



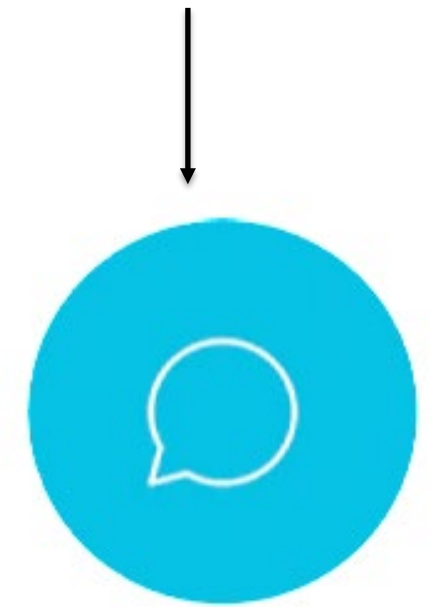
Congress Heights Recreation Center Community Meeting

Virtual Meeting
Tuesday, June 23, 2020
6:30 – 8:00 PM

Welcome! Thank you for your participation.

- Please keep your microphone on mute.
- Please use the chat feature to ask questions or provide comments which will be read during the “Question Breaks”.
- The chat function is located beside your name in the Participant Panel – looks like a cloud symbol. Be sure to submit your question / comment to “Everyone” so the design team can see them.
- We’ll do the best we can to answer all questions, but if your question is not answered, DPR is tracking all questions and will create a Q/A document that will be shared after the meeting.

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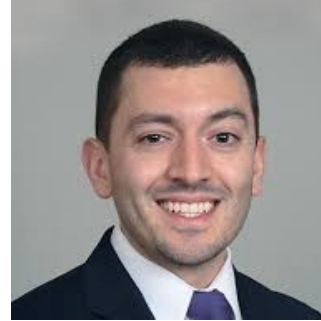


AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Project Overview
 - a. Questions: Break 1
3. Project Program
4. Project Site and Site Analysis
5. Project Design
 - a. Evolution of Concept Design
 - b. Concept Design
 - c. Concept Design Renderings
6. Next Steps
7. Contact Information
8. Questions: Break 2

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DC Government Presenters



Diego Martinez
DGS Project Manager



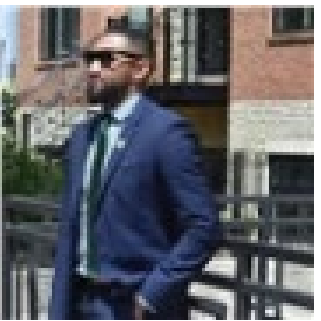
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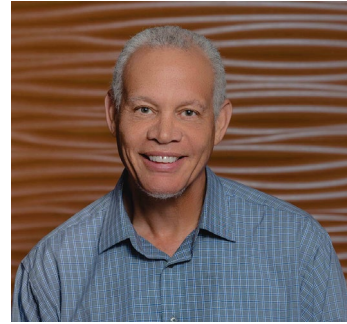
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Wayne Gore
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Design Team Presenters



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Project Designer



Jose Soliz
Civil Engineer



Lanshing Hwang,
Landscape Architect

This project includes:

1. Redesign and reconfiguration of the existing Congress Heights Recreation Center.
2. Construction of a new recreation center to accommodate an expanded program of interior and exterior activities.
3. Park improvements: Include installation of neighborhood requested park amenities, improved pedestrian and vehicular access, and coordination with MLK School activities
4. Community trails and gardens.

PROJECT OVERVIEW – Site Overview



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Funding Overview:

- *Original Budget:* **\$18,000,000**
- *Additional:* **\$3,000,000**
- *Total Project Budget:* **\$21,000,000**

Milestone Schedule Overview:

- *Construction Start: Summer 2021*
- *Project Completion: Summer 2022*

How We Got Here

- Updated the concept plans based on community feedback from the online survey and community meetings
 - Previous Community Meetings
 - March 26, 2019
 - January 23, 2020
 - February 13, 2020
- Reviewed and updated the plans based on feedback from:
 - DPR, DGS, DC Dept. Of Energy & Environment, Urban Forestry Division, DC Public Schools, Historic Preservation Office, Commission of Fine Arts, DC Water, and other government agencies



