

**U.S. COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS**  
**FORT LINCOLN PARK**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER**  
CONCEPT REVIEW PRESENTATION - CFA-2308

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# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SITE OVERVIEW



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- **ENHANCE A VIBRANT COMMUNITY HUB**
  - **REVIVE THE EXISTING LANDSCAPE & PARK**
  - **CELEBRATE THE RICH SITE HISTORY**
  - **ENCOURAGE AN INTERGENERATIONAL EXPERIENCE**
  - **CREATE A MODEL NEIGHBORHOOD AMENITY**

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER HISTORIC OVERVIEW - TIME LINE

**BATTLE OF BLADENSBURG:** On the hill that will one day become Fort Lincoln, Commodore Joshua Barney and his troops hold off the British, before being overcome. The British force advance to burn the White House



PAINTING BY CHARLES WATERHOUSE (1814)

**THE NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR BOYS** opens on the former site of Fort Lincoln on January 13, 1870. Part of the Bureau of Prisons, it was "an institution committed to the task of retraining and redirecting youths who have violated the laws of the United States and the District of Columbia". (U.S. Bureau of Prisons, 1953) It closes in 1968.



National Training School for Boys, U.S. Bureau of Prisons, (1953).

**THEODORE HAGANS**, an eminent local businessman and Civil Rights leader is selected by the District to lead the redevelopment of Fort Lincoln. In 1984, after Hagans dies in a plane crash, his daughter, Dr. Michelle Hagans takes over the Fort Lincoln Redevelopment Corporation.

Fry & Welch Architects design the Fort Lincoln (Thurgood Marshall) Elementary School which is completed ca. 1975 and demolished in 2020.

Landscape architect M. Paul Friedberg designs Fort Lincoln Commemorative Park, which is completed in 1980 and survives with integrity today.



## WAR OF 1812

## CIVIL WAR

## GREAT SOCIETY

## URBAN DEVELOPMENT

1812

1861

1870

1967

1975

2013

2020

FORT LINCOLN is constructed as part of a series of fortifications to defend the capital which include Fort Totten and Fort Reno among others. When African Americans are admitted to the U.S. Army two years later, many are assigned to the Defenses of Washington

4th U.S. Colored Infantry at Fort Lincoln, Library of Congress

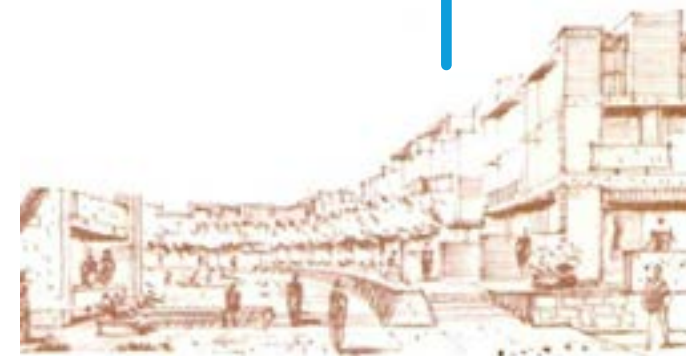


*"Once let the black man get upon his person the brass letters, U.S., let him get an eagle on his button, and a musket on his shoulder, and bullets in his pockets, and there is no power on earth which can deny that he has earned the right to citizenship in the United States."* - Frederick Douglass

<https://www.nps.gov/articles/african-african-americans-and-the-civil-war-forts-of-dc.htm>

**THE FORT LINCOLN URBAN RENEWAL AREA**, a new community to be developed on the former reform school site is announced by LBJ to help relieve housing shortages. The plan calls for 4,500 housing units for different income and family sizes. It additionally calls for new schools and community amenities including a library, health center, fire station and rail transit.

