



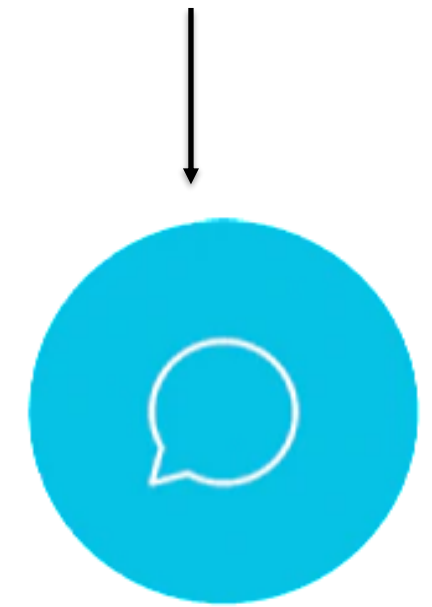
Congress Heights Recreation Center Community Meeting

Virtual Meeting
Monday, February 1, 2021
6:30 – 8:00 PM

Welcome! Thank you for your participation.

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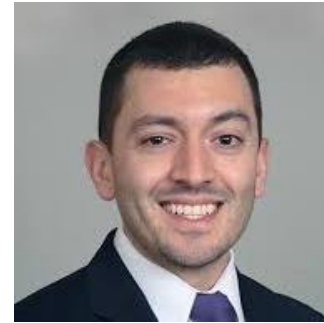


AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Project Overview
3. Proposed Site Layout
4. Proposed Building Layout
5. Proposed Building Amenities
6. Proposed Site Amenities
7. Next Steps
8. Contact Information
9. Questions & Answers

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DC Government Presenters



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DGS Project Manager



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DPR Project Manager



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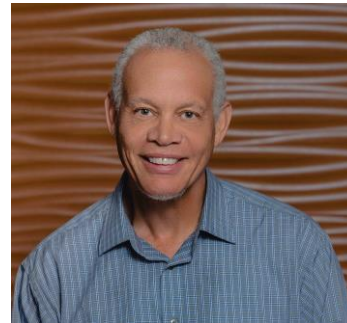
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DGS Associate Director of External Affairs



Wayne Gore
DGS Community Outreach Coordinator

Congress Heights Recreation Center

Design Team Presenters



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Principal



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Project Manager



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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



Congress Heights Recreation Center



Funding Overview:

- *Original Budget:* **\$18,000,000**
- *Additional Funding:* **\$4,000,000**
- *Total Project Budget:* **\$22,000,000**

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
 - June 23, 2020 (Virtual)
- 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



