

City of Durango

Community Update

June 8, 2026

Meeting Agenda

1. Team
2. Project Charter
3. Community Outreach
4. Community Outreach Themes - Site & Police Department
5. Next Steps
6. Open House Station Overview



Team

CITY of DURANGO

ARTAICGROUP

HDR

ROTH SHEPPARD ARCHITECTS

Architectural Resources Group

BIG HORN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, CO

SM&W

MARTIN/MARTIN CONSULTING ENGINEERS

FCI Constructors

TRAUTNER GEOTECH

TACITO DESIGN INC
BRANDING & SIGNAGE DESIGN

PROJECT CHARTER

Project Goals

1. **Utilize and Revitalize Community Landmarks**

   The project's aim is to breathe new life into Durango's urban fabric by repurposing existing community landmarks while honoring their historical significance.

2. **Create a Welcoming and Inclusive Environment**

   Envisioning a space that fosters a sense of belonging for all residents, regardless of background, by designing with inclusivity and universal accessibility at the forefront. This space will encourage community engagement for years to come.

3. **Consolidate City Services**

   Creating a centralized hub that enhances teamwork and productivity, while also fostering a positive and enriching environment for city employees and visitors. Wellness and future flexibility are key design drivers for this new hub.

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Collective Strength in Action

- “Efficiency”
- “Common Goal”
- “Working Together / Group Work”
- “Creativity / Innovation”
- “Natural Materials”
- “Adaptability”



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Rooted in Connection

- “Strength / Anchor / Rooted”
- “Organic / Natural / Warmth”
- “Old and New”
- “Togetherness”
- “Community Culture”
- “Generational Bonding”







Balanced, Sustainable Momentum

- “Sustainable”
- “Vibrant”
- “Innovative”
- “Multimodal”
- “Flexibility”
- “Well-being”



A Thoughtful Path Forward

- “Path forward”
- “Openness / Vastness”
- “Peaceful”
- “Design Integration with Nature”

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community Project Outreach

Timeline

Historic High School Identified as Option for City Hall

1994 - **City of Durango Master Facility Program**, Reynolds-Larson Associates identifies building as option for City Hall, including the demolition of the Arts and Sciences building (currently the Community Development/Engineering building at 215 E. 12th St.).

City of Durango Master Plan Mentions Use of Site for City Hall

2015 – **City of Durango Master Plan** mentions use of historical high school site for City Hall

9-R School District Votes to Sell Building to Durango Fire Protection District

August 2021 - After months of negotiations, the **school board voted unanimously** Tuesday to approve a purchase agreement with the fire district.

Agreement Approved by City Council to Swap River City Hall for Historic High School

August 2023

Discussion with City Council About Cost of Conceptual Design

May 21 study session, **June 4 regular council meeting**.

City Council to Consider Authorization of 2005 Sales Tax

Summer 2024

Community Project Outreach

- **March 14, 2023** – City Civic Center Public Comment
- **March 1, 2024** – PD/City Hall Public Forums (exterior)
- **May 7, 2024** – PD/City Hall Public Forum (interior)
- **January 28, 2026** – Historic Preservation Board
- **January 29** – Kiwanis
- **January 28** – Daybreak Rotary Club
- **February 5** – Financial Advisory Board
- **February 22** – Boulevard Neighborhood Association
- **February 13** – Business Improvement District
- **February 15** – Meeting with Past Mayors
- **February 24** – Durango Engage Meeting
- **February 26** – High Noon Rotary Club
- **March 4** – 100 Club
- **May 20** – City Hall and Site Design
- **June 8** – PD and Multimodal
- **June 15** – Buckley Park Input
- **August 19** – Buckley Park Output

