

#CarverMuseumATX

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER MUSEUM, CULTURAL & GENEALOGY CENTER

# Facility Expansion Plan

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



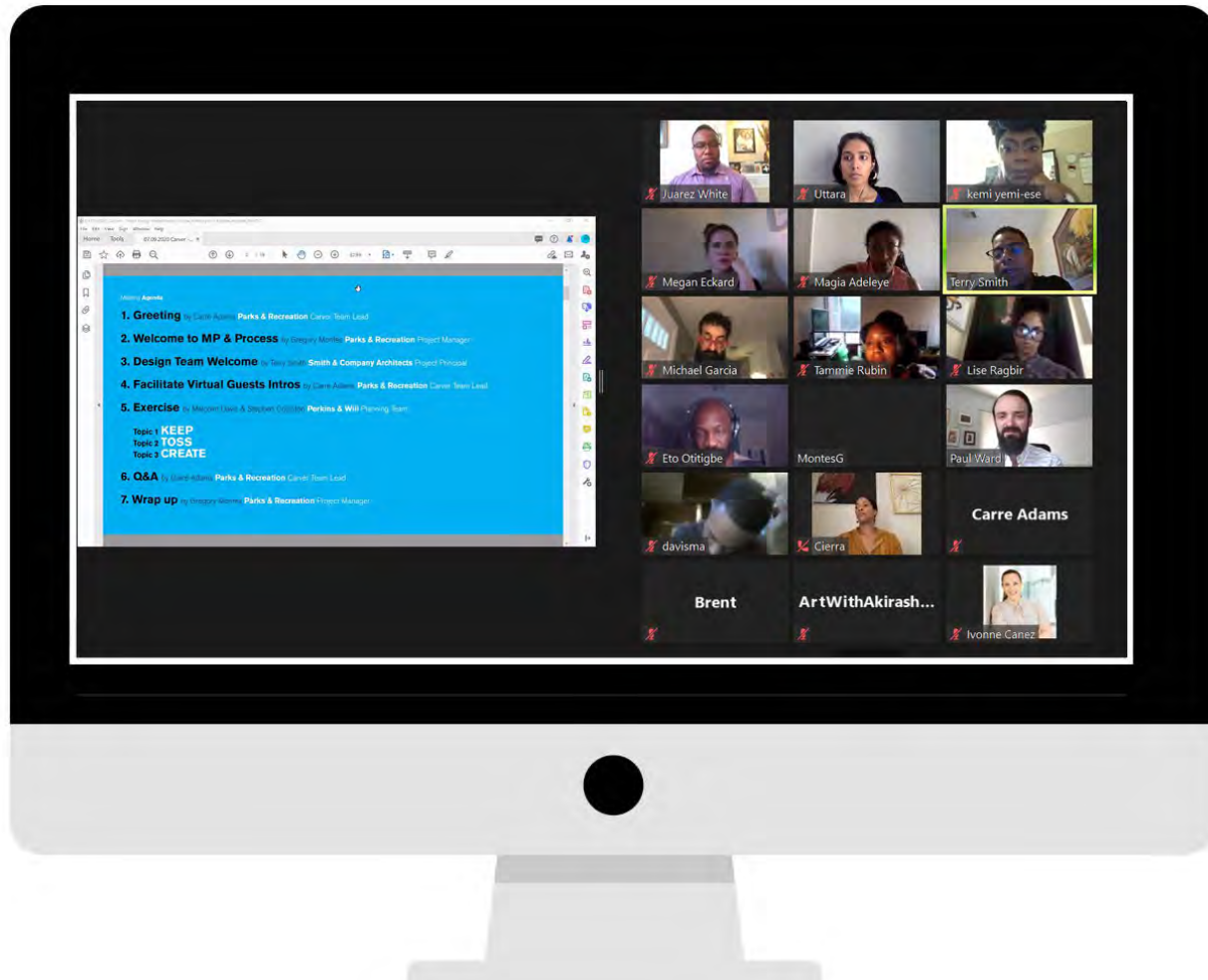
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# PLANNING PROCESS



