

**SD PHASE MEETING MINUTES****DATE** April 26, 2012**FROM** Michael Jacobs, AIA, CID, LEED AP
Principal Architect**TO** Rob Knarr, PE (for distribution to NKU)
Project Manager**SUBJECT** **Campus Recreation Center**
Northern Kentucky University
Highland Heights, KY**6b**

COMMENTS: The Project Steering Committee (PEC) meeting convened at 1:30pm this date with NKU Project Steering Committee, Cannon Design and Omni Architects in Room SU108 of the Student Union. The meeting was to review the first revision of the schematic design schemes and discuss which options and elements from the designs should the design team continue to pursue. Refer to sign-in sheets for those in attendance.

Schematic Design Review

1:30pm – 3:00pm

SU 108

Michael Jacobs began the meeting with a summary of the progress to date since the previous schematic design meeting. Michael reviewed the revised schematic design floor plans, the "Bridge" concept and the 3D model/building sections/images with the group

Design A

- The overall site scheme and paths of travel to and from the building were presented
- The revised floor plans were presented, the white areas on 2nd Floor indicate areas open to the first floor below.
- The building sections were reviewed

"Bridge" Design:

- The design proposes a "bridge" from the Student Union lawn to the 2nd Floor entry in the new recreation center.
- The design would eliminate the 2nd Floor Albright Center restrooms, which would require the cost of new restrooms to be located on the 2nd Floor of the new recreation center and provide access to them from the recreation center.

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- The design creates an "up and back down" movement to get into the new recreation center. It was discussed if this movement is counter productive to creating a simple movement through the building.

Open to Questions from the group:

- Michael pointed out that the existing locker and shower rooms may not need renovation. It was noted from the group that the locker rooms need electrical outlets, new tile, fixtures and partitions.
- The group agreed with the idea of switching the current location of the bouldering wall with the fitness area that is located next to the existing racquetball courts.
- It was noted that being able to use the existing areas designated as "unexcavated" under the running track, especially on the south side of the gym, could help eliminate additional new construction square footage. Also, the unexcavated area at the southeast corner of the gym blocks the possible line of sight to the pool from the main corridor.
- A question about whether IT room locations have been considered was asked. CMTA responded that IT rooms have been considered and have began locating them on the floor plans.
- Steve asked if bouldering could be located on the main axis/corridor next to the fitness area.
 - If bouldering is located on the south side of the northern most racquetball court then bouldering can wrap the corner of the racquetball court and allow for more variety in climbing conditions.
 - There is potential in the same location to have a full size climbing wall on the south wall of the bouldering due to the height of the existing space (staffing may be an issue)

The revised site layout for the new recreation field was reviewed by Omni

- It was asked in the meeting if a walking path could be incorporated into the recreation field layout. It was noted that due to the elevation changes around the existing field and the retaining necessary to construct the new fields that a flat walking path may not be possible. The design team will review.

The revised MEP layouts were reviewed for the New Recreation Center and all three floors of the Albright Center

The location and access of the proposed ADA parking spaces was discussed

- It was noted that the six new ADA spaces (in their proposed location next to the main entry to the Albright Center) can not stick out into the access road any further than the location of the existing curb.

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- To keep people from parking in the proposed ADA spaces all day the spaces could be metered.
- It may be possible to relocate these 6 spaces to the garage to reduce traffic in this area.

Following up the conversation in the earlier session, the control of the traffic that uses the access road in front of the New Recreation/Albright Center was discussed

- Could the existing car drop-off/loop in front of the student union be used to drop off students to walk across the sidewalks to the New Recreation/Albright Center?
- Could a gate be utilized to control access? How would the delivery trucks access the gate?
- Could signage be utilized to control traffic?
- Could the access road be changed to a one lane road instead of two lanes as a means of deterring people from driving down the road.

Mary Paula noted that parts of the existing building were constructed on fill dirt and some parts of the main corridor have settled. A compilation of reports regarding the existing conditions of the existing building have been posted on the FTP site for review by the design team. These areas will be noted and reviewed by the design team.