Community Outreach Themes

Outdoor Spaces & Integration to Buckley Park

Secure Site Screening

Sustainability & Resiliency

Historic Preservation & Adaptive Reuse

Community & Public Access

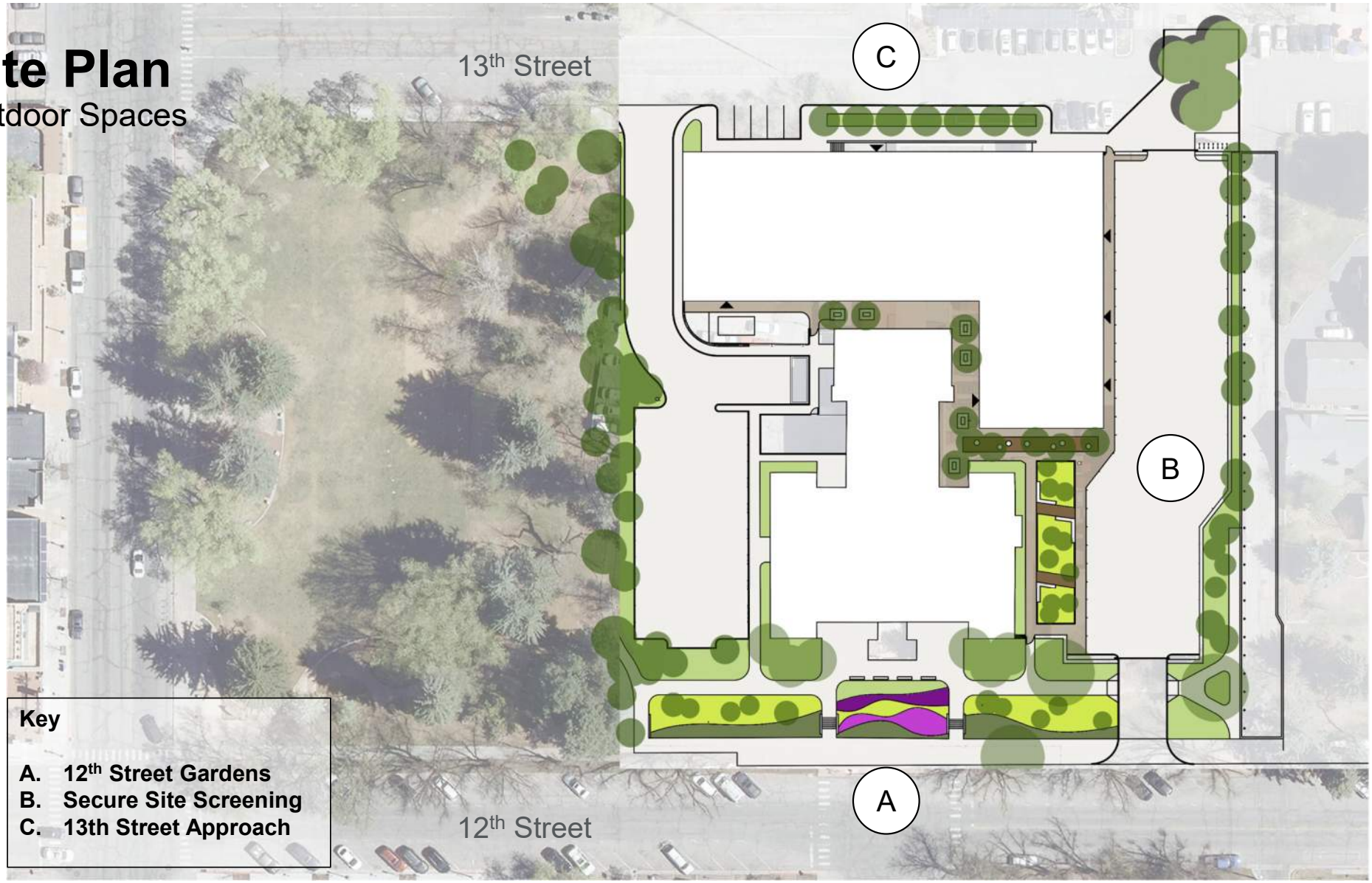


COMMUNITY OUTREACH THEMES - SITE & POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Outdoor Spaces & Integration to Buckley Park
Secure Site
Sustainability & Resiliency
Community & Public Access

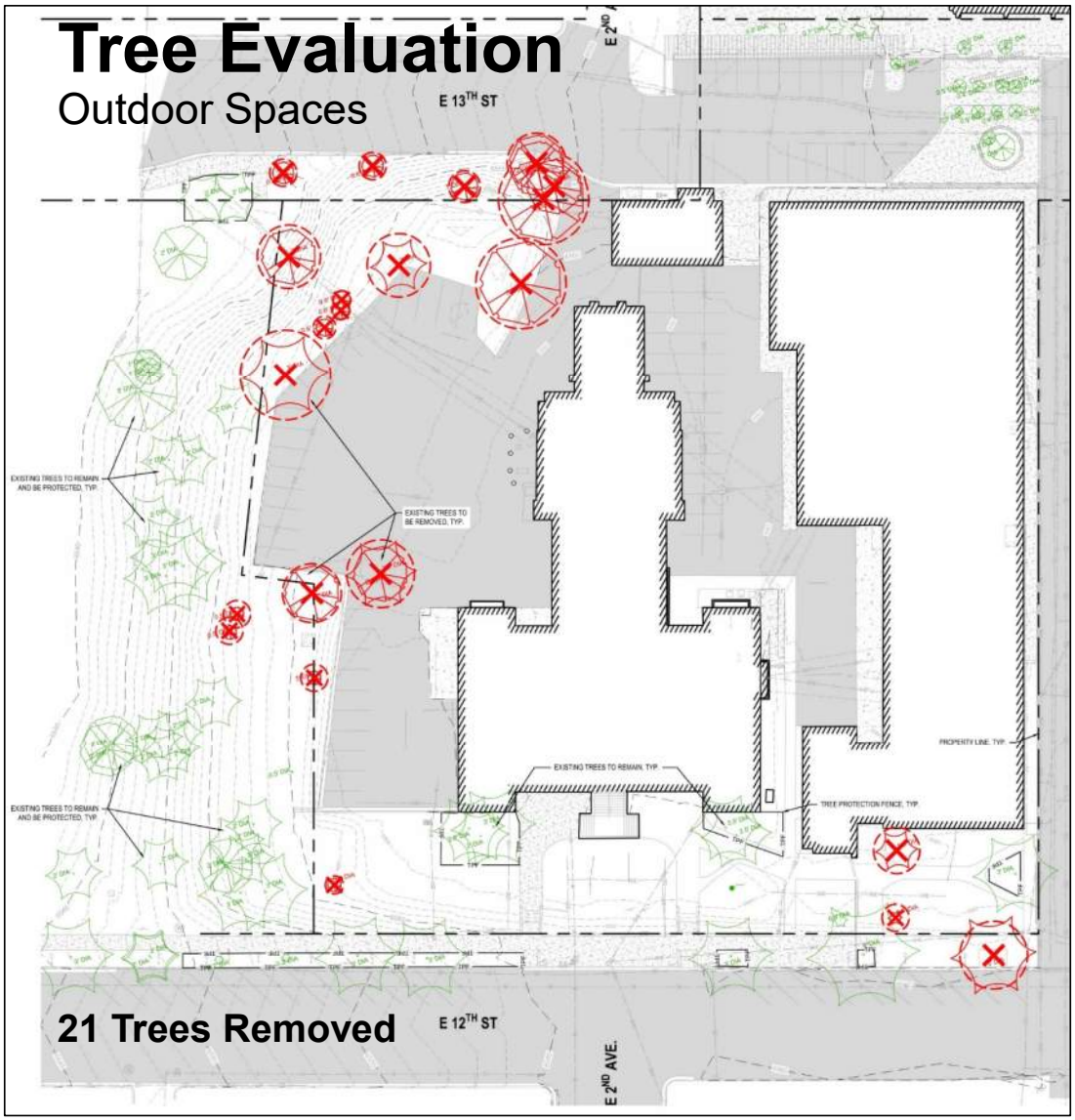
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Outdoor Spaces