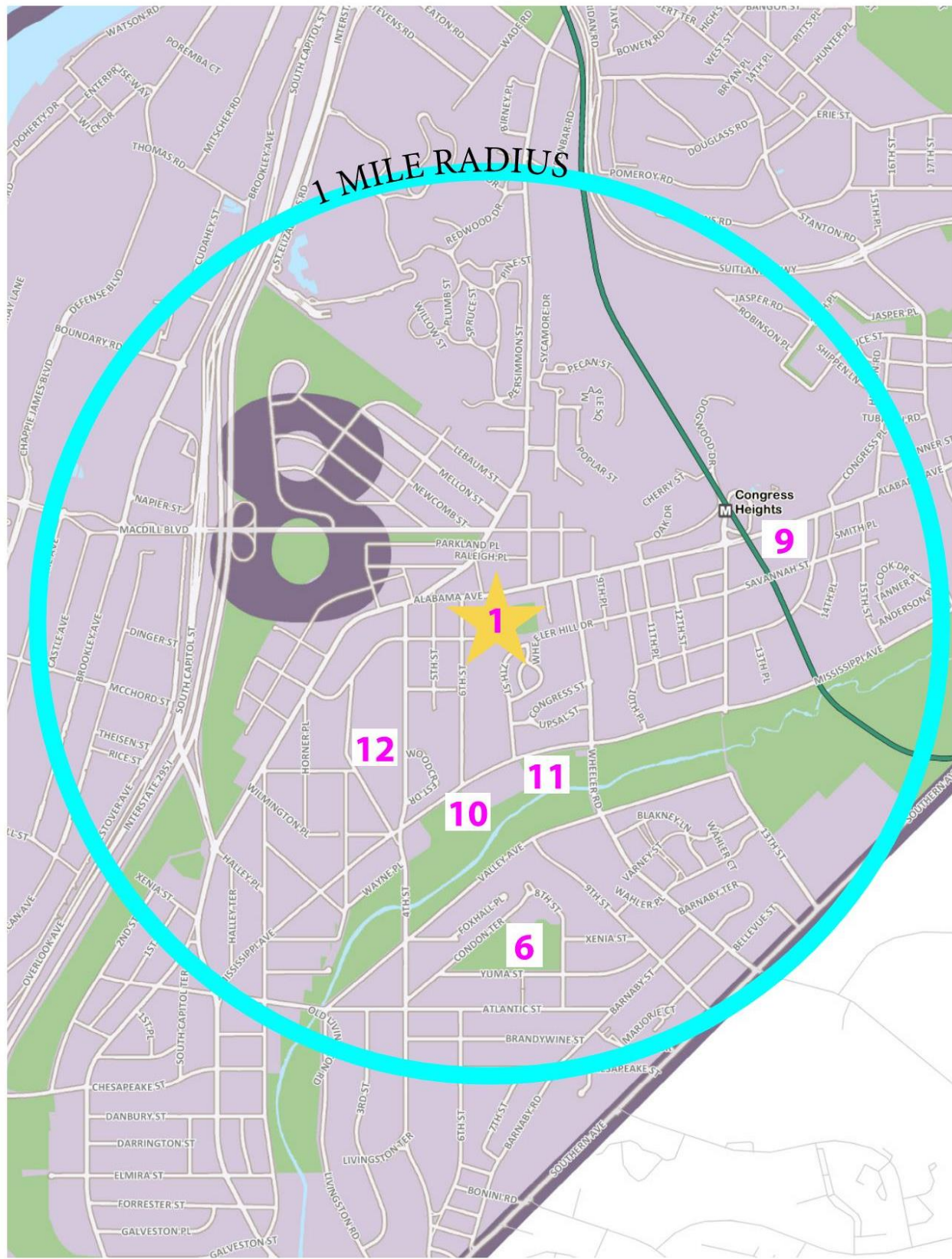
POOL ACCESS

- Ballou HS Community Pool Update:

- To, recap, we anticipate that...
- Request For Proposals will be issued by March 15, 2021
- Demolition 6-8 weeks
- Construction completion: Fall 2021



PROJECT PROGRAM – Community Amenities Map



CONGRESS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD RECREATION CENTERS AND AMENITIES

WITHIN 1 MILE RADIUS

- 2 INDOOR POOLS
- 1 OUTDOOR POOL
- 1 OPPORTUNITY CENTER
- 1 SPECIALTY TENNIS CENTER

6 FEREBEE HOPE RECREATION & INDOOR POOL

12 BALLOU SENIOR HS INDOOR POOL

10 OXON RUN OUTDOOR POOL

9 MALCOLM X OPPORTUNITY CENTER

11 SE TENNIS CENTER SPECIALTY RECREATION CENTER

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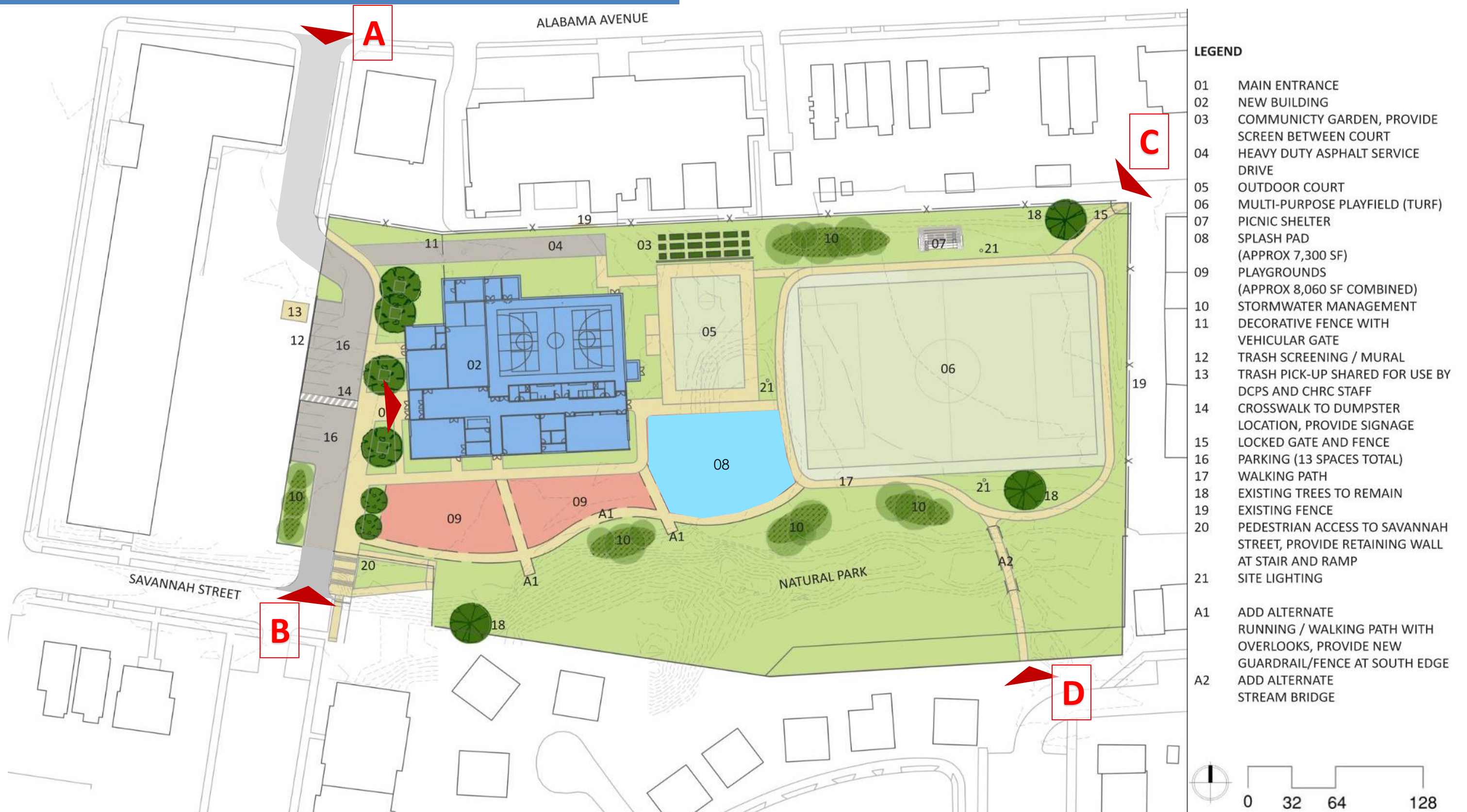


EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

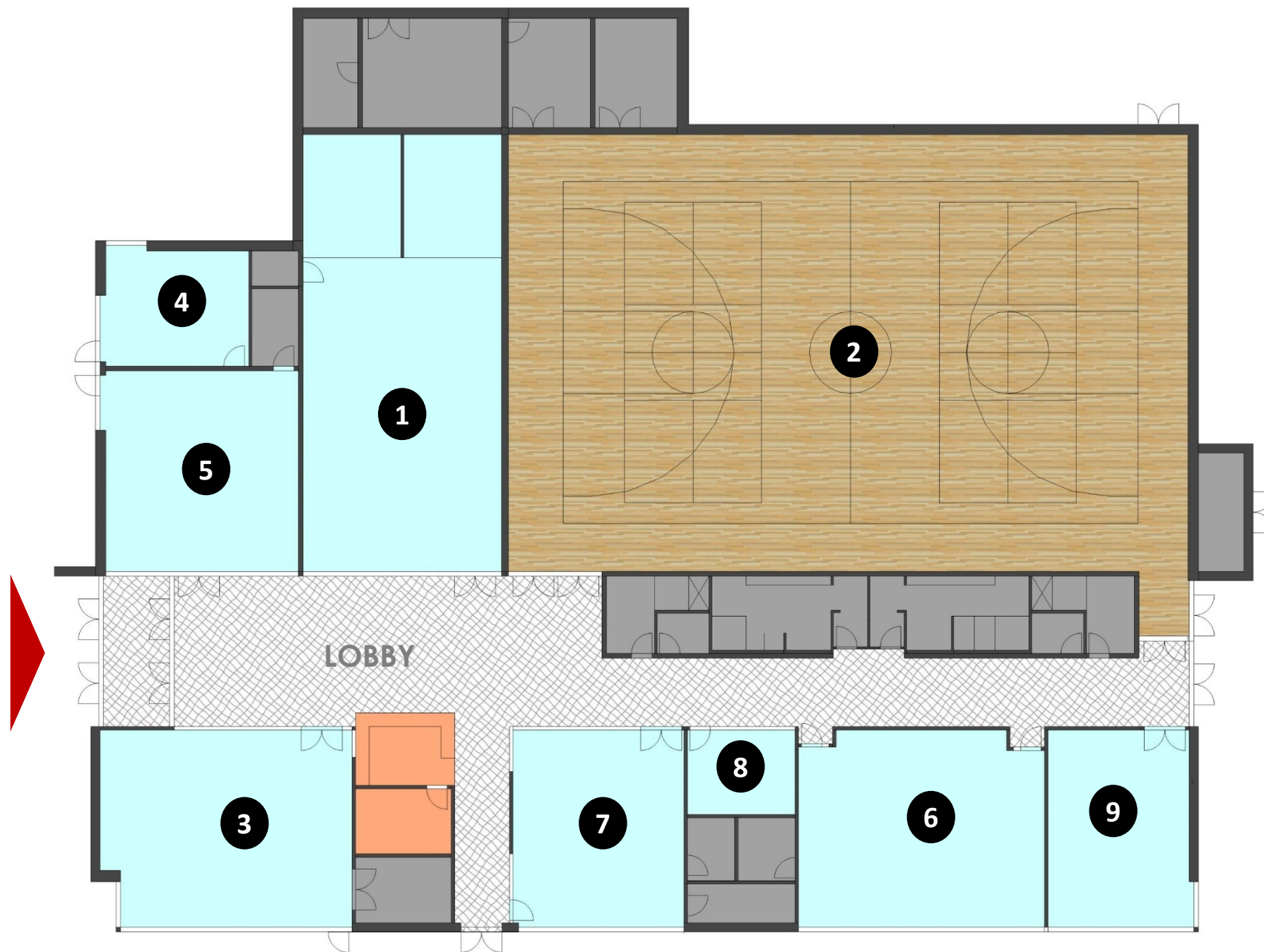


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PROPOSED SITE LAYOUT



SUMMARY



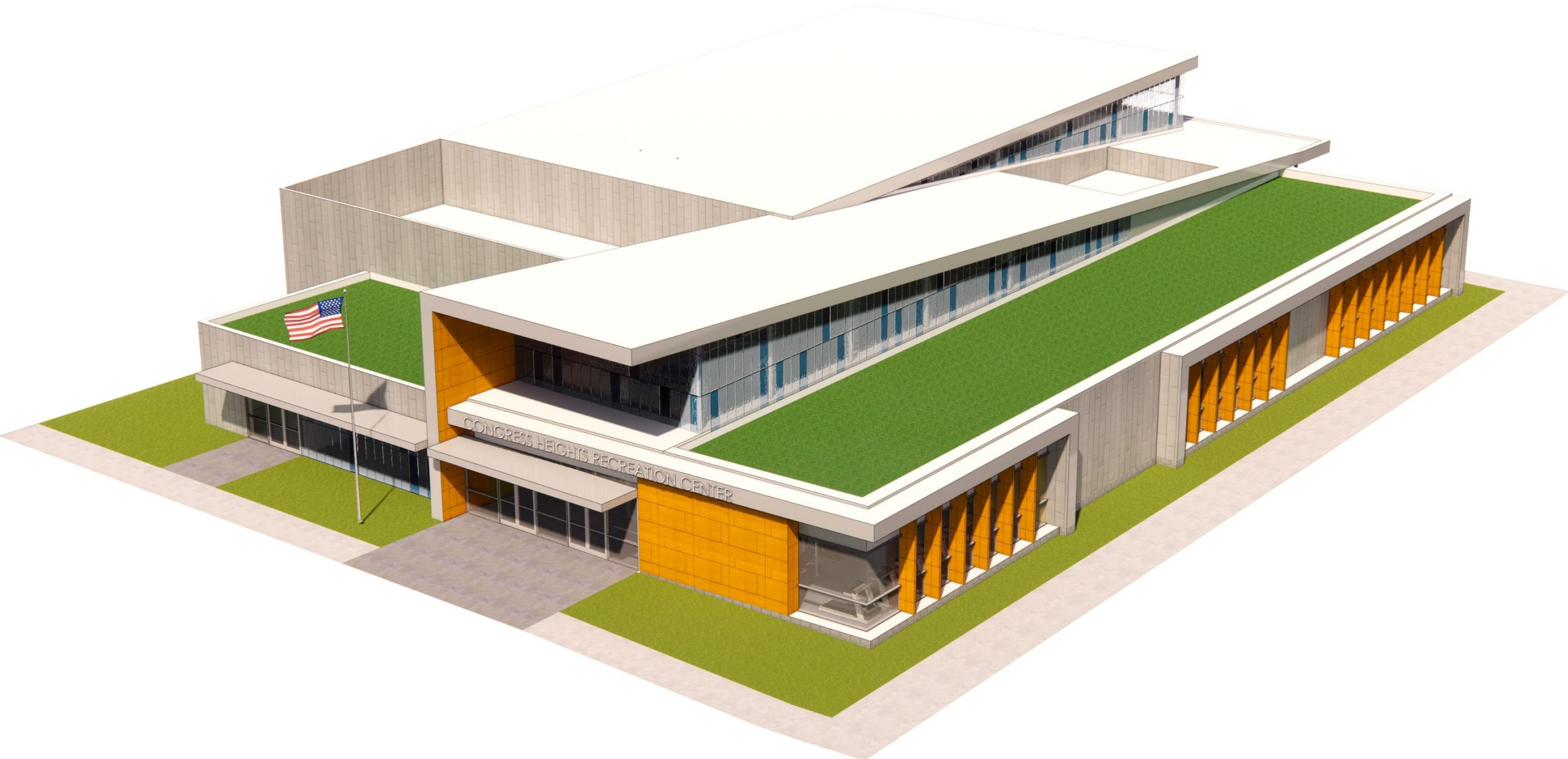
BUILDING AMENITIES:

- 1 ESPORTS CENTER: 1,852 SF
- 2 FULL COURT GYMNASIUM: 6,050 SF
- 3 FITNESS CENTER: 1,014 SF
- 4 COMMUNITY STORE: 370 SF
- 5 INCUBATOR KITCHEN: 833 SF
- 6 ACTIVITY ROOM # 1: 1,006 SF
- 7 TEEN CENTER: 720 SF
- 8 MUSIC ROOM: 194 SF
- 9 SENIOR LOUNGE: 600 SF

SITE AMENITIES:

- SPLASH PAD: 7,300 SF
- TWO PLAYGROUNDS
- OUTDOOR COURT
- MULTIPURPOSE PLAYFIELD
- PICNIC SHELTER
- COMMUNITY GARDEN
- OVERLOOK DECKS

