



**Town Council  
Monday, February 12, 2024  
4:00 PM**

**130 Kearns Road  
Council Chambers**

**Town Council Work Session**

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**Agenda**

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# Town of Snowmass Village

## Agenda Item Summary

### DATE OF MEETING:

February 12, 2024

### AGENDA ITEM:

Little Red Schoolhouse Project Owners Review

### PRESENTED BY:

Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager

Mike Horvath, Town Engineer

Clint Kinney, Town Manager

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### BACKGROUND:

The Little Red Schoolhouse, previously operated by the not-for-profit Little Red School House Organization, has been operated by Woody Creek Kids since the start of 2022. In 2021, the Town Council adopted a goal to “Explore an enhanced use of the Little Red Schoolhouse to provide an improved and enlarged childcare/early learning facility.” Following that direction, staff hired a consultant to conduct an early childhood education needs assessment and financial analysis for the Town with the primary focus on the Little Red School House property. The Town’s overarching goal is to ensure that childcare and early childhood education continue to be provided and expanded at the Little Red School House facility.

The needs assessment, site analysis and budget analysis were completed in 2022. In the meantime, the Town continued the working relationship with Woody Creek Kids by extending the lease through the end of 2025.

Following the completion of the needs assessment, the Town contracted with the design team of Land + Shelter and Alan Ford Architects earlier this year to start the design process for the expansion project at the Little Red Schoolhouse. The design team is part of a broader project team consisting of Town staff, the design team, and Christina Holloway with Woody Creek Kids.

The goal for this phase is to complete design drawings that incorporate the parameters identified by the early childhood education needs assessment within the constraints of the site and to provide the Town with the documentation to submit for the necessary Land Use case to expand the facility. The purpose of this update to the Town Council is to provide an additional “check-in” before the project proceeds to a formal land use application for development.

Attached is an overview of the schematic design for the Little Red Schoolhouse expansion project. This design incorporates all feedback received by the Town Council, staff, and Woody Creek Kids.

Staff is in the process of showing these proposed designs to both the Planning Commission and the POSTR Board. As the comments are received from the respective Boards, they will be forwarded to the Council and incorporated as best as possible. In addition, Staff is exploring grant opportunities to assist with anticipated construction costs.

#### **COUNCIL OPTIONS:**

Council may direct the project team to submit an application for development or direct the design team to make additional changes to the design.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Town Council provide any additional feedback on the project. Staff further recommends that we continue receive Board and Commission feedback and then submit an application for formal land use review.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Little Red Schoolhouse Schematic Design Overview