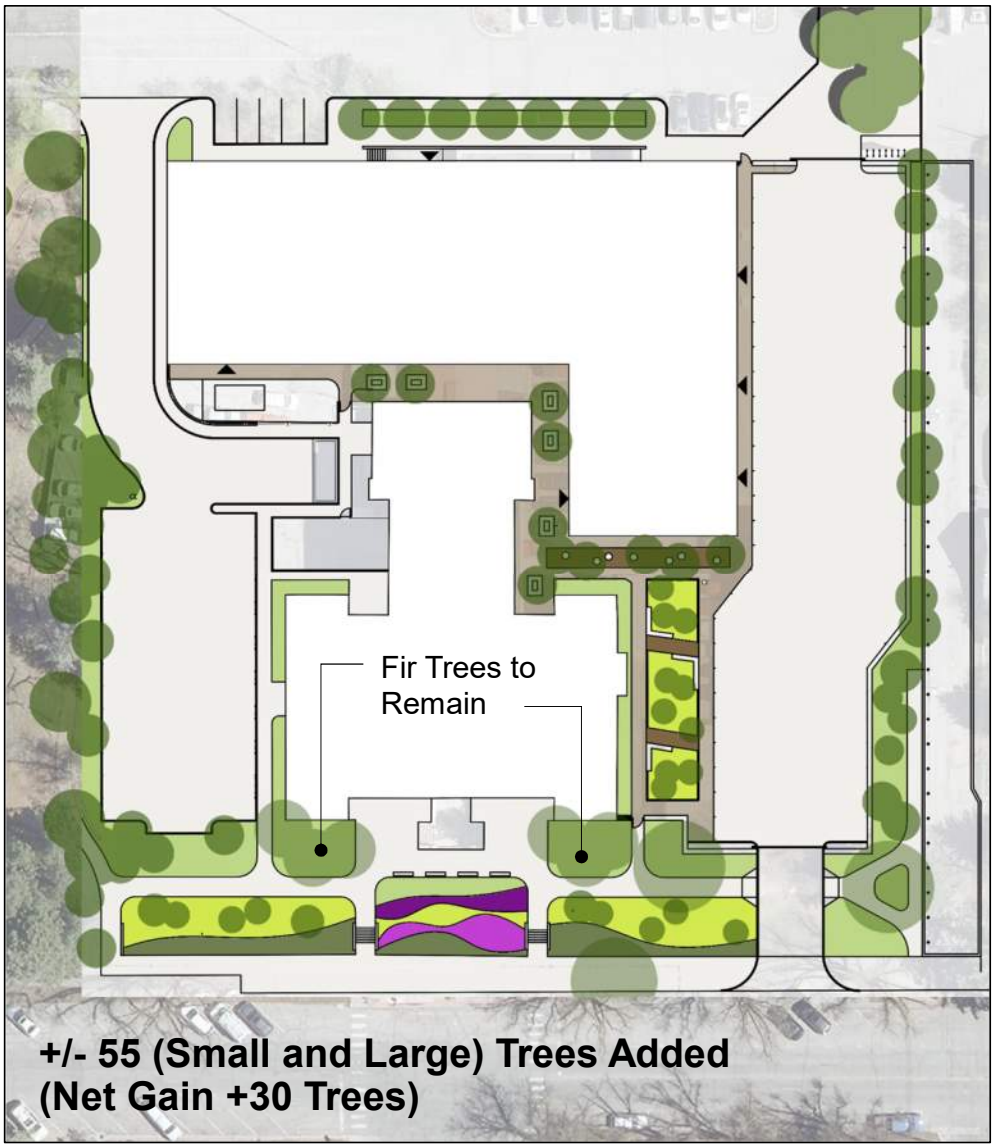


Tree Evaluation

Outdoor Spaces



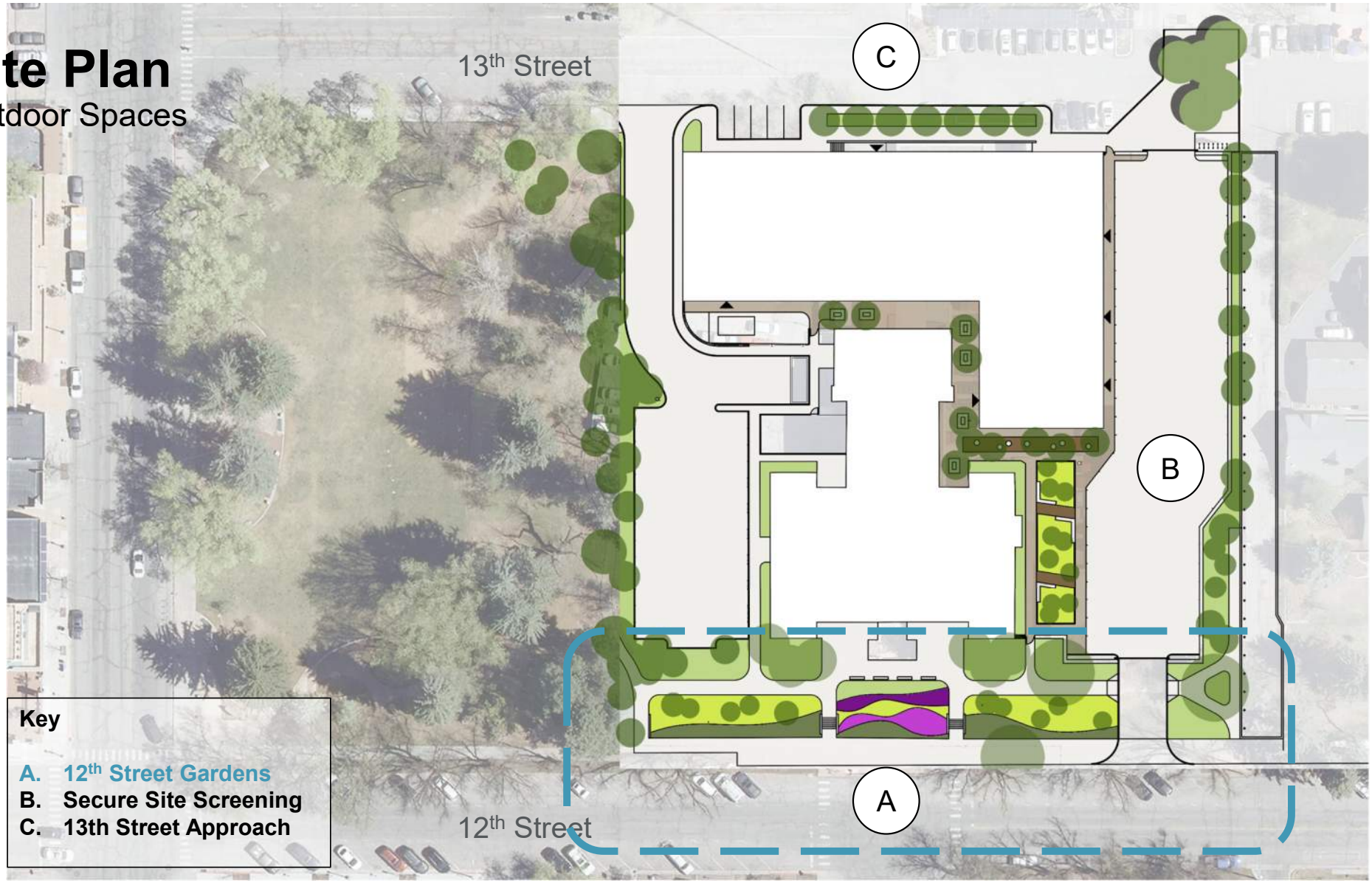
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+/- 55 (Small and Large) Trees Added (Net Gain +30 Trees)

