

Arlington Career Center Project Parks and Recreation Commission

May 23, 2023



Arlington Public Schools Project Overview

On October 27, 2022, the School Board approved the proposed Schematic Design with these Project Requirements:

ACC Project Requirements		
ACC Calculated Capacity	1,619 (Base Ed. Spec. option)	
Instructional Programs (identified in the Ed. Specs.)	Arlington Tech, Academic Academy, EL, PEP, CTE from neighborhood High Schools	
Estimated total project cost (in millions)	\$182.42	
Site facilities (playgrounds, fields, structured/surface parking, etc.)	As generally shown on the Schematic Design Site Plan	
Approximate building size (in square feet)	261,900	
Year complete	December 2025 (new building) Summer 2027 (all construction phases)	



Arlington Public Schools Project Schedule

	Community Engagement BLPC/PFRC Meetings	Board Approvals	Construction
Concept Design	 ✓ Jan. 2022 Meeting #1 ✓ Feb. 2022 Meeting #2 ✓ Mar. 2022 Meeting #3 	✓ Apr. 2022 - School Board	
Schematic Design	 ✓ Jun. 2022 Meeting #4 ✓ Jul. 2022 Meeting #5 ✓ Aug. 2022 Meeting #6 	✓ Oct. 2022 - School Board	
Use Permit	 ✓ Mar. 15, 2023 Meeting #7 ✓ April 17, 2023 Meeting #8 ✓ Virtual Public Meeting #1 ✓ Virtual Public Meeting #2 ✓ FBC AWG Meeting ✓ PFRC Meeting 	Jun. 2023 - County Board	
Preconstruction	Oct. 2023 Meeting #8	Nov. 2023 - School Board Construction Contract	
Construction			Dec. 2023 – Begin New ACC Dec. 2025 - New ACC Complete Summer 2027 - Project Complete