## SCHEMATIC DESIGN OVERVIEW

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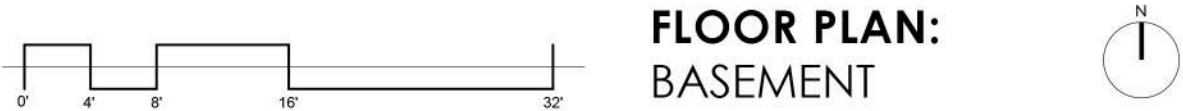
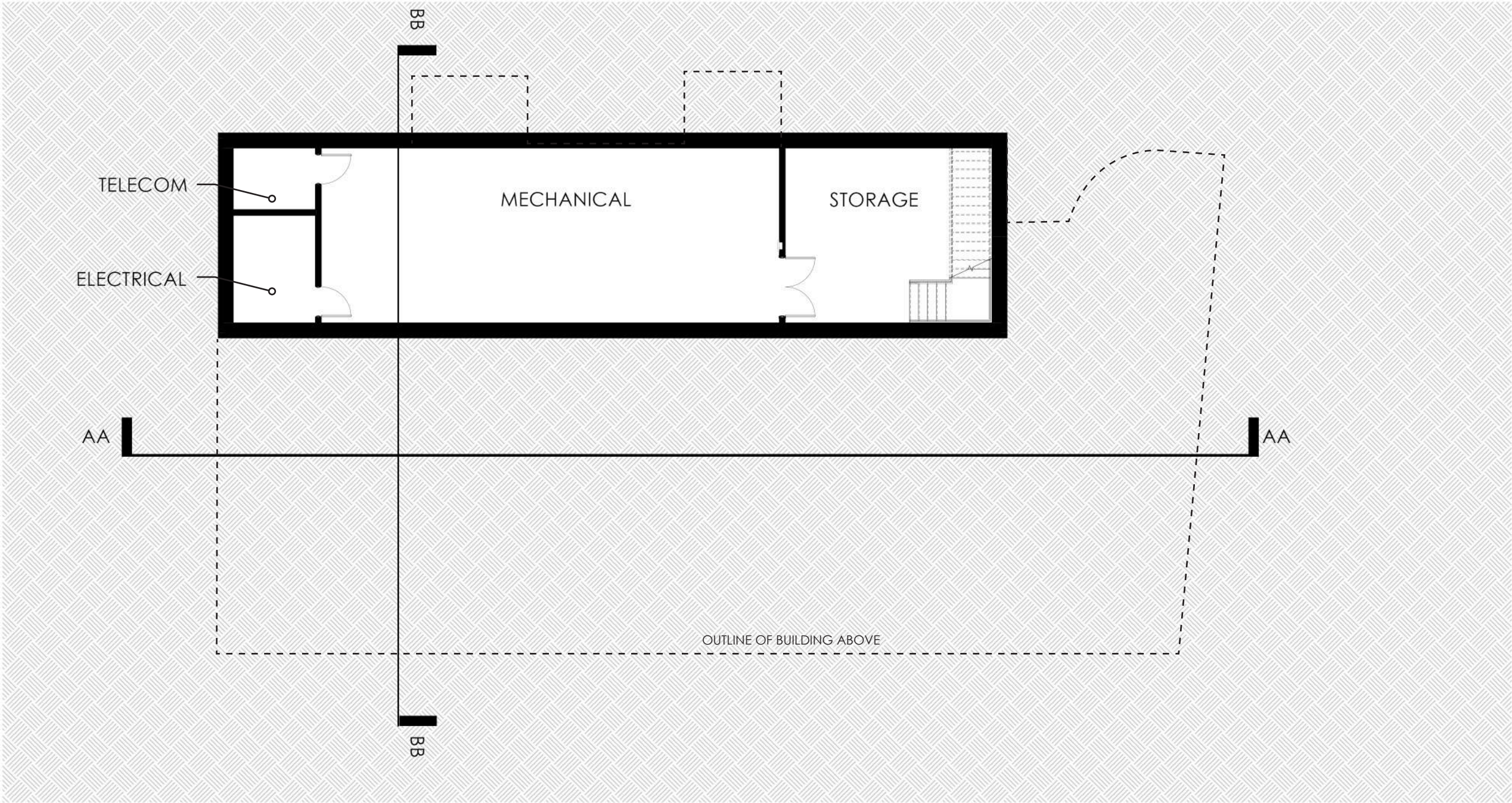