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Outdoor Spaces



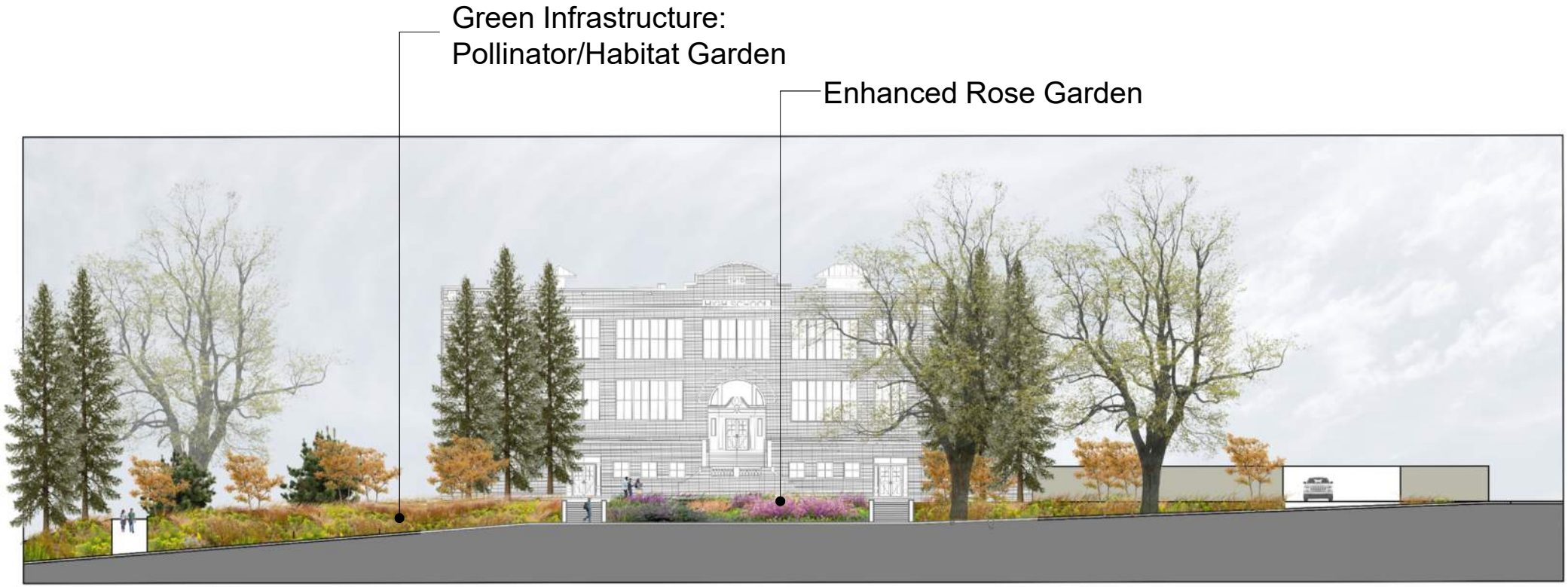
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Outdoor Spaces



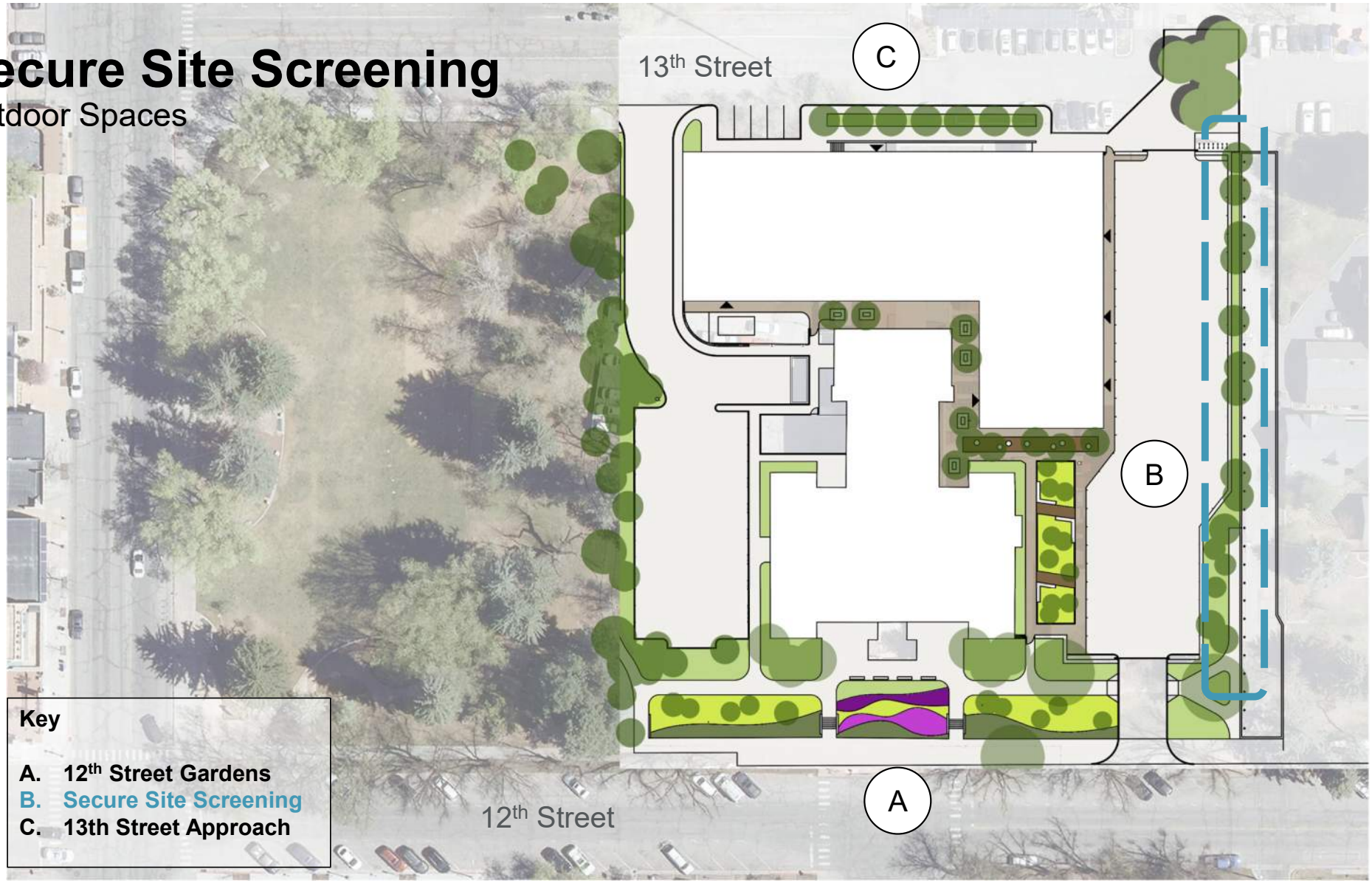
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Outdoor Spaces