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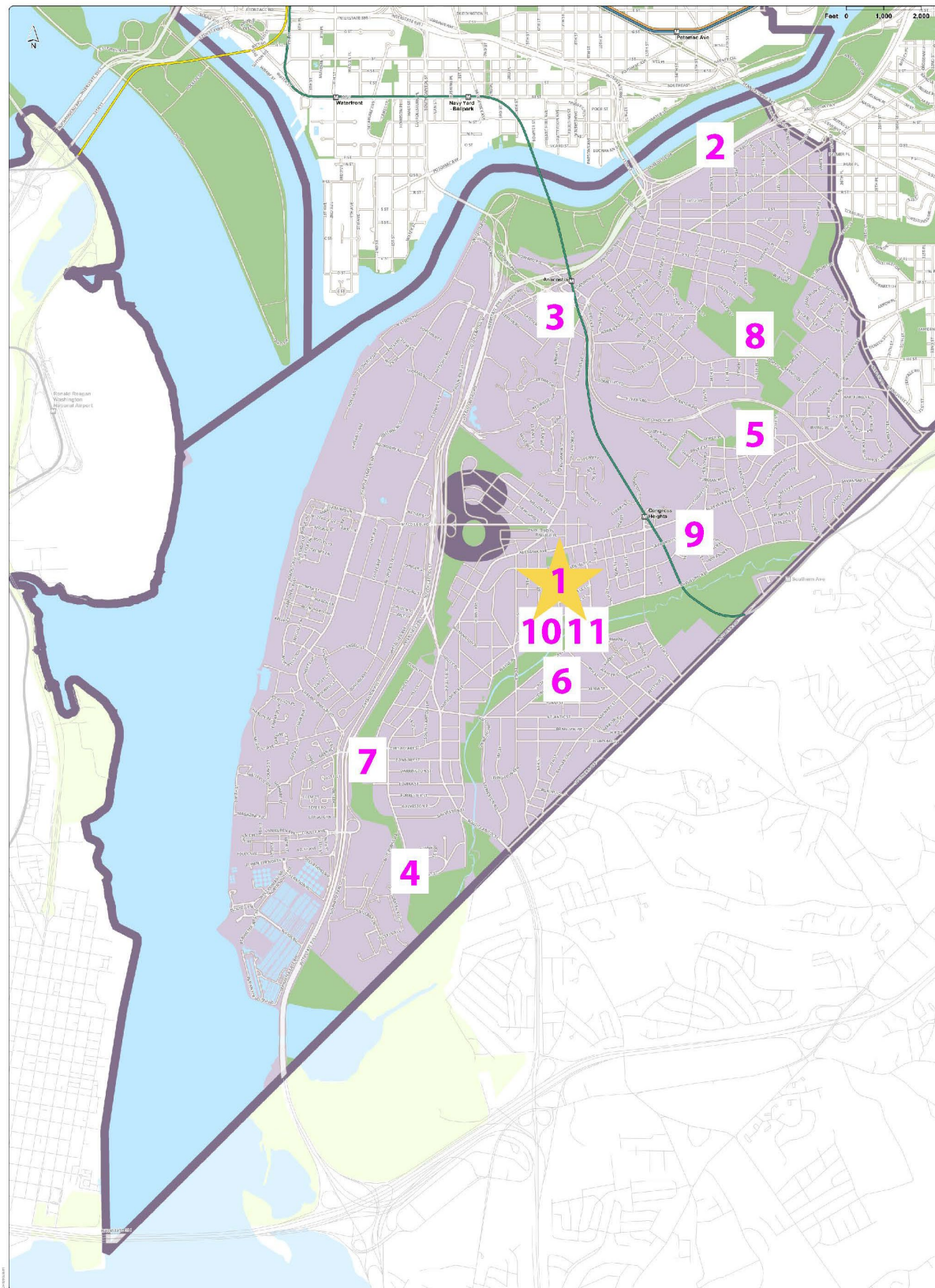
Program Includes:

- Youth football and artificial multi-purpose sports field
- Splash pad
- Walking track and nature trail
- Multi-use room
- Indoor basketball gym
- Fitness center
- Outdoor basketball court
- Bowling alley (2-lanes)
- Music room
- Community gardens
- Incubation kitchen
- Community store

Wish List:

- Full-sized football field
- Pool
- BMX pump track
- On-site equine therapy (although visits may be an alternative)

PROJECT PROGRAM – Community Amenities Map



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ANACOSTIA RECREATION CENTER & OUTDOOR POOL



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BARRY FARM RECREATION & INDOOR POOL



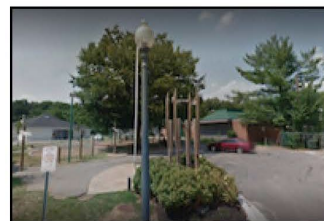
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DOUGLASS COMMUNITY CENTER & OUTDOOR POOL



WARD 8 RECREATION CENTERS AND AMENITIES

- 9 RECREATION CENTERS
- 1 SPECIALTY CENTER
- 4 OUTDOOR POOLS
- 2 INDOOR POOLS
- 1 SPRAY PARK

- 11 BASEBALL DIAMONDS
- 22 OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS
- 18 OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURTS
- 12 PLAYGROUNDS
- 5 ATHLETIC FIELDS

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FEREBEE HOPE RECREATION & INDOOR POOL



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FORT GREBLE RECREATION CENTER & SPRAY PARK



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FORT STANTON RECREATION CENTER & OUTDOOR POOL



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MALCOLM X OPPORTUNITY CENTER



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OXON RUN OUTDOOR POOL



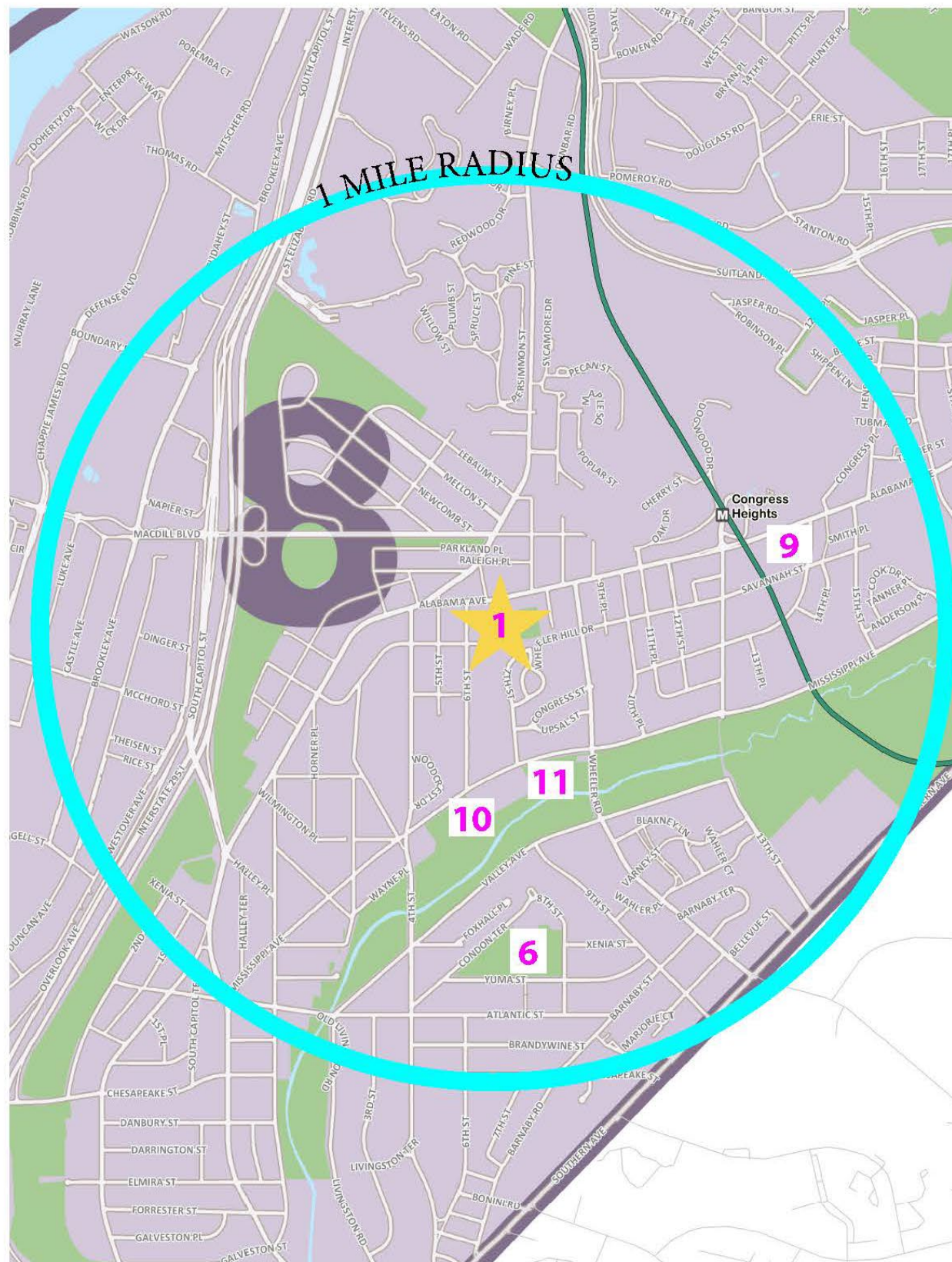
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SE TENNIS CENTER SPECIALTY RECREATION CENTER