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & INPUT



**Community Meetings: x 3**

**Small Group Discussions:**

**8 Groups  
77 Participants**

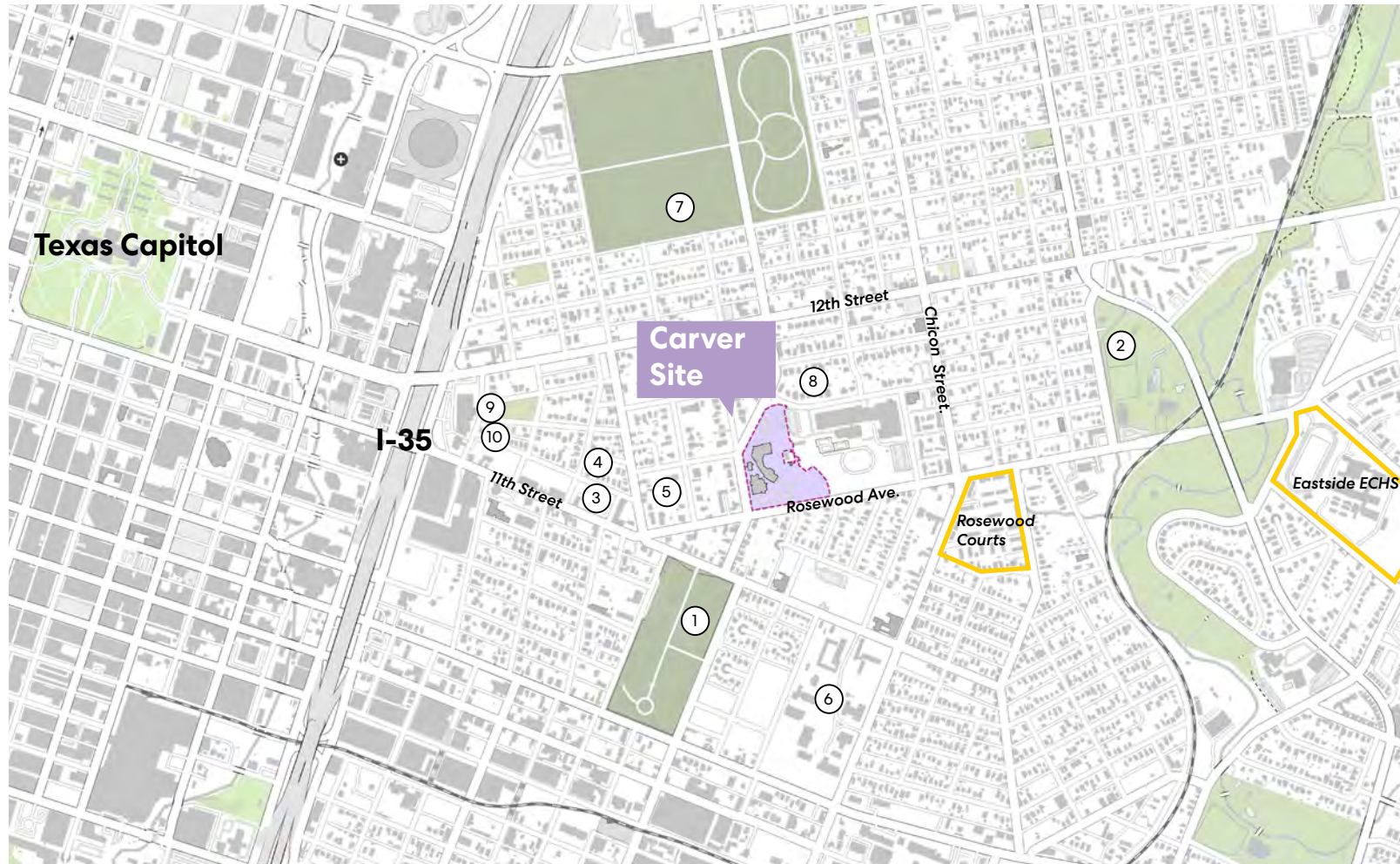


- Performing Artists
- Carver Task Force
- Civic Leaders
- Visual Artists
- COA African American Employees
- Carver Museum Staff
- Carver Ambassadors
- African American Resource Advisory Commission