**THURGOOD MARSHALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLOSSES.**



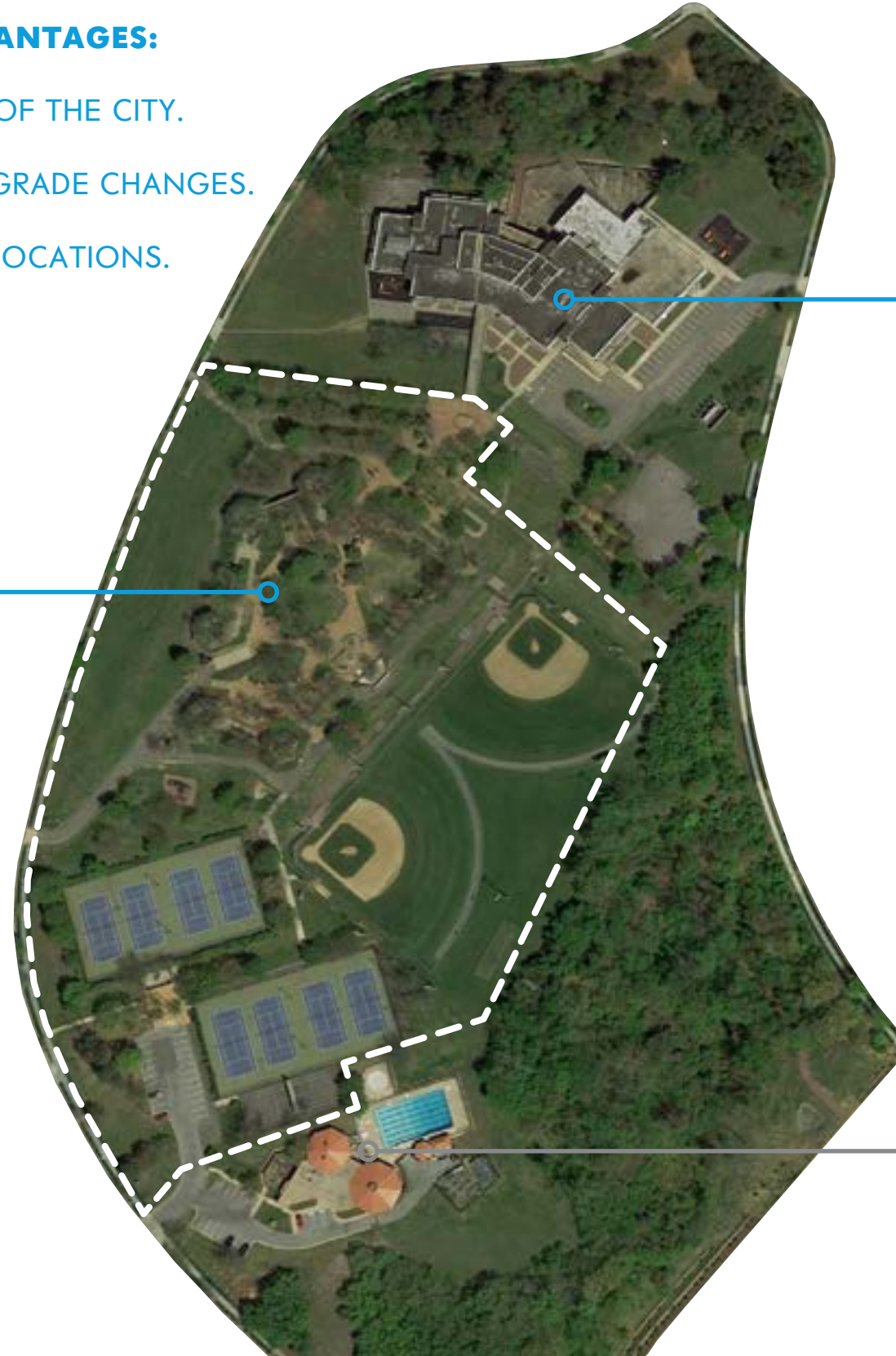
*"Washington needs and deserves the best in community planning - and this new development can be the best of communities. It should offer a full range of educational, recreation, and other public services to the citizens of every station."* - Lyndon Johnson.

"Fort Lincoln Urban Renewal Area" District of Columbia, National Capital Planning Commission, Redevelopment Land Agency

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SITE ANALYSIS - HISTORIC CORE

## THE SITE OFFERED FRIEDBERG UNIQUE ADVANTAGES:

1. IRREGULAR FORM, NOT DEFINED BY THE GRID OF THE CITY.
2. TOPOGRAPHIC VARIATION AND SIGNIFICANT GRADE CHANGES.
3. PANORAMIC VIEWS FROM VIEWER SUPERIOR LOCATIONS.
4. RICH EMBEDDED HISTORY.