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CONGRESS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD RECREATION CENTERS AND AMENITIES

WITHIN 1 MILE RADIUS

- INDOOR POOL
- OUTDOOR POOL
- OPPORTUNITY CENTER
- SPECIALTY TENNIS CENTER

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FEREBEE HOPE
RECREATION & INDOOR POOL



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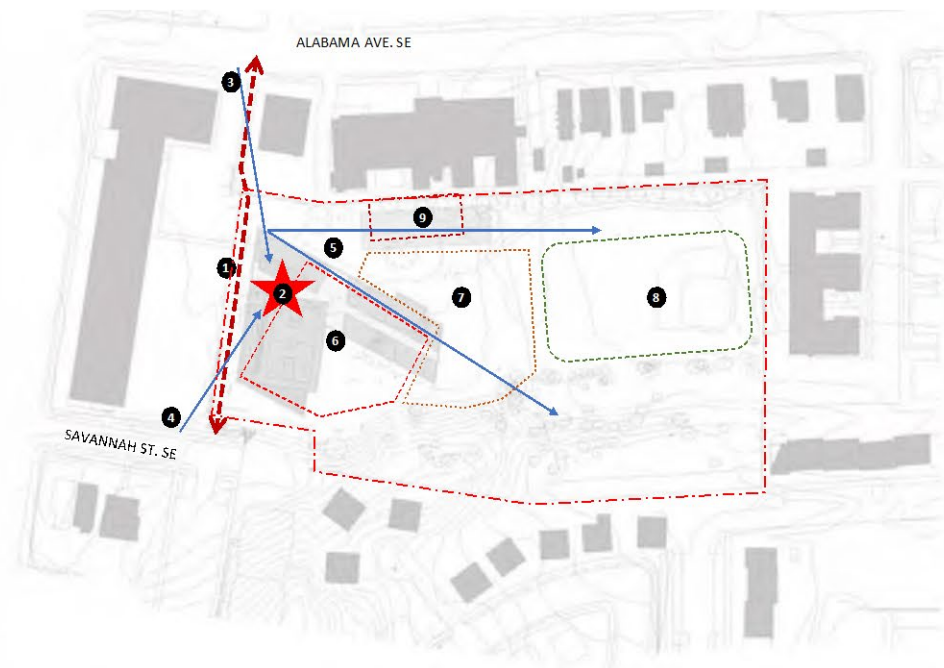
PROJECT SITE AND SITE ACCESS



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PROJECT DESIGN – Evolution of Concept

EARLY CONCEPTUAL SITE ANALYSIS



- COMMENT SUMMARY:
- 1 LIKE THE IDEA OF A MAIN PEDESTRIAN CONNECTOR BETWEEN ALABAMA AVENUE & SAVANNAH STREET
 - 2 LOCATE BUILDING ENTRY ALONG THE MAIN PEDESTRIAN CONNECTOR
 - 3 ALABAMA AVE APPROACH VIEW OF BUILDING ENTRY
 - 4 SAVANNAH ST. APPROACH VIEW OF BUILDING ENTRY
 - 5 MAINTAIN OPEN VIEW OF THE PARK
 - 6 ROTATE RECREATION BUILDING CLOCKWISE TO MAINTAIN OPEN VIEW TO THE PARK
 - 7 LOCATE OUTDOOR PARK AMENITIES
 - 8 INVESTIGATE REGULATION FIELD SIZES THAT WILL FIT THE SITE
 - 9 GOOD LOCATION OF PARKING