**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.

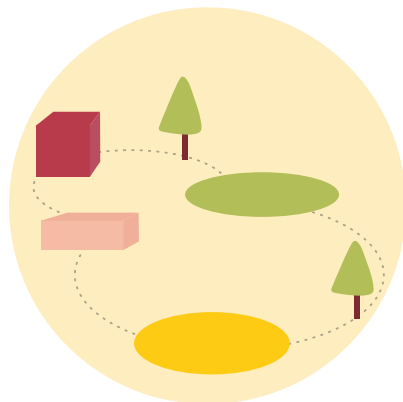


# KEY PLANNING THEMES



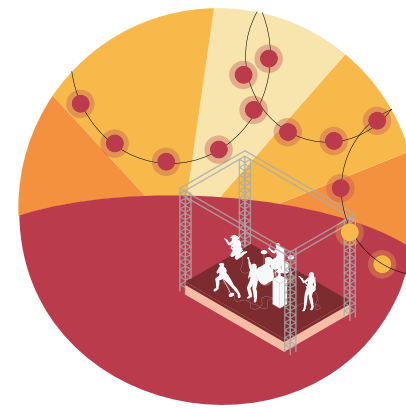
**Idea of the Carver**

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



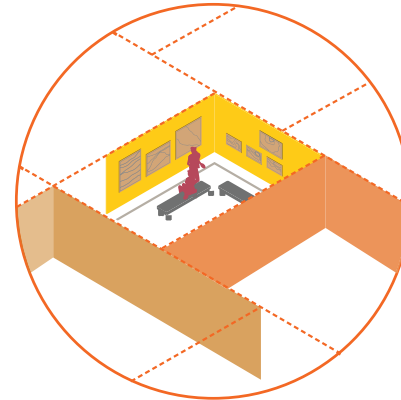