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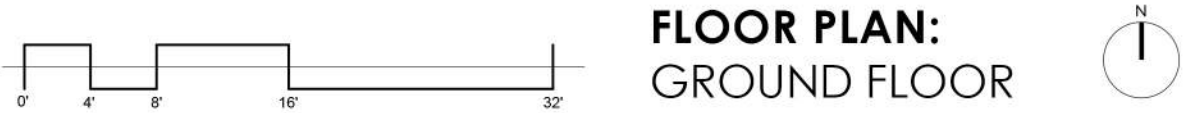
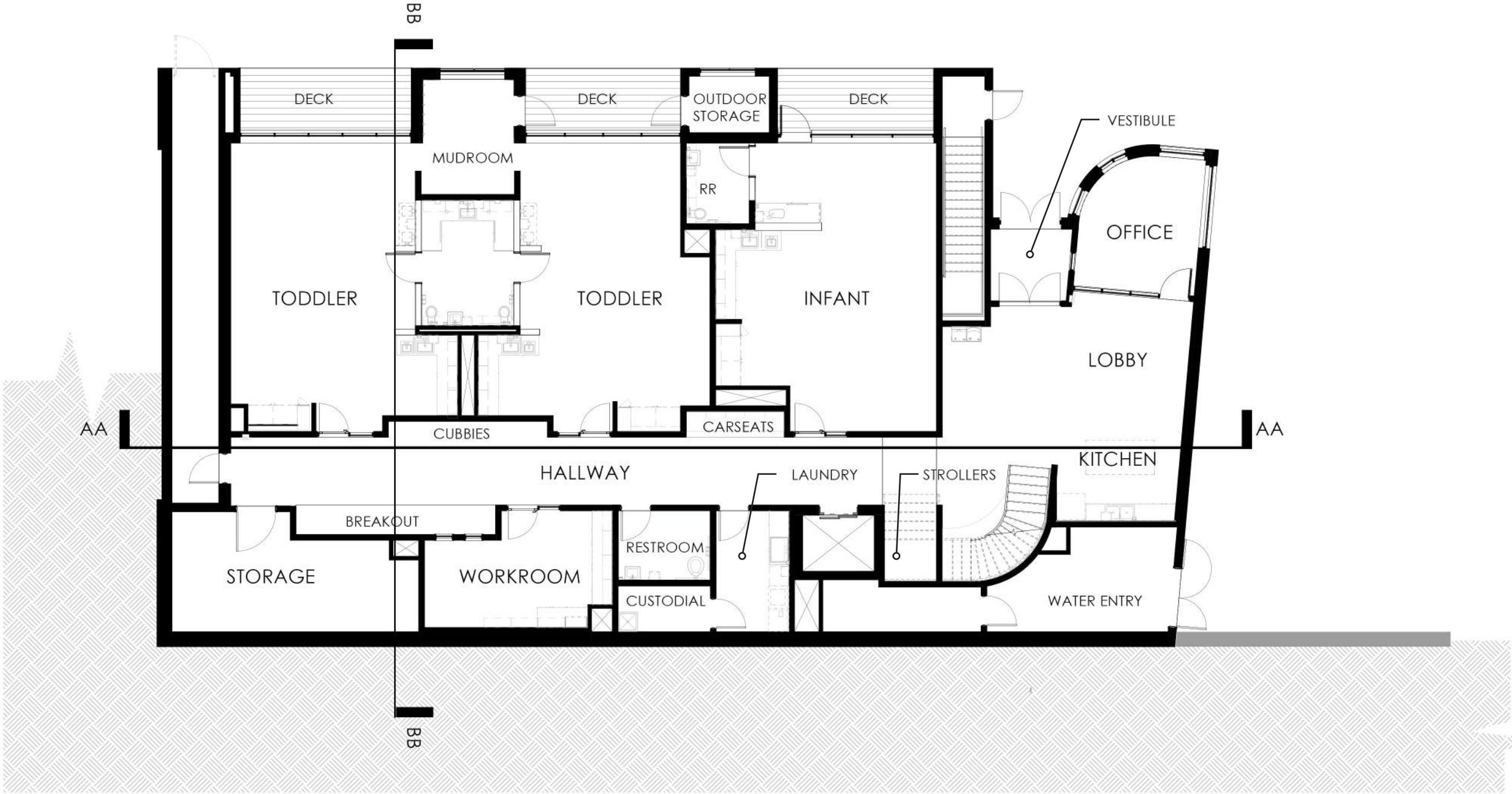