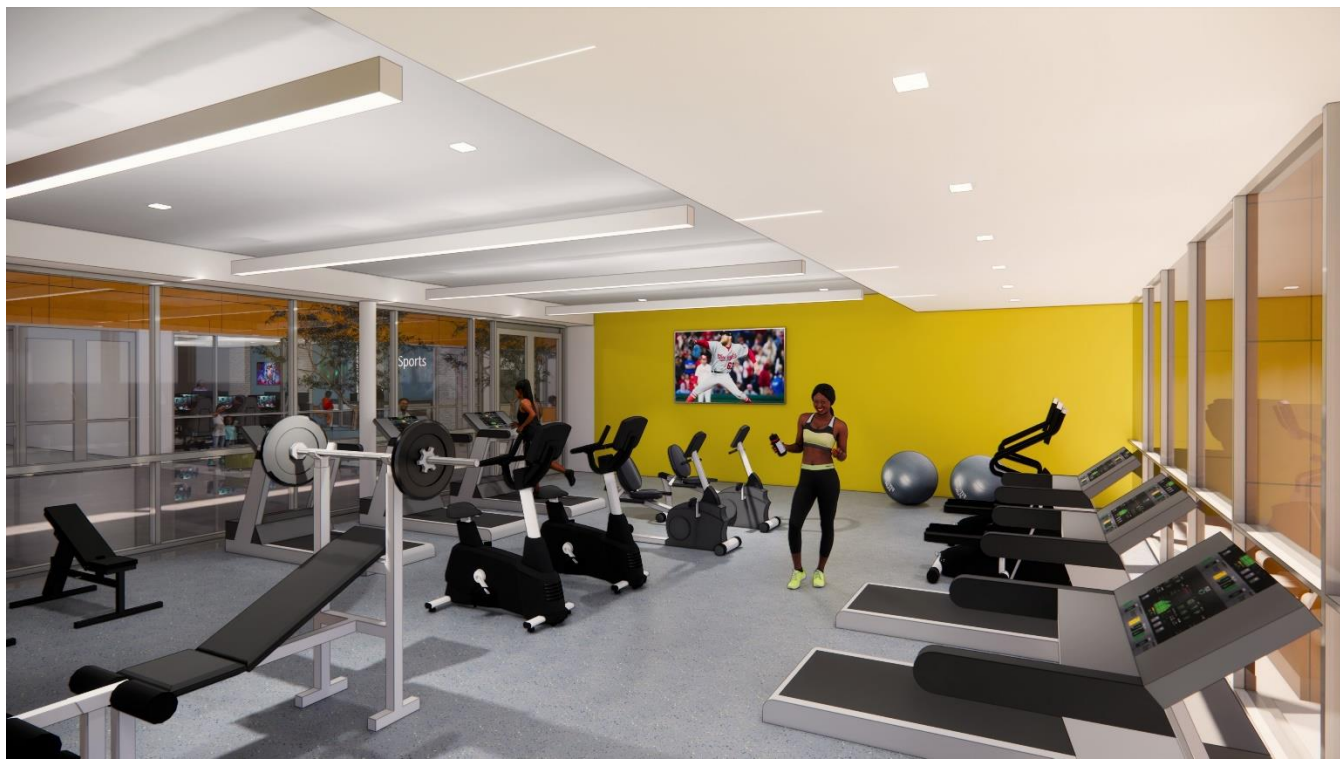
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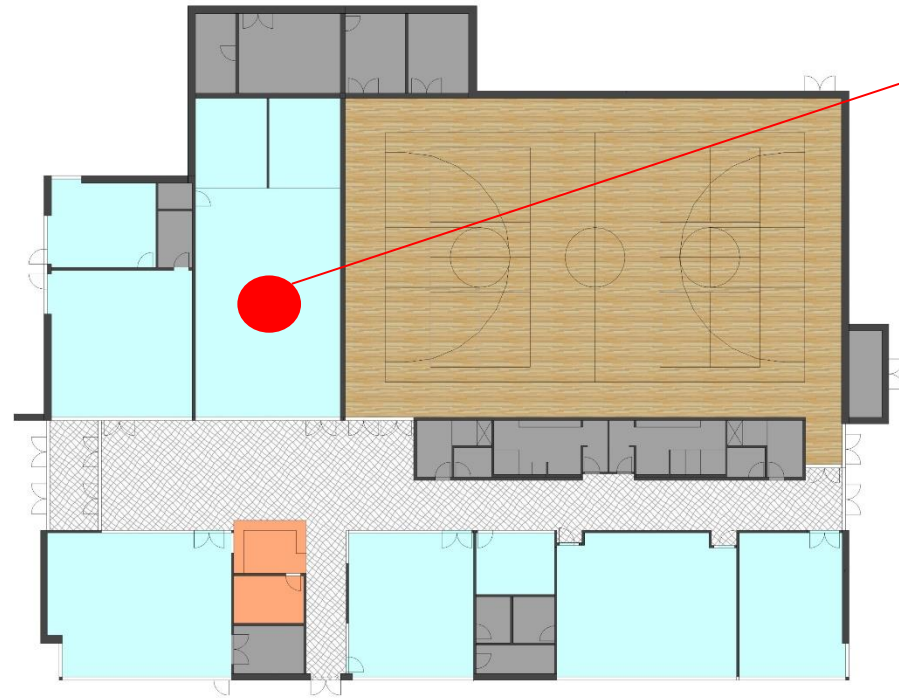