**Experience**

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

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

## 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

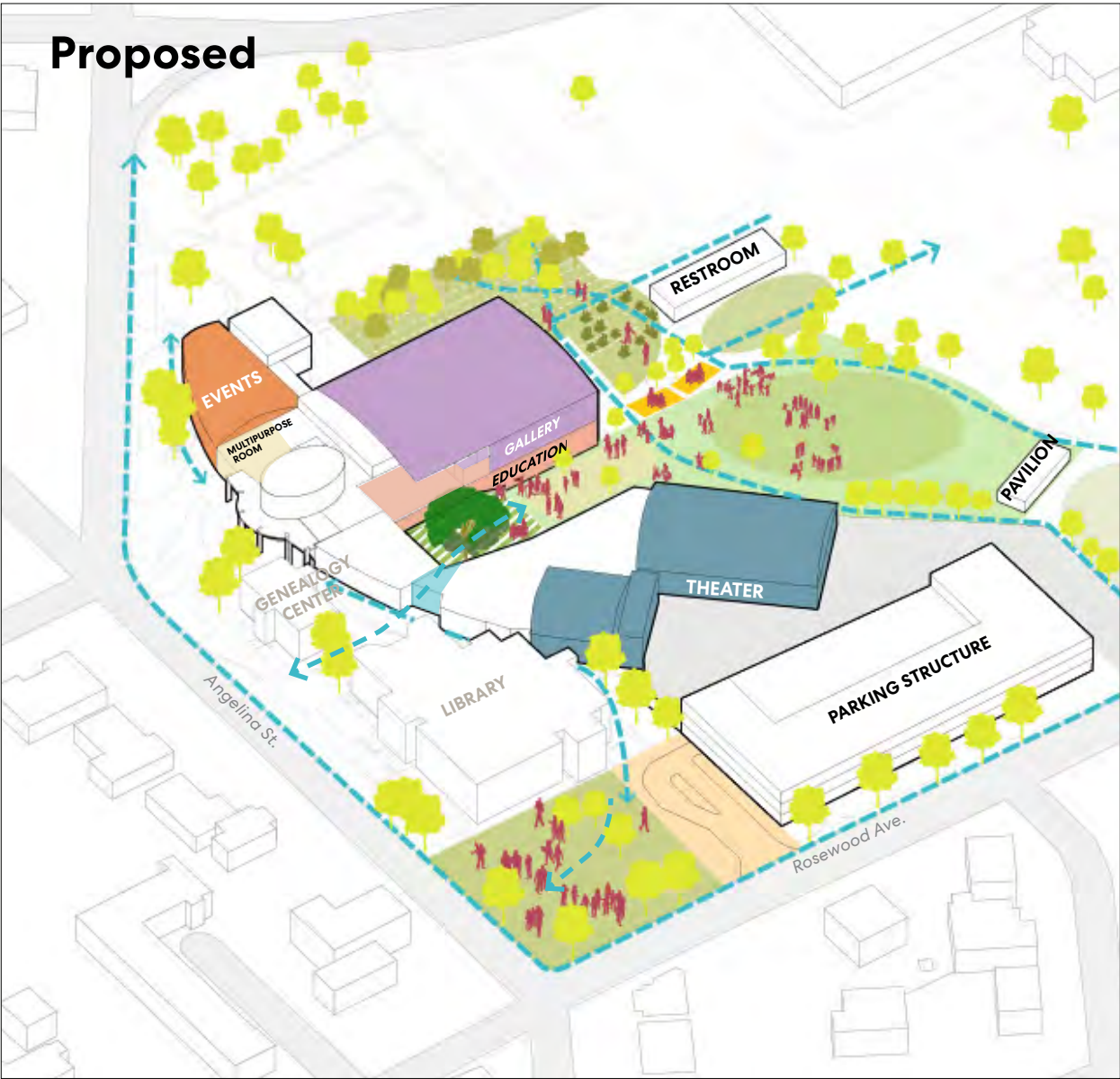
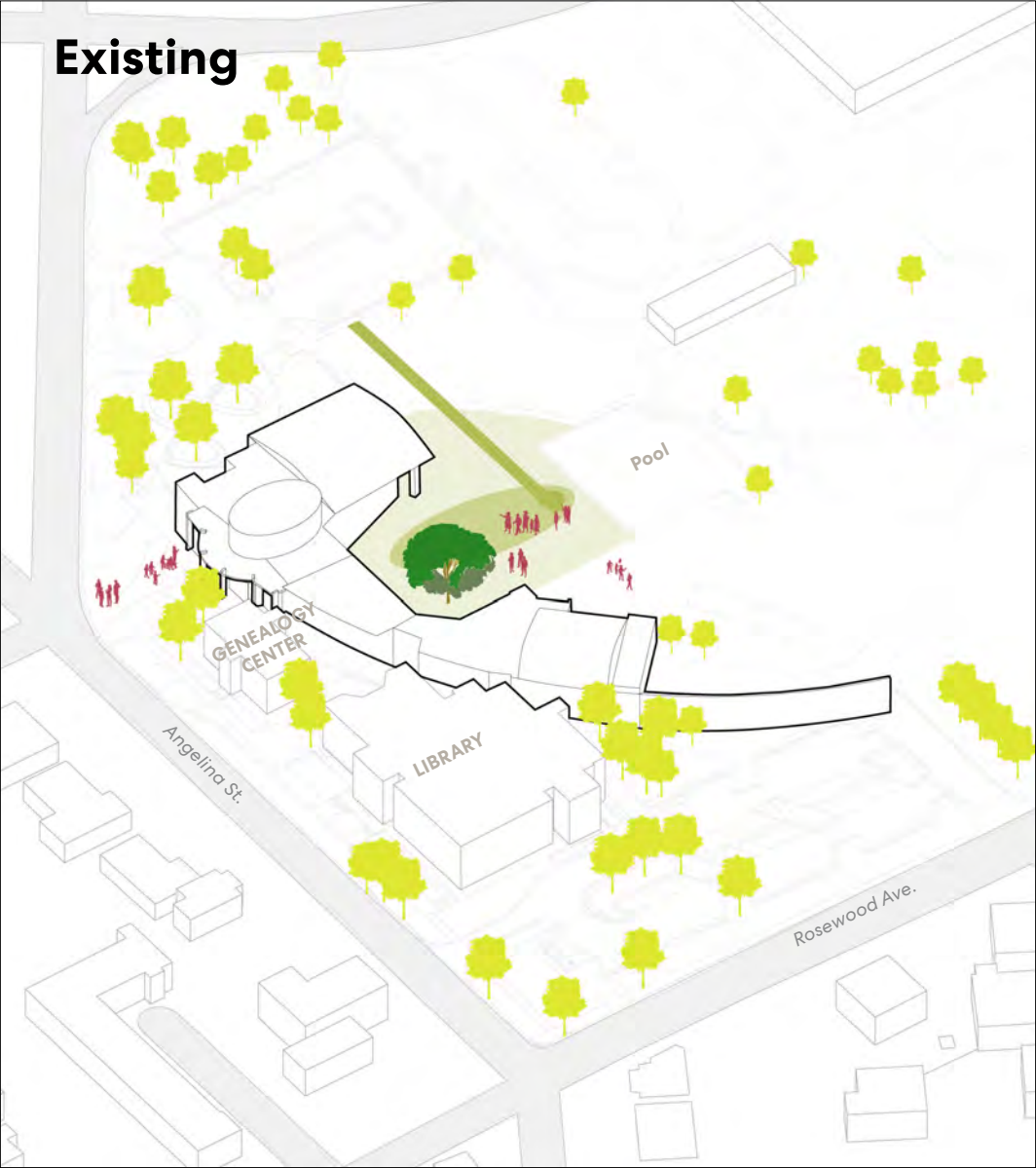
SUMMARY	
EXISTING	7,614
NEW	65,689
TOTAL	73,303