Michael noted that an additional LEED point could be gained for the project due to the Recreation Center being located so close to bus stops (#11 – Ft. Thomas – NKU and #25 – Alexandria/Eastern Ave). VLA to verify. Rob will provide Griffin Hall info.

End of Meeting

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Meeting minutes have been prepared to establish a record of the meeting and information shared. If you have any questions, additions, comments, or corrections, please forward to Omni Architects for inclusion.

Attachments:

Sign-in Sheet
Schematic Design Scheme A and Bridge Design floor plans
3D Images of design scheme

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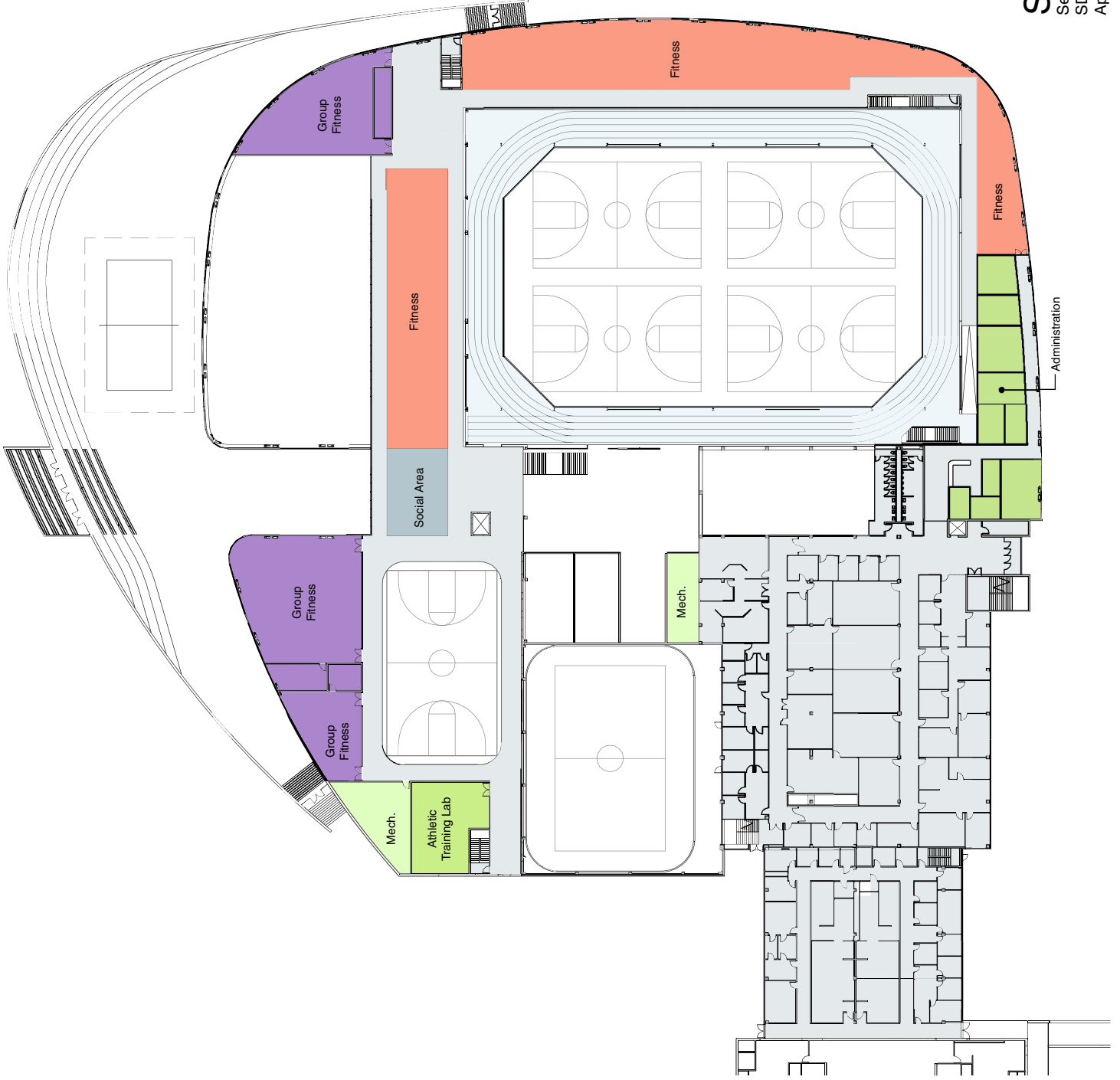


