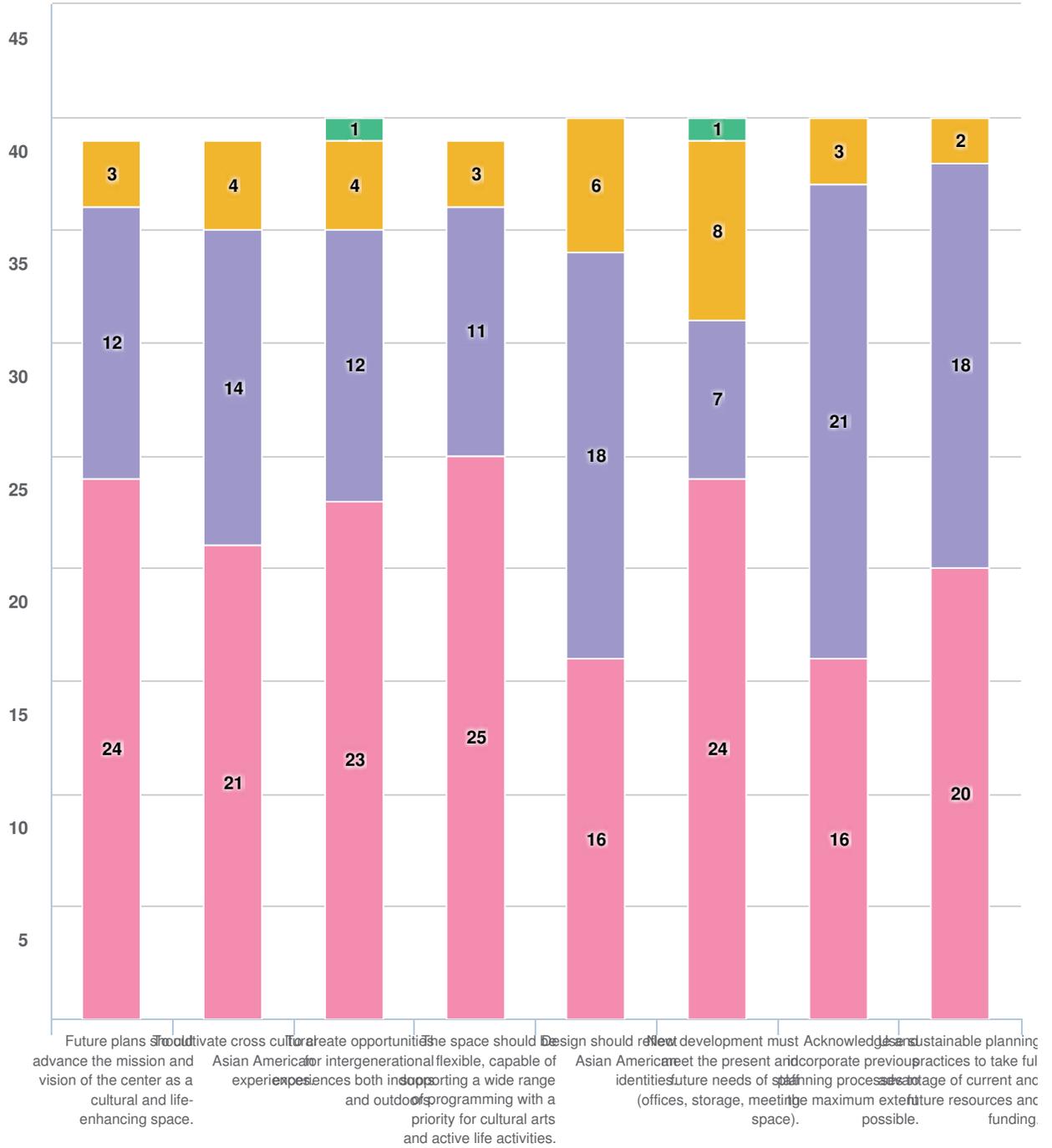
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Q1 Please rank how well Concept A responds to each of the following values statements.

