



COMMUNITY CENTER ANNEX

Buena Vista Town Campus Development Plan

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Executive Summary

The Town of Buena Vista, Colorado currently owns an approximately 3.5-acre block of property on the end of East Main Street that is in need of master planning. The property is partially developed, but piecemeal, and is the current location of the Town's police headquarters that is undersized, contains an inadequately sized Community Center, children's playground, a large concrete slab, and an undeveloped corner lot. This property is the target location for numerous additional town services and recreational amenities, including a new location for Town Hall. This project produced a Town Campus Development Plan and conceptual designs for the East Main Street property and proposes the creation of a new Buena Vista Town Campus.

The development plan focuses on five areas within the block in two implementation phases and includes conceptual designs for all areas of the block. Architectural and design elements were chosen for this plan that complement the existing architectural precedents of Buena

Vista and highlight the Town's natural setting. Large windows on south and western facing facades that take advantage of mountain viewsheds and building materials that blend with existing civic buildings on the property were included in the conceptual designs. An effort was made on the Main Street frontage portion of the block to align the building setbacks with the rest of Main Street to create an extension of the Buena Vista downtown.

Phase One of the Town Campus Development Plan prioritizes completing a much-needed renovation and addition to the existing police station to make the space suitable to serve as the new Town Hall. Phase One also includes other minimal aesthetic and landscaping site improvements to the existing Community Center and the remainder of the block. Phase Two prioritizes expanding the recreational facilities on the site through the construction of a multi-purpose basketball gymnasium or Community Center Annex. Phase Two also proposes the opportunity to connect this portion of East Main Street to the rest of downtown by developing the northwest corner of the block as mixed-use commercial and residential units. In total these conceptual designs would add 10,300

square feet of civic space, 12,600 square feet of additional mixed-use residential and commercial space, and 11,000 square feet of community recreational or flexible space. If implemented, this future development will benefit the citizens of Buena Vista and create increased capacity for social, recreational, and civic activities.

Proposed Site Plan



Scale: NTS

Cedar St.