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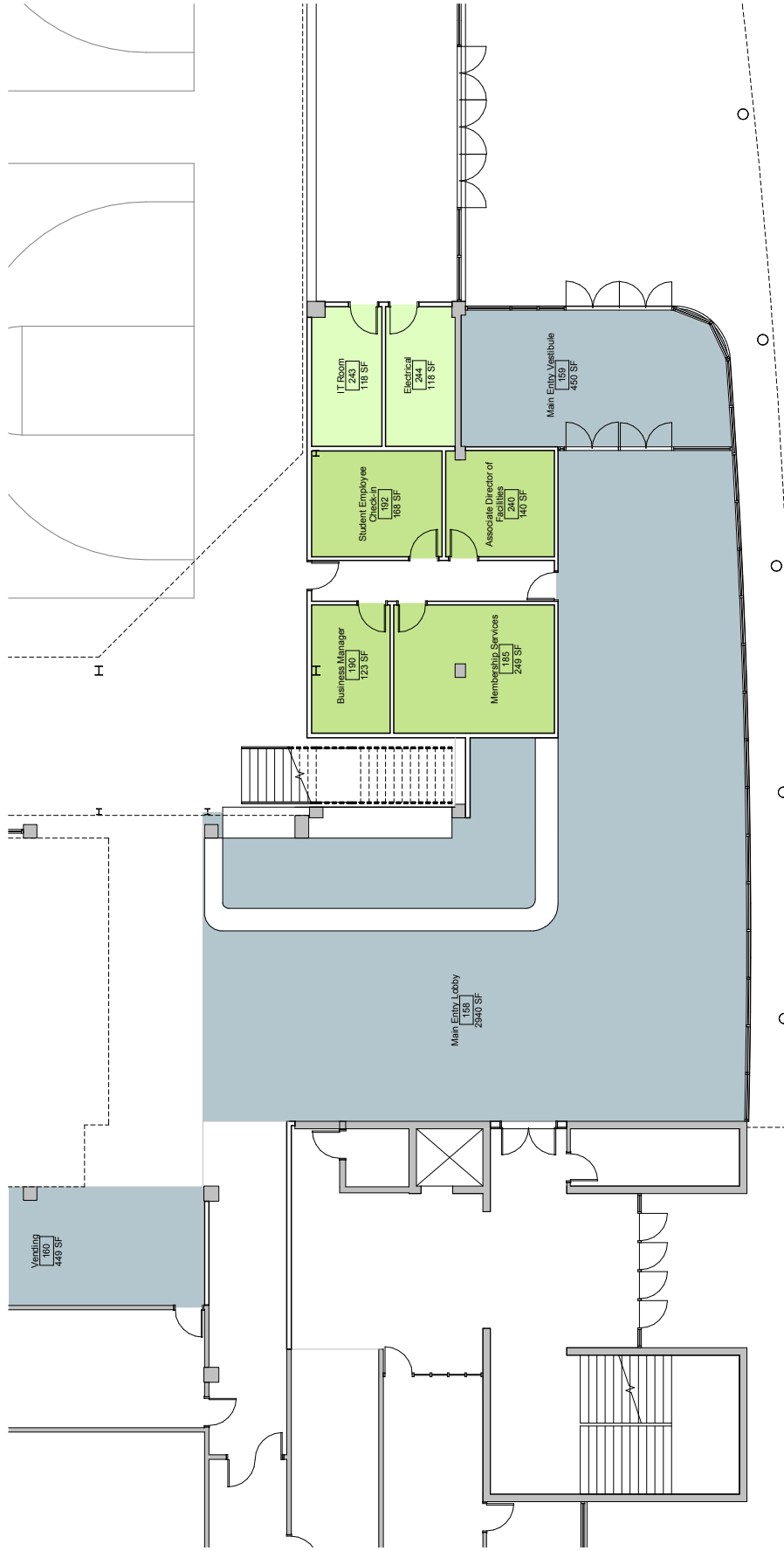