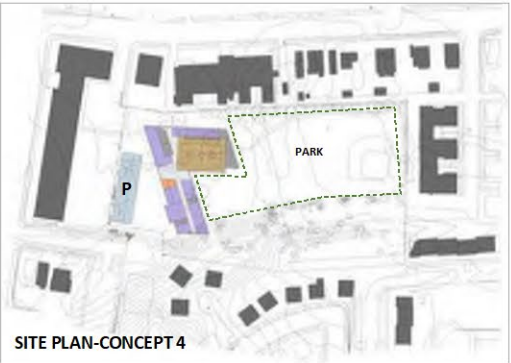
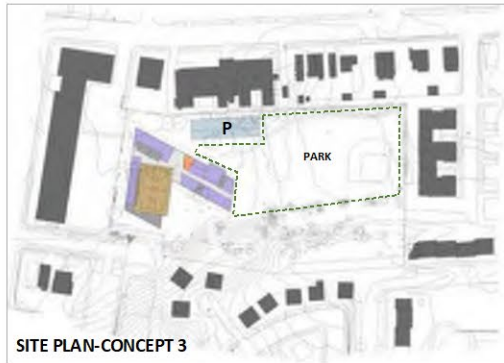
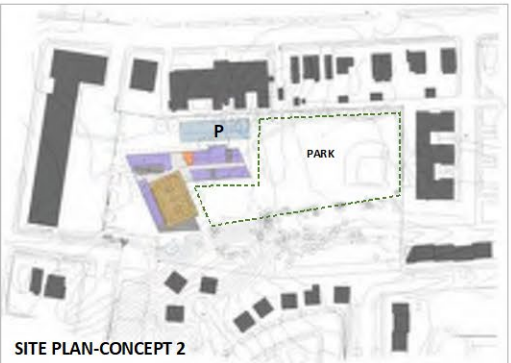
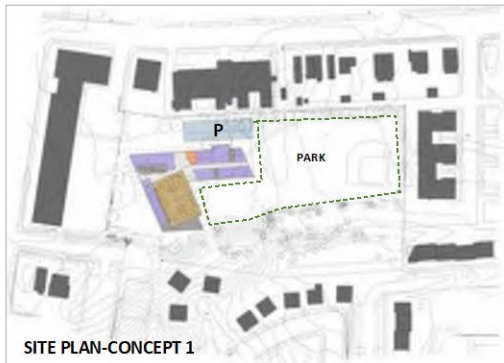
DPR SITE PLAN COMMENTS (03-19-2020 CONFERENCE CALL)



PLAYFIELD EXAMINATION



RECAP OF SITE PLAN CONCEPTS
4/01/2020 PRESENTATION



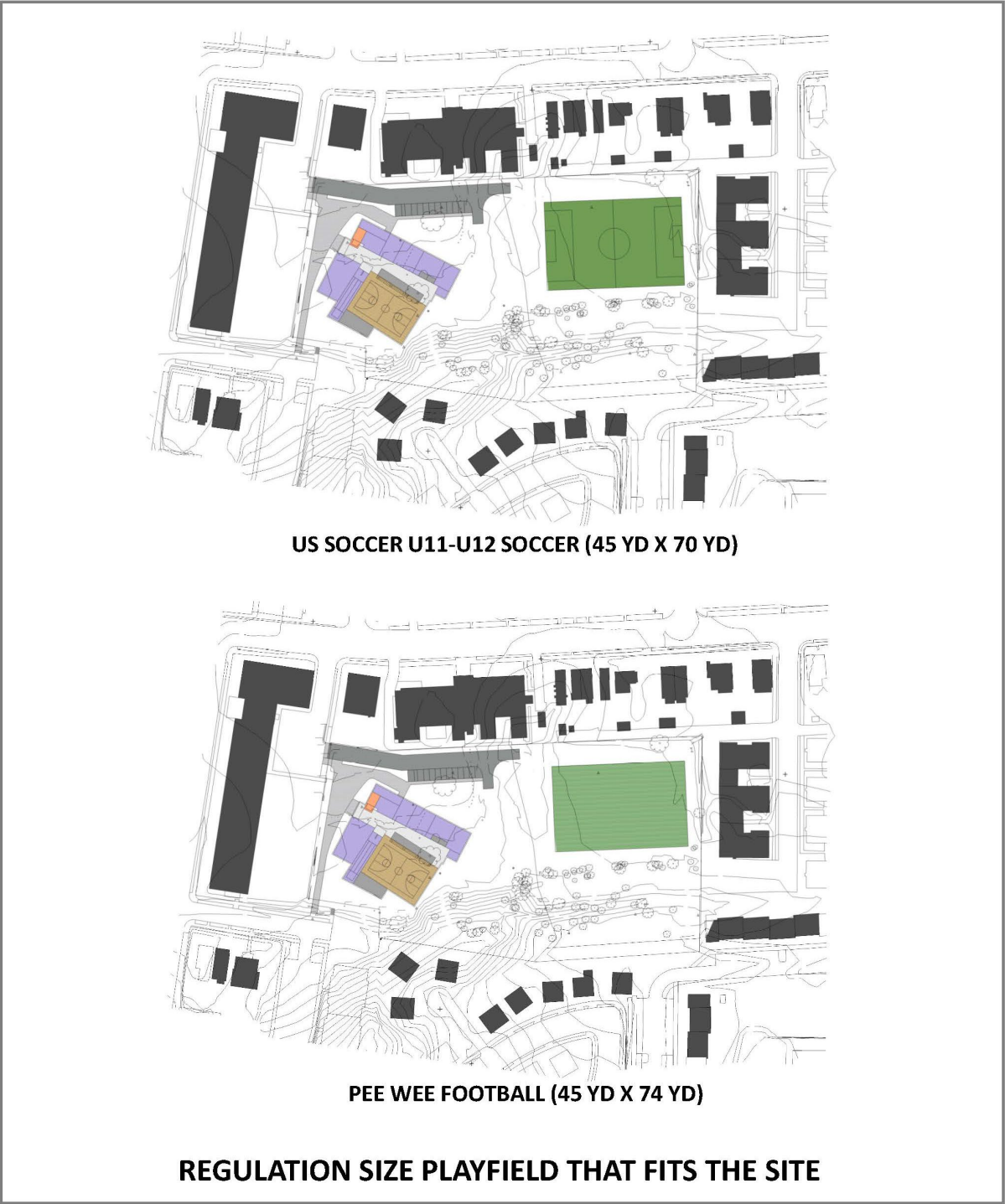
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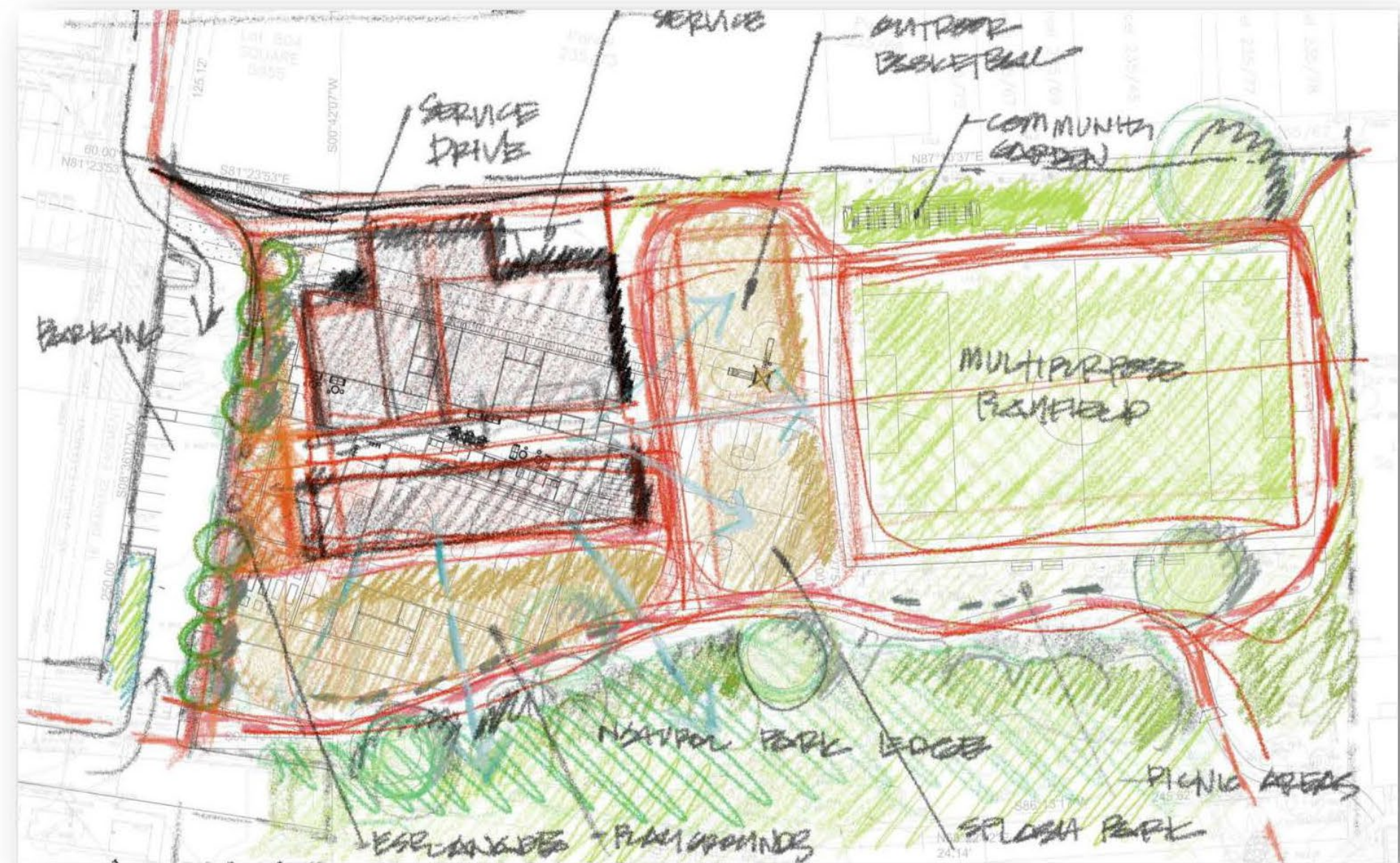