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

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

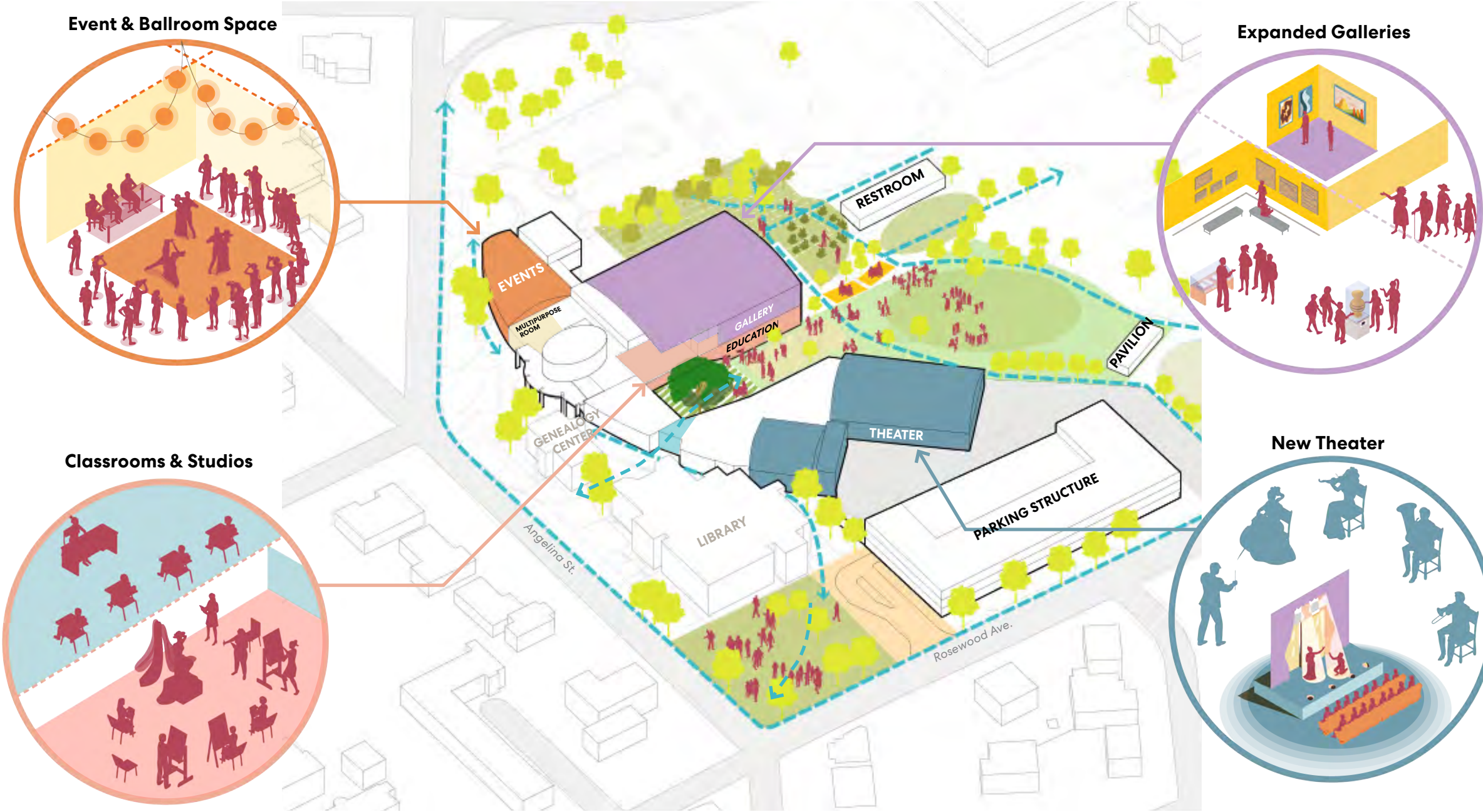


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# PHASING / COST ESTIMATES