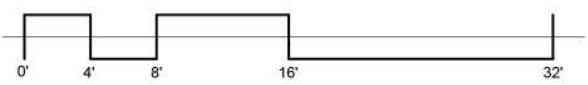
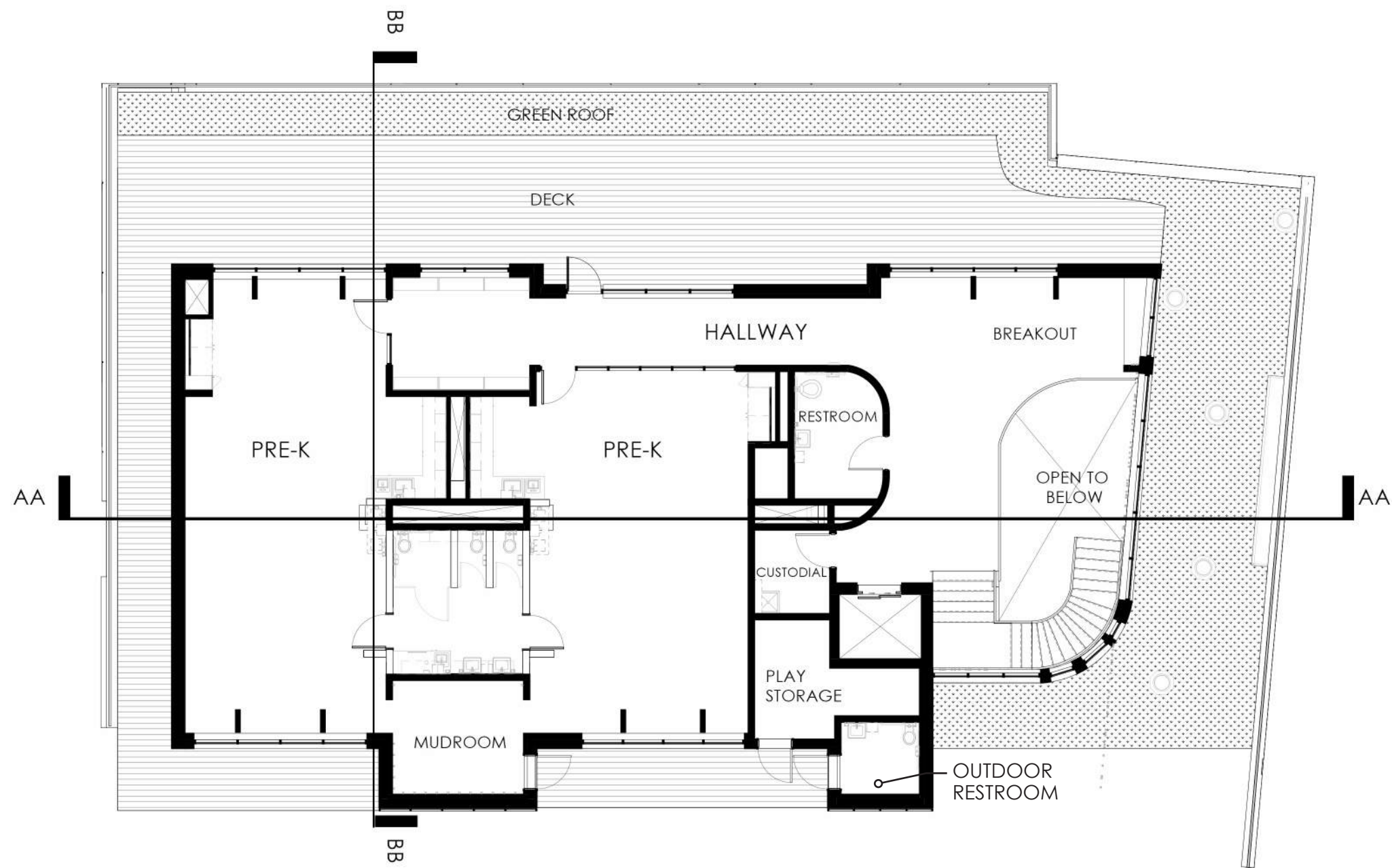