**FORT LINCOLN PARK  
COMMUNITY CENTER SITE**

THURGOOD MARSHALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
SHOWN HERE (DEMOLISHED 2020)

FRY & WELCH ARCHITECTS  
COMPLETED CA. 1975  
DEMOLISHED 2020

**HISTORIC CORE  
FORT LINCOLN COMMEMORATIVE PARK**

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: M. PAUL FRIEDBERG  
ARCHITECT: JEROME LINDSAY  
COMPLETED 1980

**THEODORE HAGANS  
CULTURAL CENTER AND POOL**

ARCHITECT UNKNOWN  
DATE UNKNOWN, RENOVATED CA. 2009

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER FRIEDBERG LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE - DESIGNING PRINCIPLES



LANDSCAPE AS STAGE



PLAY IS INDEPENDENT AND COLLECTIVE FOR ALL AGE GROUPS

VISITORS ARE BOTH ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS & OBSERVERS



FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT WITH SEAMLESS CONNECTIVITY



NEW TYPOLOGY: "PARK / PLAYGROUND"

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

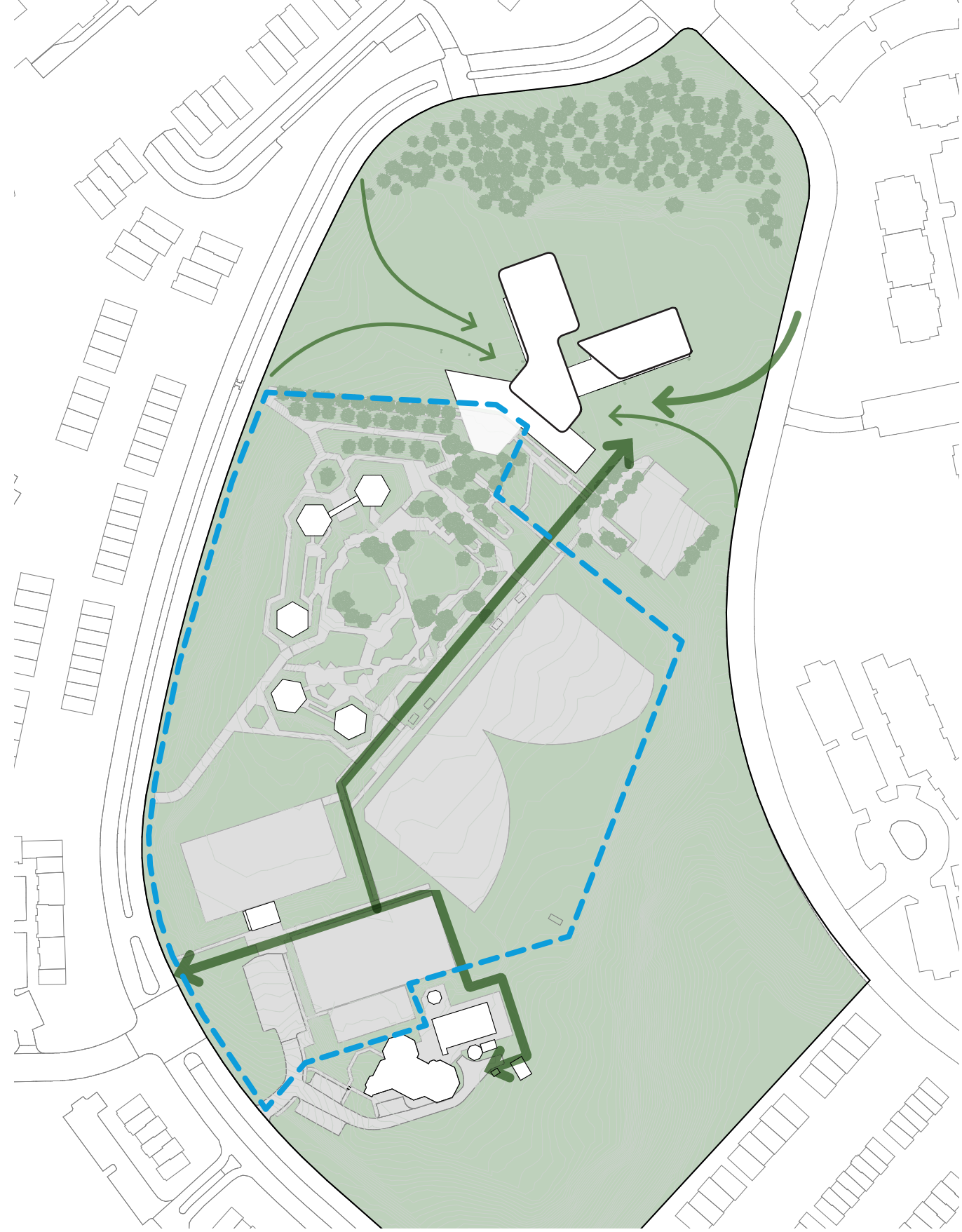
- DESIGN A CONTEMPORARY AND INNOVATIVE COMMUNITY CENTER TO PROVIDE UPDATED WELLNESS AMENITIES, INVITING SOCIAL RESOURCES, AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES.
- EXPAND FORT LINCOLN PARK'S DESIGNED LANDSCAPE TO TIE THE COMMUNITY CENTER SITE INTO THE PARK AS A WHOLE.
- INTEGRATE THE BUILDING DESIGN WITH THE EXISTING PARK'S LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AND UNIQUE NATURAL FEATURES.
- CONNECT THE NEW CENTER TO THE LANDSCAPE BY WEAVING TOGETHER INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR SPACES.