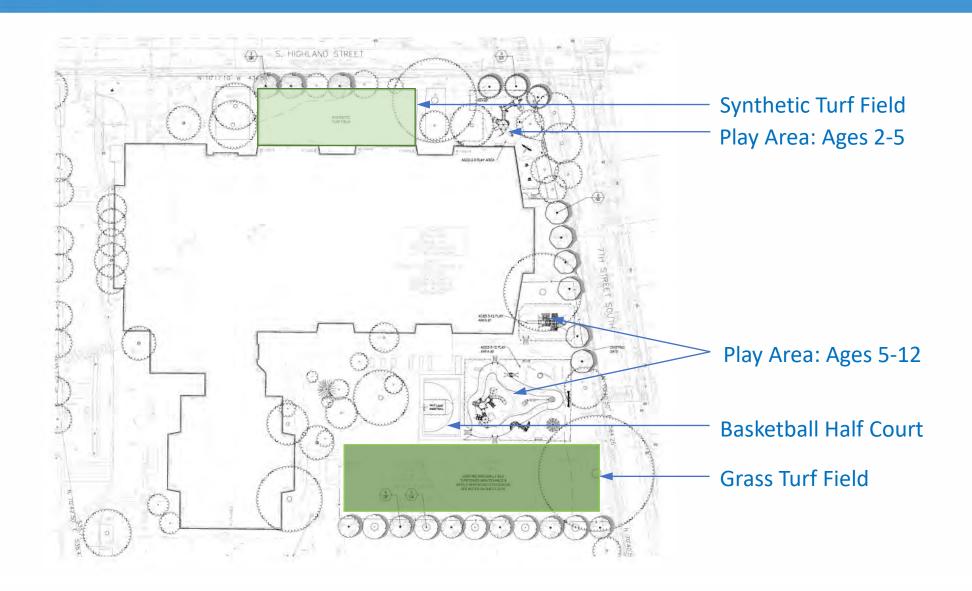


Campus Site Plan



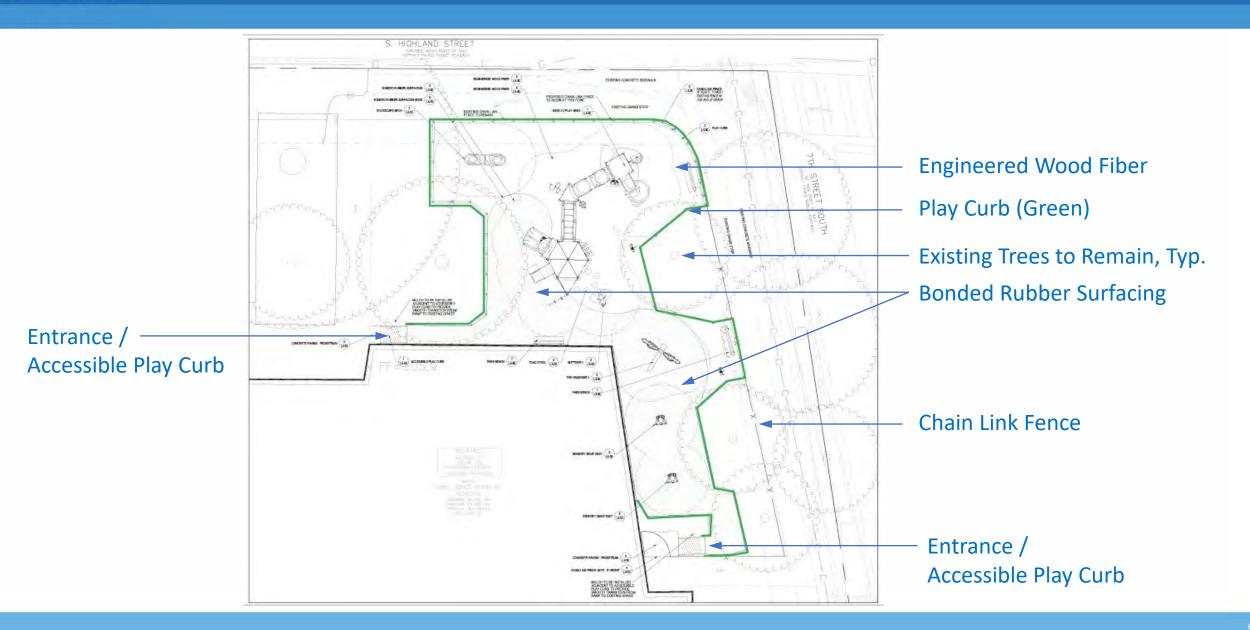


MPSA Play Areas



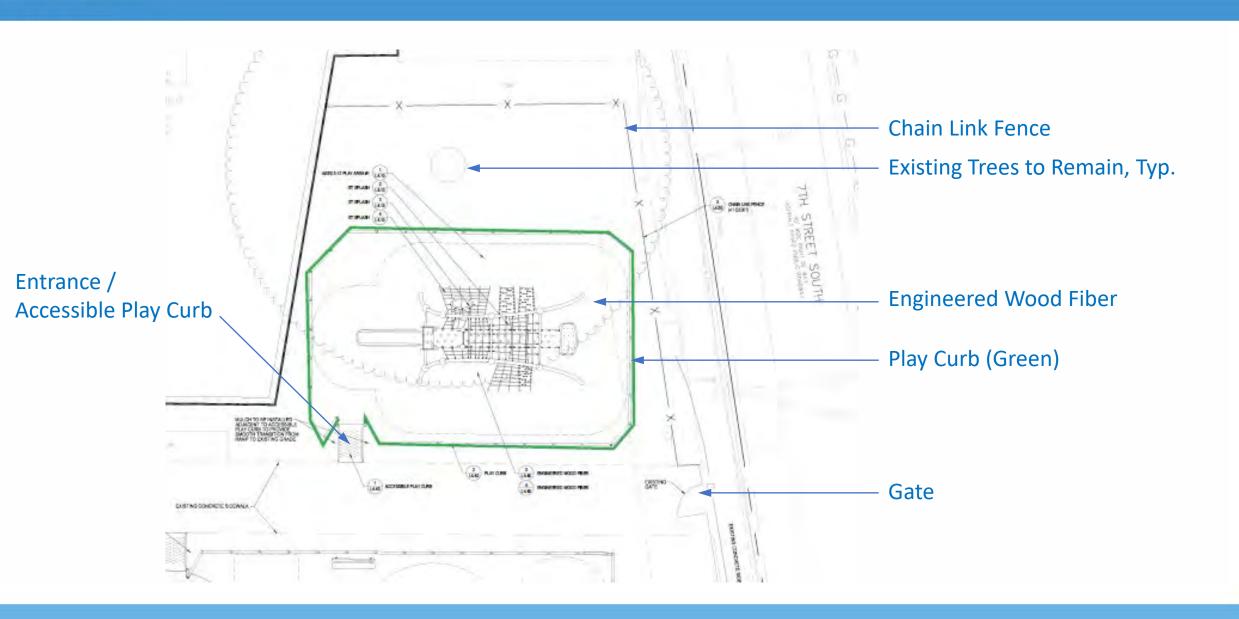


MPSA Play Area – Ages 2-5



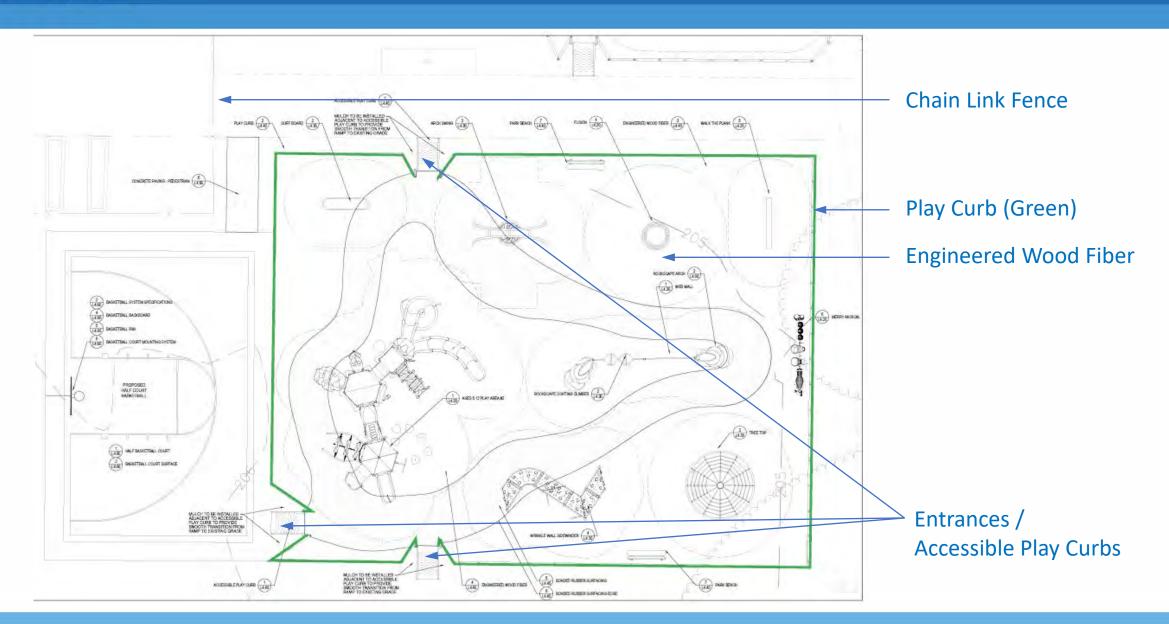


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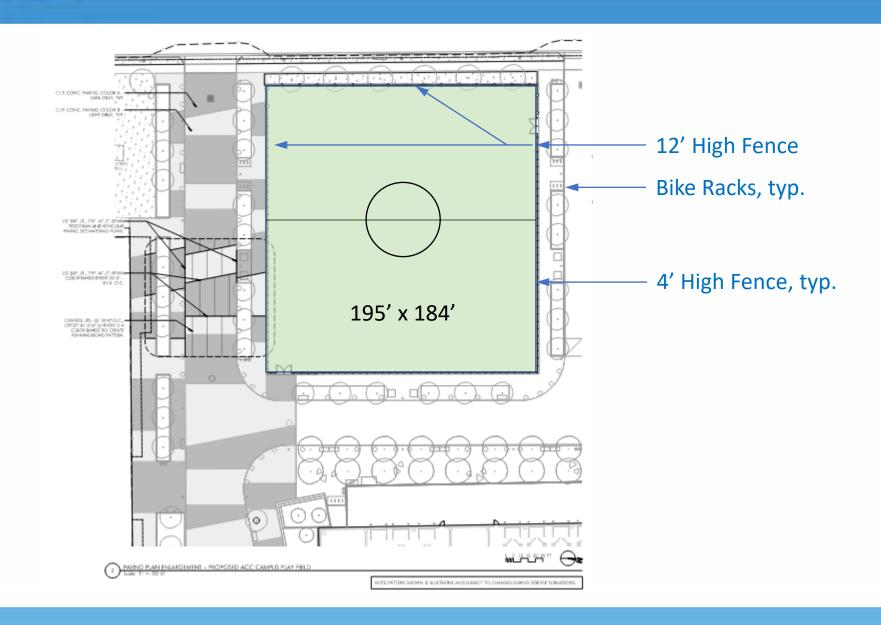


MPSA Play Area – Ages 5-12





Synthetic Turf Playfield





Campus Site View

LOADING/UNLOADING | ACC CAMPUS PLAYFIELD & SHARED SPACEREED STREETSCAPE







Aerial View from Southeast