## 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



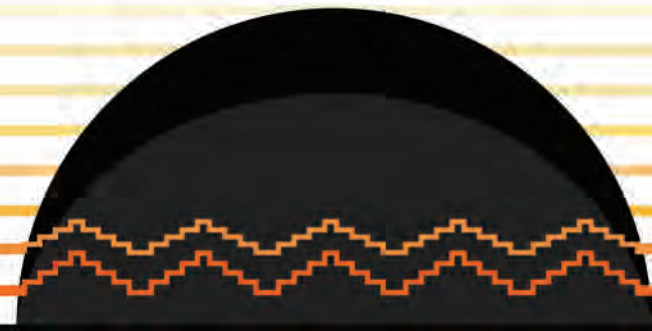


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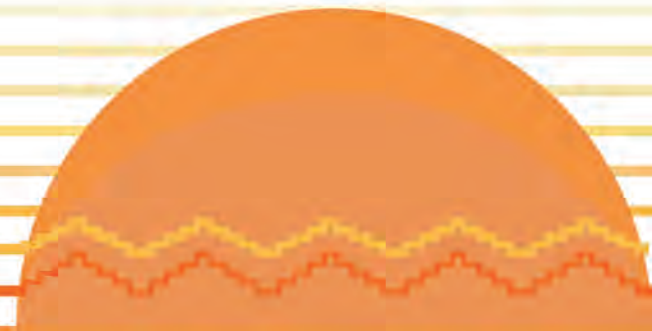


# Questions ?





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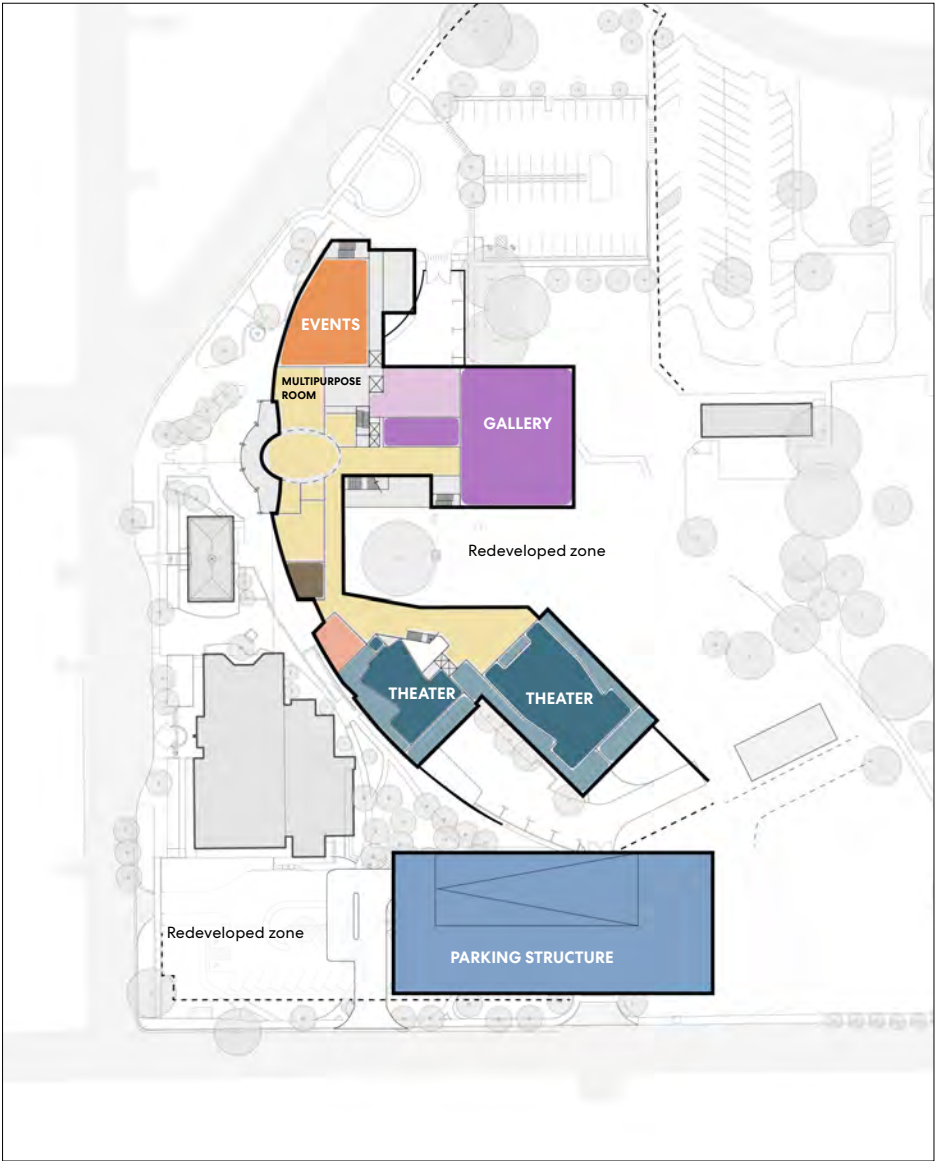


