

Austin Parks and Recreation Department

George Washington Carver Museum, Cultural and Genealogy Center

Facility Expansion Phases 1a and 1b



African American Resource Advisory Commission
Tuesday, December 3, 2024

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Meet the Team

Parks and Recreation Department

- Anthony “Tony” Hron, Associate Project Manager (SPOC)
- Adrienne O’Keefe, Communications and Engagement Specialist
- Marjorie Flanagan, Division Manager Museums and Cultural Programs
 - Carver Staff: Carre Adams, J. Savannah, Christine Pasculado, Dawn Burnside, and Freddie Crocheron

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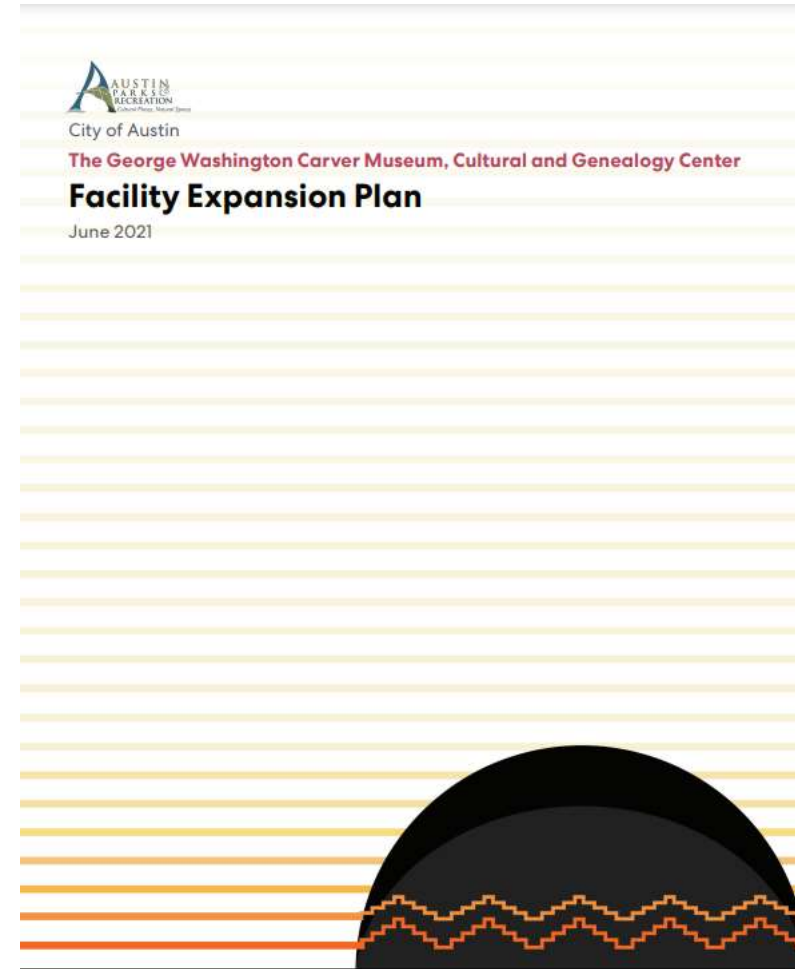
- Shuronda Robinson, CEO/President
- Millie Williams, Project Manager



Council-Approved 2021 Facility Expansion Plan

A 2000 Feasibility Study outlined an expansion plan for the Carver Museum which led to the construction of the facility you see today.

In 2021, Council approved a new Facility Expansion Plan, which incorporated extensive community engagement, ensuring the Carver remains a hub for history, education, and culture. Phase 1a and 1b are the first facility expansion recommendations identified in the 2021 plan.



Carver Phase 1a and 1b Improvements

Phase 1a:

Building Renovations

- New multi-purpose room in existing administrative suite
- New mezzanine-level administrative suite above the museum
- New elevator for accessing administrative suite
- Relocation of Juneteenth statues

Phase 1b:

Outdoor Spaces & Site Improvements

- New outdoor classrooms
- New community garden
- Renovation of existing public restrooms
- New flexible event lawn with covered pavilion

Community Engagement Scope

Inform:

- New mezzanine-level administrative suite above the museum (collaborate with Carver staff)
- New elevator for accessing administrative suite
- Renovation of existing public restrooms

Involve:

- New multi-purpose room in existing administrative suite
- New outdoor classrooms
- New community garden
- New flexible event lawn with covered pavilion
- Relocation of Juneteenth Statues

Community Engagement Opportunities

Community Open House

- Community Meeting (online)
Saturday, 12/7/24, 10 – 11:30 a.m.
- Community Meeting (in person)
Tuesday, 12/10/24, 4:30 – 6 p.m.
- Online Survey Launch
Early December 2024

Small Group Discussions

- Ambassador/Foundation Meetings
TBD
- Small Group Discussion (online #1)
Tuesday, 12/17/24, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- Small Group Discussion (online #2)
Tuesday, 1/7/25, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- Small Group Discussion (in person #1)
Thursday, 1/9/25, 5:30 – 7 p.m.
- Small Group Discussion (in person #2)
Saturday, 1/11/25, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Design Team Solicitation

Design team solicitation for Phase 1a and 1b of the George Washington Carver Museum, Cultural and Genealogy Center Facility Expansion:

- Solicitation posted: 10/28/2024
- Solicitation due date: 12/3/2024
- Anticipated evaluation period: 12/10/2024 – 1/14/2025
- Anticipated Council date for approval of selected proposal: 3/6/2025
- Anticipated contract execution: Spring 2025

Current available funding will provide preliminary design documents and construction cost estimates. Future Bond funding will be necessary to complete construction design documents, permitting, and construction.

Stay Informed

- Stay informed on all project information on our project webpage:
www.austintexas.gov/carverphase1





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