Campus Site View

MAIN STREET | ACC CAMPUS PLAYFIELD & SHARED SPACEREED STREETSCAPE





Campus Site View

LOADING & UNLOADING | ACC MAIN ENTRY & WALTER REED STREETSCAPE







ACC Floor Plans



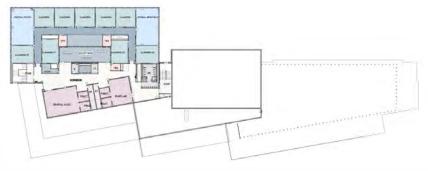
THIRD FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR



FIRST FLOOR



FIFTH FLOOR



FOURTH FLOOR

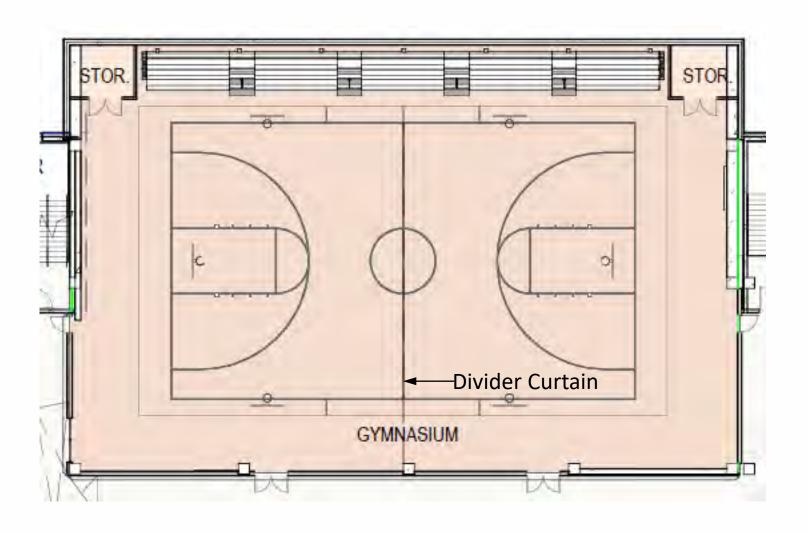


ACC Third Floor Plan





ACC Third Floor Plan – Gym



- Regulation Basketball Court
- Storage for Volleyball Standards
- 160-180 Bleacher Seats