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SITE CONDITIONS - THURGOOD MARSHALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (DEMOLISHED 2020)

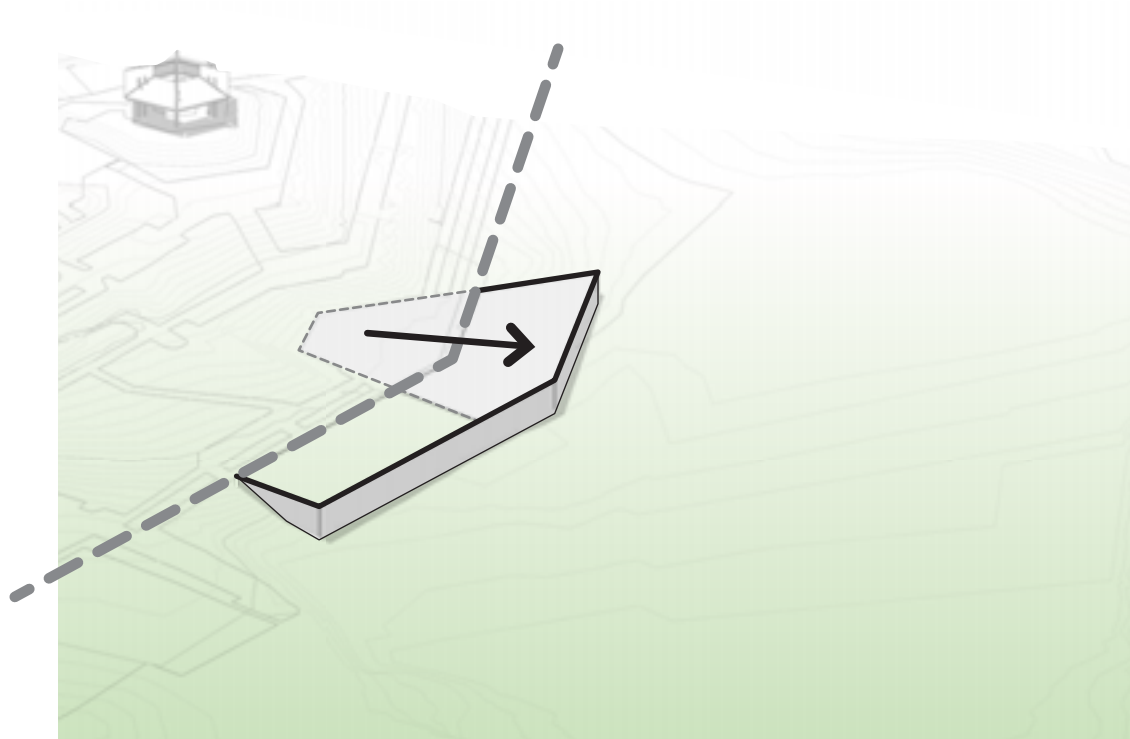




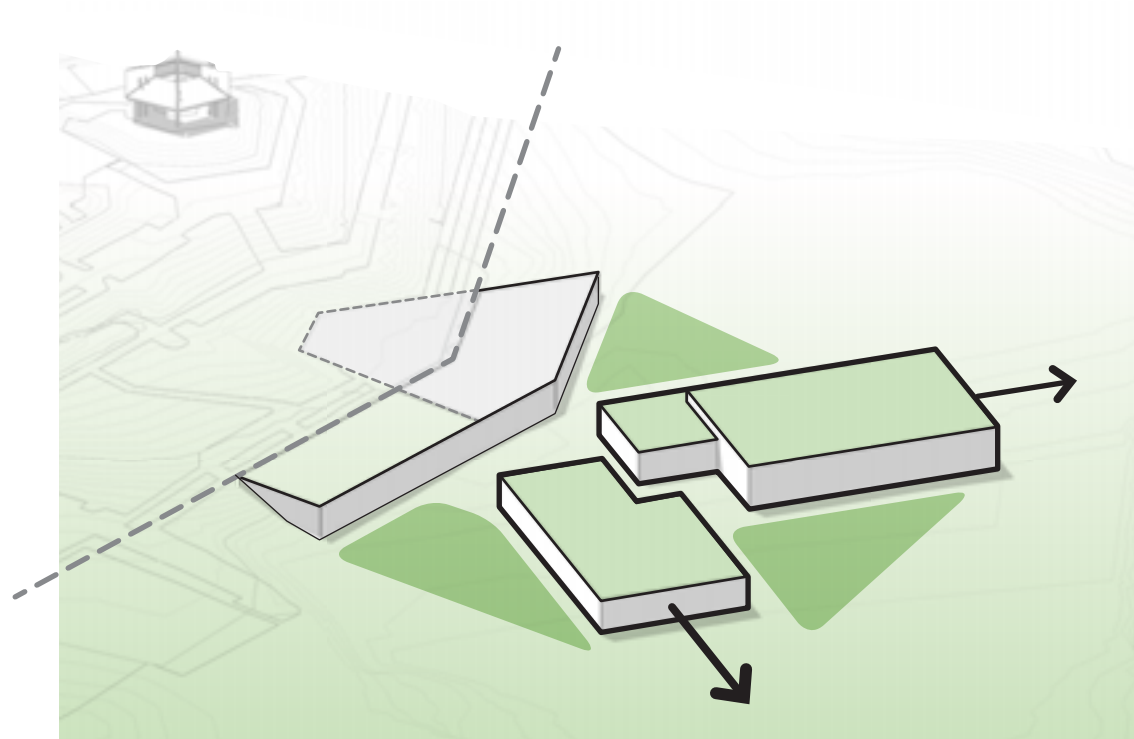