Secure Site Screening

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Outdoor Spaces

#1 Fence Only





#2 Fence with Brick Columns





#3 Low Brick Wall w/ Fence Above





#4 Masonry Wall





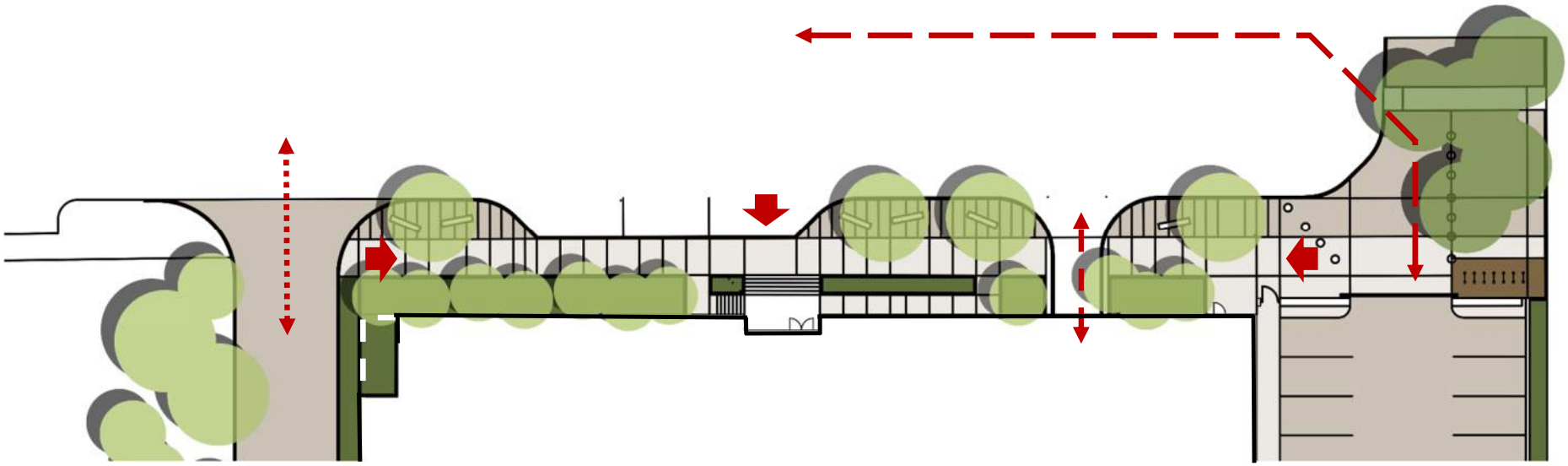
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Outdoor Spaces