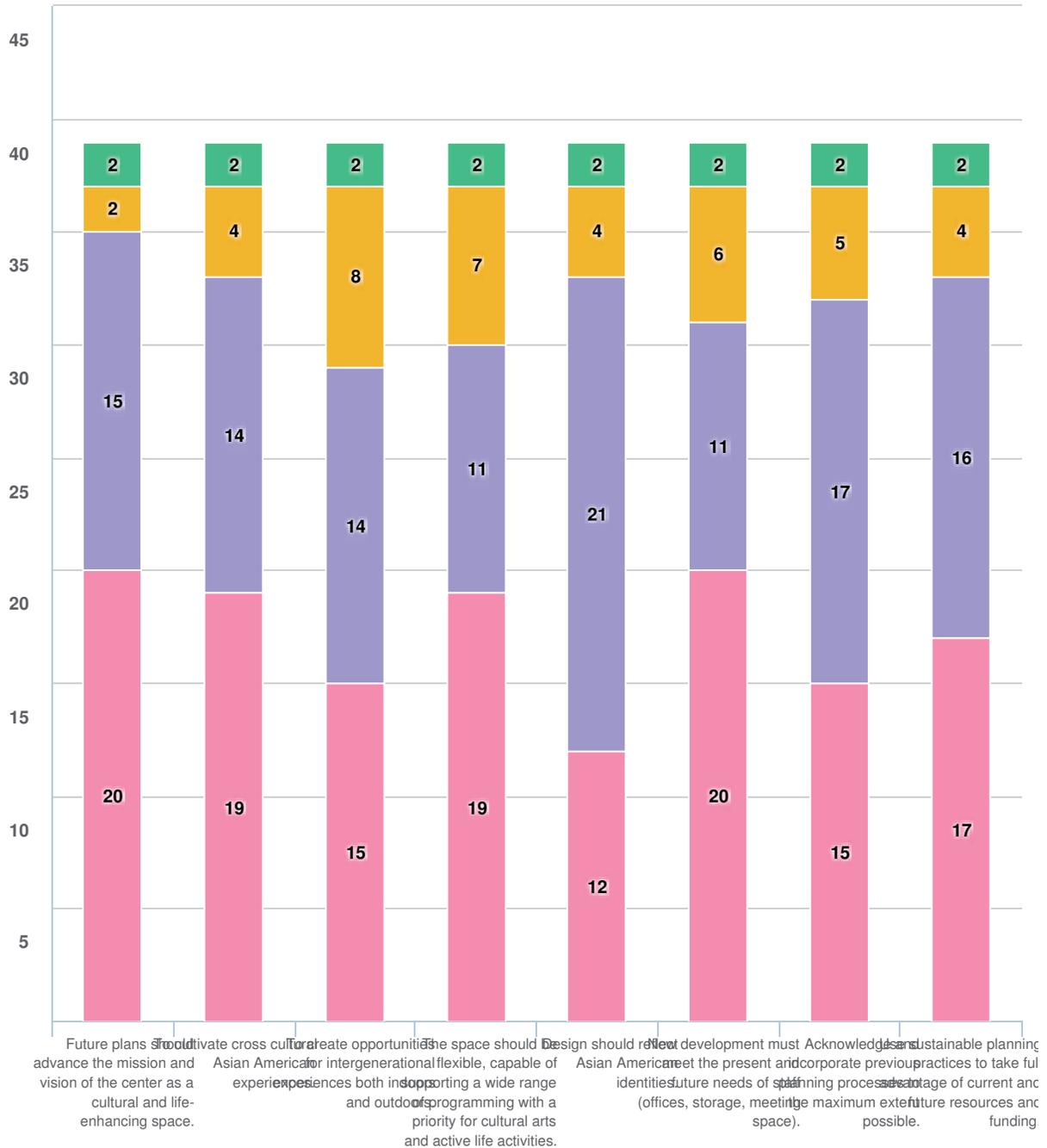


Question options

● Not at all
 ● Somewhat
 ● Well
 ● Very Well

Optional question (40 responses, 8 skipped)

Q3 Please rank how well Concept B responds to each of the following values statements.



Question options

- Not at all
- Somewhat
- Well
- Very Well

Optional question (39 responses, 9 skipped)

Community Meeting #4





PLAN LEGEND

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 EXISTING BUILDING PHASE 1 2 PERFORMING ARTS & GALLERY SPACE (15,000sf) CLASSROOM /STUDIO SPACE (7,400sf) PHASE 2 3 2 STORY BUILDING (15,000-22,500 sf) PHASE 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 STAGE/ PAVILION (1,600sf) 5 MAIN ENTRY & DROP OFF 6 EVENT COURT - (14,000sf - 1,400 people) 7 FORMAL GARDEN AT GRADE CHANGE 8 EVENT & ACTIVITY LAWN (18,000sf - 1,600 people) 9 EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AREA 10 SCULPTURE GARDEN 11 NATURE PLAY AREA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 WATER QUALITY/ DETENTION WET POND 13 PLAY FIELD 14 COMMUNITY GARDEN 15 PAVILION 16 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE 17 VEHICULAR BRIDGE 18 NATURAL GARDEN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19 FUTURE DEVELOPMENT 20 LITTLE WALNUT CREEK OVERLOOK 21 BOARDWALK 22 PICNIC AREAS 23 NATURE TRAIL 24 STRUCTURED VIEWPOINT 25 TEA HOUSE / MEDITATION ROOM |
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Updated later



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LOWER LEVEL PLAN

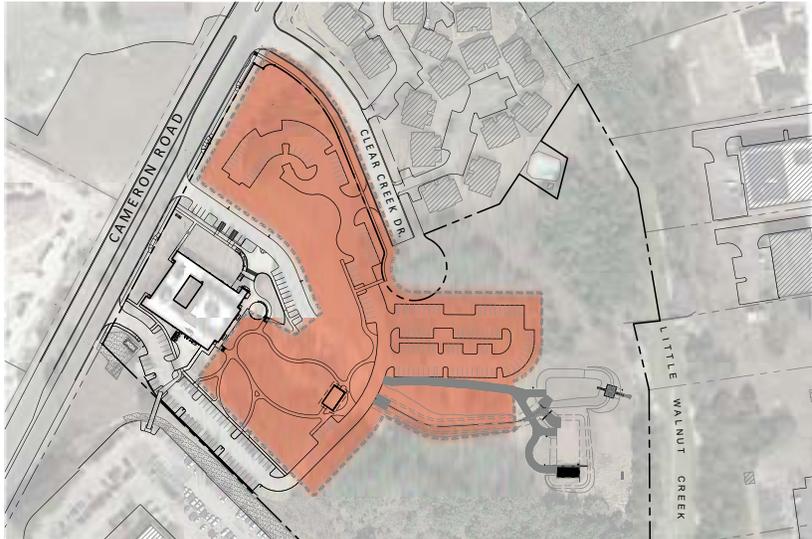


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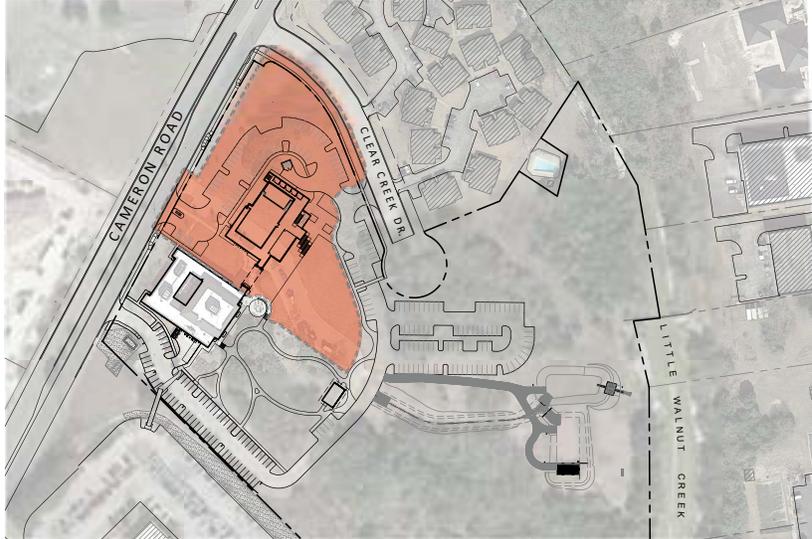




CONSTRUCTION AREA A



CONSTRUCTION AREA B



CONSTRUCTION AREA C