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KEY BUILDING AMENITIES

ESPORTS CENTER: 1,852 SF



Gaming Areas

Lounge Areas



Multi-Generational Game Simulators



ESPORTS

Gaming Areas



- Unique individual and group entertainment
- Provide opportunities for team building
- Provide training and opportunities for college esports scholarships (<https://nacesports.org/>)

Game Simulators



- Unique individual and group entertainment
- Multigenerational and family virtual sports experience
- Access to a variety of sport activities

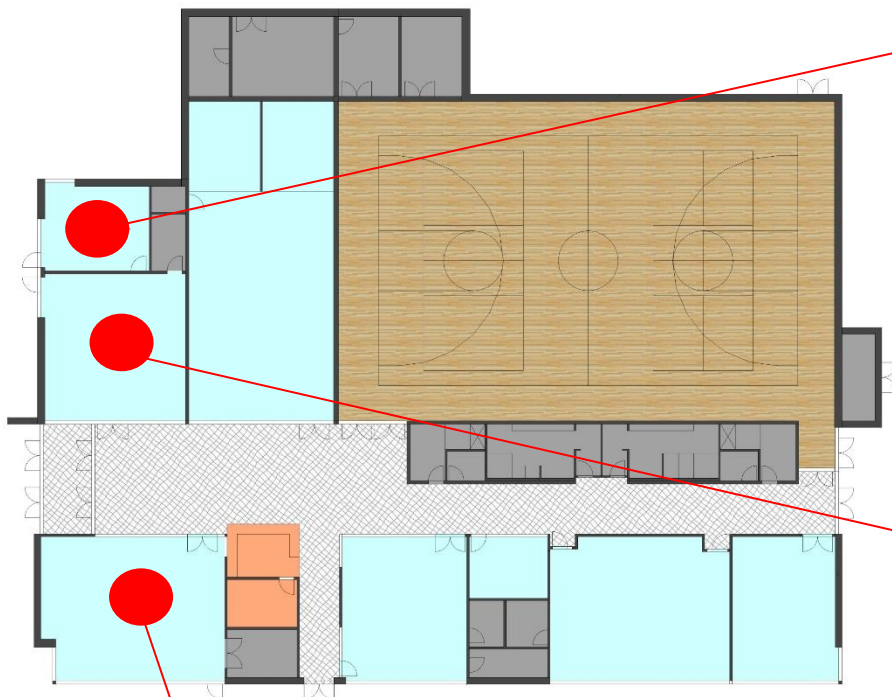
E-Gaming Video

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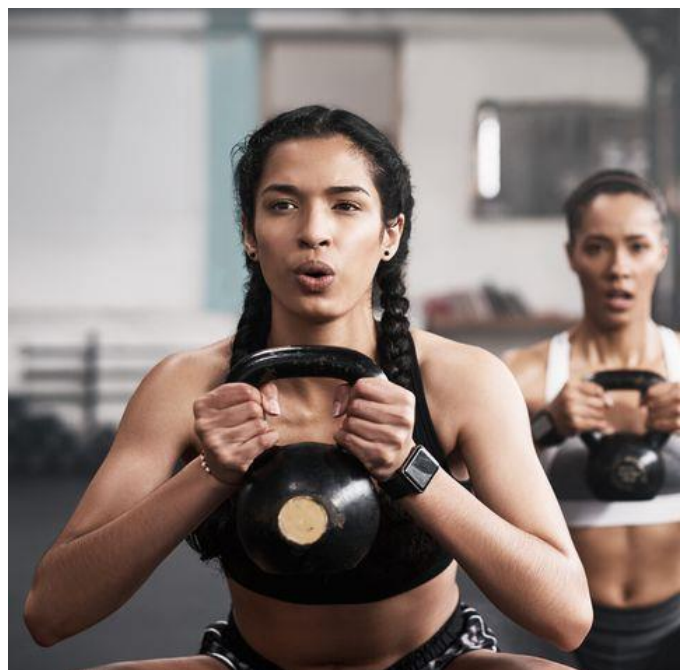
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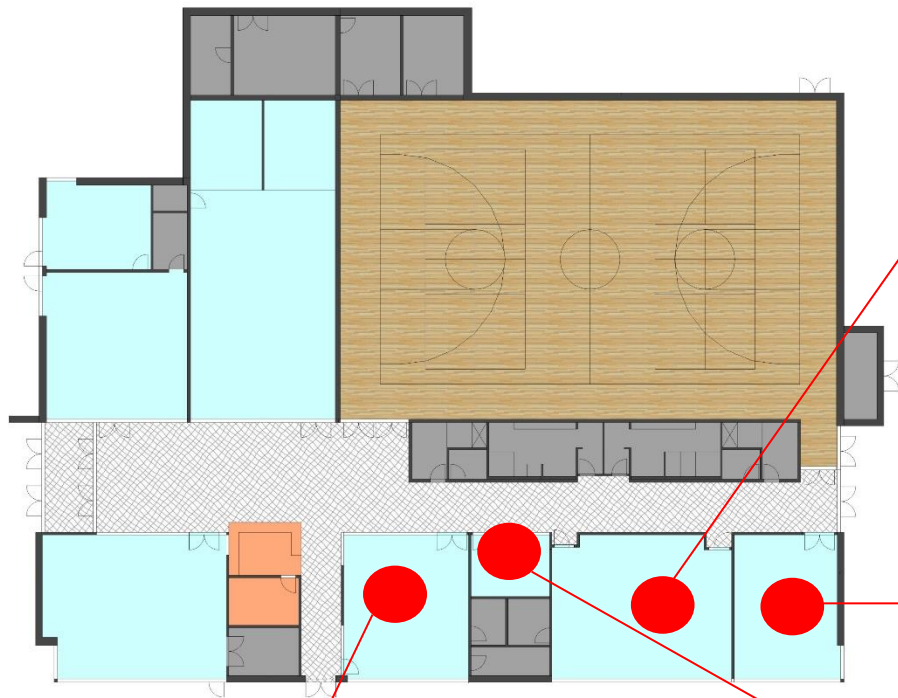