13th Street Approach & Access

Outdoor Spaces, Community & Public Access

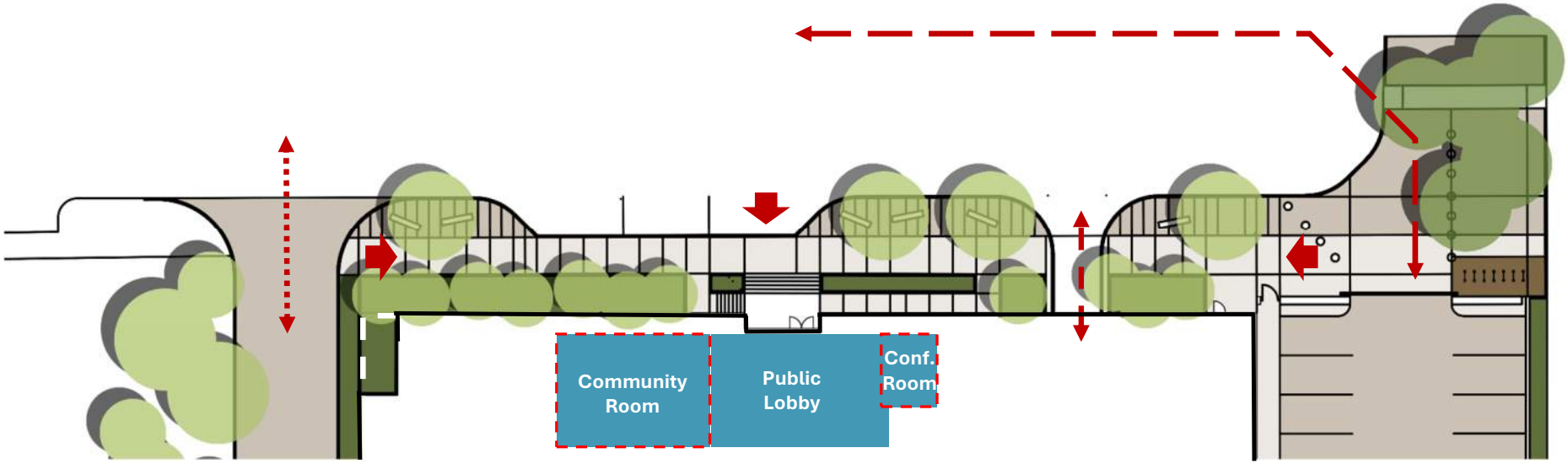


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- PD Vehicular Approach & Access
- CH Vehicular Approach & Access