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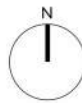




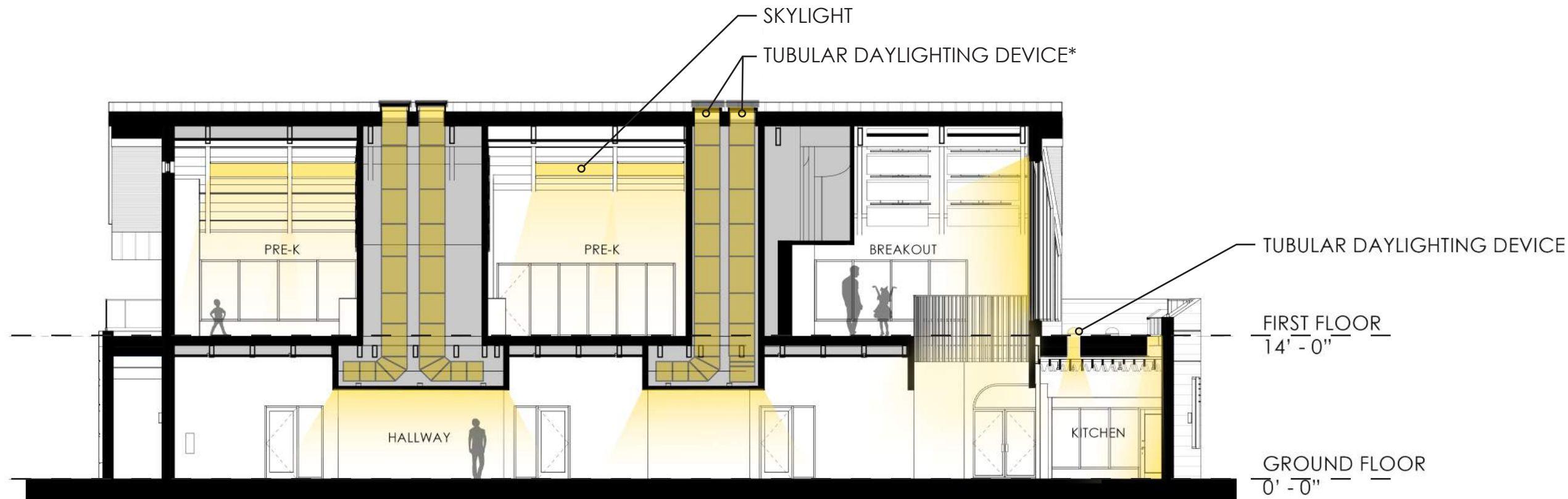
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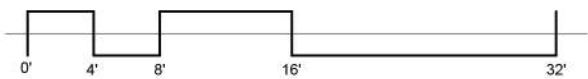
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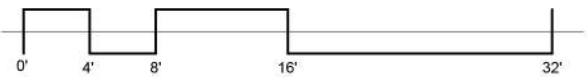
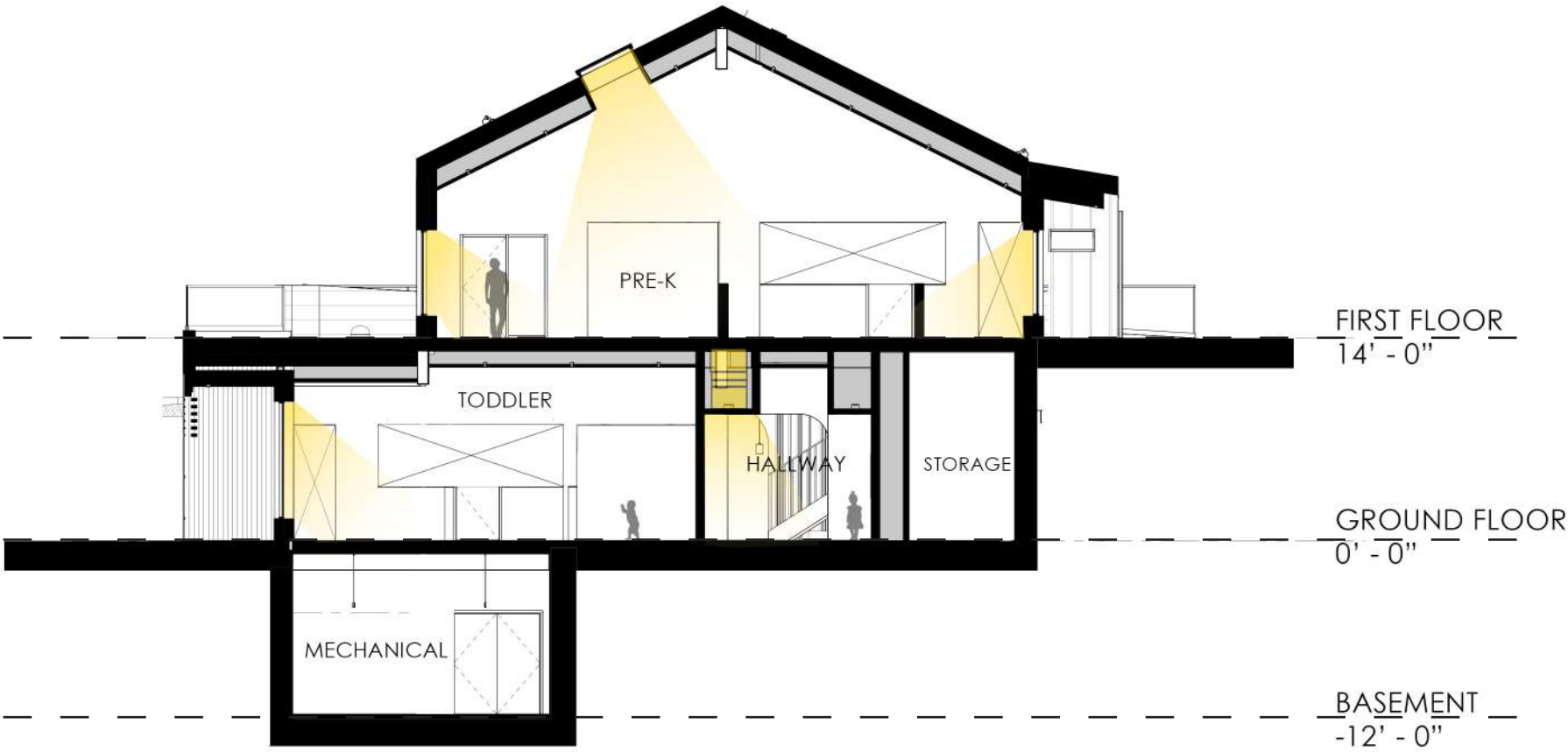




