



**DESIGN COMMISSION**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018 AT 6:00 PM**  
 AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101  
 301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

**Commission Members**

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| <p>_____ David Carroll, Chair (District 1)</p> <p>_____ Martha Gonzalez, Vice-Chair (District 2)</p> | <p>_____ Aan Coleman (District 8)</p> <p>_____ Beau Frail (District 6)</p> <p>_____ Samuel Franco (District 3)</p> <p>_____ Katie Halloran (District 7)</p> <p>_____ Melissa Henao-Robledo (District 5)</p> <p>_____ Ben Luckens (District 10)</p> <p>_____ Evan Taniguchi (Mayor)</p> <p>_____ Bart Whatley (District 9)</p> <p>_____ Vacant (District 4)</p> |
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- City of Austin Planning & Zoning Staff**
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| <p>_____ Alan Holt, Executive Liaison</p> <p>_____ Nichole Koerth, Staff Liaison</p> |  |
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**AGENDA**

Please note: Posted times are for time-keeping purposes only. The Commission may take any item(s) out of order and no express guarantee is given that any item(s) will be taken in order or at the time posted.

	Approx. time
<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL</b> a. The first five speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a <b>three-minute allotment</b> to address their concerns regarding items <u>not</u> posted on the agenda (15 mins.);	<b>6:15 PM</b>
<b>2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):</b> a. Courtesy review, discussion, and possible action to <b>recommend the project to the City Council on the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Master Plan located at 600 River St.</b> ( <a href="#">Kim McKnight</a> , COA Parks and Recreation Dept.; Jaime Beaman, <a href="#">CasaBella Architects</a> ) (15 mins.); b. Discussion and possible action on the <b>South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant</b> design development submittal, located at <b>1017 Falwell Lane, Del Valle, Texas</b> ( <a href="#">Steve Parks</a> , COA Dept. of Public Works; <a href="#">W. Owen Harrod</a> , <a href="#">MWM Design Group</a> ) (15 mins.);	<b>6:45 PM</b>
<b>3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):</b> a. Discussion and possible action on <b>CodeNEXT's</b> draft <a href="#">codes</a> , <a href="#">maps</a> , and processes ( <a href="#">Chair D. Carroll</a> ) (20 mins.);	<b>7:00 PM</b>

<b>4. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Discussion and possible action on <b>upgrading and incorporating infrastructure into the Urban Design Guidelines</b> as directed by City Council <a href="#">Resolution No. 20120816-060</a> (<a href="#">Chair D. Carroll</a>) (20 mins.);</li> <li>b. Discussion and possible action on the <b>February 26, 2018</b> meeting minutes (5 mins.);</li> <li>c. Liaison Reports (10 mins.);</li> <li>d. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair;</li> </ul>	<b>7:20 PM</b>
<b>5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. None</li> </ul>	<b>7:55 PM</b>
<b>6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chair Announcements (5 mins.);</li> <li>b. Items from Commission Members (5 mins.);</li> <li>c. Items from City Staff (5 mins.);</li> </ul>	<b>8:00 PM</b>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<b>8:15 PM</b>

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## Design Commission: Committees, Working Groups, Representatives and Liaisons

### Committees

1. Executive Committee: D. Carroll (Chair), M. Gonzalez (Vice Chair)

### Working Groups

1. Planning & Urban Design Working Group: E. Taniguchi, B. Whatley, A. Coleman, D. Carroll
2. Architecture & Development Working Group: B. Whatley, M. Gonzalez, D. Carroll, B. Frail
3. Landscape & Infrastructure Working Group: S. Franco, M. Henao-Robledo, A. Coleman, K. Halloran
4. Public Engagement Working Group: B. Luckens, S. Franco, M. Henao-Robledo
5. CodeNEXT Working Group: D. Carroll, M. Gonzalez
6. Infrastructure Design Guidelines Working Group: D. Carroll, M. Gonzalez, E. Taniguchi, B. Luckens

### Representatives & Liaisons

1. South Central Waterfront Advisory Board Representative: S. Franco
2. Downtown Commission Liaison: M. Henao-Robledo
3. Joint Sustainability Committee Liaison:

## Staff to Design Commission

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City Architect: [Janice.White@austintexas.gov](mailto:Janice.White@austintexas.gov) (512) 974-7997

## Resources

1. Urban Design Guidelines for Austin:  
[http://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards\\_and\\_Commissions/Design\\_Commission\\_urban\\_design\\_guidelines\\_for\\_austin.pdf](http://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards_and_Commissions/Design_Commission_urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf)
2. Design Commission backup:  
[http://www.austintexas.gov/cityclerk/boards\\_commissions/meetings/22\\_1.htm](http://www.austintexas.gov/cityclerk/boards_commissions/meetings/22_1.htm)
3. Downtown Density Bonus program:  
[https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/land\\_development\\_code?nodeId=TIT25\\_LADE\\_CH25-2ZO\\_SUBCHAPTER\\_CUSDERE\\_ART3ADRECEDEI\\_SPAGERE\\_S25-2-586DODEBOP](https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/land_development_code?nodeId=TIT25_LADE_CH25-2ZO_SUBCHAPTER_CUSDERE_ART3ADRECEDEI_SPAGERE_S25-2-586DODEBOP)



## PRESENTATION TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MARCH through MAY 2018



By Baron Wilson

To view the draft master plan report, visit:  
<http://www.austintexas.gov/departament/emma-s-barrientos-mexican-american-cultural-center-master-plan>





The Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center (ESB-MACC) is dedicated to the preservation, creation, presentation, and promotion of the cultural arts of Mexican Americans and other Latino cultures.



- 2000: Original ESB-MACC Master Plan by Casabella Architects + Del Campo & Maru Joint Venture with Teodoro Gonzáles de León
- 2004: Rainey Street District rezoned from SF/MF zoning to CBD Zoning
- 2007: Phase I of ESB-MACC completed
- 2015: Acquisition of 58 & 64 Rainey Street to ESB-MACC complex
- 2017-18: Development of new Master Plan for ESB-MACC and newly acquired parkland at entryway.

# Goals and Objectives

- Create awareness and educate the community of the development of the ESB-MACC Master Plan, the public input needed, and the design process.
- Present information in a manner that overcame language barriers and was culturally sensitive.
- Provide a variety of means for public participation that were accessible in terms of location and time so that certain individuals or groups were not precluded from participating in the process.
- Gain substantive insights from the public input process that established a common vision for the ESB-MACC, and informed the design team's approach to the update.

## Project Timeline:



# Public Outreach Summary

## Phase 1 Existing Conditions and Programming May 2017 – Sept. 2017

## Phase 2 Presentation of Design Concepts Oct. 2017 – Dec. 2017

## Phase 3 Presentation of Master Plan Design Jan. 2018 – Feb. 2018

### June 17 Public Open House

- Over 80 Participants
- 3 stations with comment boards
- Guided Tours of Center

### Surveys

- 289 Respondents

### 4 Focus Groups

- Over 20 Participants
- Current and former ESB-MACC Advisory Board members, Arts and Cultural Community, Waller Creek Conservancy, Trail Foundation, Rainey Neighborhood and Business Associations

### Oct. 7 Public Open House

- Over 60 Participants

### 4 Focus Groups

- 27 Participants
- Cultural groups, performing and visual artists

### Questionnaire

- 46 Respondents

### Jan. 20 Public Open House

- Over 45 Participants

### 1 Focus Group

- 19 Participants
- Theater Arts

### Questionnaire

- 59 Respondents (currently open through Feb 15.)



# Public Outreach Summary

## E-Newsletters

1. 2,000+ ESB-MACC Email List
2. Community Group List-serves
3. Public Event Invitations and Updates
4. English and Spanish

## Phone Calls

1. Focus Group Invitations
2. English and Spanish

## E-Blasts

1. 280 Email List Development
2. Focus Group and Public Event Invitations
3. English and Spanish