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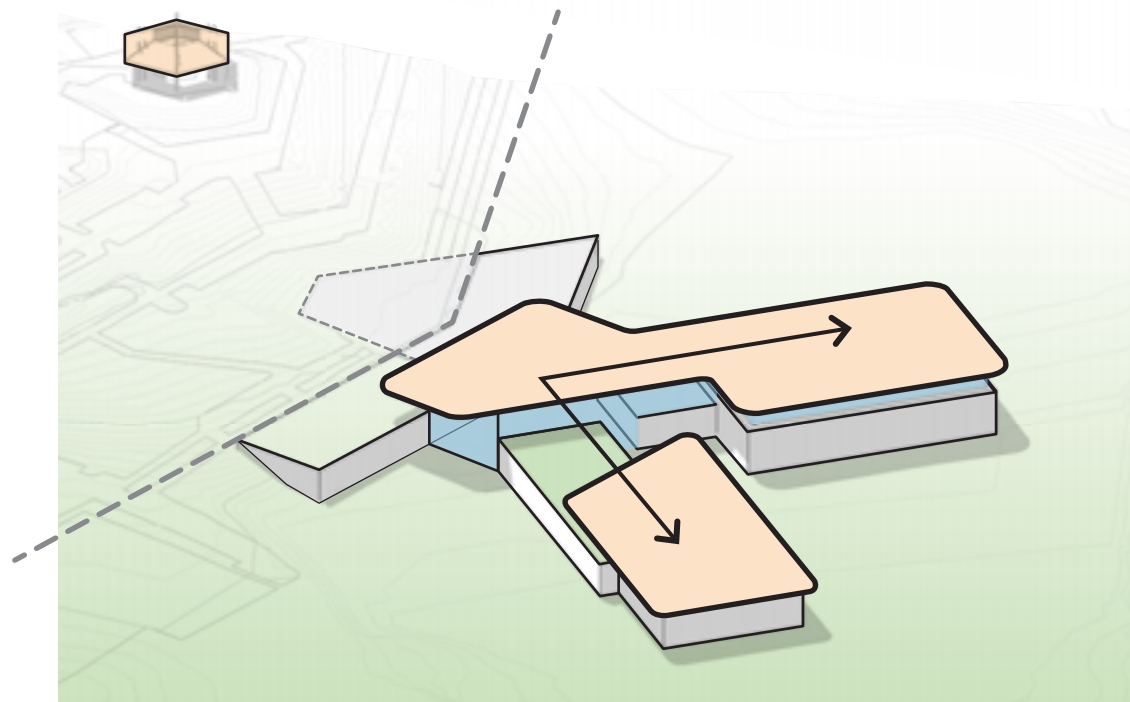
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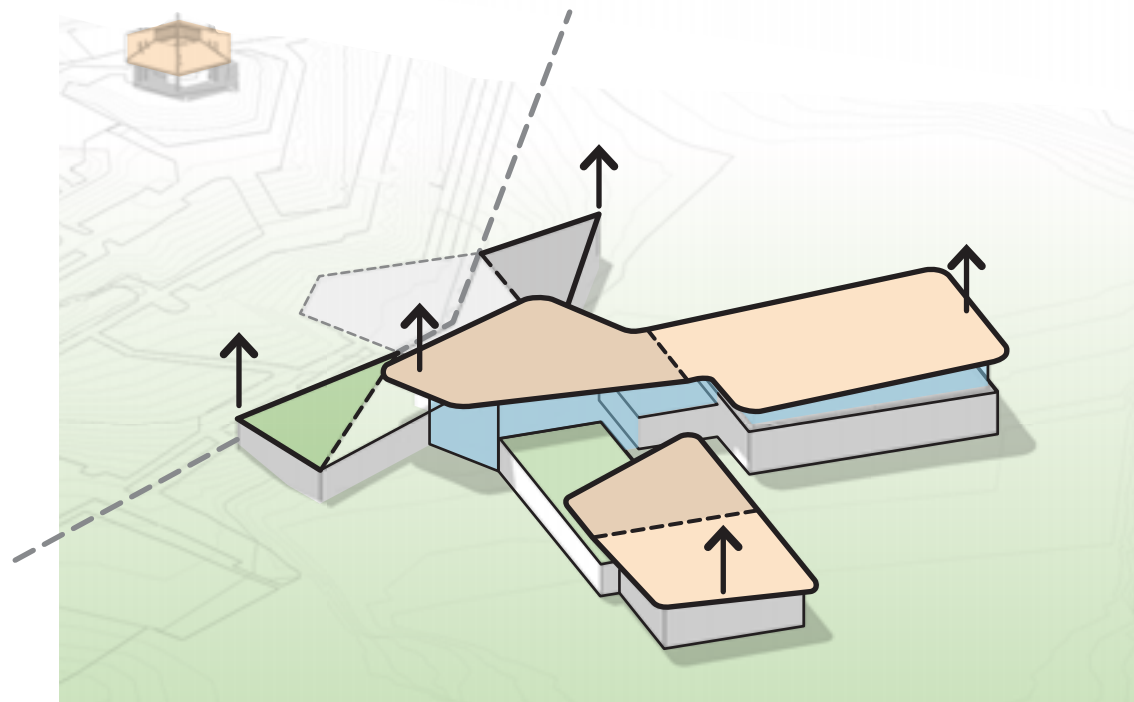
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CONNECT