FITNESS CENTER: 1,014 SF



KEY BUILDING AMENITIES

ACTIVITY ROOM: 1,006 SF



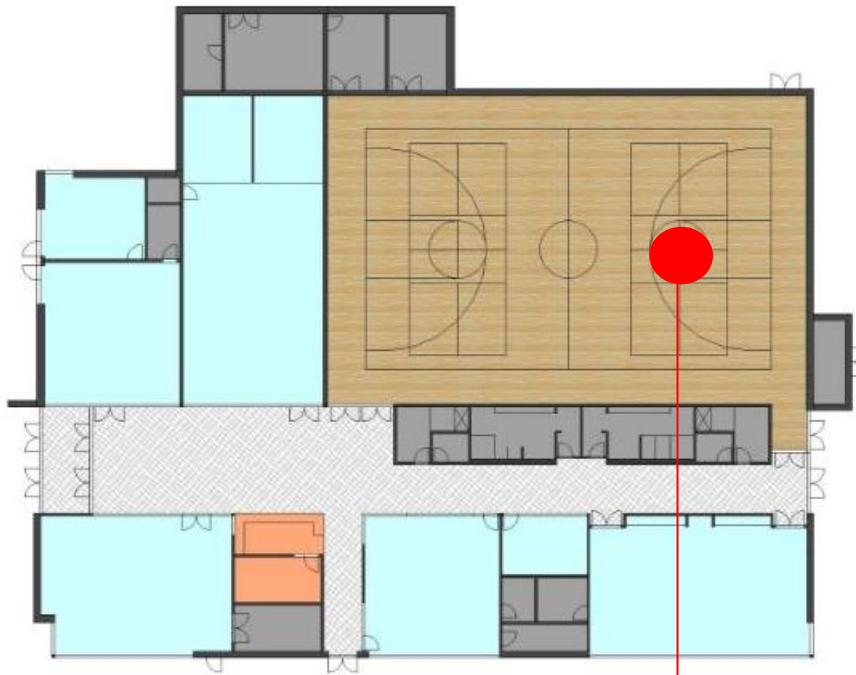
SENIOR LOUNGE: 600 SF

TEEN CENTER: 720 SF

MUSIC ROOM: 209 SF



KEY BUILDING AMENITIES



**FULL COURT GYMNASIUM:
6,050 SF**



- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Pickle Ball
- Aerobics/ Dance
- Social and Community Event