# BUILDING PROGRAM: MAIN LEVEL

## Existing



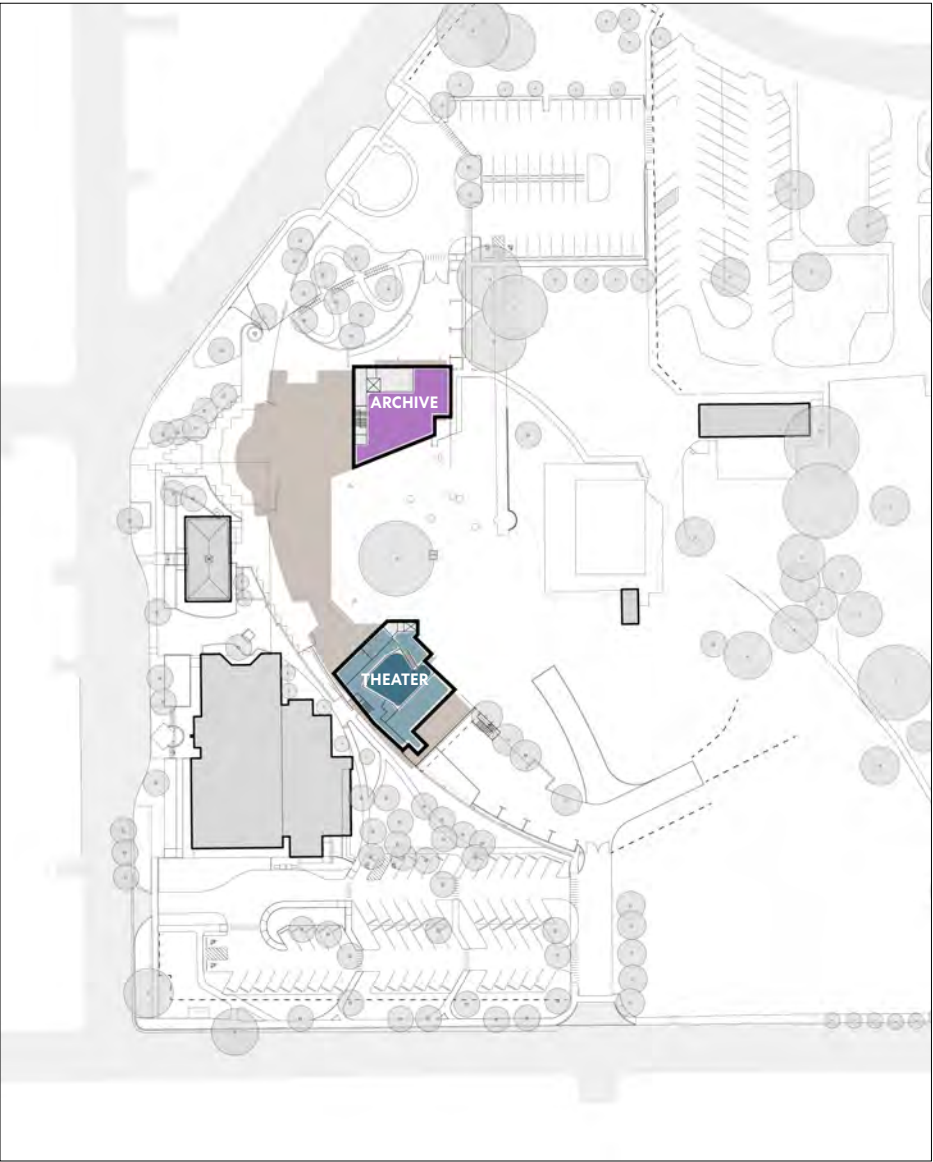
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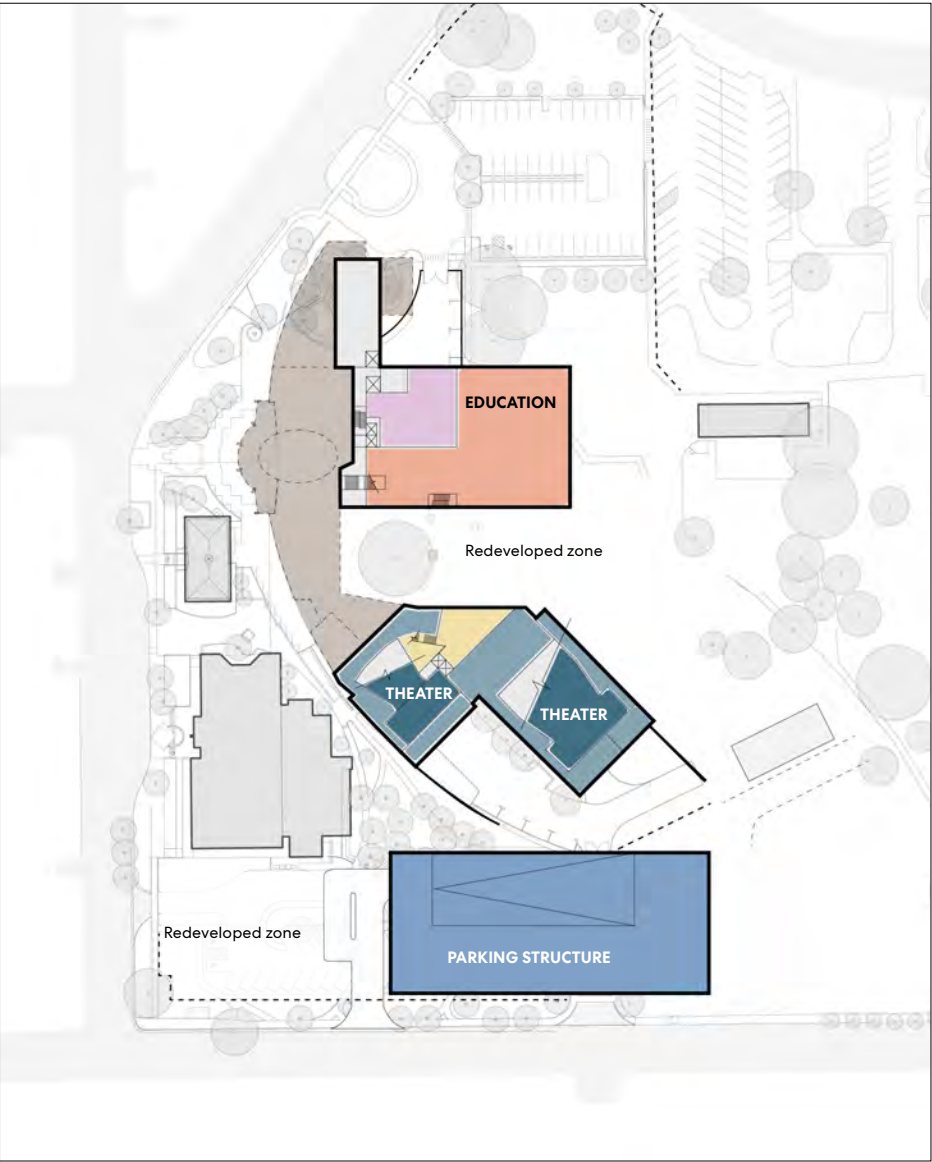
# BUILDING PROGRAM: LOWER LEVEL