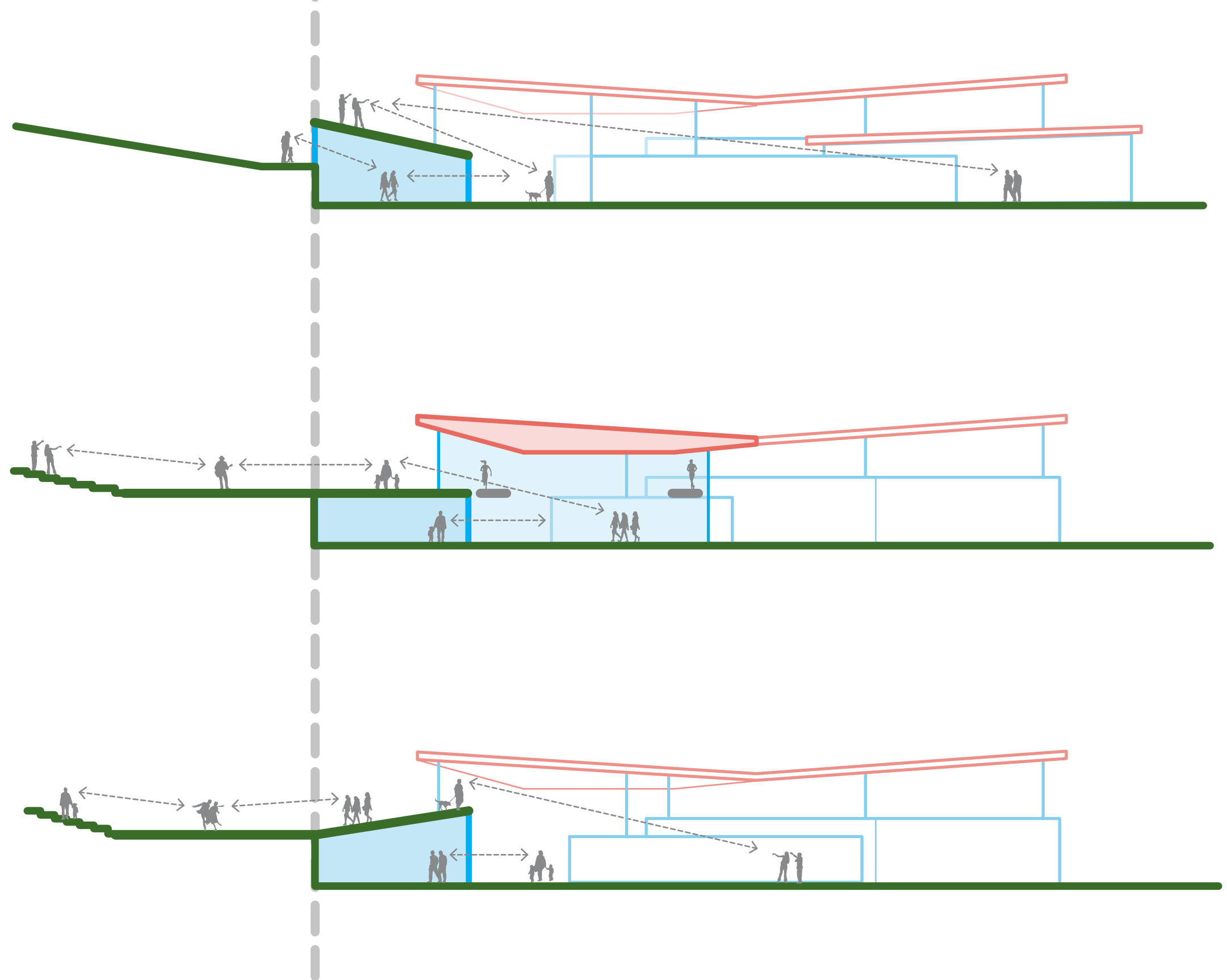
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# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT - TOPOGRAPHY & ARCHITECTURE AS THEATER