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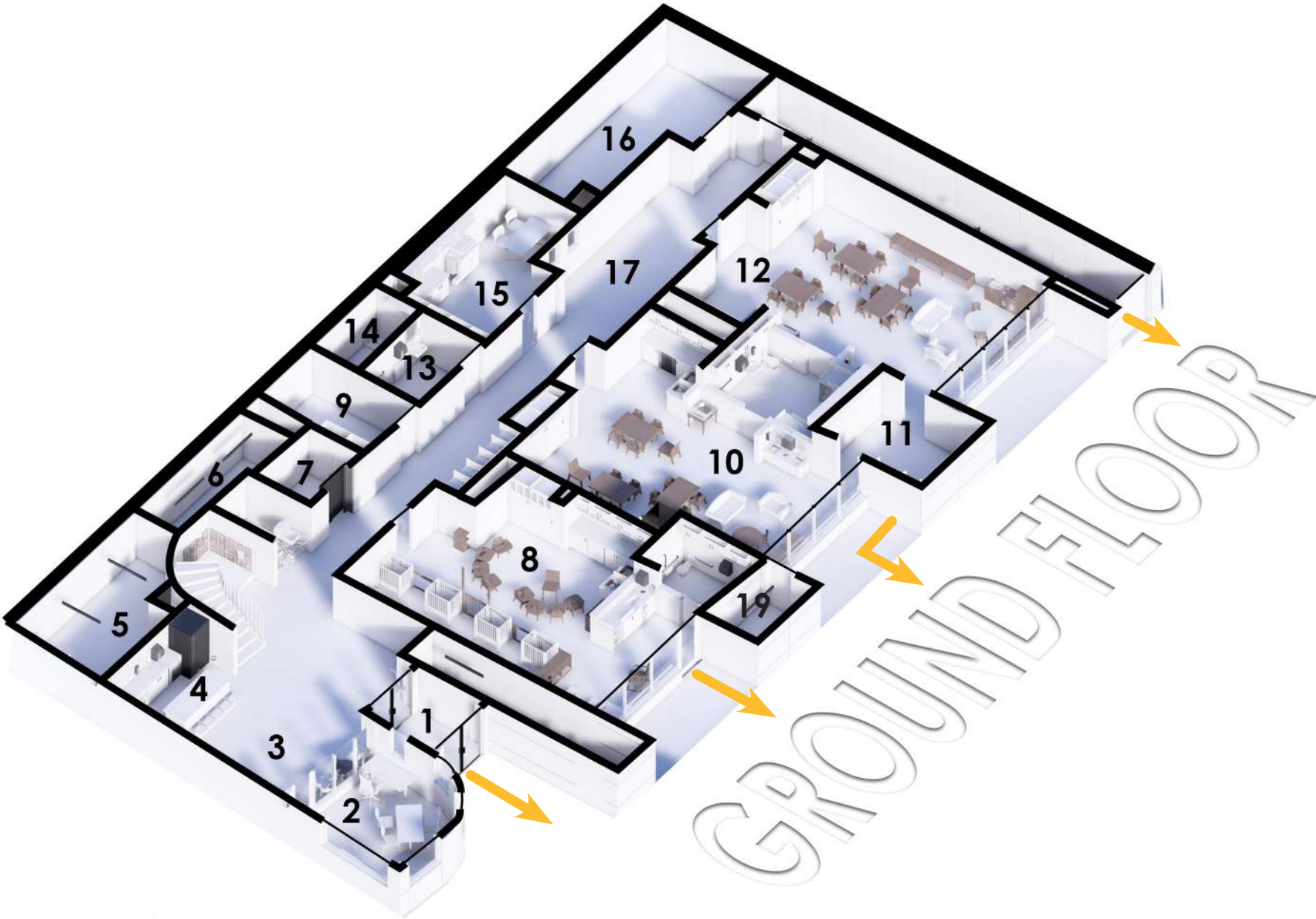
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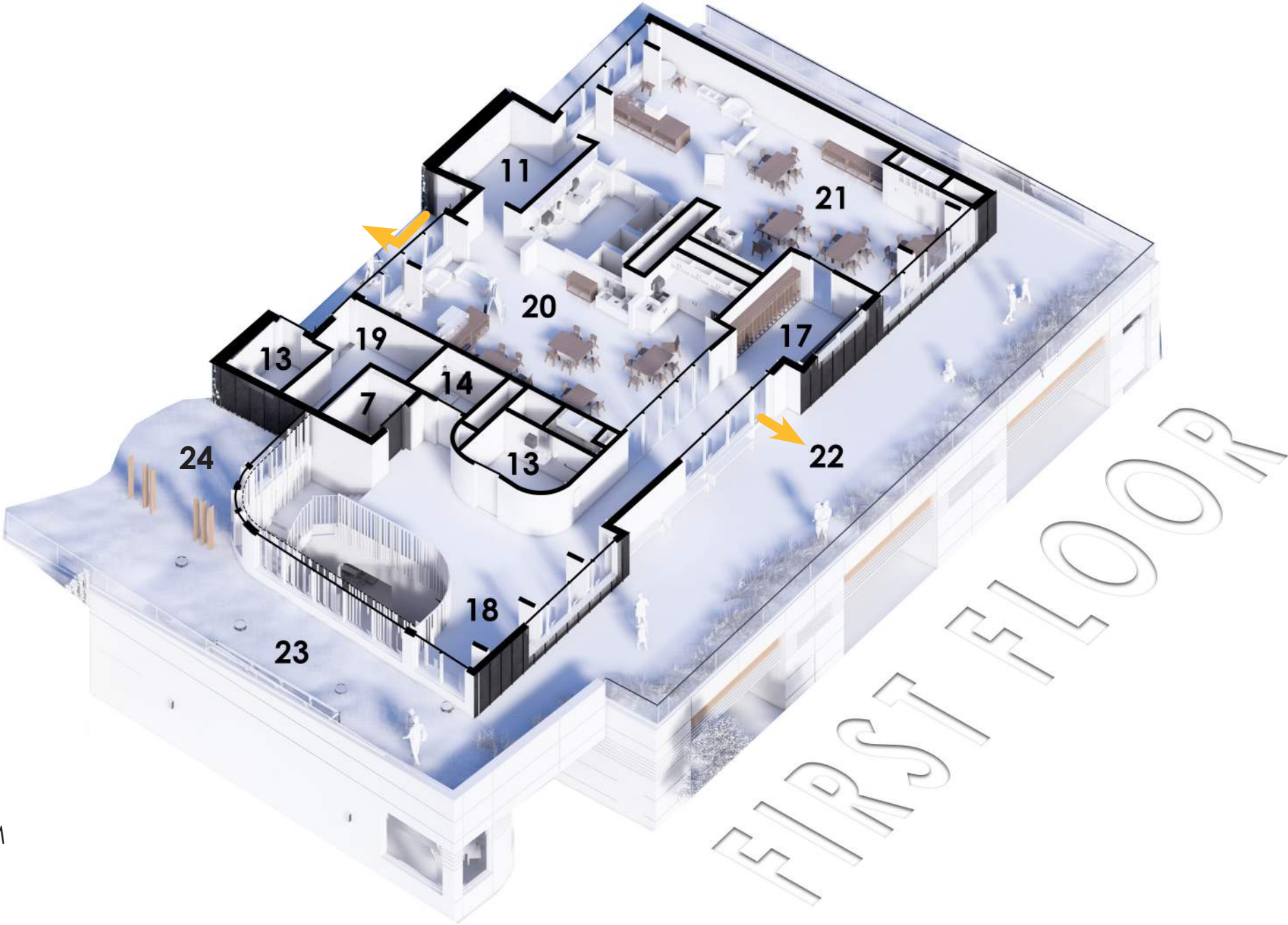
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PERSPECTIVE FROM OWL CREEK ROAD, LOOKING SOUTH WEST | SUMMER