## Media

1. Facebook Posts
2. News Media Stories
3. English and Spanish

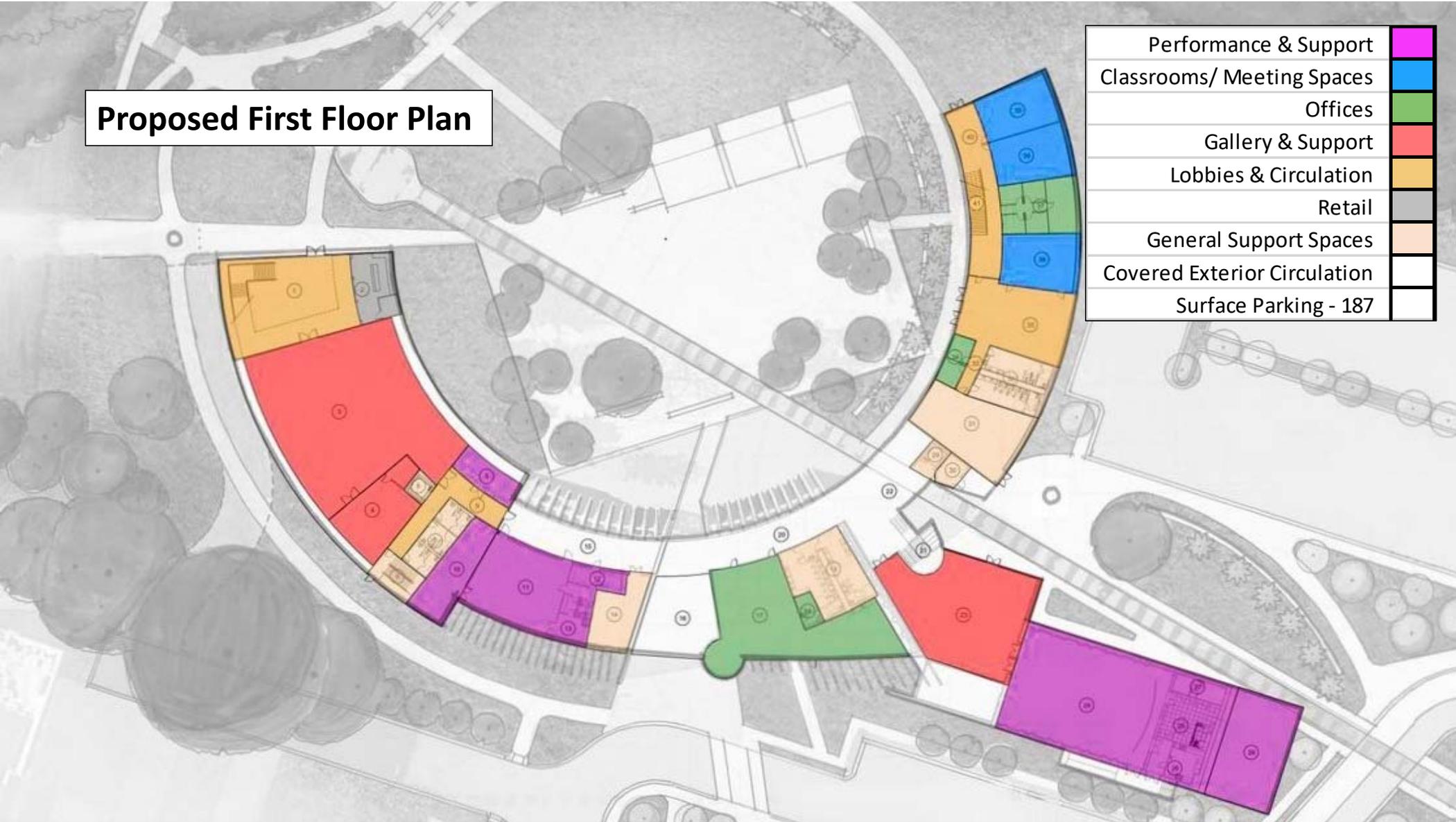
Stakeholders

Event Attendance | Project Website | Survey/Questionnaire



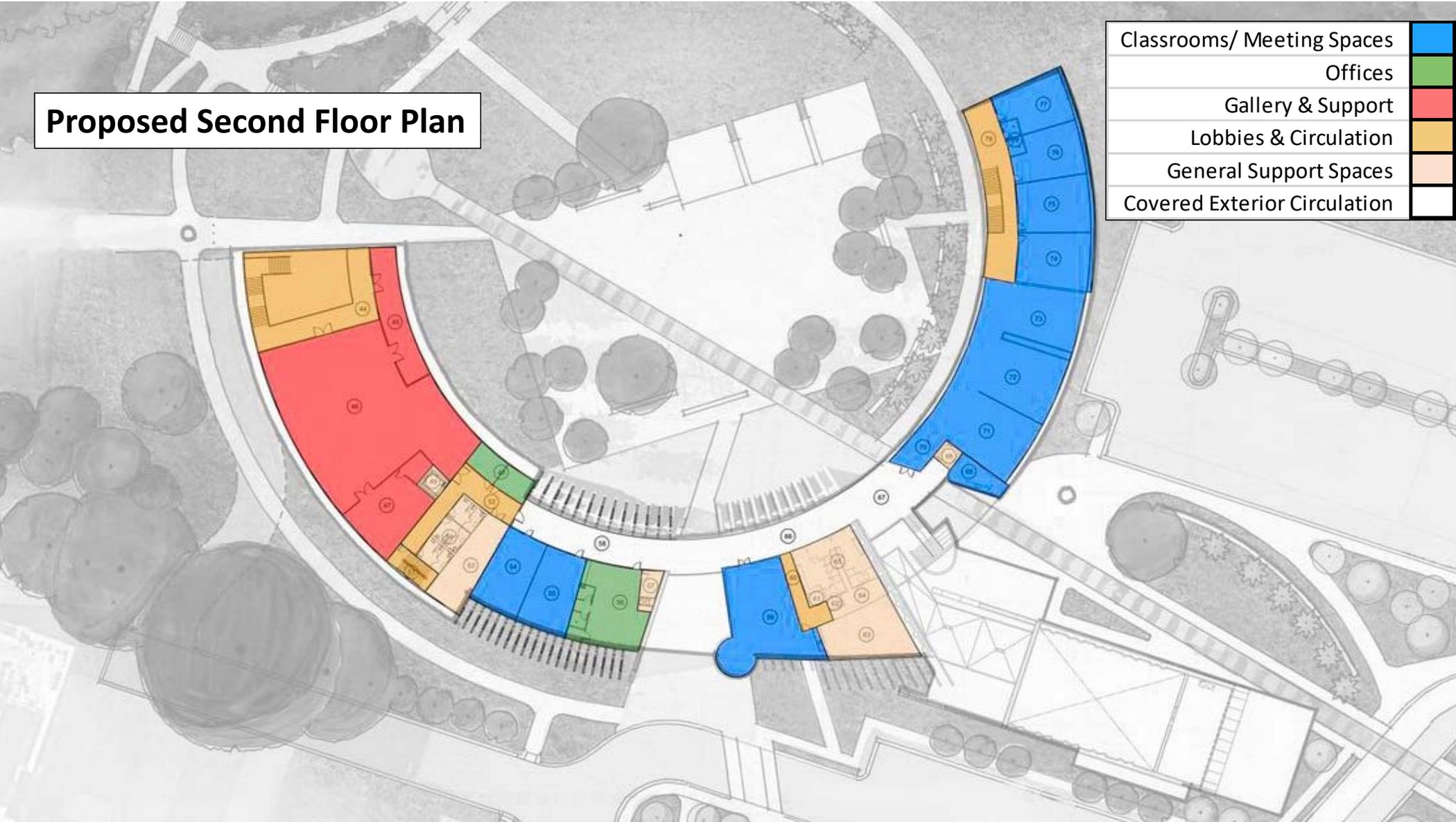
# Proposed First Floor Plan

Performance & Support	
Classrooms/ Meeting Spaces	
Offices	
Gallery & Support	
Lobbies & Circulation	
Retail	
General Support Spaces	
Covered Exterior Circulation	
Surface Parking - 187	

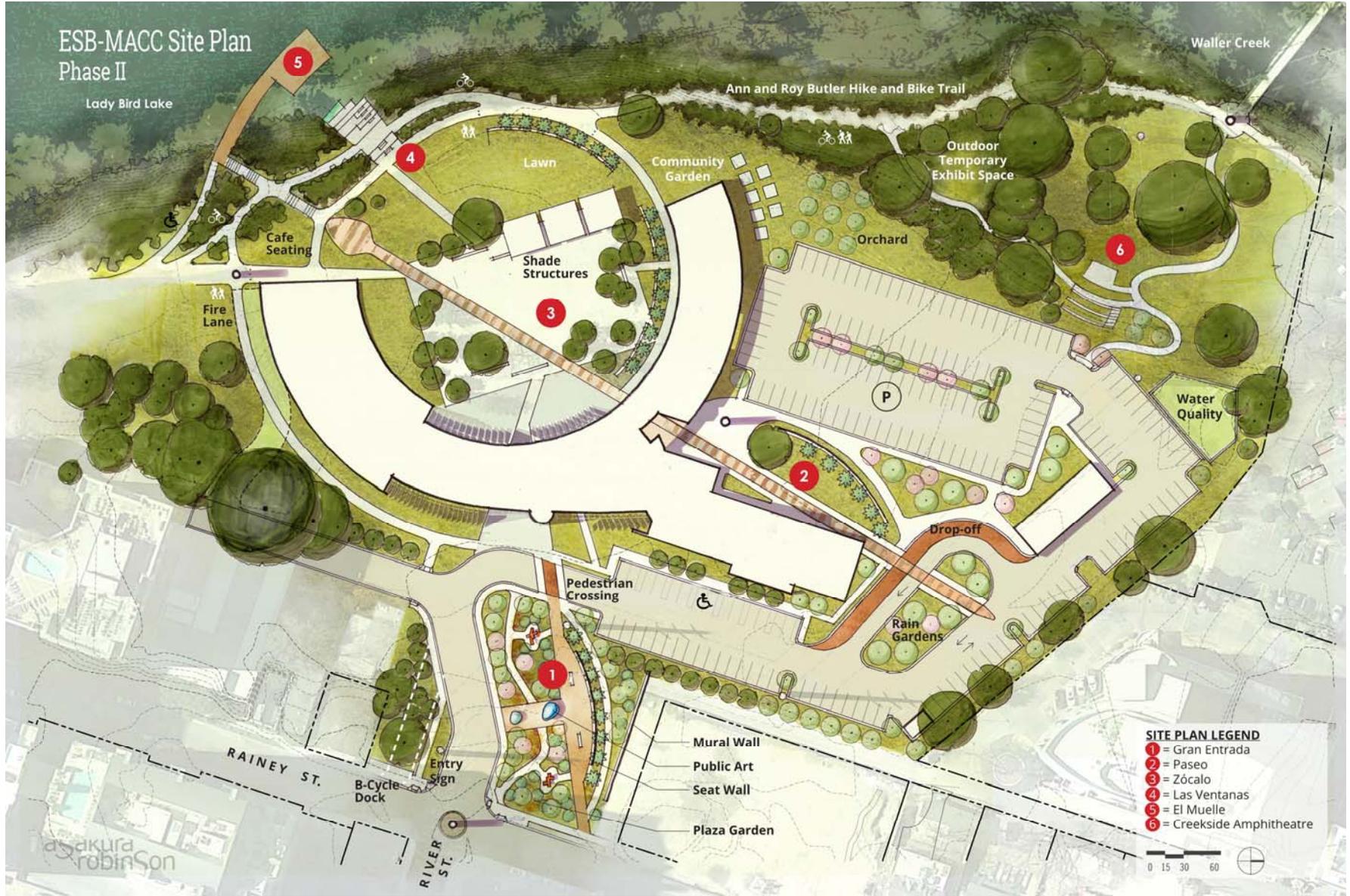


# Proposed Second Floor Plan

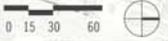
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Offices	Green
Gallery & Support	Red
Lobbies & Circulation	Yellow
General Support Spaces	Orange
Covered Exterior Circulation	White



# ESB-MACC Site Plan Phase II



- SITE PLAN LEGEND**
- 1 = Gran Entrada
  - 2 = Paseo
  - 3 = Zócalo
  - 4 = Las Ventanas
  - 5 = El Muelle
  - 6 = Creekside Amphitheatre



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Lady Bird Lake

Waller Creek

Ann and Roy Butler Hike and Bike Trail

Outdoor  
Temporary  
Exhibit Space

Lawn

Community  
Garden

Orchard

Cafe  
Seating

Shade  
Structures

Water  
Quality

Fire  
Lane

Drop-off

Rain  
Gardens

Pedestrian  
Crossing

RAINEY ST.

RIVER ST.