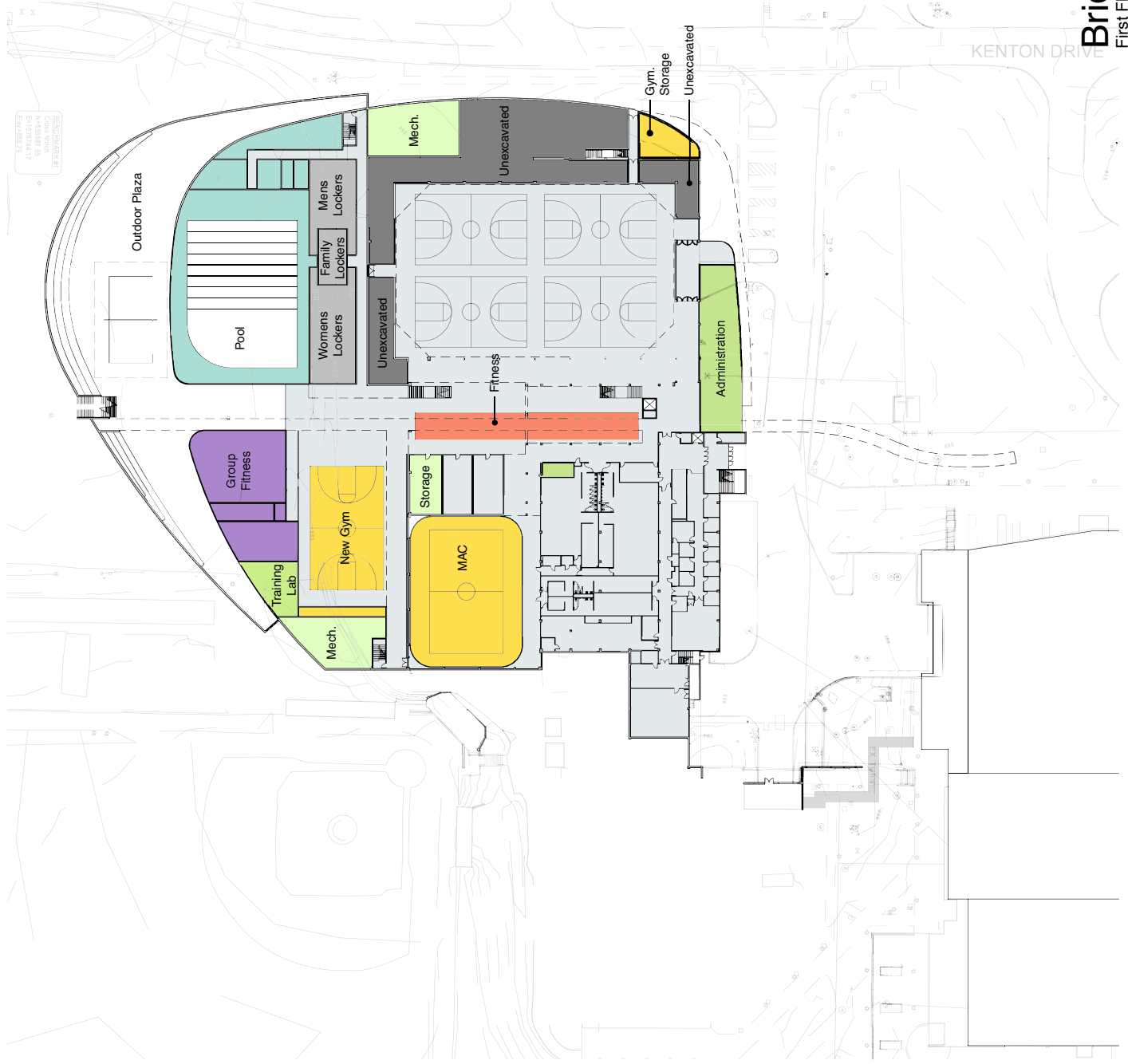
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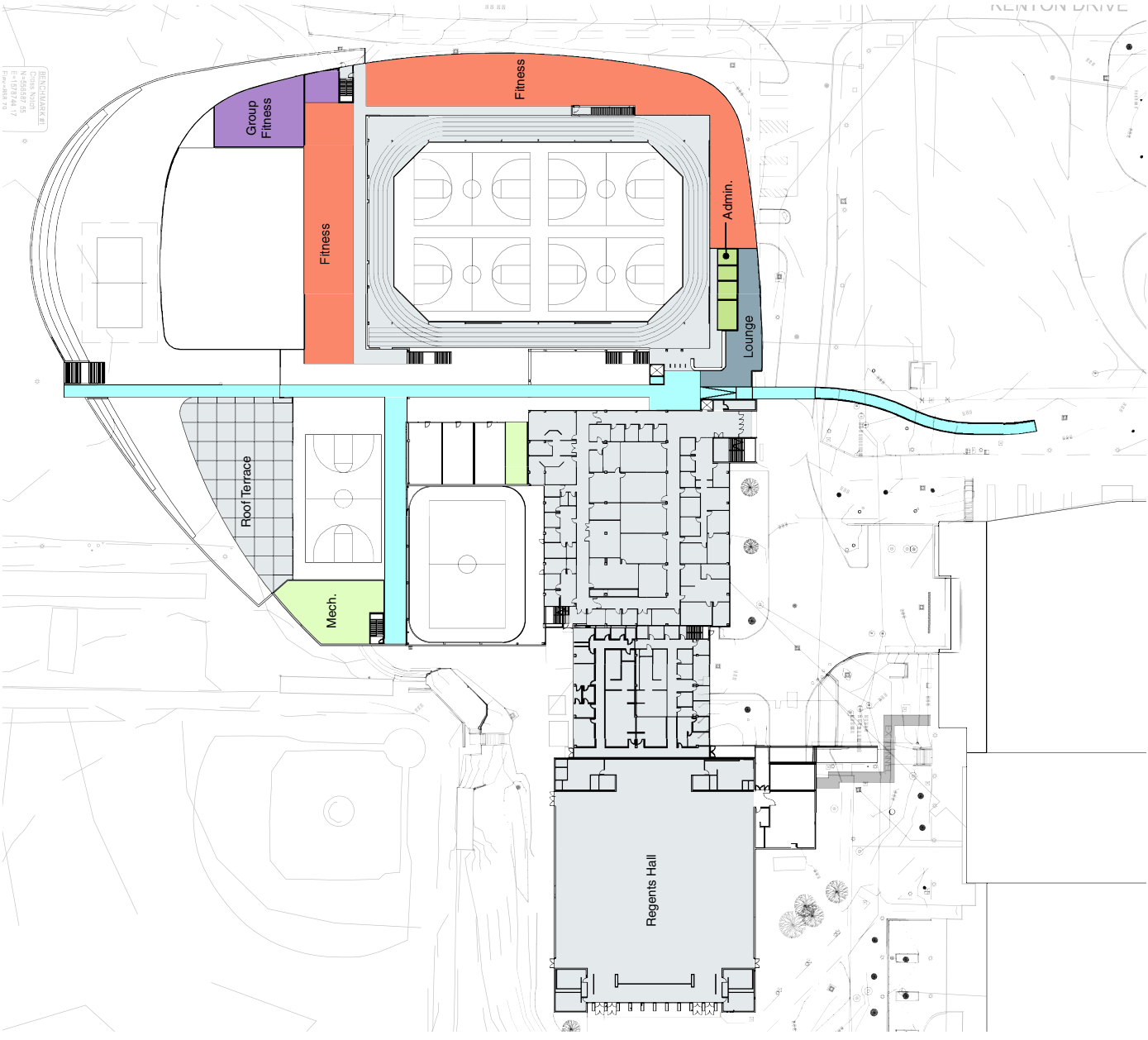
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