13th Street Approach & Access

Outdoor Spaces, Community & Public Access

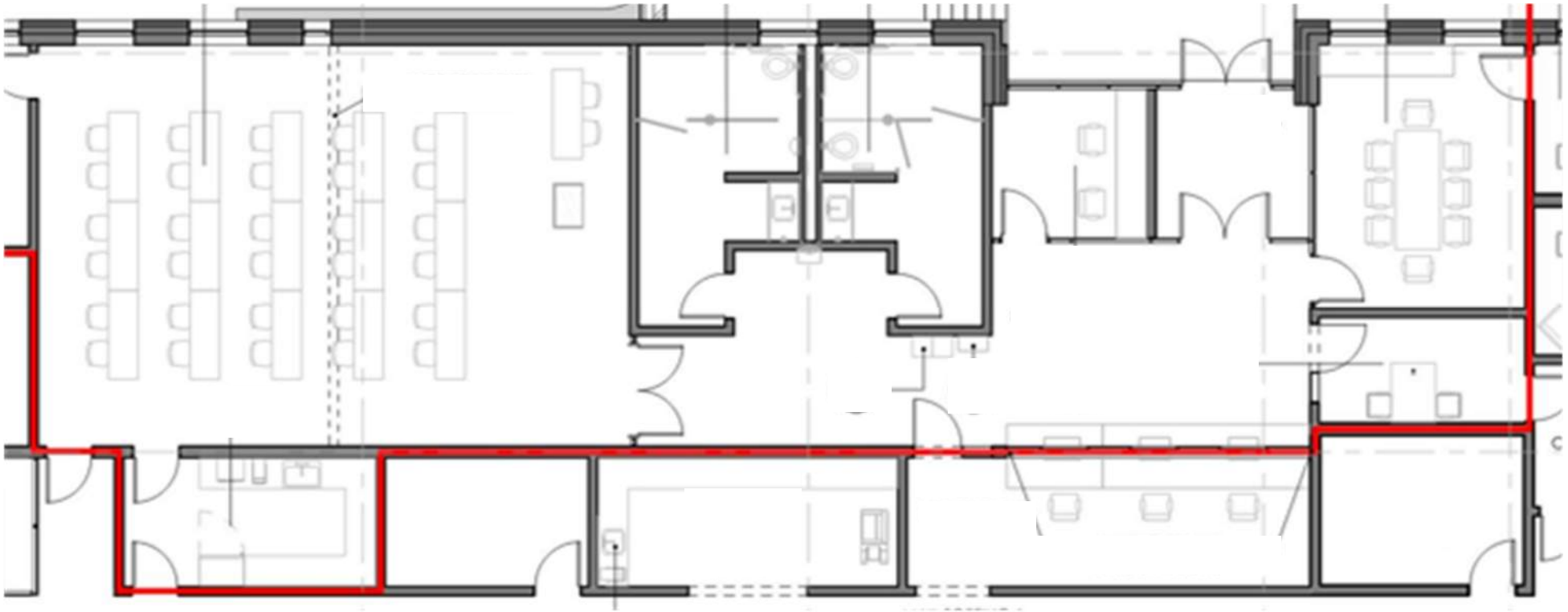


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Lobby & Community Spaces

Outdoor Spaces, Community & Public Access



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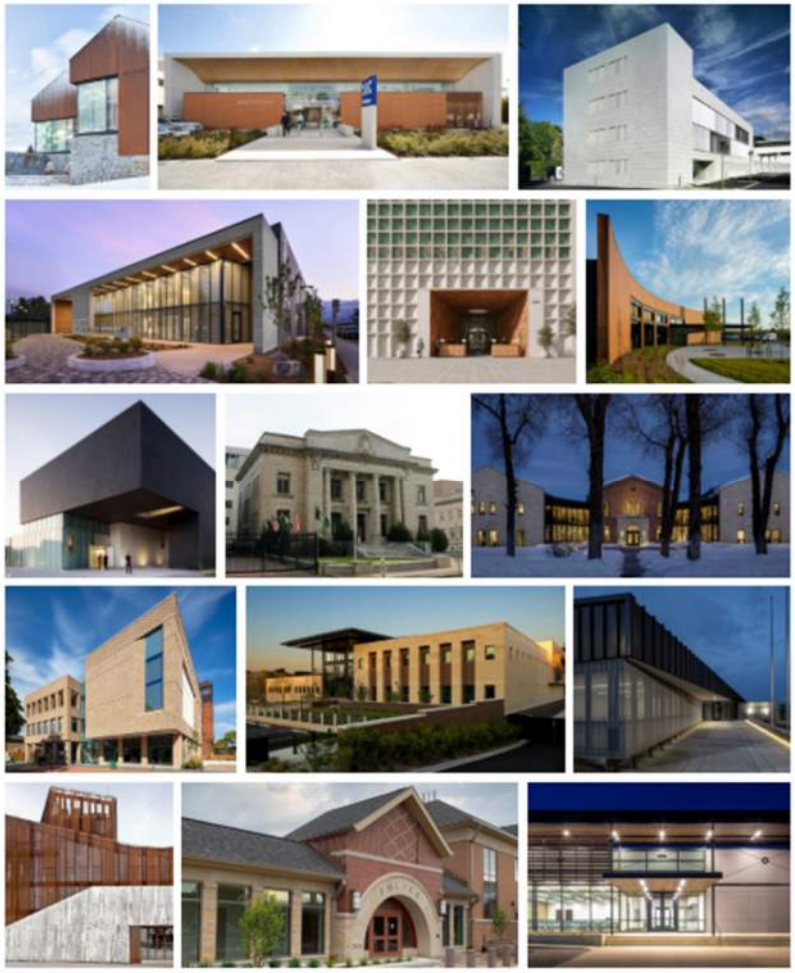
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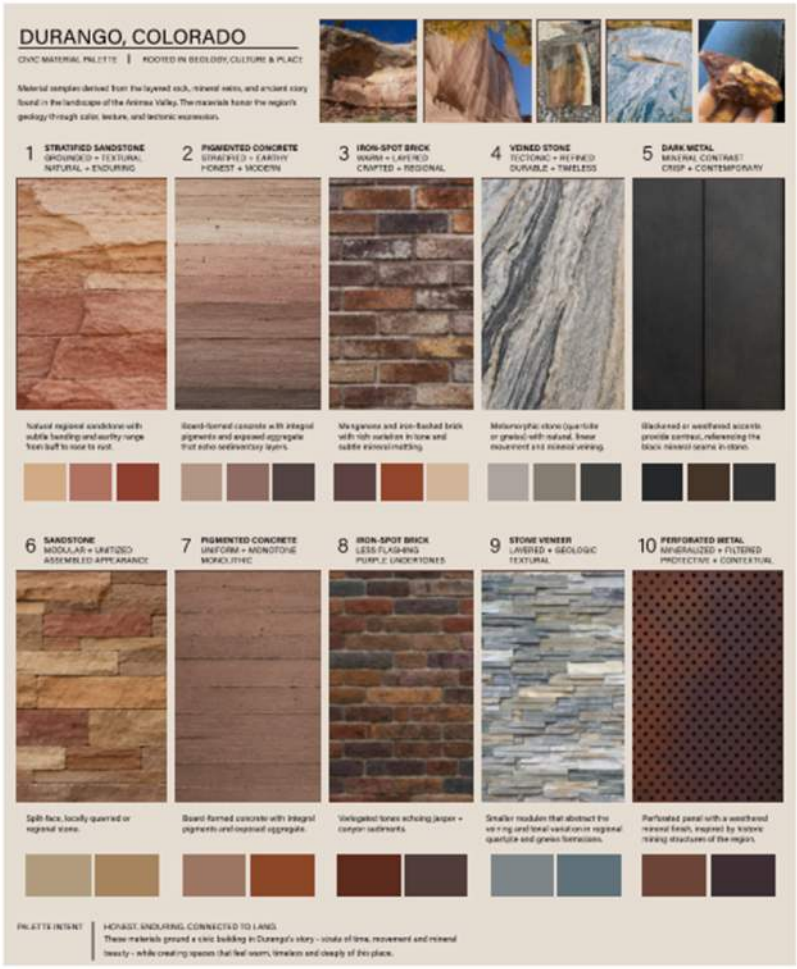


Precedents & Materials

Sustainability & Resiliency

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Community Project Update Opportunities

JUNE 15th
- Buckley Park Input

AUGUST 19th
- Buckley Park Output



Open House Stations

1. General Project Information
2. Secure Site Input
3. Police Dept Precedent Input
4. Police Dept Materials Input
5. Buckley Park Information
6. Multimodal Information

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