PERSPECTIVE FROM OWL CREEK ROAD, LOOKING SOUTH WEST | WINTER





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PERSPECTIVE FROM OWL CREEK ROAD, LOOKING SOUTH EAST | WINTER





PERSPECTIVE FROM CATHY ROBINSON PARK, LOOKING NORTH WEST





PERSPECTIVE FROM CATHY ROBINSON PARK, LOOKING WEST





LOBBY AND KITCHEN AREA, FROM ENTRY VESTIBULE





FIRST FLOOR BREAKOUT SPACE, FROM TOP OF STAIRS





PRE-K CLASSROOM, LOOKING SOUTH





TODDLER CLASSROOM, LOOKING SOUTH





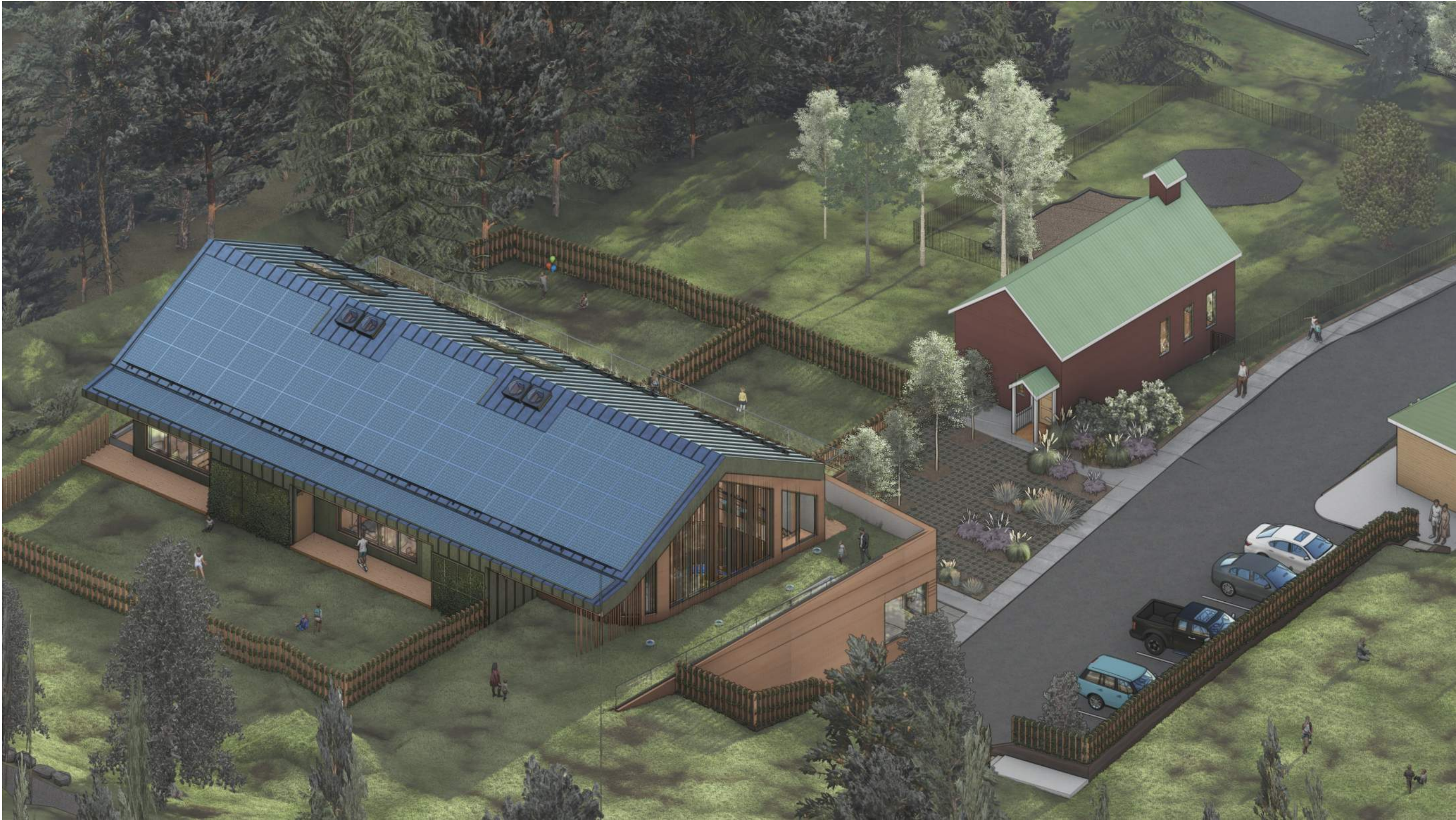
BIRD'S EYE VIEW FROM NORTH EAST





BIRD'S EYE VIEW FROM SOUTH WEST





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BIRD'S EYE VIEW FROM NORTH WEST