Existing



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- Services/Restroom
- Theater/Performance
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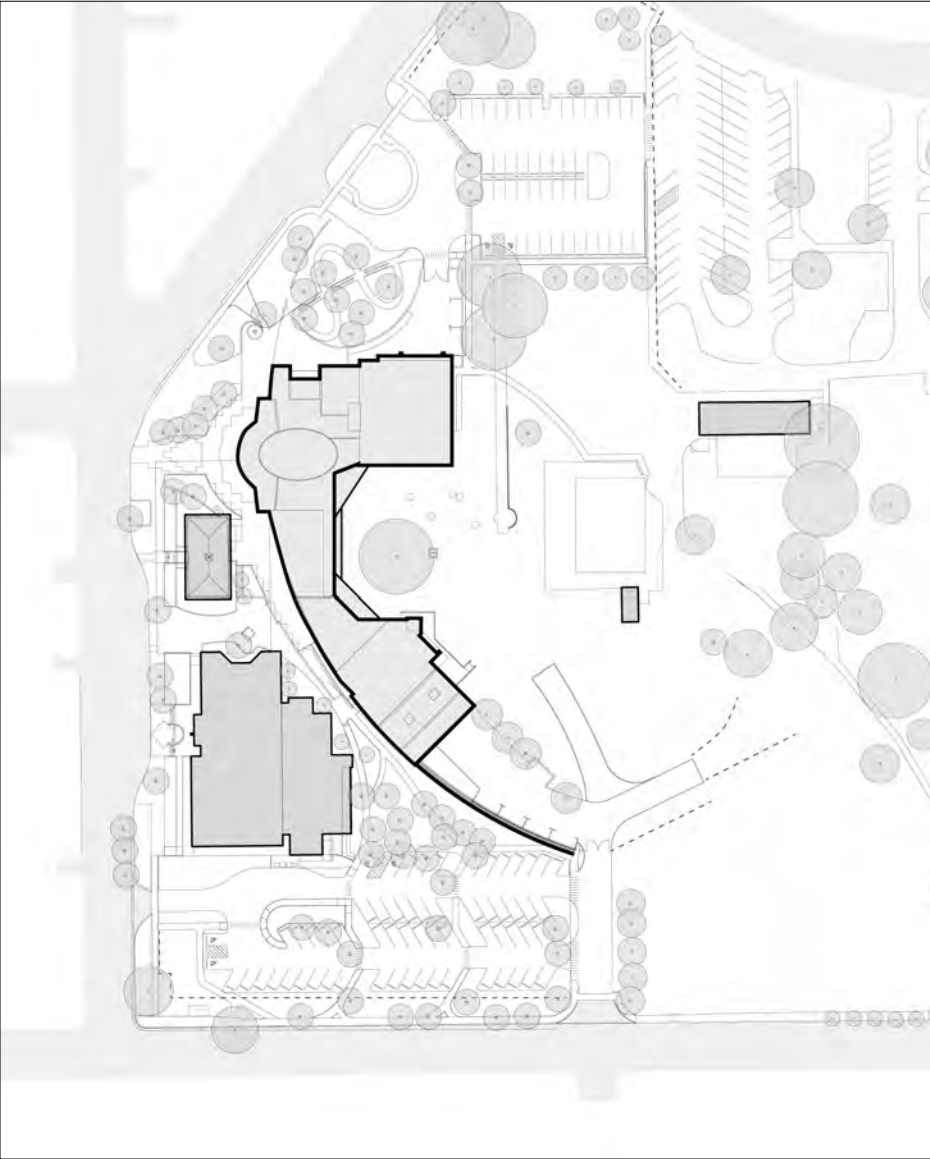
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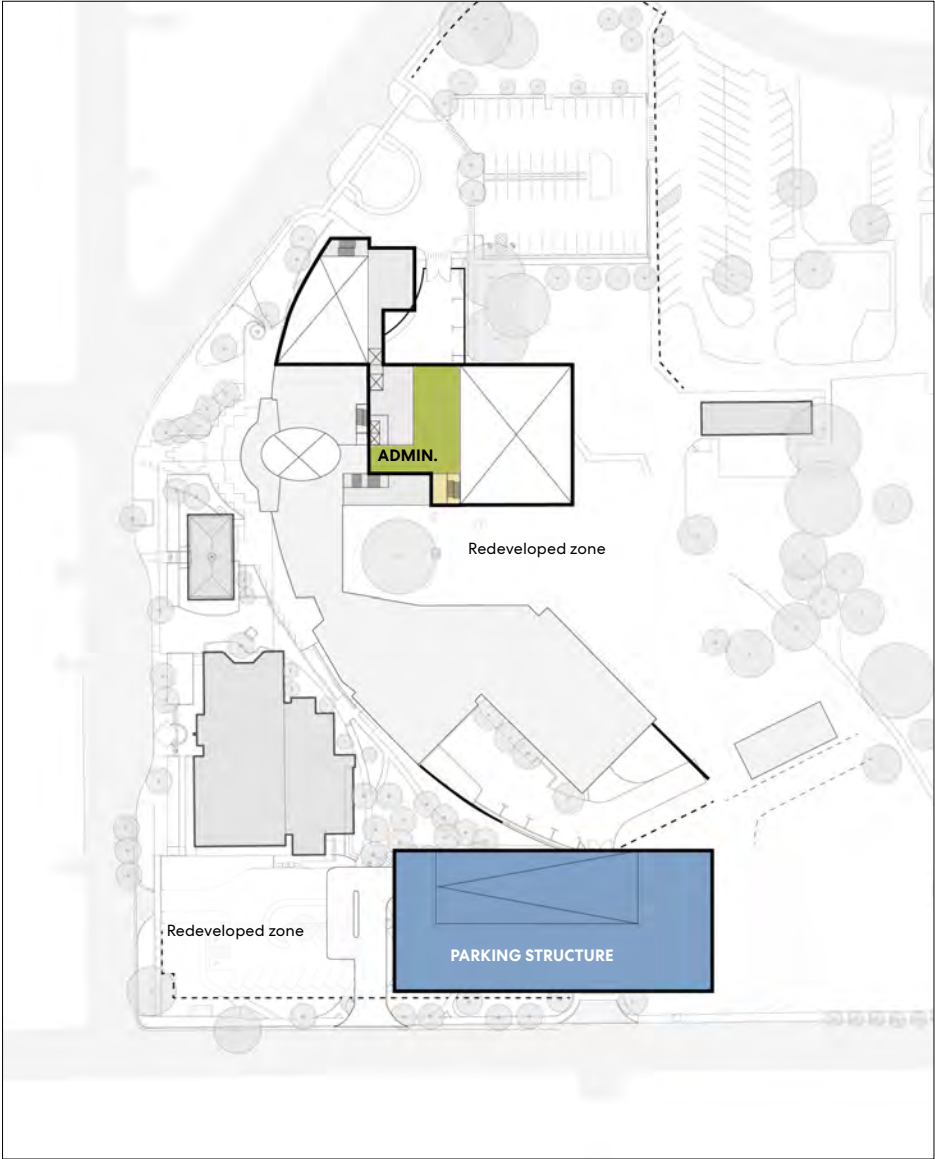


# BUILDING PROGRAM: UPPER LEVEL

Existing



Proposed



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