KEY SITE AMENITIES

COMMUNITY GARDEN



OUTDOOR COURT



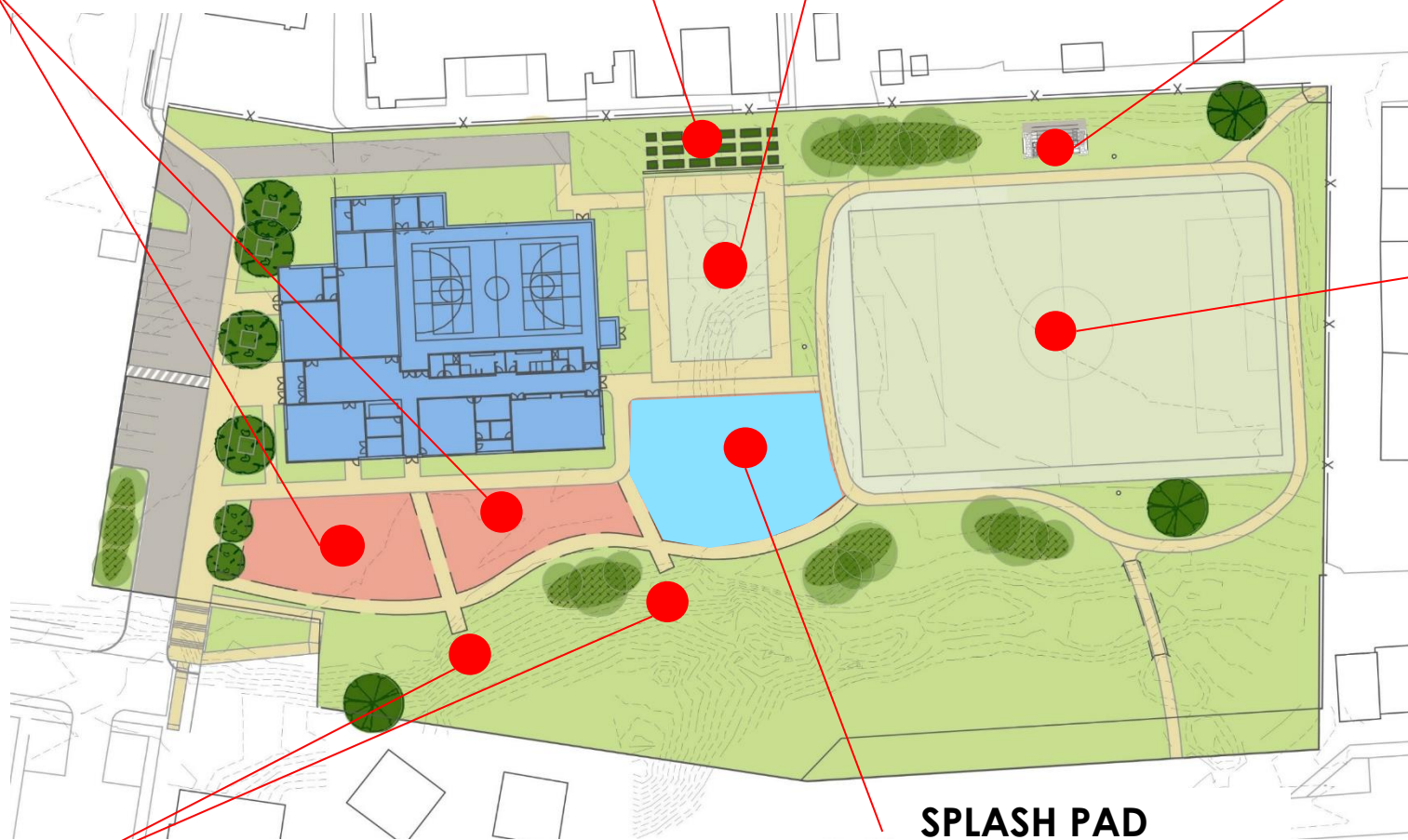
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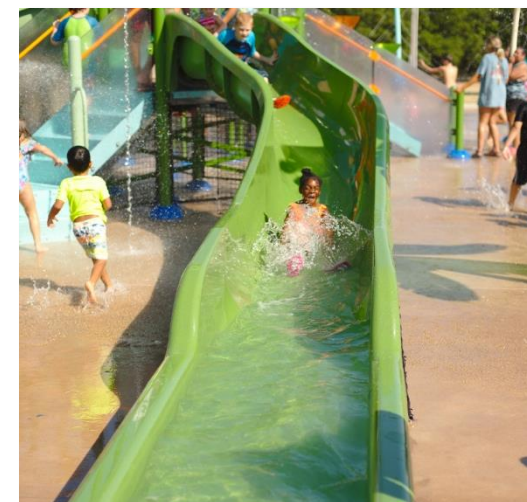
PLAYGROUND AREAS



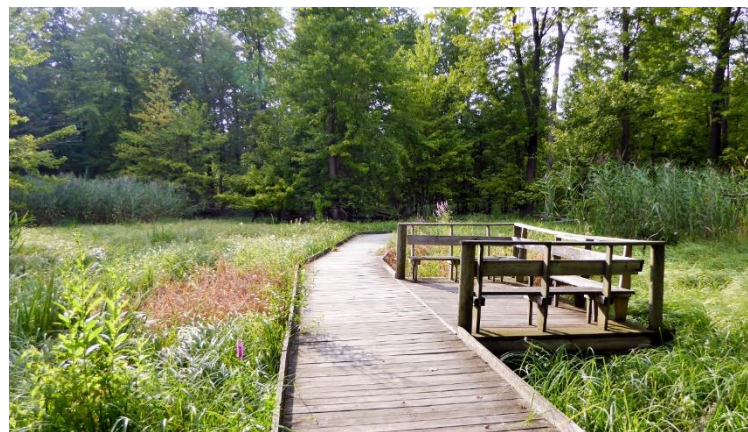
MULTIPURPOSE PLAYFIELD



SPLASH PAD



OVERLOOK



PLAYGROUND POTENTIAL FEATURES



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SPLASH PAD POTENTIAL FEATURES

- WATER GEYSERS
- DUMPING BUCKETS
- INTERACTIVE WATER FEATURES
- SPRAY AREAS
- RAINDROP
- WATER SLIDE



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Splash Pad Video

Next Steps

1. Finalize plans for permits and regulatory review
2. Begin permit process to expedite construction
3. Hire a contractor as soon as possible
4. Start construction

Points of Contact

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Project Website

<https://dgs.dc.gov/page/congress-heights-recreation-center-0>

Questions & Answers

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