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#### AGENDA ITEM:

Downtowner/Transit Update

#### PRESENTED BY:

Sam Guarino, Transportation Director

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#### BACKGROUND:

The Village Shuttle has long needed technology solutions that match the expectations and needs of the modern transit rider and driver, improving experience and ease of use, while also improving efficiency, logistics, and accessibility by updating/replacing outdated hardware. These solutions include driver and rider facing mobile applications, in-bus next stop announcements, real time data on bus locations, electric vehicle transition, and paperless data entry. However, it is clear to any user of the system, and anyone who examines transit systems as a whole, that the Village shuttle is a uniquely customer focused solution that has been constantly redeveloped and catered to its users over the entire period of its existence. Therefore, ensuring that any technological solutions implemented do not remove the personal feel of the Village Shuttle is top of mind as advancements are made.

With these needs and goals in mind, the Town has licensed the Downtowner software to provide a driver and rider facing mobile application and data recording solution. The app will allow riders to track their fixed route buses in real time, in addition to allowing the user to request a ride, in a very similar fashion to Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) such as Uber or Lyft. Riders will be able to set a destination based on address, search popular destinations by common names, or search destinations by category (dining, lodging, etc.). Requesting rides through the app, rather than by phone calls routed directly into the buses, should improve ease of use for the rider, safety for the driver and passengers, and overall logistics. After requesting a ride, the rider will be able to see their vehicle in real time, as well as the name of the driver, keeping the personal feel of the system intact. The Downtowner solution is already being used in Aspen, Basalt, and this summer will be in Carbondale. This consistency across jurisdictions provides the possibility of moving towards a regional solution at some point in the future, further improving ease of use of transit throughout the valley. The Downtowner can also provide a simple integration with the Transit App, a solution the Town already uses, to help connect riders to other transit systems throughout the state



(including RFTA), and to other types of multi-modal transportation such as WE-cycle. While other, larger and more in-depth solutions were considered, it was clear that the Downtowner provided the most personalized and easy to use solution for our riders, while also not requiring significant additional staff time (and likely staff) on the back end.

Improving demand response ridership may play well into the Village Shuttle's efforts to move towards a zero-emission fleet by promoting more efficient use of vehicle capacity and thus allowing for a focus on smaller electric vehicles. Staff are already considering options for electric transit vans and with a \$40k zero-emission vehicle transition plan grant that has been secured hope to soon begin looking at a path towards conversion of the fixed route fleet as well.

As an accessibility and additional systematic ease-of-use improvement, Audio Visual Announcement (AVA) signs are being installed on the interior of the transit fleet. These signs will announce to riders, both visually and auditorily, stops as they approach, which not only meets ADA standards for accessibility, but also will help riders unfamiliar with the system to find their stop. The two newest 30' buses already have these signs installed, and we are looking at retrofitting the rest of the fleet.

At the back end, other options such as paperless trip sheets, improved scheduling, and remote access to on vehicle video are being investigated with the intention of improving efficiency for staff and better data collection and monitoring. The intention is to introduce these changes incrementally over the next couple years, rather than all at once to ensure that each is working properly before taking on the next change. The Village Shuttle has long prided itself on its ability to operate as an "analog" system. The skill of our drivers and supervisors should be recognized and celebrated, as it has led to one of the best small transit agencies in the world. These changes are not made lightly and a history of constantly improving, carefully thought out, customer-focused service should be top of mind. These steps forward are made in the spirit of continuing that history with an eye towards the future.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT:

- The Downtowner license is \$69,500/yr and an additional \$20k-\$30k is expected to be spent on hardware. This is currently covered in the 2024 adopted budget.
- The zero-emission vehicle transition plan is estimated at \$80k with \$40k of that being offset by a grant. Electric vehicles matching the needs of the Town will be analyzed throughout this process and capital grant funding will be investigated as is the norm for all transit vehicles.
- AVA system retrofits are estimated at approximately \$150k and possible grant opportunities are being investigated.



## APPLICABILITY TO COUNCIL GOALS & OBJECTIVES:

These efforts apply to a number of Town Council goals and objectives. Transit and particularly zero-emission vehicle transition promote the strategic initiatives of preserving and protecting the environment and promoting environmental sustainability and resiliency. By promoting and improving transit use, and improving accessibility, the strategic initiatives of continuing to improve the multi-modal connections between Base Village, the Mall, and the Center and managing parking and transit to encourage efficient, effective, and sustainable mobility choices are both a focus.

Furthermore, the Council has identified Safety, Connectivity, Transit, Environmental Activism, Resiliency, Regionalism, Risk Taking, and Recruiting & Retaining high-quality staff as being critical to the Village's success. These projects incorporate every one of these components.

## COUNCIL OPTIONS:

This is a staff update.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This is a staff update.

## ATTACHMENTS: