



# Dove Springs Public Health Facility



Presentation - Land, Facilities and Programs Committee and the Parks Board

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# Why a Facility in Dove Springs 78744?

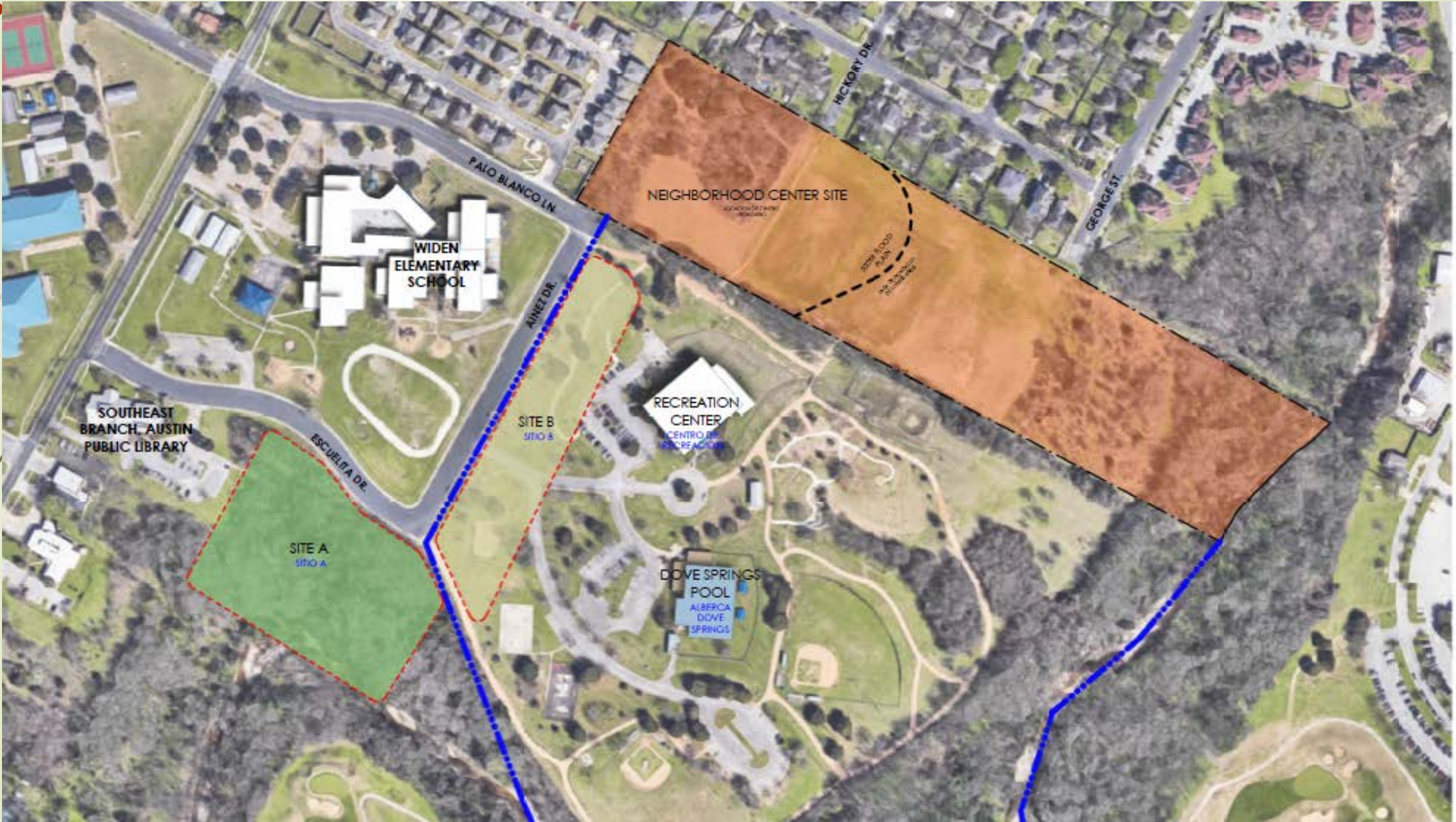
- ▶ 26.4 % of residents in 78744 zip code are below the poverty level\*
- ▶ Recent flood incidents impacting the 78744 area highlight the lack of public health, basic needs, preventive health care and employment support services in the Dove Springs Neighborhood
- ▶ In 2017, Austin Public Health served 6,328 unduplicated persons with 1 day a week partial services at the Dove Springs Recreation Center
- ▶ Closest full-service facility is South Austin Neighborhood Center at 2508 Durwood Street
  - ▶ 5 miles away – over an hour on public transportation each way
- ▶ \*2016 American Community Survey



# The Proposed Facility

- ▶ \$16 million project approved by voters in 2018 Bond election
- ▶ Two-Story Building, Lower Level Foot Print - 16,000 Sq. Ft.
- ▶ Estimated completion Spring 2023
- ▶ Full Service Neighborhood Center, WIC Clinic, Immunizations Clinic and High Quality Childcare Center proposed
  - ▶ Current Austin Public Health select services provided 1 day a week at the Dove Springs Recreation Center
  - ▶ Current WIC Clinic located at I-35 and William Cannon
  - ▶ Current Immunizations Clinic located at E. Stassney Lane, west of I-35

# Alternative Site Discovery




## Site Pictures – February and May of 2019

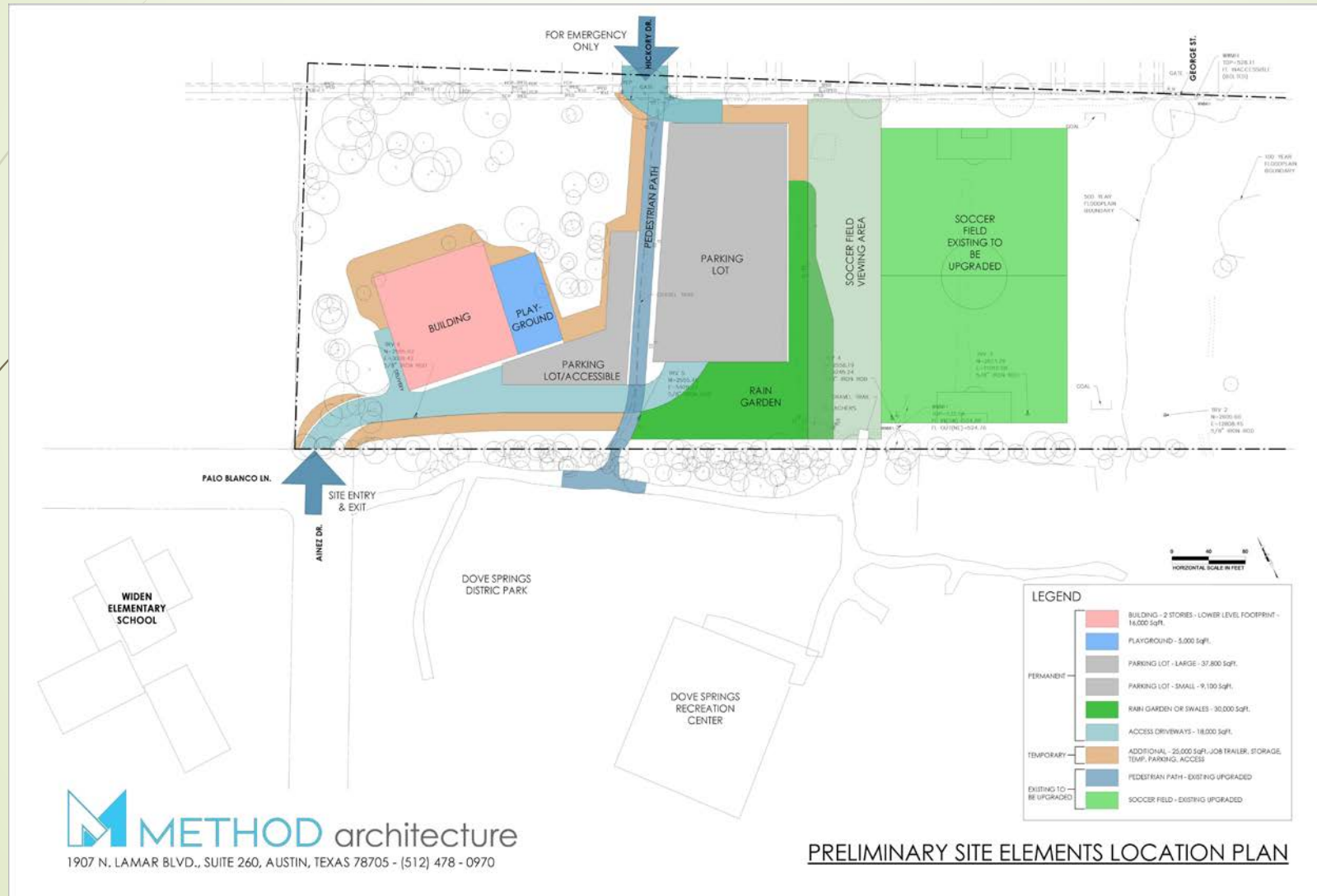




# Green Features to preserve park like surroundings

- ▶ LEED – Silver Certification per Council resolution 20071129-045
  - ▶ Solar panels and Rainwater Collection
  - ▶ Use pervious pavement to the extent possible including for the parking lot, walkways and fire lane to reduce storm water quantity and improve quality
  - ▶ Rain gardens with colorful plants - encourage adoption by the community
  - ▶ Incorporate reinforced turf (grass pave) fire lane
  - ▶ Protect trees and minimize disturbance to the park
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# Preliminary Site Plan Layout