B-Cycle  
Dock

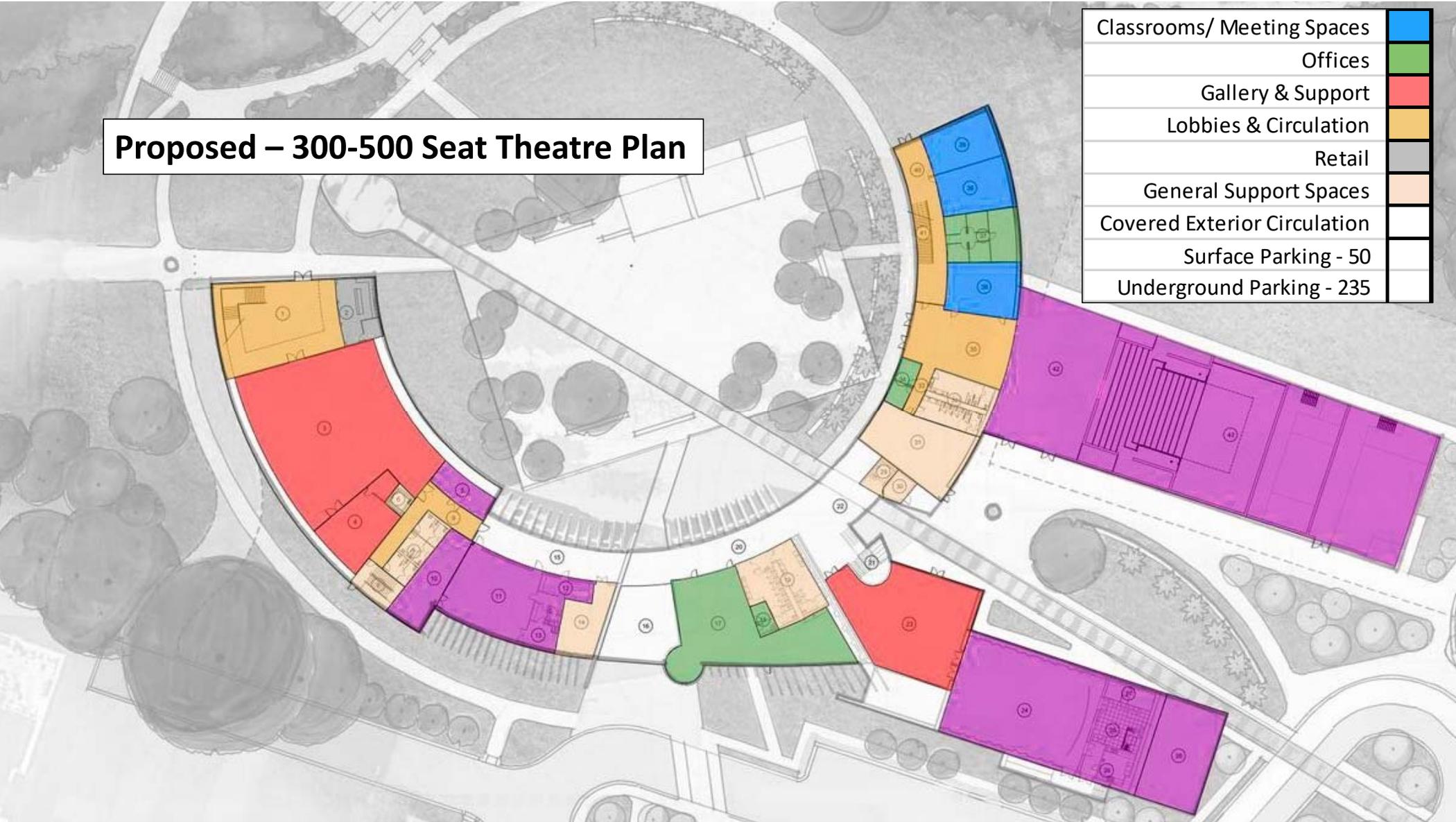
Entry  
Sign

Mural Wall  
Public Art  
Seat Wall  
Plaza Garden

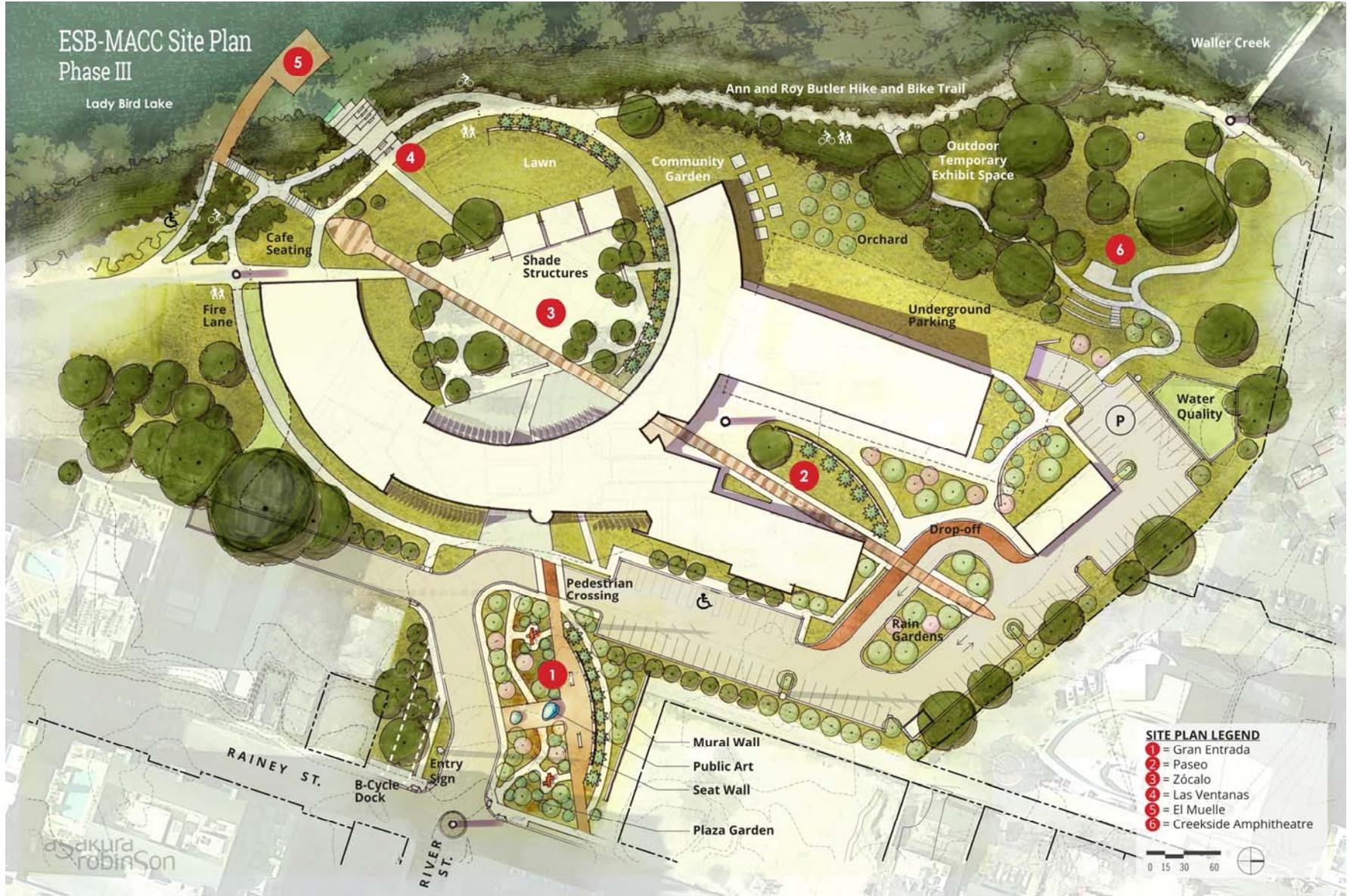
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# Proposed – 300-500 Seat Theatre Plan

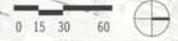
Classrooms/ Meeting Spaces	Blue
Offices	Green
Gallery & Support	Red
Lobbies & Circulation	Orange
Retail	Grey
General Support Spaces	Purple
Covered Exterior Circulation	White
Surface Parking - 50	White
Underground Parking - 235	White



# ESB-MACC Site Plan Phase III



- SITE PLAN LEGEND**
- 1 = Gran Entrada
  - 2 = Paseo
  - 3 = Zócalo
  - 4 = Las Ventanas
  - 5 = El Muelle
  - 6 = Creekside Amphitheatre



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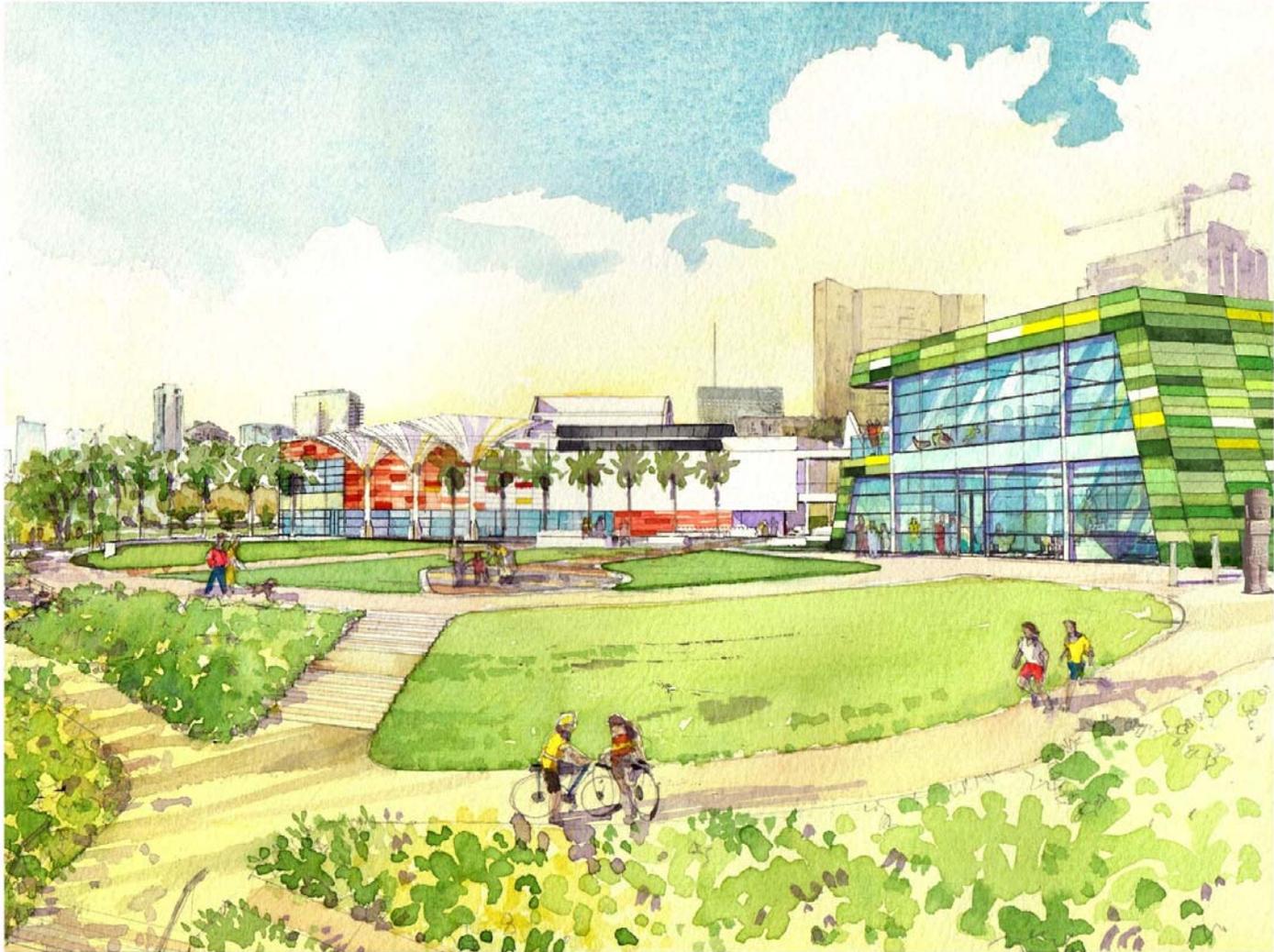
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# QUESTIONS?



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# City of Austin - Design Commission Project Review Application

The [Design Commission](#) provides advisory recommendations to the City Council to assist in developing public policy and to promote excellence in the design and development of the urban environment. The Design Commission reviews three types of projects:

1. **City projects** (see page ii for process)

The Commission reviews all municipal buildings and associated site plans to ensure they demonstrate compliance with city design and sustainability standards ([Council Resolution No. 20071129-046](#)), including those seeking [Subchapter E Design Standards Alternative Equivalent Compliance \(AEC\)](#) ([Council Resolution No. 20100923-086](#)).

2. **Destiny Bonus projects** (see page iv for process)

The Commission reviews density bonus projects for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the Gatekeeper requirements of [LDC 25-2-586](#) for the Downtown Density Bonus Program.

3. **Advisory Recommendations for Private projects** (see page ii for process)

The Commission will consider Project Review Applications from private projects during its regularly scheduled monthly public meetings and may issue an advisory recommendation in the form of a Project Review Letter to the Applicant.

This Project Review Application must be submitted before your project can be presented to the Design Commission for their review. Design Commission requests project be presented in their Conceptual/Schematic Design phase. This application primarily addresses inhabited buildings and structures and their effect on the public realm; please refer to Appendix A for infrastructure type projects.

The Commission's review of projects is based on the planning/design principles in the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin. Ensure that all applicable principles are addressed in the application questions and in your presentation.

[https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards\\_and\\_Commissions/Design\\_Commission\\_urban\\_design\\_guidelines\\_for\\_austin.pdf](https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards_and_Commissions/Design_Commission_urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf)

The Design Commission supports the vision and principles of [Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan](#), especially those that affect the urban environment and fabric. All projects should consider this vision and principles, many of which are similar to the Urban Design Guidelines. Refer to Appendix C for the most pertinent sections of Imagine Austin.

The Design Commission expects the applicant's design team to present their project with those most knowledgeable and encourages the inclusion of sub-consultants at the presentation, when deemed necessary.

## EXHIBITS TO PRESENT

- 1) Completed Project Review Application (p.1-6)
- 2) Existing zoning classification, adjacent zoning & uses, future land use map classification, topography
- 3) Vicinity plan, including public transportation and connectivity on-site and within quarter mile
- 4) Site plan and landscape plan
- 5) Ground level, basement plan, and typical floor plan
- 6) Elevations and/or 3d views
- 7) Any letters of support or findings by other commissions
- 8) Staff reports, if any
- 9) Records of public participation

# PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS: CITY PROJECTS

The Design Commission reviews all municipal buildings and associated site development projects to ensure they demonstrate compliance with city design and sustainability standards ([Council Resolution No. 20071129-046](#)), including those seeking [Subchapter E Design Standards Alternative Equivalent Compliance \(AEC\)](#) ([Council Resolution No. 20100923-086](#)).

1. Applicants are encouraged to meet with the Office of the City Architect prior to submitting a Project Review Application, especially if seeking Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) under Subchapter E Design Standards. (See Staff Contacts on page iv.)
2. Applicant submits completed Project Review Application, including Exhibits, to Commission Liaisons a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Design Commission meeting. (See and [Calendar of Regular Meetings](#) and "Exhibits to Present" on page i)
3. Commission Liaisons review Project Review Application for completeness. Once the Application is deemed complete, the project will be added to the agenda. (Agendas are posted online 72 hours prior to the meeting.)
4. Commission Liaisons post backup, including complete Project Review Application and letters/decisions from other Boards and Commissions, the Friday before the meeting. (See [Meeting Documents](#) website.)
5. Design Commission meets and hears a 15 minute presentation by the Owner/Applicant/Architect. The Commission asks questions and makes recommendations. At the end of the project review, the Design Commission may rely on the recommendations recorded in their meeting minutes or submit a Project Review Letter to City Staff in Development Services Department.
6. Design Commission may direct a Working Group to write the Project Review Letter. The Working Group will take comments from the full Design Commission meeting, add their comments, and coordinate with the Design Commission Chair to issue a Letter to applicable Development Services Department Staff. The Working Group shall meet prior to the next regularly-scheduled Design Commission to finalize comments on any project submittal. The goal is for this to happen in a one (1) month time frame.
7. Commission Liaisons will forward approved meeting minutes or Project Review Letters to applicable Development Services Staff.
8. Design Commission may request that an Owner/Applicant or City Staff submit an update report in the future so that the Commission can review progress as a project is further detailed.

# PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS: DENSITY BONUS PROJECTS

The Design Commission reviews density bonus projects for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the Gatekeeper requirements of LDC 25-2-586 for the Downtown Density Bonus Program.

1. **Six weeks prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Applicant will contact Density Bonus Liaison with intent to schedule project on the next Design Commission agenda.
  - a. Density Bonus Liaison will provide application and submittal documentation to Applicant and notify Commission Liaisons.
2. **Five weeks prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Density Bonus Liaison will contact Chair of Working Group to schedule a meeting, copying Commission Liaisons.
3. **By the end of the fourth week (24 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** The Applicant will submit all completed application requirements to Density Bonus Staff Liaison.
4. **By the end of the third week (17 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Design Commission Working Group will meet to review Project Review Application and evaluate Applicant's presentation detailing substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
  - a. Working Group will provide Applicant comments and suggestions on improving presentation and issue a recommendation to the Design Commission on achieving substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
5. **By the end of the second week (10 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Chair of the Working Group will send the Density Bonus and Commission Liaisons the Working Group's written recommendation to the Design Commission containing specific feedback given to the Applicant and, if lacking, detailing items to address to achieve substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
6. **One week (7 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Once the Density Bonus Liaison receives the revised project submittal from the Applicant and the Commission Liaison receive the written recommendation from the Working Group Chair, the Commission Liaison will place project on Design Commission agenda for discussion and possible action.
7. **Design Commission meeting:** At the meeting, Design Commission will review the project for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin based on Working Group recommendations and issue a final recommendation detailing to Planning and Zoning Department Staff items needed to be addressed in order to achieve substantial compliance.
8. **Within one week after Design Commission meeting:** The Chair will issue a formal written recommendation based on the action taken by the by the Commission detailing to Planning and Zoning Department Staff items needed to be addressed in order to achieve substantial compliance.

## GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

### *Incomplete Applications*

Should Commission Liaisons determine that the Project Review Application is incomplete, the Application shall be returned to the Applicant and the project will not be posted on the agenda for consideration by the Commission.

**Submissions without the required Adobe PDF electronic file shall be deemed incomplete.**

### *Public Notice*

Posting of public notices on the proposed project site or giving notice to adjacent property owners is not required by the enabling ordinance of the Design Commission. The posted agenda for the Design Commission meetings serves to inform the public of subjects considered by the Commission. The Applicant shall note that the concomitant regulatory procedures by other boards and commissions have legal public notice requirements. Actions taken by the Austin Design Commission shall be in respect of and in compliance with such local ordinances and project review procedures.

### *Limits on Resubmissions*

Applicants are limited to two (2) resubmissions per design phase (as described herein) and shall notify Commission Staff of the intent and desire to resubmit project(s) for review within seven (7) days of the action vote by the Commission. The Commission shall consider such resubmissions prior to issuing the Project Review Letter.

### *Rebuttal of Project Review Letter*

Since the Commission issues advisory recommendations only, there is no instance for appeals to the Commission. Rebuttals of such advisory recommendations may be made by the Applicant to the applicable city department, planning commission, or City Council in accordance with applicable standard processes and procedures.

## STAFF CONTACTS

By appointment, City Staff is available for consultation on submittal requirements. To schedule a pre-submission conference or for information on any of the above submittal requirements, please contact:

City of Austin, One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, TX 78704

Commission Liaisons:

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Office of the City Architect, Public Works Department, 9<sup>th</sup> floor

**Density Bonus  
Program Coordinator:** [Anne.Milne@austintexas.gov](mailto:Anne.Milne@austintexas.gov), (512) 974-2868  
Urban Design Division, Planning and Zoning Department, 5th floor

## A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name

Project Type:

Infrastructure

City building & site

Density bonus

Private project

Other

Project Location/Address

Applicant

Property Owner

Applicant Mailing Address

Property Owner Mailing Address

Applicant Telephone Number

Property Owner Telephone Number

Project Start Date

Project Completion Date

Applicant's Architect

Applicant's Engineer

1] Indicate if proposed Project is required by City Ordinance to be reviewed by the Design Commission.

2] Describe the recommendation that you are requesting from the Design Commission.

3] Current Design Phase of Project (Design Commission prefers to see projects right after approved schematic design).

4] Is this Project subject to Site Plan and/or Zoning application approvals? Will it be presented to Planning Commission and/or City Council? If so, when?

5] Does this Project comply with Land Development Code Subchapter E? List specifically any Alternative Equivalent Compliance request if any. Please refer to website for Alternate Equivalent Compliance (AEC) requirements.  
[https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodetid=TIT25LADE\\_CH25-2ZO\\_SUBCHAPTER\\_EDESTMIUS](https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodetid=TIT25LADE_CH25-2ZO_SUBCHAPTER_EDESTMIUS)

## B. PROJECT BACKGROUND

6] Provide project background including goals, scope, building/planning type, and schedule. Broadly address each of the “Shared Values for Urban Areas” that are listed on Page 6 of the Urban Design Guidelines. Attach additional pages as needed.

7] Has this project conducted community/stakeholder outreach? If so, please provide documentation to demonstrate community/stakeholder support of this project.

8] Is this project submitting for the Downtown Density Bonus Program? If so, please provide a completed Downtown Density Bonus Application.

9] Has the project been reviewed by COA Department (i.e. DAC) Staff? If so, please describe and cite any relevant comments or feedback that the Commission should be aware of.

10] Are there any limitations to compliance or planning principles due to the specific requirements of this project that the Commission should be aware of?

## C. EXISTING CONDITIONS AND CONTEXT

11] Identify connectivity to public transportation including, bicycle and pedestrian routes and/or multi-modal transportation. Does the project comply with ADA requirements? Provide a site context map and attach additional pages as needed.

12] Identify and describe any existing features that are required to be preserved and/or protected such as heritage trees, creeks or streams, endangered species (flora and/or fauna)? Attach additional site diagrams as needed.

13] Is this project within any City of Austin planning district, master plan, neighborhood plan, regulatory district, overlay, etc.? If so, please illustrate how this project conforms to the respective plan. Attach additional pages as needed. (See below for requirements.)

14] List any project program and/or site constraints that should be considered.

## D. RELATIONSHIP TO PUBLIC REALM

Public realm is defined as any publically owned streets, pathways, right of ways, parks, publicly accessible open spaces and any public and civic building and facilities. The quality of our public realm is vital if we are to be successful in creating environments that people want to live and work in.

15] The shared values outlined in the Urban Design Guidelines include Human Character, Density, Sustainability, Diversity, Economic Vitality, Civic Art, A Sense of Time, Unique Character, Authenticity, Safety and Connection to the Outdoors. How is the project addressing these unique community characteristics? Is the project developing any public amenities for urban continuity and vital place making?

16] Does this project encourage street level activity to engage and respond to functional needs such as shade, rest areas, multi-modal transportation storage and paths?

17] How will the project be a good neighbor to adjacent properties? For example, describe the treatment of the transition area between properties, i.e. fence, landscape improvements, etc.

## E. ENVIRONMENTAL/SUSTAINABLE ISSUES

The Austin Urban Design Guidelines set a goal that, "All development should take into consideration the need to conserve energy and resources. It should also strive for a small carbon footprint."

18] Please list any significant components of the project that contribute to meeting this goal. If the project has been designed to accommodate future inclusion of such components (for example, by being built "solar ready") please list them.

19] If the project is being designed to meet any sustainability/environmental standards or certifications (for example, LEED Silver), please list them here and attach relevant checklists or similar documents that demonstrate how the standard or certification will be achieved.

20] If the project contains other significant sustainability components not included above that the Commission should note, please list them here.

# APPENDIX A

## INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

# APPENDIX B

## DENSITY-BONUS PROJECTS

# APPENDIX C

## IMAGINE AUSTIN RELATED POLICIES

### Land Use and Transportation Building Block

LUT P30: Protect and enhance the unique qualities of Austin's treasured public spaces and places such as parks, plazas, and streetscapes; and, where needed, enrich those areas lacking distinctive visual character or where the character has faded.

LUT 31: Define the community's goals for new public and private development using principles and design guidelines that capture the distinctive local character of Austin.

LUT P35: Infuse public art into Austin's urban fabric in streetscapes along roadways and in such places as parks, plazas, and other public gathering places.

LUT P41: Protect historic buildings, structures, sites, places, and districts in neighborhoods throughout the City.

LUT P43: Continue to protect and enhance important view corridors such as those of the Texas State Capitol District, Lady Bird Lake, and other public waterways

LUT P44: Preserve and protect historic parks and recreation areas.

### Economy Building Block

E P6: Support up-to-date infrastructure, flexible policies, and programs, and adaptive reuse of buildings, so that local, small, and creative businesses thrive and innovate.

### Conservation and Environment Policies Building Block

CE P3: Expand the City's green infrastructure network to include such elements as preserves and parks, trails, stream corridors, green streets, greenways, and agricultural lands.

CE P11: Integrate development with the natural environment through green building and site planning practices such as tree preservation and reduced impervious cover and regulations. Ensure new development provides necessary and adequate infrastructure improvements.

### City Facilities and Services Building Block

CFS P14: Integrate erosion, flood, and water quality control measures into all City of Austin capital improvement projects.

CFS P24: Increase the share of renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar, and biomass, used by Austin Energy to generate electricity, including infrastructure for on-site sources throughout the City.

CFS P29: Increase the use of joint or shared facilities between public safety and other service providers, when possible, to provide residents with efficient services, reduce costs, and maintain public safety infrastructure.

CFS P35: Distribute public buildings where neighborhood services are located and other accessible locations throughout the City.

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CFS P36: Improve multimodal public transportation access to the City's public buildings and facilities, including the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

CFS P37: Integrate public buildings and facilities into active, walkable, mixed use neighborhoods and complete, healthy communities.

CFS P38: Reduce energy consumption and waste generation in all public buildings to meet the City's greenhouse gas reduction and zero waste goals.

CFS P39: Develop public buildings and facilities that create healthy work environments and educate the public about energy-efficient, sustainable building, and greening best practices.

CFS P44: Feature superior design in parks and recreational facilities and include opportunities for public art and sustainable design solutions.

#### Society Building Block

S P14: Locate emergency services within close proximity to all neighborhoods and continue to improve community outreach and relationships between police and neighbors

S P25: Increase sidewalks and bicycle lanes in neighborhoods to create safer routes to schools, parks, and transit stops.

#### Creativity Building Block

C P16: Increase the availability of significant public art to designate districts and/or their entrances and to assist visitors in navigating the area.

C P17: Define Austin's sense of place through high standards for architecture and urban design, public art, public spaces and parks, and arts education.



# CITY OF AUSTIN

## SOUTH AUSTIN REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION NO. 1 REPLACEMENT

# VOLUME 1 OF 3

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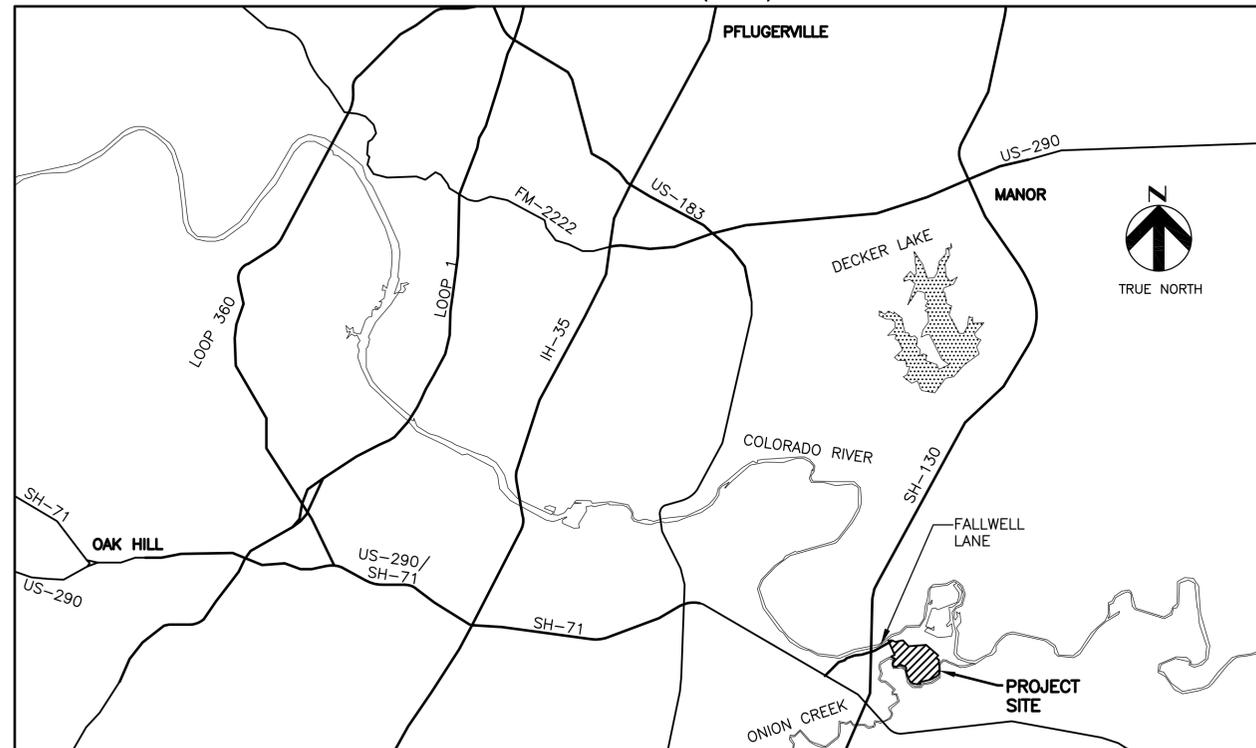
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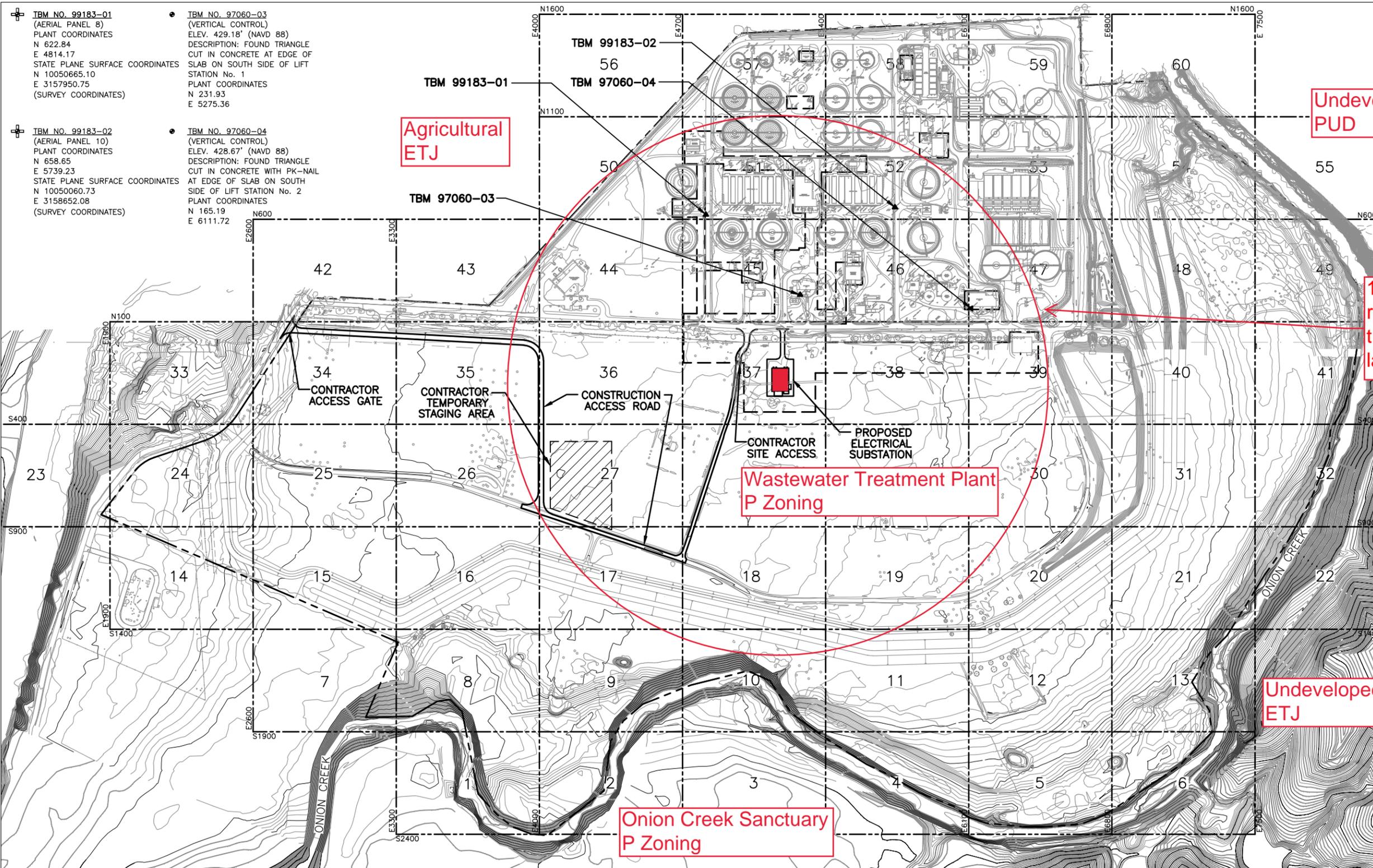
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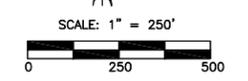
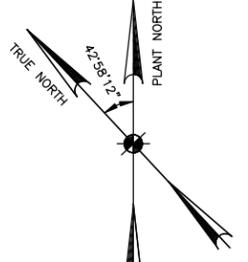
Agricultural ETJ

Wastewater Treatment Plant P Zoning

1/4 Mile Radius: No public right of way, public transportation, or adjacent land uses within radius.

Undeveloped ETJ

Onion Creek Sanctuary P Zoning



LEGEND

- PROPERTY LIMITS
- PROJECT SHEET GRID
- LIMITS OF CONSTRUCTION

2. PLAN DRAWINGS (RECORD DRAWINGS) OF GEOGRAPHIC AREAS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS SET OF CONSTRUCTION PLANS TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION TO THE CONTRACTOR. NOTE THAT NOT ALL OF THE PLAN DRAWINGS, SHOWING THE ROUTE OF CONSTRUCTION ACCESS, ARE INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN SET.
3. CONTRACTOR SHALL USE THE CONSTRUCTION ACCESS ROUTE, SHOWN ON THIS DRAWING, TO ACCESS THE SUBSTATION BUILDING SITE.

SURVEY NOTES:

1. ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATIONS AS SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY PLAN ARE BASED ON FIELD INFORMATION AND ON THE MOST RECENT AND CURRENT INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE UTILITY OWNER. THERE MAY BE OTHER PIPE LINES AND INSTALLATIONS IN THE AREA THAT ARE NOT SHOWN ON THIS PLAN. PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION OR EXCAVATION THE "ONE-CALL" SYSTEM SHOULD BE CONTACTED.
2. ALL SURVEY COORDINATES AND BEARINGS REFER TO THE TEXAS STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, CENTRAL ZONE, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983, SURFACE VALUES. (FOR TEXAS STATE PLANE GRID VALUES, MULTIPLY SURFACE VALUES BY A COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 0.9999600016.)
3. ELEVATIONS AND CONTOURS ARE BASED ON SOUTH AUSTIN REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT BENCHMARK TBM NO. 97060-04 WHICH IS A FOUND TRIANGLE CUT IN CONCRETE WITH PK-NAIL AT EDGE OF SLAB ON SOUTH SIDE OF LIFT STATION No. 2: NAVD 1988 ELEVATION=428.67 FT-MSL AND TBM NO. 97060-03 WHICH IS A FOUND TRIANGLE CUT IN CONCRETE AT EDGE OF SLAB ON SOUTH SIDE OF LIFT STATION No. 1: NAVD 1988 ELEVATION=429.18 FT-MSL.
4. DATE OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY OF WWTP SITE 2/28/2014.
5. DATE OF SURVEY AT PROPOSED ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION 9/15/2017.

TBM NO. 99183-01 (AERIAL PANEL 8) PLANT COORDINATES N 622.84 E 4814.17 STATE PLANE SURFACE COORDINATES N 10050665.10 E 3157950.75 (SURVEY COORDINATES)

TBM NO. 99183-02 (AERIAL PANEL 10) PLANT COORDINATES N 658.65 E 5739.23 STATE PLANE SURFACE COORDINATES N 10050060.73 E 3158652.08 (SURVEY COORDINATES)

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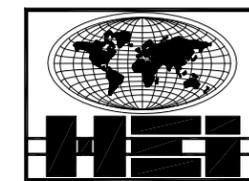
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NOTE: LOCATION OF EXISTING FACILITIES DEFINED FROM RECORD DRAWING INFORMATION. FIELD VERIFICATION OF LOCATION IS REQUIRED AT POINTS OF INTERFACE WITH EXISTING FACILITIES.

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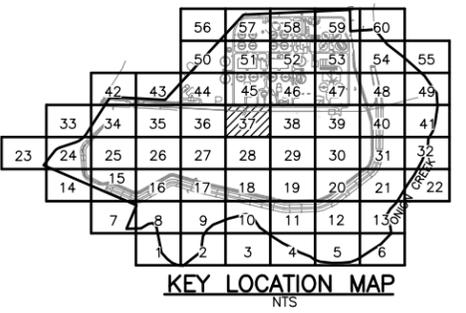
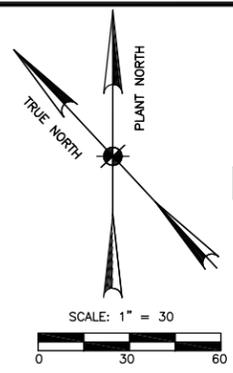
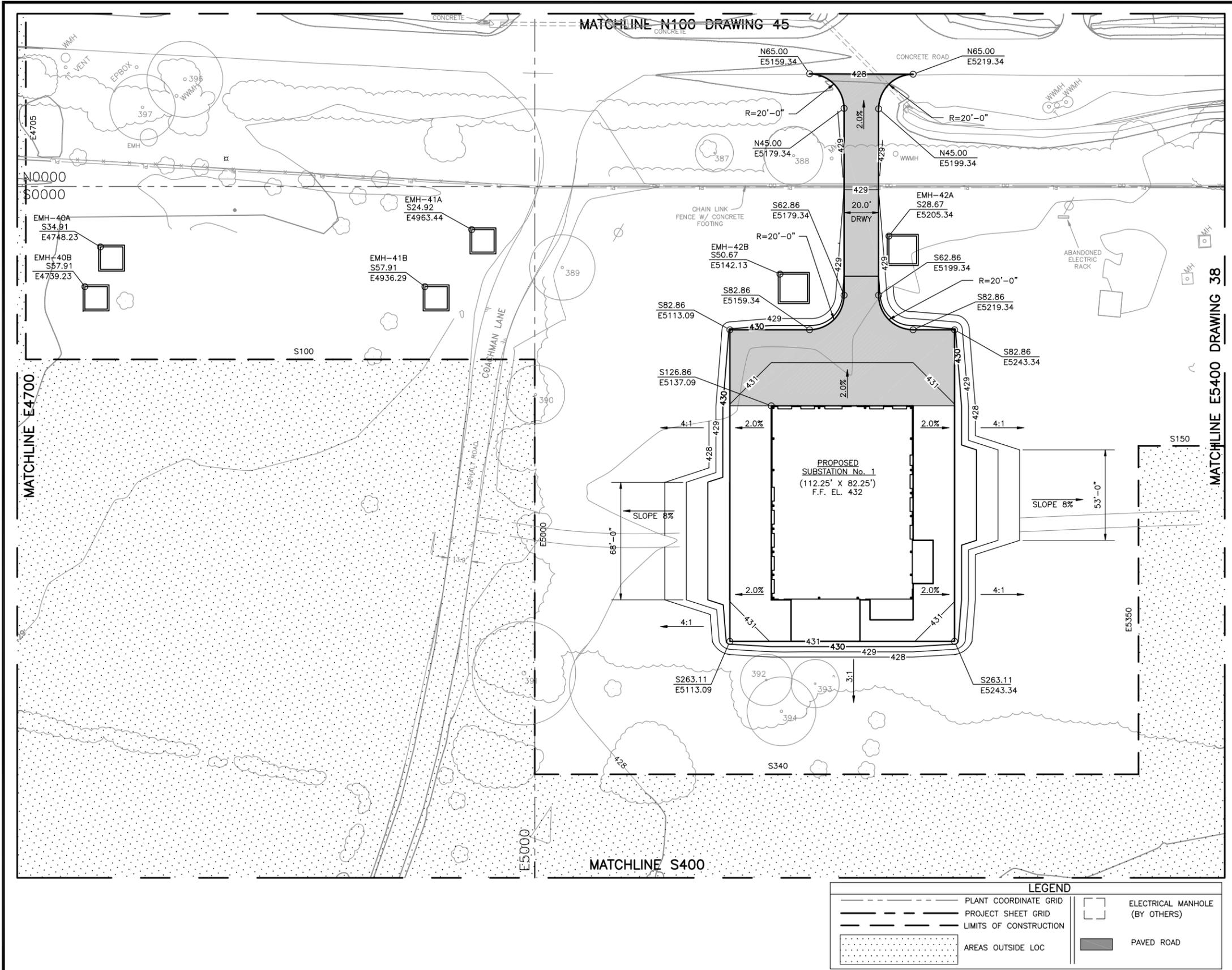
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LOCATION KEYMAP AND CONSTRUCTION ACCESS

PROJECT NO: 2014-300 SHT. OF DWG NO. A-G-022



- NOTES:**
- OTHER CONTRACTORS WILL BE WORKING SIMULTANEOUSLY ON THIS SITE AND SOME OF THE WORKING AREAS WILL BE SHARED BETWEEN MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS DURING THE CONTRACT WORK. REFERENCE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS REGARDING PHASING OF THE WORK AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS.
  - ACTUAL FIELD CONDITION MAY BE DIFFERENT FROM THOSE SHOWN IN THIS DRAWING. CONTRACTOR TO FIELD VERIFY INSTALLED CONDITIONS IMPACTING OR IMPACTED BY HIS WORK PRIOR TO INITIATING WORK.
  - CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE ALL STORAGE AREAS WITH THE OWNER TO ENSURE NO ACCESS WAYS, MANHOLES OR VALVES ARE BLOCKED OR COVERED.
  - CONSTRUCTION ACCESS ROADS WILL BE USED BY MULTIPLE ON-SITE CONTRACTORS. COORDINATE USE OF THESE ROADS THROUGH THE OWNER.
  - ALL ACCESS WAYS AND DRIVEWAYS TO BE KEPT CLEAR TO ALLOW OPERATORS ACCESS TO ALL AREAS FOR MAINTENANCE AND EMERGENCIES. CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE THE DELIVERY AND LOADING / UNLOADING OF EQUIPMENT WITH OWNER AT A MINIMUM OF 48 HOURS PRIOR TO DELIVERY.
  - CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE THE USE OF MAIN OR ALTERNATE ENTRANCE WITH OWNER.
  - CONTRACTOR TO NOT OBSTRUCT DELIVERIES ON THE PLANT ACCESS ROAD. WORK WITHIN THE ACCESS ROAD MUST BE DONE IN A WAY THAT CAN BE COVERED TO PROVIDE DELIVERY ACCESS. ACCESS ROAD CLOSURES MUST BE AGREED UPON WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN ADVANCE.
  - SIDEWALKS ADJACENT TO STRUCTURES TO SLOPE AWAY FROM STRUCTURE AT 1/8" / FT.

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2 Side Perspective  
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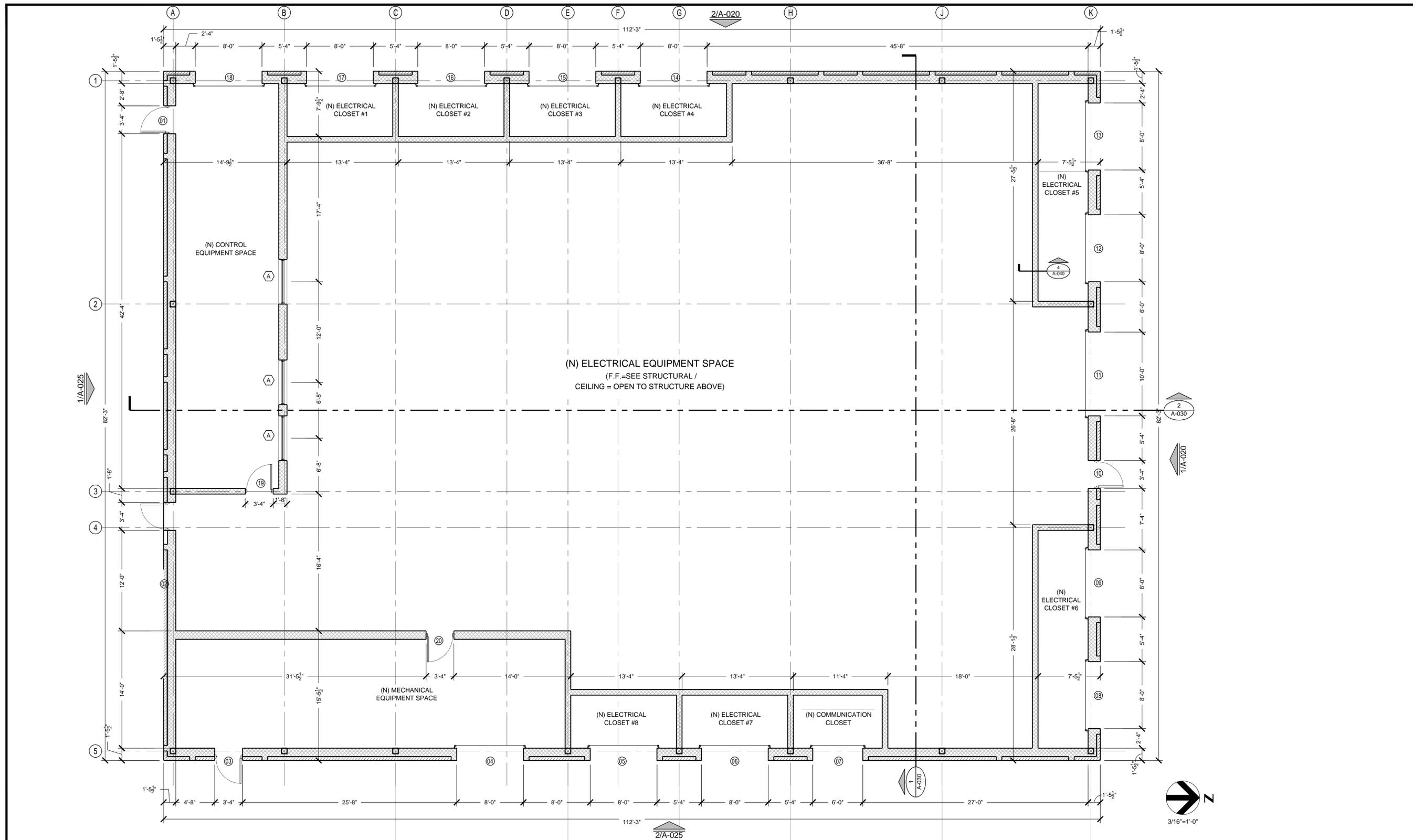
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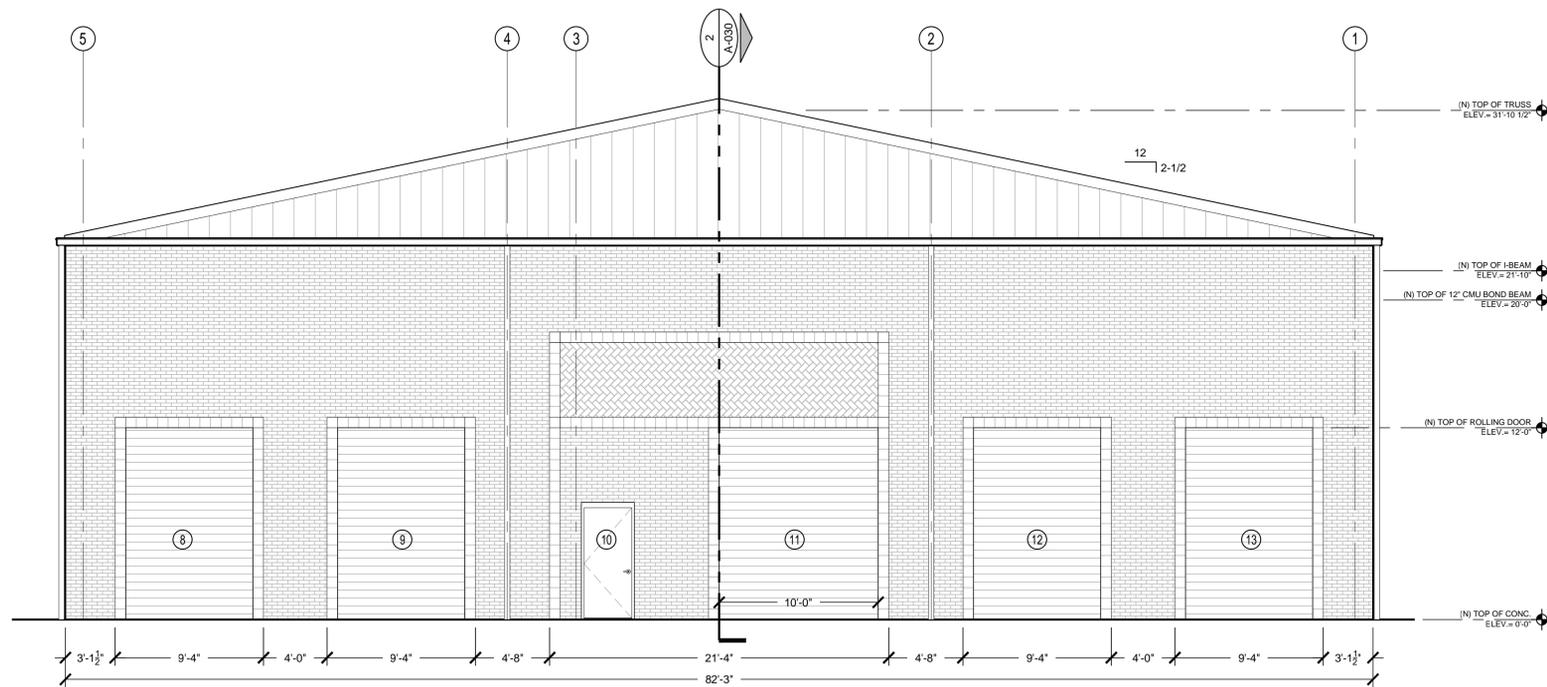


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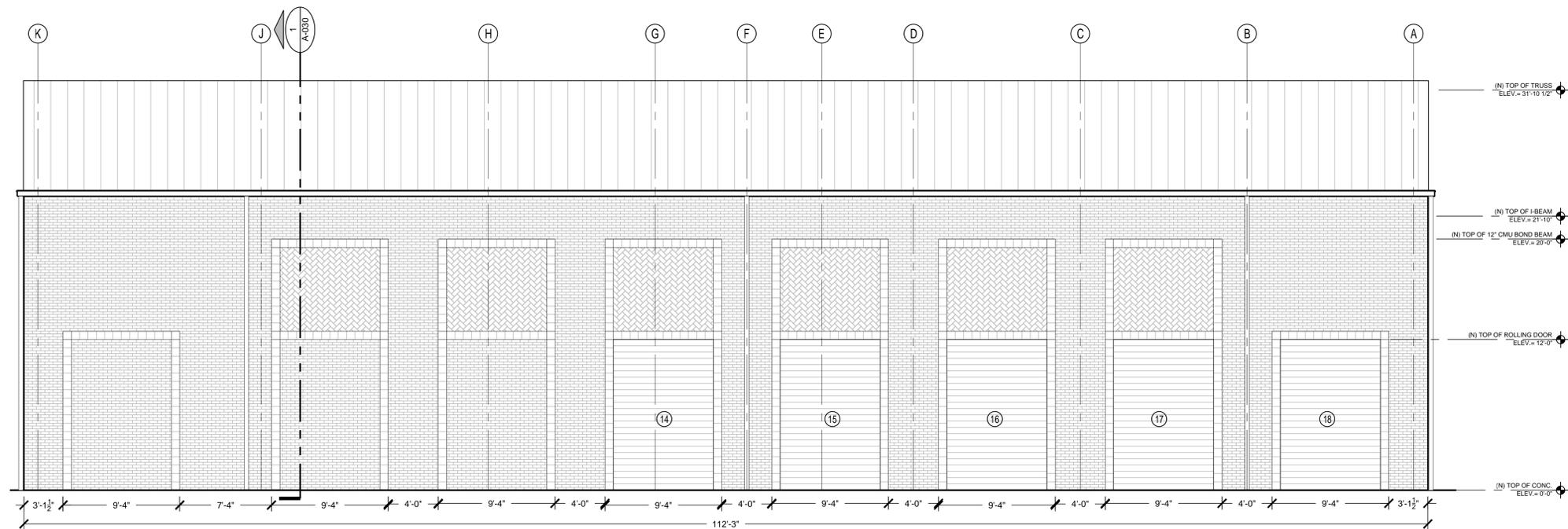
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2 WEST ELEVATION  
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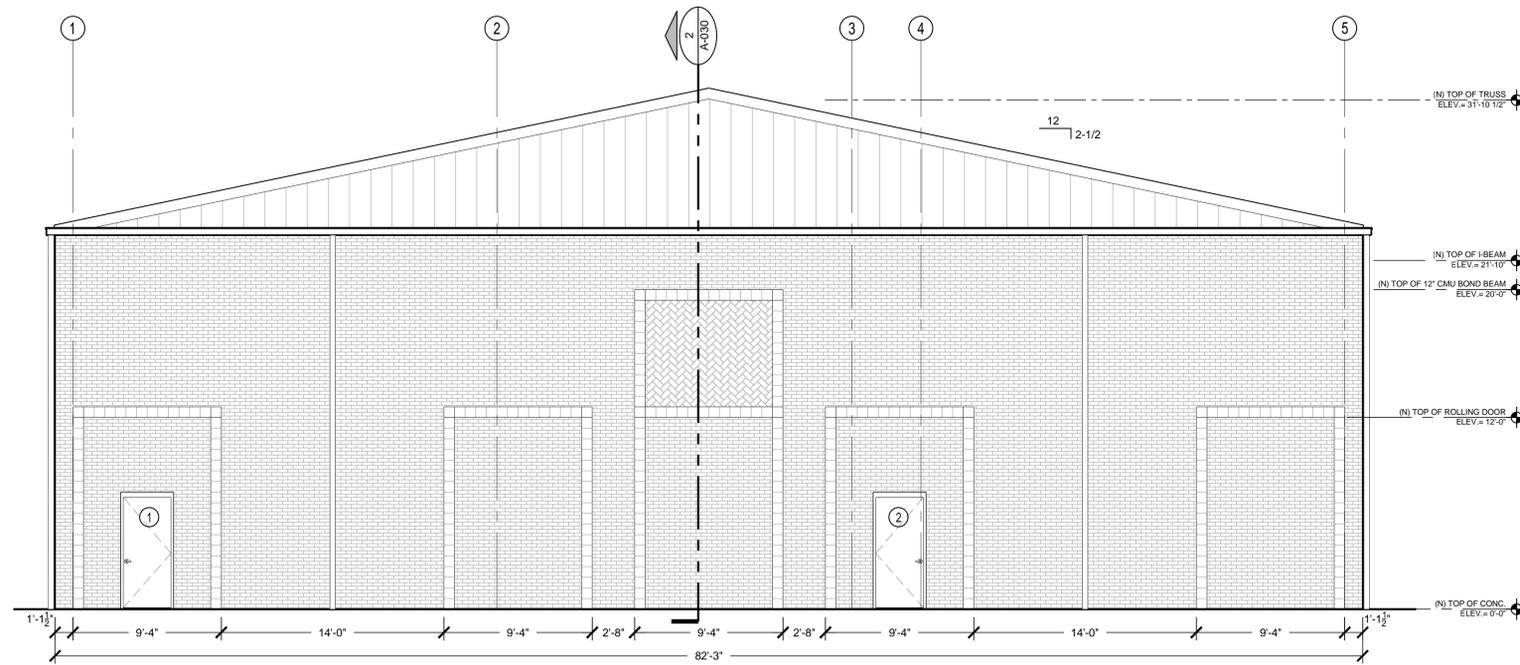
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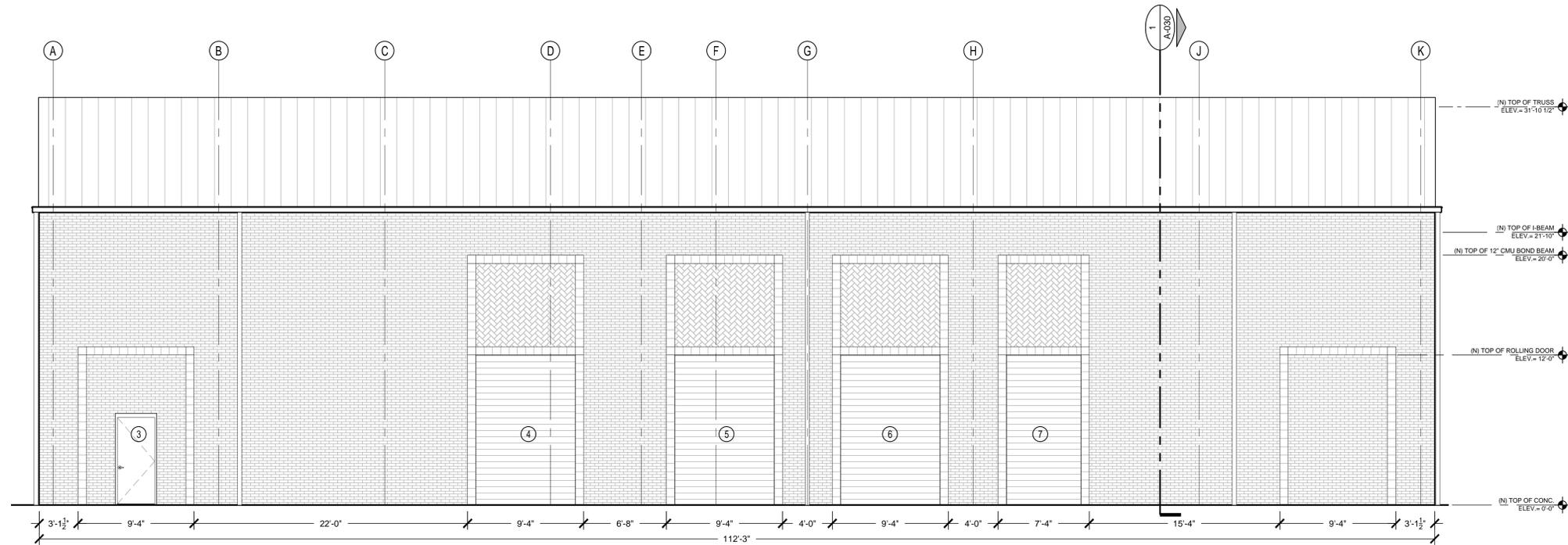
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## A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name

Project Type:

Infrastructure

City building & site

Density bonus

Private project

Other

Project Location/Address

Applicant

Property Owner

Applicant Mailing Address

Property Owner Mailing Address

Applicant Telephone Number

Property Owner Telephone Number

Project Start Date

Project Completion Date

Applicant's Architect

Applicant's Engineer

1] Indicate if proposed Project is required by City Ordinance to be reviewed by the Design Commission.

2] Describe the recommendation that you are requesting from the Design Commission.

3] Current Design Phase of Project (Design Commission prefers to see projects right after approved schematic design).

4] Is this Project subject to Site Plan and/or Zoning application approvals? Will it be presented to Planning Commission and/or City Council? If so, when?

5] Does this Project comply with Land Development Code Subchapter E? List specifically any Alternative Equivalent Compliance request if any. Please refer to website for Alternate Equivalent Compliance (AEC) requirements.  
[https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodetid=TIT25LADE\\_CH25-2ZO\\_SUBCHAPTER\\_EDESTMIUS](https://www.municode.com/library/tx/austin/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodetid=TIT25LADE_CH25-2ZO_SUBCHAPTER_EDESTMIUS)

## B. PROJECT BACKGROUND

6] Provide project background including goals, scope, building/planning type, and schedule. Broadly address each of the “Shared Values for Urban Areas” that are listed on Page 6 of the Urban Design Guidelines. Attach additional pages as needed.

7] Has this project conducted community/stakeholder outreach? If so, please provide documentation to demonstrate community/stakeholder support of this project.

8] Is this project submitting for the Downtown Density Bonus Program? If so, please provide a completed Downtown Density Bonus Application.

9] Has the project been reviewed by COA Department (i.e. DAC) Staff? If so, please describe and cite any relevant comments or feedback that the Commission should be aware of.

10] Are there any limitations to compliance or planning principles due to the specific requirements of this project that the Commission should be aware of?

## C. EXISTING CONDITIONS AND CONTEXT

11] Identify connectivity to public transportation including, bicycle and pedestrian routes and/or multi-modal transportation. Does the project comply with ADA requirements? Provide a site context map and attach additional pages as needed.

12] Identify and describe any existing features that are required to be preserved and/or protected such as heritage trees, creeks or streams, endangered species (flora and/or fauna)? Attach additional site diagrams as needed.

13] Is this project within any City of Austin planning district, master plan, neighborhood plan, regulatory district, overlay, etc.? If so, please illustrate how this project conforms to the respective plan. Attach additional pages as needed. (See below for requirements.)

14] List any project program and/or site constraints that should be considered.

## D. RELATIONSHIP TO PUBLIC REALM

Public realm is defined as any publically owned streets, pathways, right of ways, parks, publicly accessible open spaces and any public and civic building and facilities. The quality of our public realm is vital if we are to be successful in creating environments that people want to live and work in.

15] The shared values outlined in the Urban Design Guidelines include Human Character, Density, Sustainability, Diversity, Economic Vitality, Civic Art, A Sense of Time, Unique Character, Authenticity, Safety and Connection to the Outdoors. How is the project addressing these unique community characteristics? Is the project developing any public amenities for urban continuity and vital place making?

16] Does this project encourage street level activity to engage and respond to functional needs such as shade, rest areas, multi-modal transportation storage and paths?

17] How will the project be a good neighbor to adjacent properties? For example, describe the treatment of the transition area between properties, i.e. fence, landscape improvements, etc.

## E. ENVIRONMENTAL/SUSTAINABLE ISSUES

The Austin Urban Design Guidelines set a goal that, "All development should take into consideration the need to conserve energy and resources. It should also strive for a small carbon footprint."

18] Please list any significant components of the project that contribute to meeting this goal. If the project has been designed to accommodate future inclusion of such components (for example, by being built "solar ready") please list them.

19] If the project is being designed to meet any sustainability/environmental standards or certifications (for example, LEED Silver), please list them here and attach relevant checklists or similar documents that demonstrate how the standard or certification will be achieved.

20] If the project contains other significant sustainability components not included above that the Commission should note, please list them here.



# City of Austin - Design Commission Project Review Application

The [Design Commission](#) provides advisory recommendations to the City Council to assist in developing public policy and to promote excellence in the design and development of the urban environment. The Design Commission reviews three types of projects:

1. **City projects** (see page ii for process)

The Commission reviews all municipal buildings and associated site plans to ensure they demonstrate compliance with city design and sustainability standards ([Council Resolution No. 20071129-046](#)), including those seeking [Subchapter E Design Standards Alternative Equivalent Compliance \(AEC\)](#) ([Council Resolution No. 20100923-086](#)).

2. **Destiny Bonus projects** (see page iv for process)

The Commission reviews density bonus projects for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the Gatekeeper requirements of [LDC 25-2-586](#) for the Downtown Density Bonus Program.

3. **Advisory Recommendations for Private projects** (see page ii for process)

The Commission will consider Project Review Applications from private projects during its regularly scheduled monthly public meetings and may issue an advisory recommendation in the form of a Project Review Letter to the Applicant.

This Project Review Application must be submitted before your project can be presented to the Design Commission for their review. Design Commission requests project be presented in their Conceptual/Schematic Design phase. This application primarily addresses inhabited buildings and structures and their effect on the public realm; please refer to Appendix A for infrastructure type projects.

The Commission's review of projects is based on the planning/design principles in the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin. Ensure that all applicable principles are addressed in the application questions and in your presentation.

[https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards\\_and\\_Commissions/Design\\_Commission\\_urban\\_design\\_guidelines\\_for\\_austin.pdf](https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Boards_and_Commissions/Design_Commission_urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf)

The Design Commission supports the vision and principles of [Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan](#), especially those that affect the urban environment and fabric. All projects should consider this vision and principles, many of which are similar to the Urban Design Guidelines. Refer to Appendix C for the most pertinent sections of Imagine Austin.

The Design Commission expects the applicant's design team to present their project with those most knowledgeable and encourages the inclusion of sub-consultants at the presentation, when deemed necessary.

## EXHIBITS TO PRESENT

- 1) Completed Project Review Application (p.1-6)
- 2) Existing zoning classification, adjacent zoning & uses, future land use map classification, topography
- 3) Vicinity plan, including public transportation and connectivity on-site and within quarter mile
- 4) Site plan and landscape plan
- 5) Ground level, basement plan, and typical floor plan
- 6) Elevations and/or 3d views
- 7) Any letters of support or findings by other commissions
- 8) Staff reports, if any
- 9) Records of public participation

# PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS: CITY PROJECTS

The Design Commission reviews all municipal buildings and associated site development projects to ensure they demonstrate compliance with city design and sustainability standards ([Council Resolution No. 20071129-046](#)), including those seeking [Subchapter E Design Standards Alternative Equivalent Compliance \(AEC\)](#) ([Council Resolution No. 20100923-086](#)).

1. Applicants are encouraged to meet with the Office of the City Architect prior to submitting a Project Review Application, especially if seeking Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) under Subchapter E Design Standards. (See Staff Contacts on page iv.)
2. Applicant submits completed Project Review Application, including Exhibits, to Commission Liaisons a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Design Commission meeting. (See [Calendar of Regular Meetings](#) and "Exhibits to Present" on page i)
3. Commission Liaisons review Project Review Application for completeness. Once the Application is deemed complete, the project will be added to the agenda. (Agendas are posted online 72 hours prior to the meeting.)
4. Commission Liaisons post backup, including complete Project Review Application and letters/decisions from other Boards and Commissions, the Friday before the meeting. (See [Meeting Documents](#) website.)
5. Design Commission meets and hears a 15 minute presentation by the Owner/Applicant/Architect. The Commission asks questions and makes recommendations. At the end of the project review, the Design Commission may rely on the recommendations recorded in their meeting minutes or submit a Project Review Letter to City Staff in Development Services Department.
6. Design Commission may direct a Working Group to write the Project Review Letter. The Working Group will take comments from the full Design Commission meeting, add their comments, and coordinate with the Design Commission Chair to issue a Letter to applicable Development Services Department Staff. The Working Group shall meet prior to the next regularly-scheduled Design Commission to finalize comments on any project submittal. The goal is for this to happen in a one (1) month time frame.
7. Commission Liaisons will forward approved meeting minutes or Project Review Letters to applicable Development Services Staff.
8. Design Commission may request that an Owner/Applicant or City Staff submit an update report in the future so that the Commission can review progress as a project is further detailed.

# PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS: DENSITY BONUS PROJECTS

The Design Commission reviews density bonus projects for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the Gatekeeper requirements of LDC 25-2-586 for the Downtown Density Bonus Program.

1. **Six weeks prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Applicant will contact Density Bonus Liaison with intent to schedule project on the next Design Commission agenda.
  - a. Density Bonus Liaison will provide application and submittal documentation to Applicant and notify Commission Liaisons.
2. **Five weeks prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Density Bonus Liaison will contact Chair of Working Group to schedule a meeting, copying Commission Liaisons.
3. **By the end of the fourth week (24 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** The Applicant will submit all completed application requirements to Density Bonus Staff Liaison.
4. **By the end of the third week (17 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Design Commission Working Group will meet to review Project Review Application and evaluate Applicant's presentation detailing substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
  - a. Working Group will provide Applicant comments and suggestions on improving presentation and issue a recommendation to the Design Commission on achieving substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
5. **By the end of the second week (10 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Chair of the Working Group will send the Density Bonus and Commission Liaisons the Working Group's written recommendation to the Design Commission containing specific feedback given to the Applicant and, if lacking, detailing items to address to achieve substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin.
6. **One week (7 calendar days) prior to the target Design Commission meeting:** Once the Density Bonus Liaison receives the revised project submittal from the Applicant and the Commission Liaison receive the written recommendation from the Working Group Chair, the Commission Liaison will place project on Design Commission agenda for discussion and possible action.
7. **Design Commission meeting:** At the meeting, Design Commission will review the project for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin based on Working Group recommendations and issue a final recommendation detailing to Planning and Zoning Department Staff items needed to be addressed in order to achieve substantial compliance.
8. **Within one week after Design Commission meeting:** The Chair will issue a formal written recommendation based on the action taken by the by the Commission detailing to Planning and Zoning Department Staff items needed to be addressed in order to achieve substantial compliance.

## GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

### *Incomplete Applications*

Should Commission Liaisons determine that the Project Review Application is incomplete, the Application shall be returned to the Applicant and the project will not be posted on the agenda for consideration by the Commission.

**Submissions without the required Adobe PDF electronic file shall be deemed incomplete.**

### *Public Notice*

Posting of public notices on the proposed project site or giving notice to adjacent property owners is not required by the enabling ordinance of the Design Commission. The posted agenda for the Design Commission meetings serves to inform the public of subjects considered by the Commission. The Applicant shall note that the concomitant regulatory procedures by other boards and commissions have legal public notice requirements. Actions taken by the Austin Design Commission shall be in respect of and in compliance with such local ordinances and project review procedures.

### *Limits on Resubmissions*

Applicants are limited to two (2) resubmissions per design phase (as described herein) and shall notify Commission Staff of the intent and desire to resubmit project(s) for review within seven (7) days of the action vote by the Commission. The Commission shall consider such resubmissions prior to issuing the Project Review Letter.

### *Rebuttal of Project Review Letter*

Since the Commission issues advisory recommendations only, there is no instance for appeals to the Commission. Rebuttals of such advisory recommendations may be made by the Applicant to the applicable city department, planning commission, or City Council in accordance with applicable standard processes and procedures.

## STAFF CONTACTS

By appointment, City Staff is available for consultation on submittal requirements. To schedule a pre-submission conference or for information on any of the above submittal requirements, please contact:

City of Austin, One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, TX 78704

Commission Liaisons:

**Executive Liaison:** [Katie.Mulholland@austintexas.gov](mailto:Katie.Mulholland@austintexas.gov), (512) 974-3362

**Staff Liaison:** [Nichole.Koerth@austintexas.gov](mailto:Nichole.Koerth@austintexas.gov), (512) 974-2752  
Urban Design Division, Planning and Zoning Department, 5th floor

**City Architect (acting):** [Raymundo.Minjarez@austintexas.gov](mailto:Raymundo.Minjarez@austintexas.gov), (512) 974-1618  
Office of the City Architect, Public Works Department, 9<sup>th</sup> floor

**Density Bonus Liaison:** [Anne.Milne@austintexas.gov](mailto:Anne.Milne@austintexas.gov), (512) 974-2868  
Urban Design Division, Planning and Zoning Department, 5th floor

# APPENDIX A

## INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

# APPENDIX B

## DENSITY-BONUS PROJECTS

# APPENDIX C

## IMAGINE AUSTIN RELATED POLICIES

### Land Use and Transportation Building Block

LUT P30: Protect and enhance the unique qualities of Austin's treasured public spaces and places such as parks, plazas, and streetscapes; and, where needed, enrich those areas lacking distinctive visual character or where the character has faded.

LUT 31: Define the community's goals for new public and private development using principles and design guidelines that capture the distinctive local character of Austin.

LUT P35: Infuse public art into Austin's urban fabric in streetscapes along roadways and in such places as parks, plazas, and other public gathering places.

LUT P41: Protect historic buildings, structures, sites, places, and districts in neighborhoods throughout the City.

LUT P43: Continue to protect and enhance important view corridors such as those of the Texas State Capitol District, Lady Bird Lake, and other public waterways

LUT P44: Preserve and protect historic parks and recreation areas.

### Economy Building Block

E P6: Support up-to-date infrastructure, flexible policies, and programs, and adaptive reuse of buildings, so that local, small, and creative businesses thrive and innovate.

### Conservation and Environment Policies Building Block

CE P3: Expand the City's green infrastructure network to include such elements as preserves and parks, trails, stream corridors, green streets, greenways, and agricultural lands.

CE P11: Integrate development with the natural environment through green building and site planning practices such as tree preservation and reduced impervious cover and regulations. Ensure new development provides necessary and adequate infrastructure improvements.

### City Facilities and Services Building Block

CFS P14: Integrate erosion, flood, and water quality control measures into all City of Austin capital improvement projects.

CFS P24: Increase the share of renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar, and biomass, used by Austin Energy to generate electricity, including infrastructure for on-site sources throughout the City.

CFS P29: Increase the use of joint or shared facilities between public safety and other service providers, when possible, to provide residents with efficient services, reduce costs, and maintain public safety infrastructure.

CFS P35: Distribute public buildings where neighborhood services are located and other accessible locations throughout the City.

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CFS P36: Improve multimodal public transportation access to the City's public buildings and facilities, including the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

CFS P37: Integrate public buildings and facilities into active, walkable, mixed use neighborhoods and complete, healthy communities.

CFS P38: Reduce energy consumption and waste generation in all public buildings to meet the City's greenhouse gas reduction and zero waste goals.

CFS P39: Develop public buildings and facilities that create healthy work environments and educate the public about energy-efficient, sustainable building, and greening best practices.

CFS P44: Feature superior design in parks and recreational facilities and include opportunities for public art and sustainable design solutions.

#### Society Building Block

S P14: Locate emergency services within close proximity to all neighborhoods and continue to improve community outreach and relationships between police and neighbors

S P25: Increase sidewalks and bicycle lanes in neighborhoods to create safer routes to schools, parks, and transit stops.

#### Creativity Building Block

C P16: Increase the availability of significant public art to designate districts and/or their entrances and to assist visitors in navigating the area.

C P17: Define Austin's sense of place through high standards for architecture and urban design, public art, public spaces and parks, and arts education.



**DESIGN COMMISSION**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018 6:00 PM**

**Meeting Minutes**

Call to order by: **D. Carroll at 6:09 PM.**

<u>  X  </u> David Carroll – Chair	<u>  X  </u> Melissa Henao-Robledo
<u>  X  </u> Martha Gonzalez – Vice-Chair	<u>  X  </u> Ben Luckens
<u>  X  </u> Aan Coleman	<u>  X  </u> Evan Taniguchi
<u>      </u> Beau Frail	<u>      </u> Bart Whatley
<u>      </u> Samuel Franco	<u>      </u> Vacant
<u>      </u> Katie Halloran	

**B. Frail, S. Franco, K. Halloran and B. Whatley not present.**

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: **None**
2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):
  - a. Courtesy briefing on **City of Austin tree mitigation fund** (Emily King, COA Development Services Dept.);

Emily King, COA's Urban Forester, presented information on Urban Forestry Funding Portal, which provides funding to COA projects on public property for public benefit and was available to answer questions.

**No action taken by the Commission.**

- b. Courtesy briefing on the Capital Metro Transportation Authority Downtown Station (Marcus Guerrero, CapMetro);

Marcus Guerrero, Jana McCann (McCann Adams Studio), and Summer Lawton (HNTB Corporation) presented and were available to answer questions.

**No action taken.**

3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):
  - a. Discussion and possible action on **CodeNEXT's** draft codes, maps, and processes (Chair D. Carroll);

This item was postponed until the March Design Commission meeting, to allow for the working group to review the new release of CodeNEXT's draft 3.

**No action taken.**

4. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and possible action):

- a. Discussion and possible action on **upgrading and incorporating infrastructure into the Urban Design Guidelines** as directed by City Council Resolution No. 20120816-060 (Chair D. Carroll);

The Working Group met and will schedule another meeting in a few weeks. Chair Carroll mentioned the Working Group needed additional members. B. Luckens was interested in joining.

**No action taken.**

- b. Discussion and possible action on the **January 22, 2018** meeting minutes;

**The motion to approve the minutes, as drafted, was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; second by B. Luckens; approved on a unanimous vote of [6-0]; B. Frail, S. Franco, K. Halloran and B. Whatley not present.**

- c. Liaison Reports;

M. Henao-Robledo mentioned Carla Taylor (COA Transportation Dept). presented the Smart Mobility Road Map to the Downtown Commission. The Commission also saw a presentation of the Pedestrian Vision Plan.

- d. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair;

Chair Carroll announced there was an opening on the Joint Sustainability Committee. He also appointed B. Luckens to the Infrastructure Working Group.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Discussion and Possible Action): **None**

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements: **None**

- b. Items from Commission Members:

E. Taniguchi mentioned he'd ask Staff about the director meetings with Downtown Density Bonus applicants. Katie Mulholland (COA Planning and Zoning) relayed that the director does not meet with applicants.

Chair Carroll mentioned he'd also followed up with Staff on the director's determination of substantial compliance. Katie Mulholland (COA Planning and Zoning) mentioned she would respond by the end of the week.

c. Items from City Staff:

Katie Mulholland (COA Planning and Zoning) mentioned she would be leaving her position with the City to hike the Appalachian Trail and that there was a density Bonus Working Group meeting on Thursday.

**ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 7:47 PM.**

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