1980 FRIEDBERG DESIGN

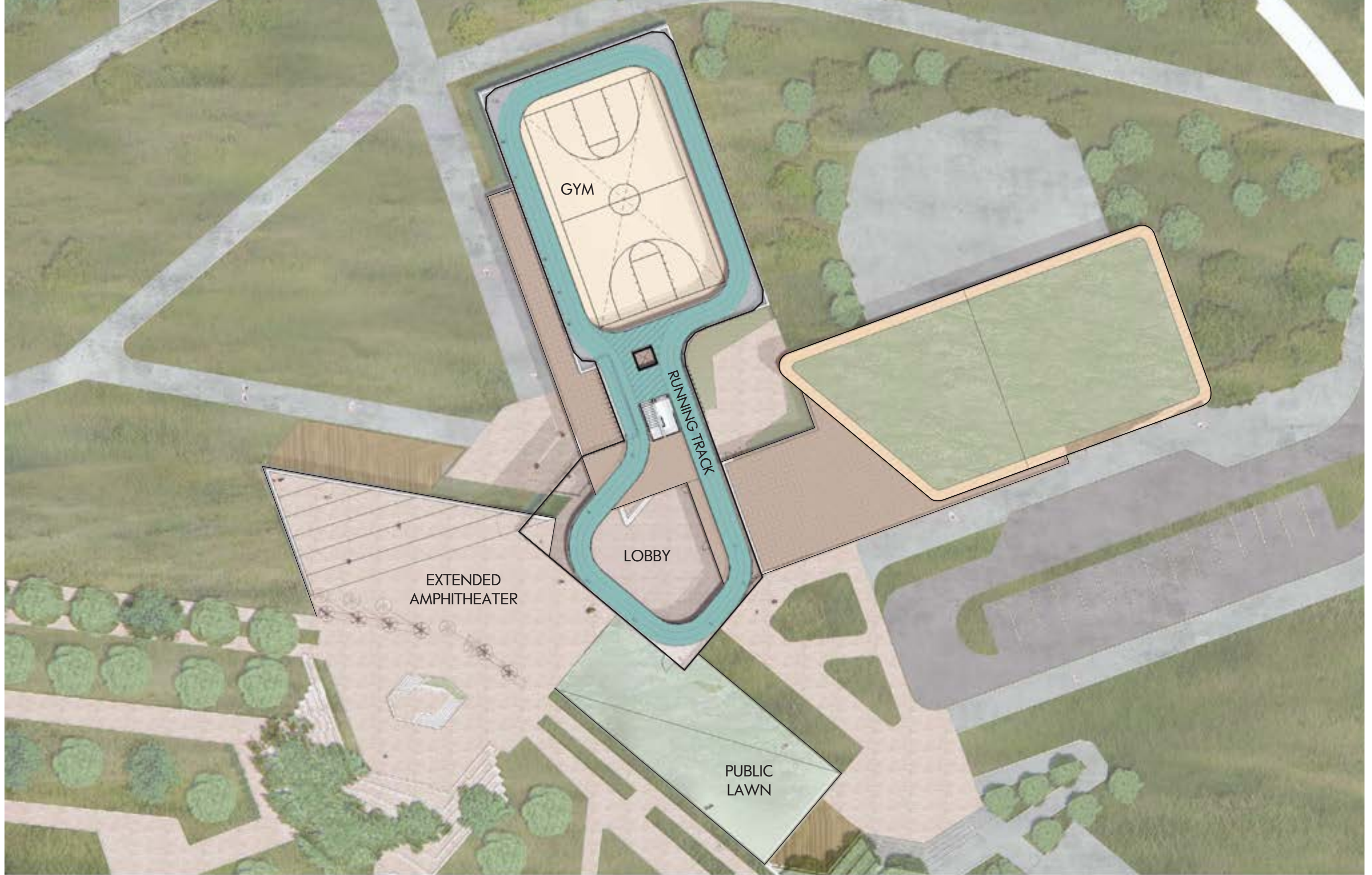
EXPANDED PARK AND COMMUNITY CENTER



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER GROUND FLOOR PLAN DIAGRAM



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ELEVATED RUNNING TRACK LEVEL PLAN DIAGRAM



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF PLAN DIAGRAM



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER LANDSCAPE STRATEGIES



- AGILITY FITNESS COURSE
- ENGINEERED WOOD FIBER SURFACE
- RECREATION LAWN
- MEADOW
- NEW TRAIL; PERMEABLE ASPHALT
- NEW PATH; SQUARE PRESSED CONCRETE
- OUTDOOR FITNESS SPACE; WOOD DECKING
- ROOF TOP AMPHITHEATER
- ROOF TOP LAWN

- SEATING/REST AREAS; WOOD DECKING
- SECURE COURTYARD; BRICK PAVING
- NEW PLAYGROUND; 5,000 SQ FT; 2-5 YEAR OLDS
- BIORETENTION TYP.
- SERVICE ACCESS
- GREEN ROOF
- ASPHALT PAVERS
- ASPHALT DRIVE
- BRICK PAVING
- ADA RAMP