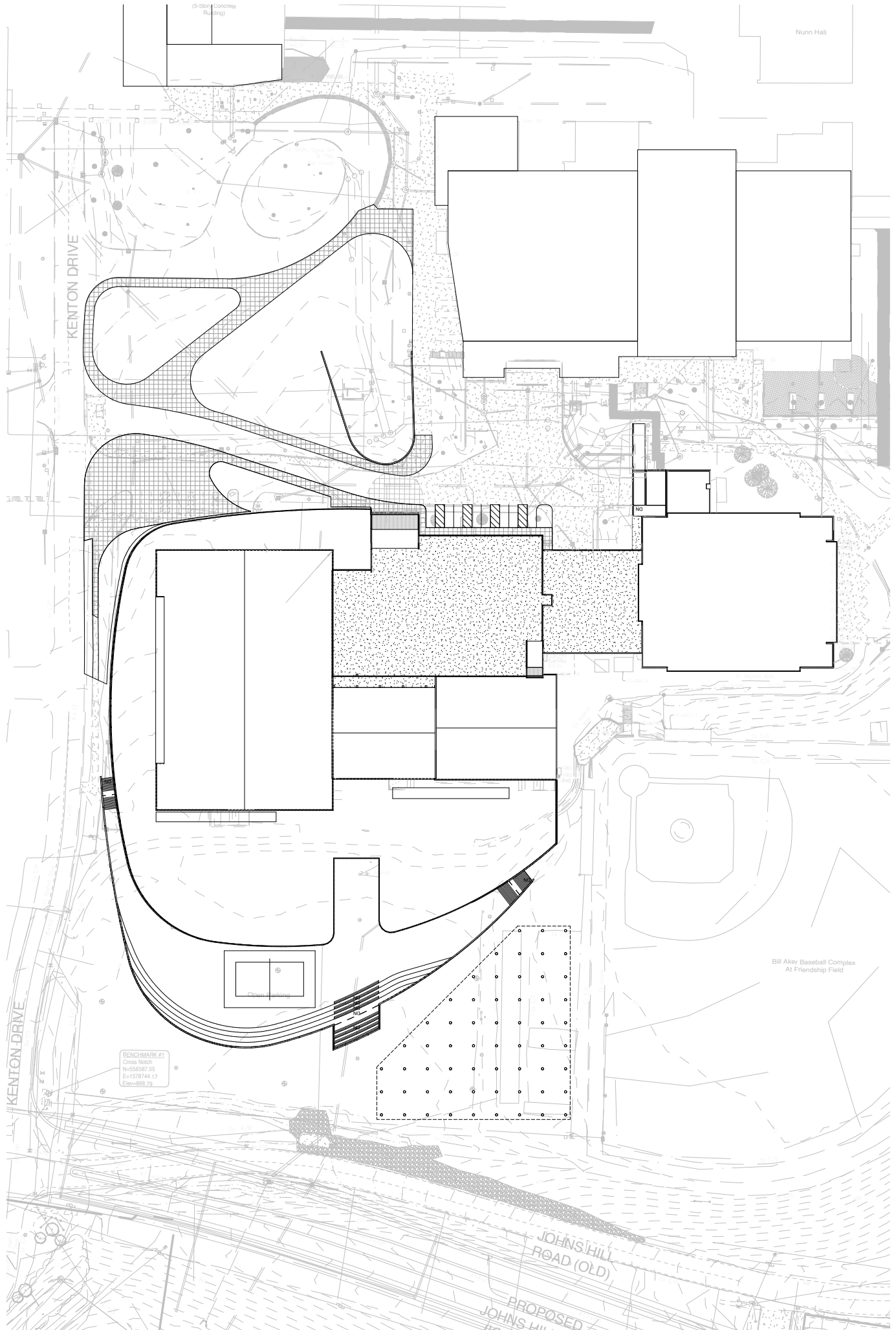












5-Story Concrete Building

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Cross Mark
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E=1578744.17
Elev=888.79

Bill Aker Baseball Complex
At Friendship Field

JOHNS HILL
ROAD (OLD)

PROPOSED
JOHNS HILL