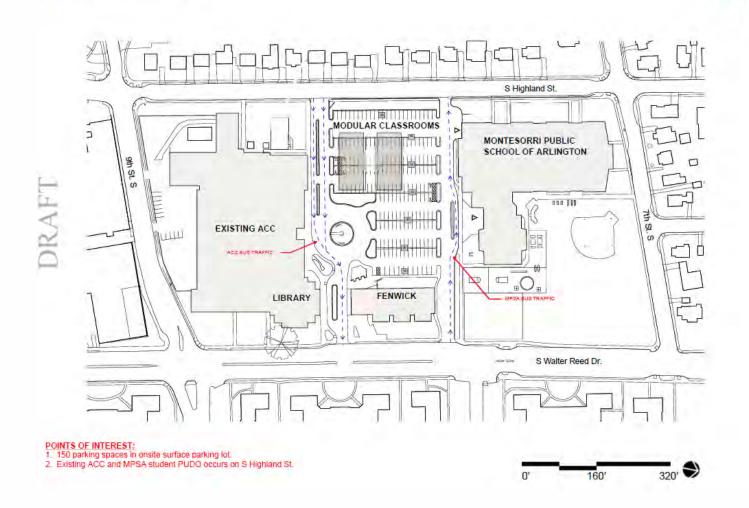


Phasing Plans



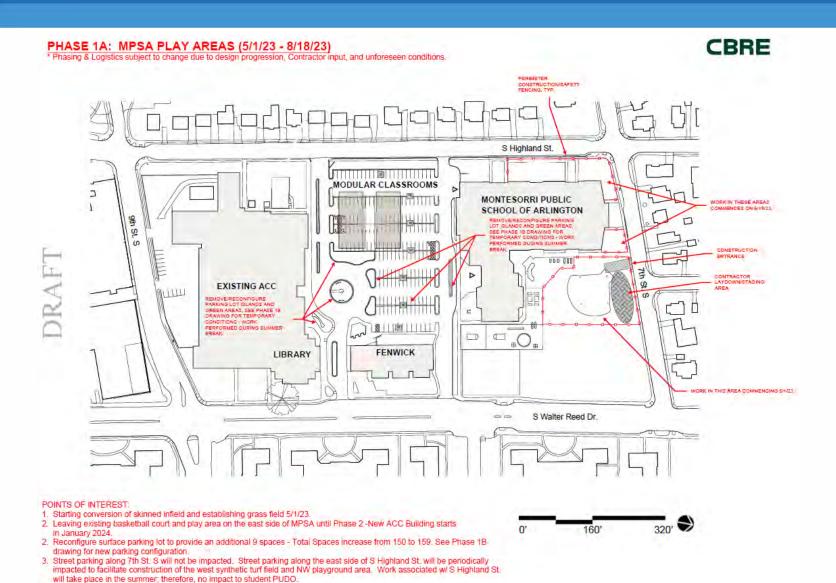
Existing Campus Site Plan

EXISTING CONDITIONS CBRE



Phase 1A

4. No impact to pedestrian circulation while school is in session.



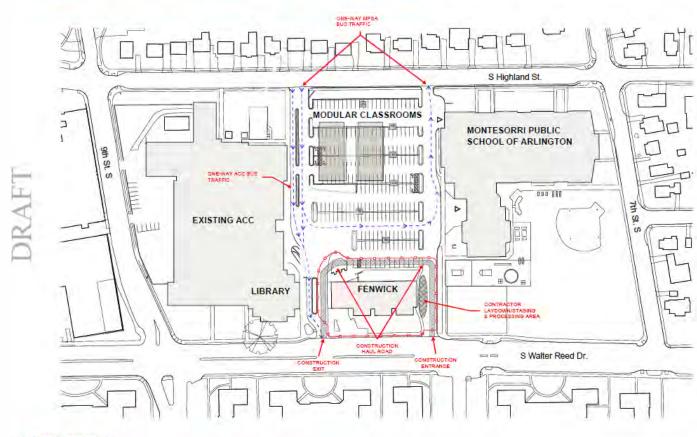
Phase 1B

PHASE 1B: FENWICK BLDG DEMOLITION (6/19/23 - 10/27/23) * Phasing & Logistics subject to change due to design progression, Contractor input, and unforeseen conditions.



320'

160'



POINTS OF INTEREST:

- 1. One-Way Traffic between Library & Fenwick Bldg/Site. ACC buses to use Library drive aisle.
 2. MPSA buses to enter S Highland St. same as ACC buses.
 3. No impact to Existing ACC and MPSA student PUDO that occurs on S Highland St.
 4. Total Surface Lot Parking Spaces available start of school Fall 2023 = 159.

- 5. ROW sidewalk along S Walter Reed Dr. will remain accessible to the public.
- 6. No impact on street parking.
- Coordination will be required with the Arlington County Water Main Replacement project that will occur S Walter Reed Dr. Work is currently projected to start June 2023 and finish December 2023.



Phase 2

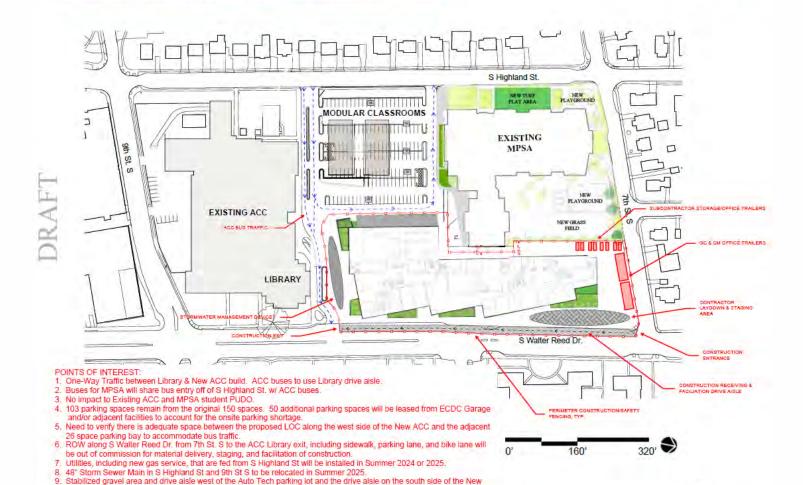
ACC to be installed in Phase 4.

PHASE 2: NEW 5-STORY ACC (1/2/24 - 1/2/26)

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Streetscape work will generally be completed in the phase such work is adjacent to.
 Complete Streets work along the New ACC frontage on S Walter Reed Dr. to be coordinated/completed during Phase 2.



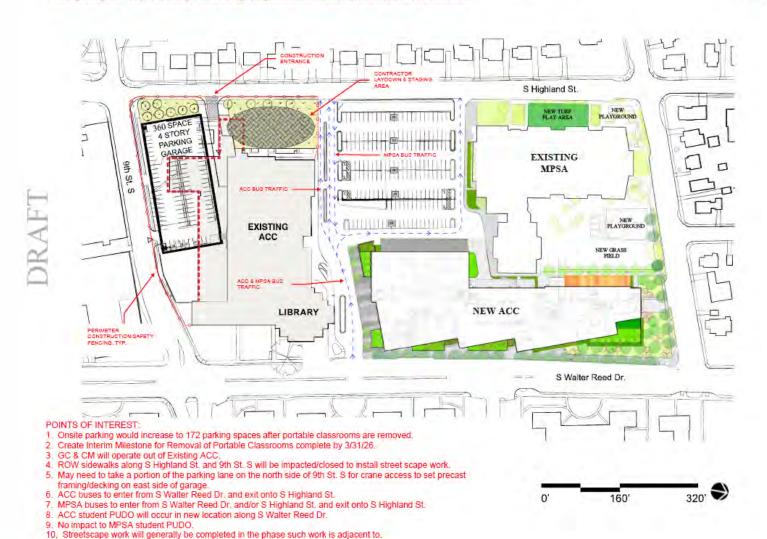


Phase 3

PHASE 3: PARTIAL DEMOLITION OF EXISTING ACC & NEW GARAGE (1/05/26 - 4/30/27)

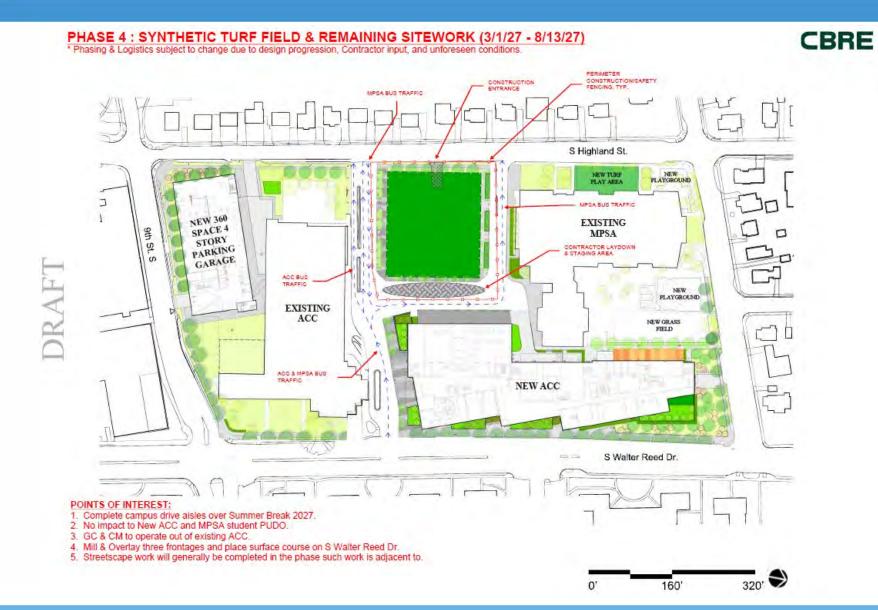
CBRE

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Phase 4





Proposed Final Condition

PROPOSED FINAL CONDITION **CBRE** S Highland St. NEW PLAYGROUND NEW TURF FIELD NEW 360 SPACE 4 STORY PARKING GARAGE EXISTING MPSA NEW PLAYGROUND EXISTING ACC NEW GRASS FIELD NEW ACC Kar S Walter Reed Dr. 320'

160'



End of Slide Deck



Kris Krider Laura Shaub **Urban Design Team** BIOPHILIC

ARLINGTON UPDATE

Park and Recreation Commission

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Arlington's Biophilic Commitment



Partner Cities

It is our belief that every city is biophilic to some degree, and has the potential to become a more biophilic city, and that realizing that potential will require intentional changes in some municipal and urban planning and design policies and practices to produce richer, more vibrant nature-filled cities of the 21st century. The Biophilic Cities Network is comprised of cities from around the globe dedicated to improving the connection between residents and urban nature.









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Biophilic Cities Network

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Panama City Phoenix Pittsburgh Portland Raleigh Richmond San Francisco Singapore St. Louis **Toronto** Verona Visakhapatnam Vitoria-Gasteiz Washington, DC Wellington





BIOPHILIC ARLINGTON 5 MUNICIPAL INDICATORS

Biophilic Institutions, Planning, and Governance

I. Expanded biophilic planning and design principles throughout existing policies and processes, such as comprehensive plan elements, sector plants, site plans, park master plans, and multimodal transportation plans and projects.



Biophilic Engagements, Participations, and Knowledge

II. Education opportunities for the community, including residents and development stakeholders, about the benefits of biophilic principles to further the presence of nature in our buildings, facilities, homes and public spaces.

Natural Conditions, Qualities and Infrastructure

- III. Creation of publicly accessible urban nature projects.
- IV. Expanded natural elements within Arlington's built environments, as well as conservation of our natural resources.

Human Health and Wellbeing Factors

V. Equitable access to green spaces, parks and other natural elements.

How we got here...

Education and Engagement

- Biophilic POP-Up Event September 2016
- Volunteer support

PSMP Recommendation:

3.3.1. Explore opportunities to participate in and join the Biophilic Cities movement.

Progress:

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- Arlington joined Network March, 2020
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- 2021 Biophilic Arlington Symposium
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and how are we doing?

Education and Engagement

 Design Lunch- Internal interdepartmental education sessions.

<u>Implementation</u>

Planning Studies and Guidance

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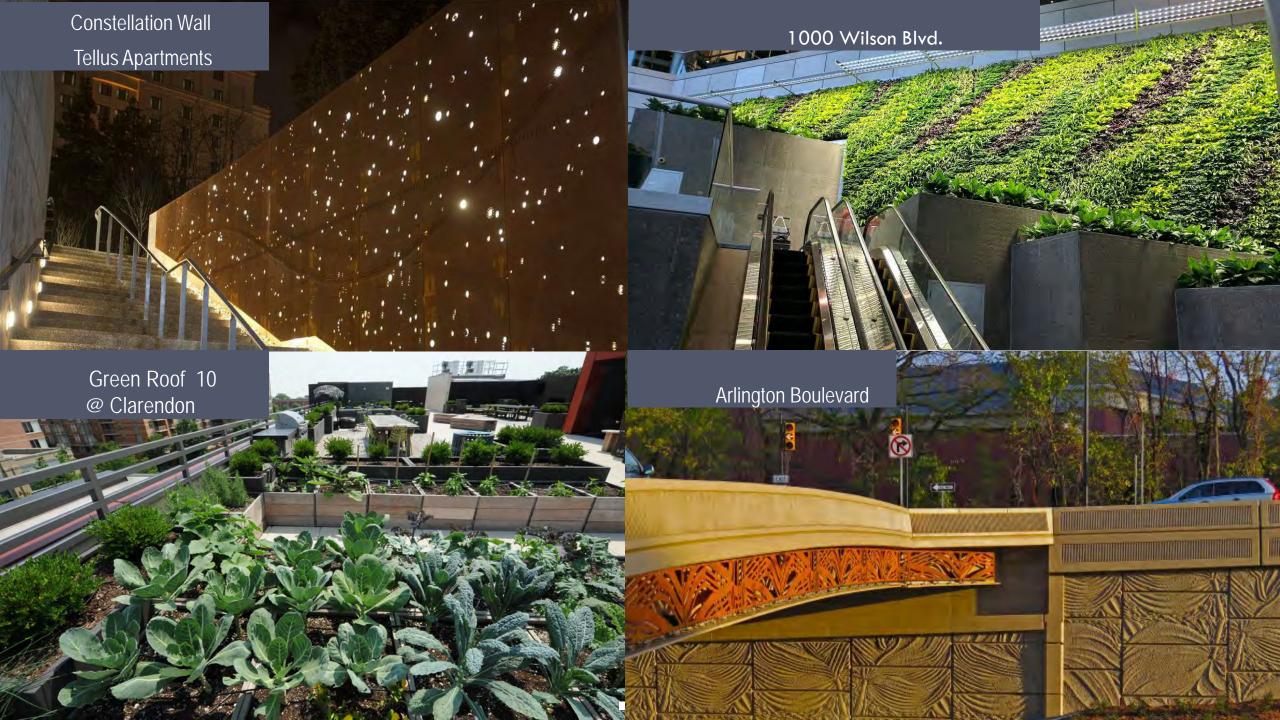
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Intentional





And unintentional

Site Plans Details & Review Process

Site plan projects are reviewed in several key areas:



Land Use: Whether the project complies with zoning requirements and policy guidance on use mix, density, and building height.



Policy Compliance: How the project adheres to County and other policies (e.g., General Land Use Plan, Affordable Housing Master Plan, Community Energy Plan).



Transportation: Street design and operations, bicycle accommodations, streetscape, parking, and loading access.



Site Design: Layout and footprint of the project and impact on and compatibility with adjacent properties.



Architecture: Design of the proposed building or buildings and façade materials.



Open Space: Landscaping, public spaces, and biophilic design.



Community Benefits: Features, amenities, infrastructure, and improvements.

Site Plan Processes

When do we see the plans?

What do we see?

What questions do we ask?





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SITE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE CREATION

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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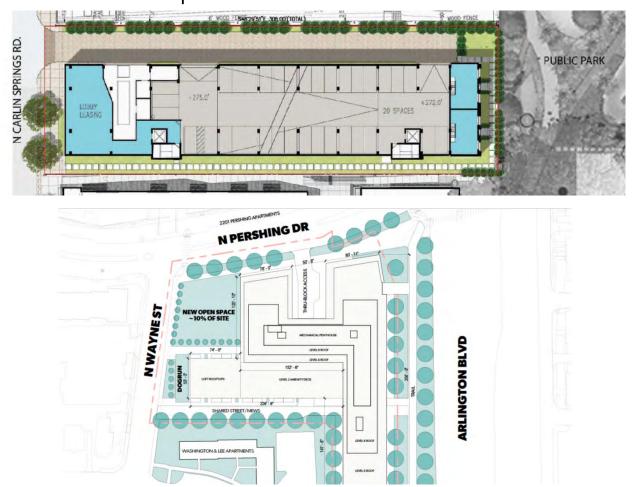
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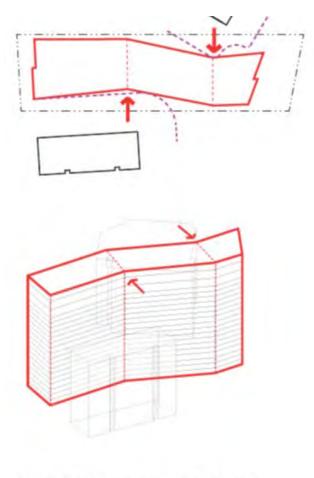


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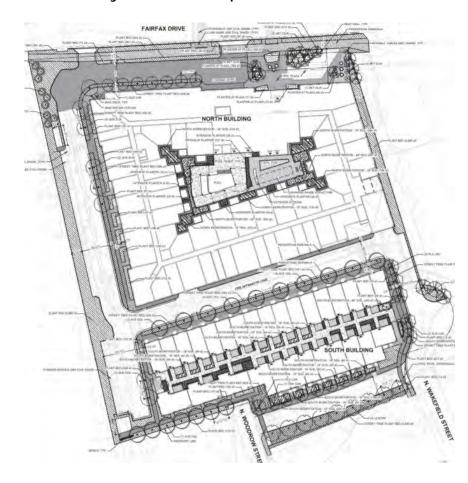


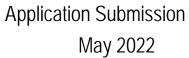


ARTICULATE FORM IN RESPONSE TO CONTEXT CONSTRAINTS AND VIEW OPPORTUNITIES

Site Plan Processes

When do you see the plans?





Community Engagement



Site Plan Review Committee April 2023

Guidance for staff and applicant



Ballston Macy's Site



Bingham Center



The Arva

Guidance for staff and applicant

14 Patterns of Biophilic Design



Nature In The Space

- 1. Visual Connection with Nature
- 2. Non-Visual Connection with Nature
- 3. Non-Rhythmic Sensory Stimuli
- 4. Thermal and Airflow Variability
- 5. Presence of Water
- 6. Dynamic and Diffuse Light
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Natural Analogues

- 8. Biomorphic Forms and Patterns
- 9. Material Connection with Nature
- 10. Complexity and Order

Nature Of The Space

- 11. Prospect
- 12. Refuge
- 13. Mystery
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Ballston Macy's Site

Is what we see (in renderings) what we get?



1901 N. Moore-RCA Building



Harris Teeter- N. Tazewell Street

Ballston Macy's Site

what is the nomenclature?





Harris Teeter N. Tazewell wall



what is the nomenclature?

Wendy's Site-Clarendon Elevation



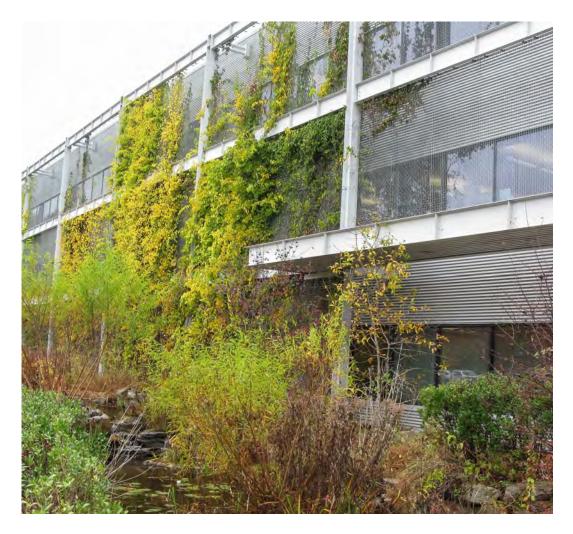
Wendy's Site- Wilson Elevation

what is the nomenclature?



Courthouse Landmark Building- Uhle Street Promenade

What could we be asking? (and who should be answering)



What type of systems are appropriate and where?

What can be expected over time?

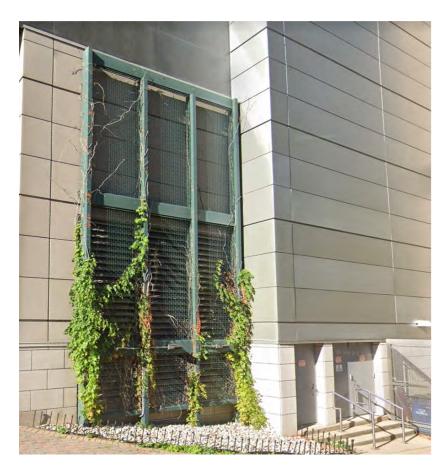
Is all vertical greenery the same?







• Plant Trough

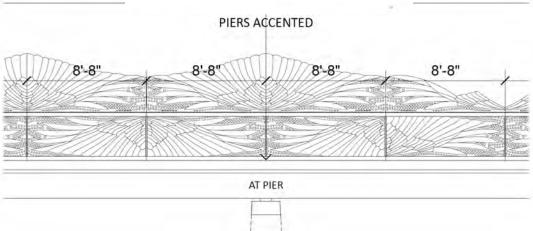


• Wire Trellis

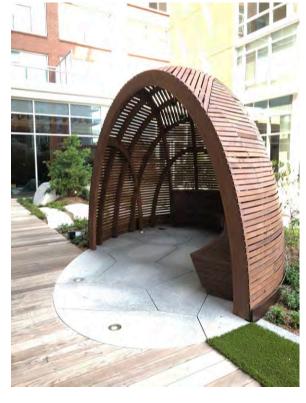
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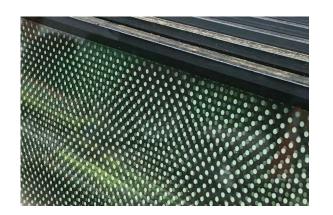


Analogues



Refuge









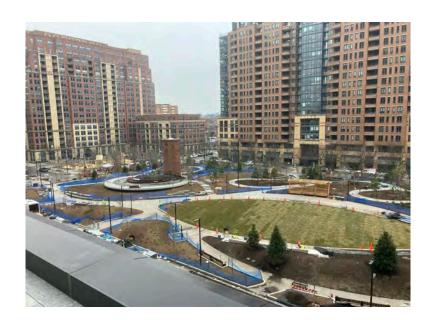


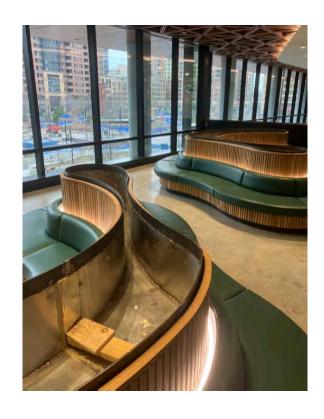
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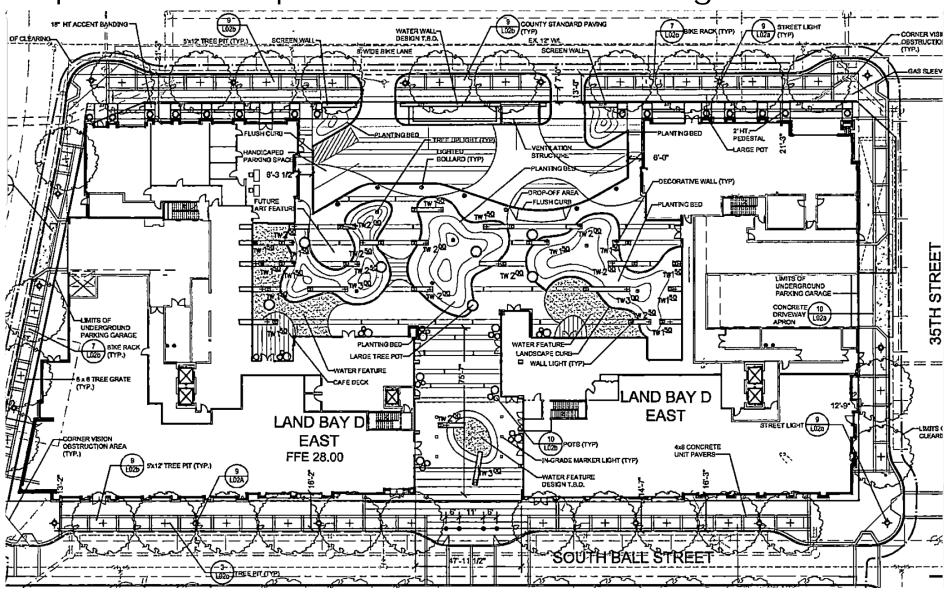








Ownership and developer commitment to design.



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3400 Potomac Ave- Land Bay D East- The Sur

2020 Administrative change

Again...What could we be asking?

Construction and materials? roof tops- soil volumes?

What will this water feature look like in winter? How will this water feature design change with health department review?

Street lights and interior lights in renderings?

Paving patterns, site furnishings, sculpture?

Equity in access to Biophilic elements?

Reality of Renderings?

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more to be done! what is on the horizon?

What can you do?

Education and Engagement

Meeting with FNC next month

Implementation:

Site Plan Design Review:

- Implementing native plant requirements in the Zoning Ordinance based on FNRP guidance
- Biophilic Narrative requirement for site plan applications.