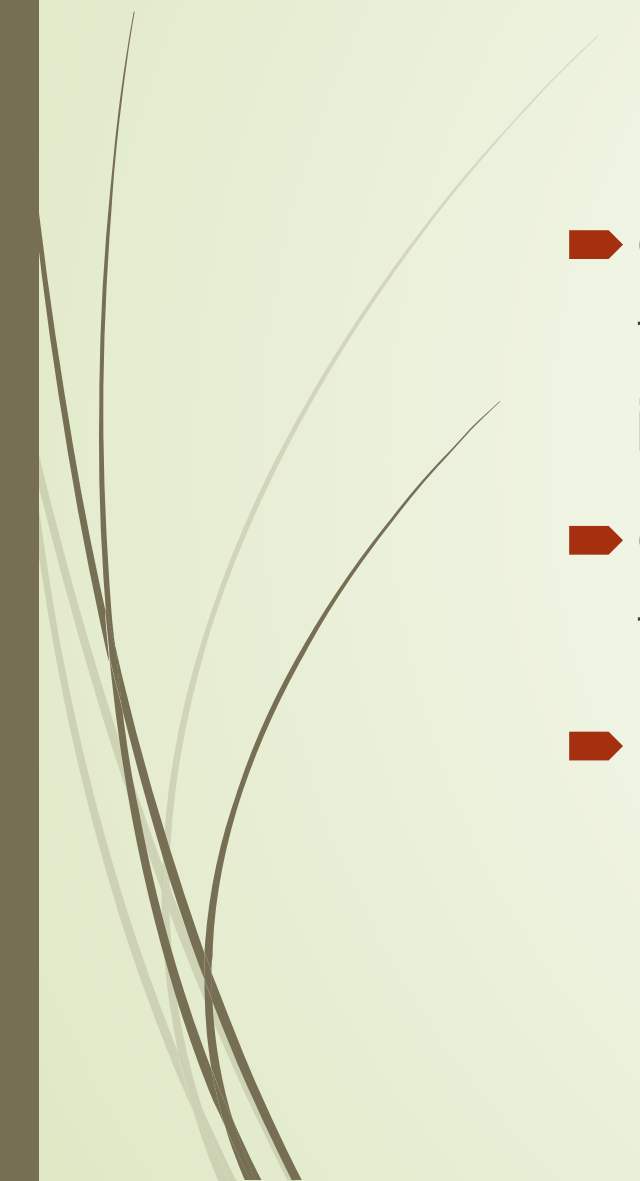
# Permanent and Temporary Use Tract

- ▶ Tract of land north-west of the Dove Springs Park
  - ▶ Tract Size: 581,046 sq. ft. (13.339 acres)
- ▶ Permanent Use Request: 115,900 sq. ft. (2.66 acres)
  - ▶ Facility
  - ▶ Parking
  - ▶ Playground
  - ▶ Access Driveways
- ▶ Temporary Use Request: 25,000 sq. ft.
  - ▶ Job Trailer
  - ▶ Material Storage
  - ▶ Construction Access
  - ▶ Contractor Parking





# Park Services Mitigation Proposal

- Construction of a Soccer Field with lighting and turf at the south end of the Dove Springs Park including soccer viewing area
  - Construction of Trails connecting neighborhood to existing District Park Trail System
  - Lighting improvements to trails
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# Community Benefits

- ▶ Full Service Neighborhood Center
  - ▶ Basic Needs Services (Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, application assistance)
  - ▶ Public Health Nursing/Health Screening
  - ▶ Social Work Services
  - ▶ Seasonal services (Blue Santa, Thanksgiving Baskets)
- ▶ Women, Infants & Children Clinic (WIC)
- ▶ Immunization Clinic
  - ▶ Shots for Tots
  - ▶ Big Shots
- ▶ High Quality Childcare Center
- ▶ Multipurpose space and commercial kitchen for community use
- ▶ Construction of Soccer Fields for community
- ▶ Construction of trails for connection of neighborhood to Dove Springs District Park trail system



# Community Outreach

- ▶ City outreach conducted during Bond Development and prior to Bond election – Fall 2018
- ▶ Community Leaders Meeting held April 3, 2019 at Widen Elementary School
- ▶ Public meeting held on June 13<sup>th</sup> for community vision at Mendez Middle School
- ▶ Speak Up Austin.Org Survey thru June 27<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Additional Public Meetings scheduled for Fall 2019 during preliminary phase and Spring 2020 during Design Phase of the project



# Current Request and Next Steps

- ▶ Austin Public Health is requesting a recommendation to the Parks Board for approval of Public Health Facility for permanent use (115,900 sq. ft.) and temporary/staging/access area (25,000) on parkland located at 5801 Ainez Drive, Dove Springs District Park.
- ▶ If this request is approved by your committee, the Parks Board and the City Council, the next steps include:
  - ▶ A Request for Qualifications for a Design-Build firm and contract by Spring 2020
  - ▶ Design and permitting by Spring 2021
  - ▶ Construction start by Fall 2021
  - ▶ Construction completion by Spring 2023