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REVISED SITE PLAN CONCEPT

THE UNIQUE FEATURE OF THE PARK IS THE NATURAL EDGE LOCATED AT SOUTH OF THE PROPERTY. AS THIS AREA GET REFORESTED AND MATURES, THIS SMALL ENCLAVE HAS A POTENTIAL TO BE A NEIGHBORHOOD NATURAL REFUGE FROM THE URBAN LIFE AND A NATURALIST EDUCATIONAL TOOL FOR THE YOUNG. THE REVISED SITE LAYOUT PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING:

- CREATES A STRONGER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE NEW PARK AMENITIES (RECREATION BUILDING, PLAYGROUND/SPLASH PARK AREAS & TRAILS) WITH THE NATURAL PARK EDGE ON THE SOUTH OF THE SITE.
- PROVIDES ACCESS BOTH VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN FROM ALABAMA AVENUE AND SAVANNAH STREET. THE NEW DRIVE AND PEDESTRIAN ESPLANADE WILL ESTABLISH A NEW FRONT OF THE PARK/REC FACILITY AND ENHANCE ITS PRESENCE.
- ENHANCES THE VIEWS OF THE BUILDING'S COMMUNITY SPACES TO THE PARK.
- CONSOLIDATES THE BUILDING SERVICE AND FIELD EMERGENCY ACCESS TO THE NORTH AND ADJACENT TO THE CHURCH PROPERTY SERVICE AREA.
- PRESERVES THE SPECIMEN TREES IN THE SITE.

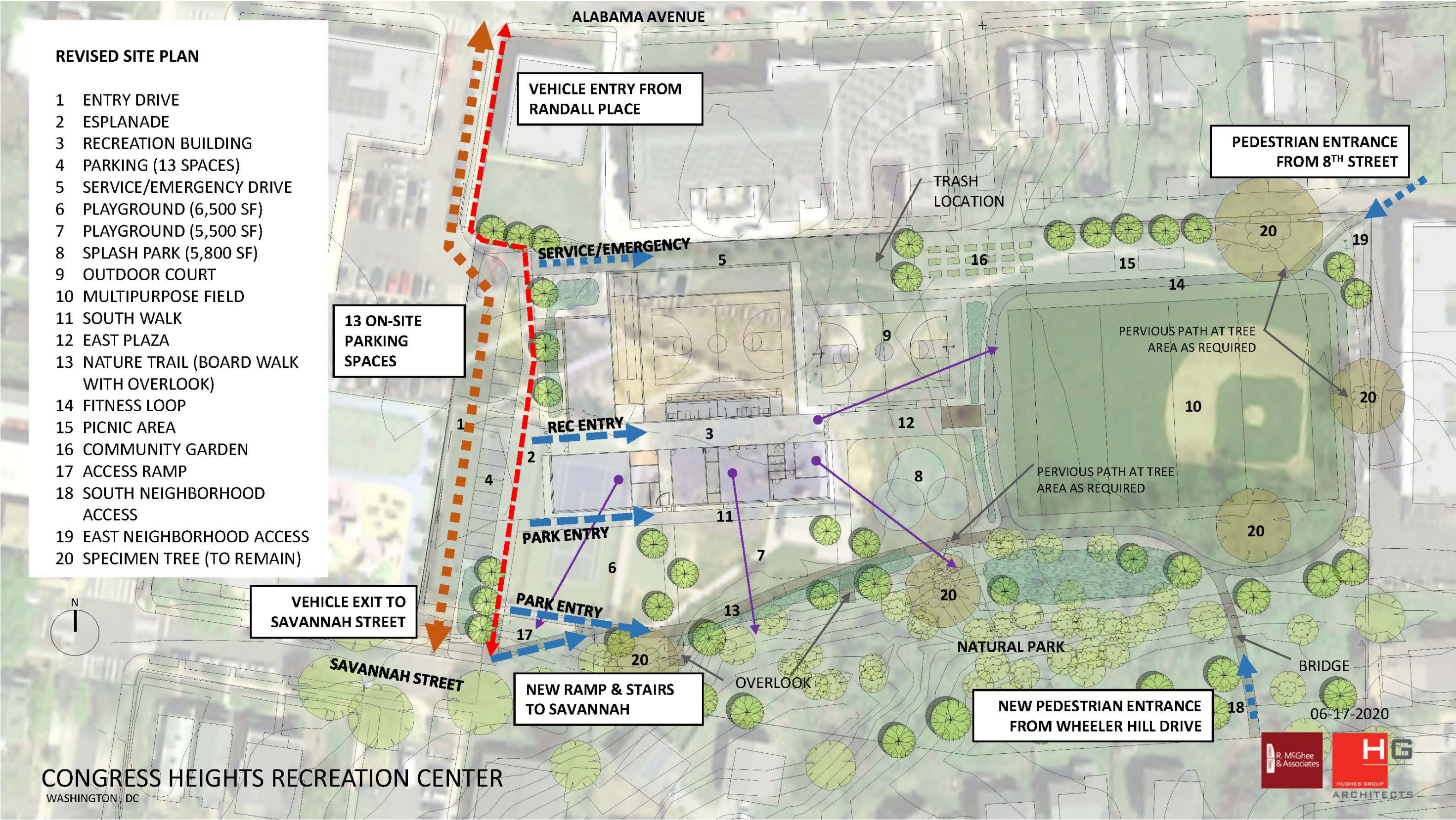


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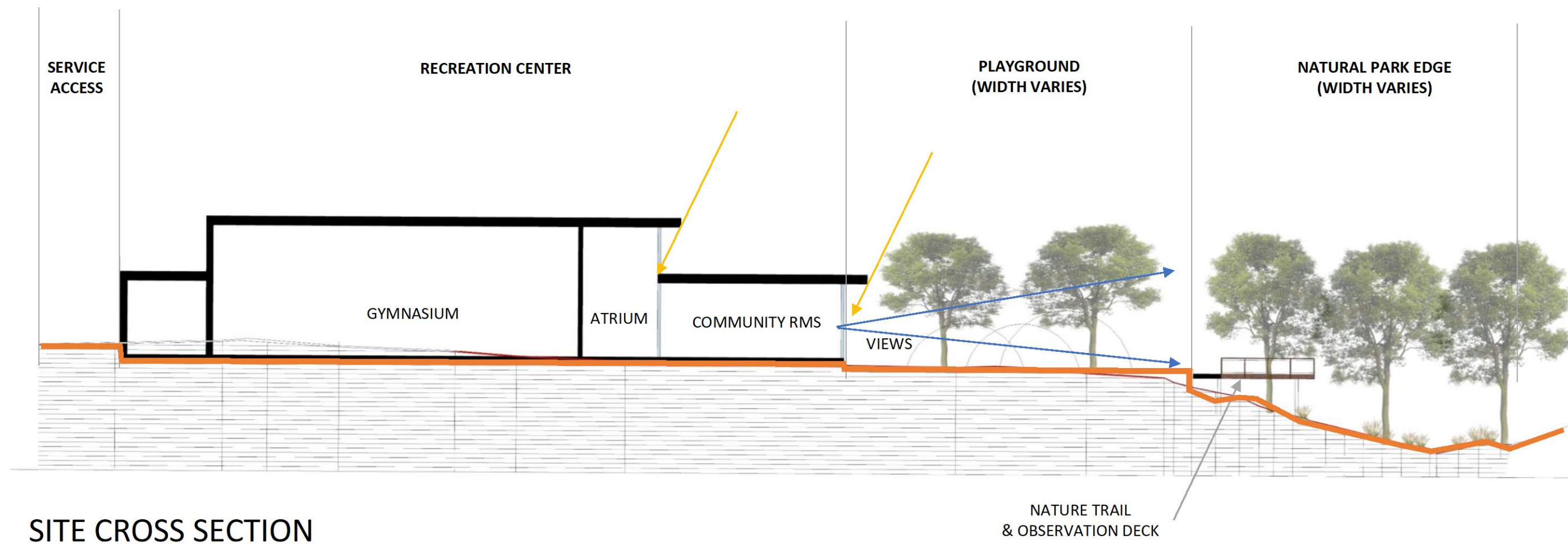
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PROJECT DESIGN – Proposed Site Design



OUTDOOR COURT



COMMUNITY GARDEN



PICNIC PAVILION



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MULTIPURPOSE FIELD



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PARK AMENITIES

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NATURE TRAIL



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SPLASH PARK



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ALABAMA AVENUE VIEW



FIELD VIEW



SAVANNAH STREET VIEW

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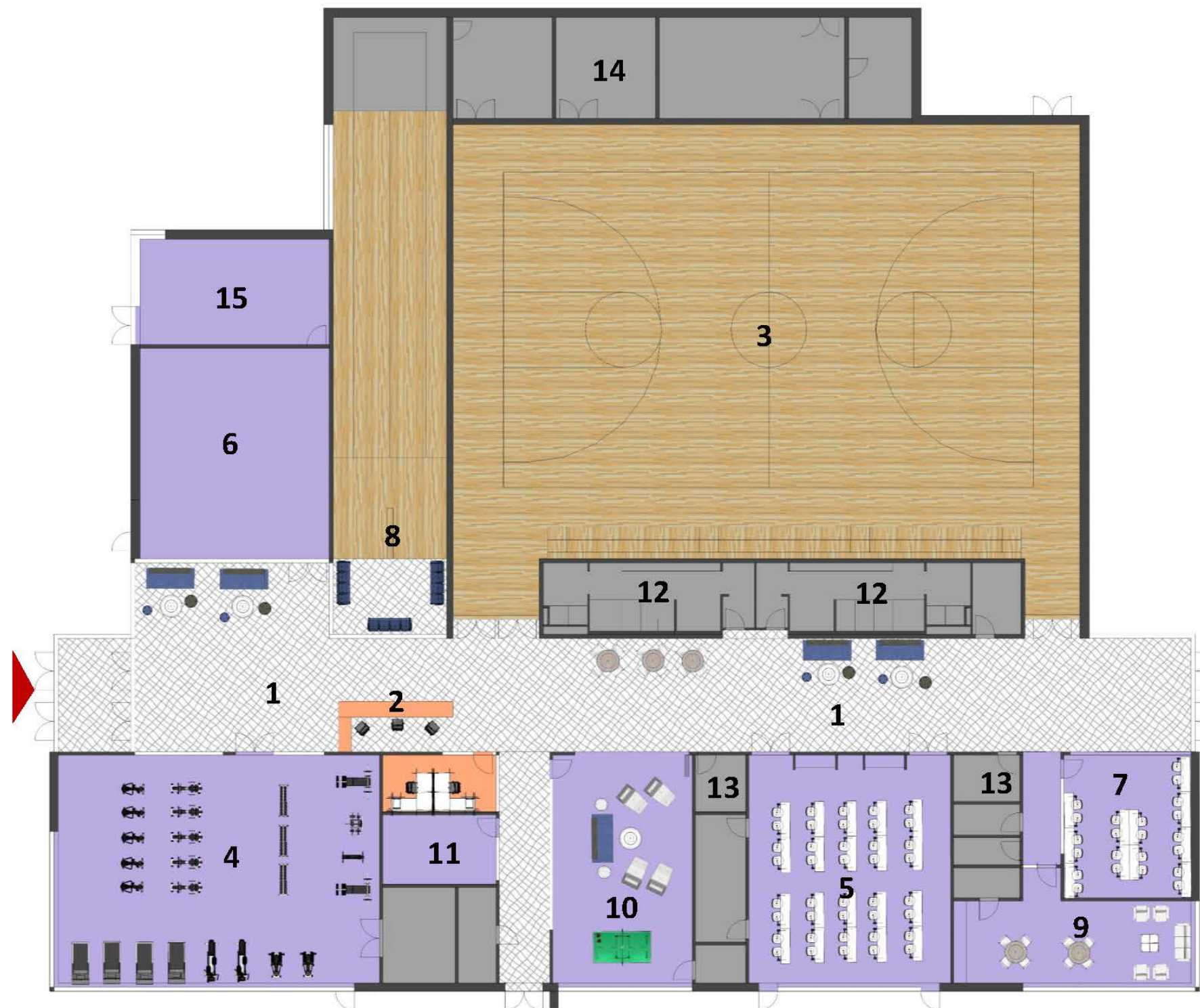
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FLOOR PLAN

- 1 COMMUNITY ATRIUM
- 2 CONTROL DESK/ ADMIN
- 3 GYMNASIUM
- 4 FITNESS CENTER
- 5 ACTIVITY ROOM # 1
- 6 INCUBATOR KITCHEN
- 7 TECHNOLOGY LOUNGE
- 8 2-LANE BOWLING ALLEY
- 9 ACTIVITY ROOM # 2
- 10 TEEN LOUNGE
- 11 MUSIC ROOM
- 12 TOILET/LOCKERS
- 13 UNIVERSAL CHANGING
- 14 BUILDING SUPPORT
- 15 COMMUNITY STORE



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COMMUNITY ATRIUM

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BOWLING ALLEY



FITNESS ROOM

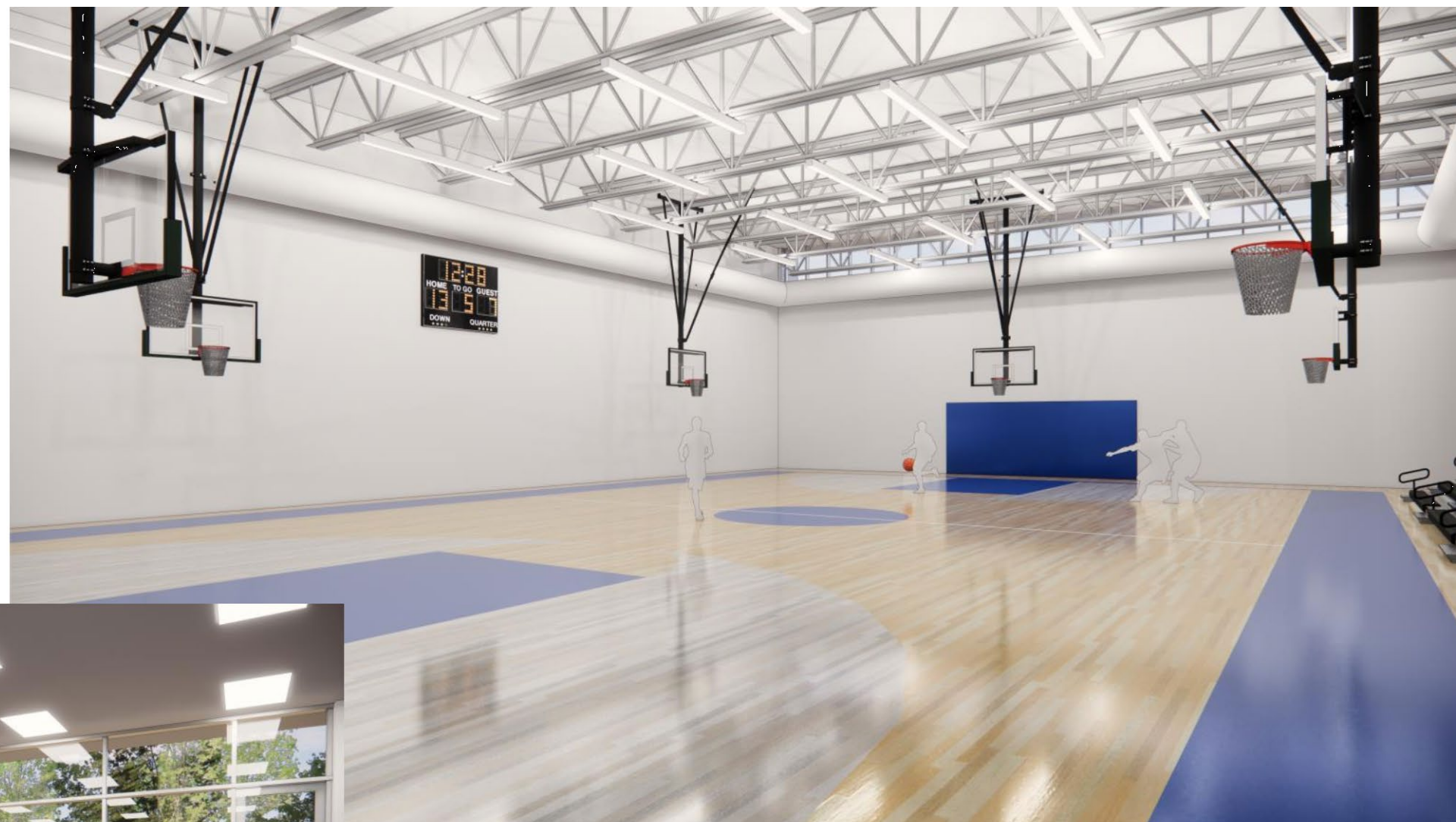
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TEEN LOUNGE



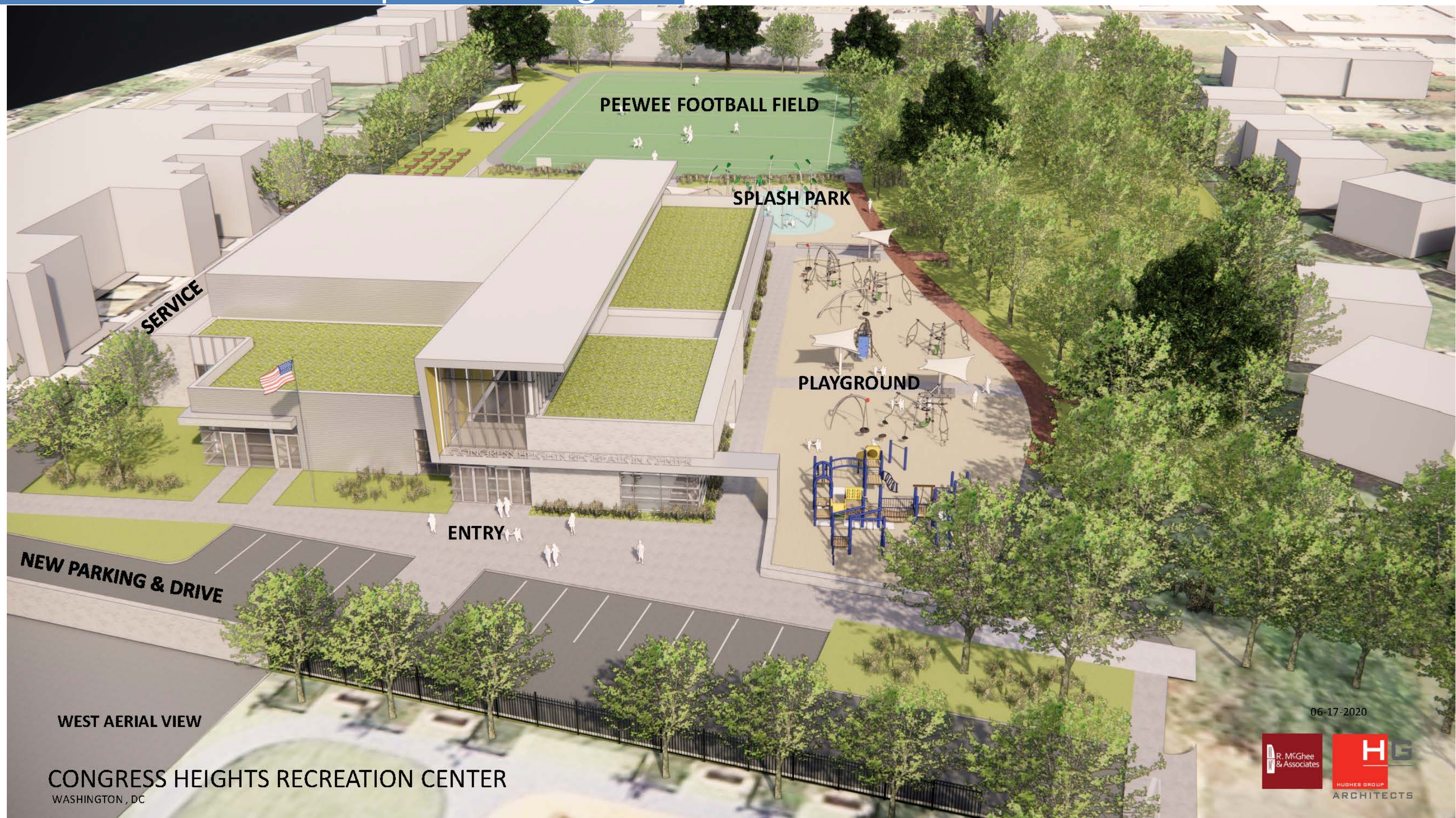
GYMNASIUM



ACTIVITY ROOM # 1

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Next Steps

1. Continue to develop concept plans based on community feedback
2. Host future community meetings
3. Begin permit process
4. Hire a contractor

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