- DEMONSTRATION KITCHEN
- OUTDOOR CLASSROOM
- AMPHITHEATER & RAMP
- ADA RAMP

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER LANDSCAPE STRATEGIES



AGILITY FITNESS COURSE



FLEXIBLE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM SPACES



FITNESS PROGRAM, GATHERING SPACES FOR SENIORS



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER TRANSITION ZONE - SECTIONS



I NEW ACCESSIBLE RAMP



R OUTDOOR CLASSROOM - AMPHITHEATER AND STAIRS

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER TRANSITION ZONE - SECTIONS



**K** OUTDOOR CLASSROOM - WOOD DECK

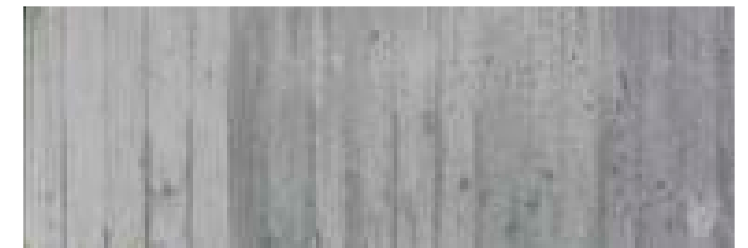
# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER EXTERIOR VIEW - LANDSCAPE AT AMPHITHEATER



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT - SITE MATERIALS



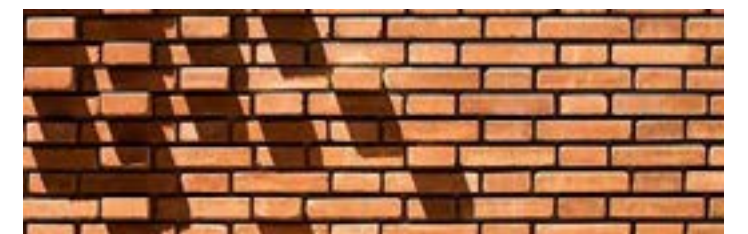
WOOD



CONCRETE



FIELDSTONE



BRICK

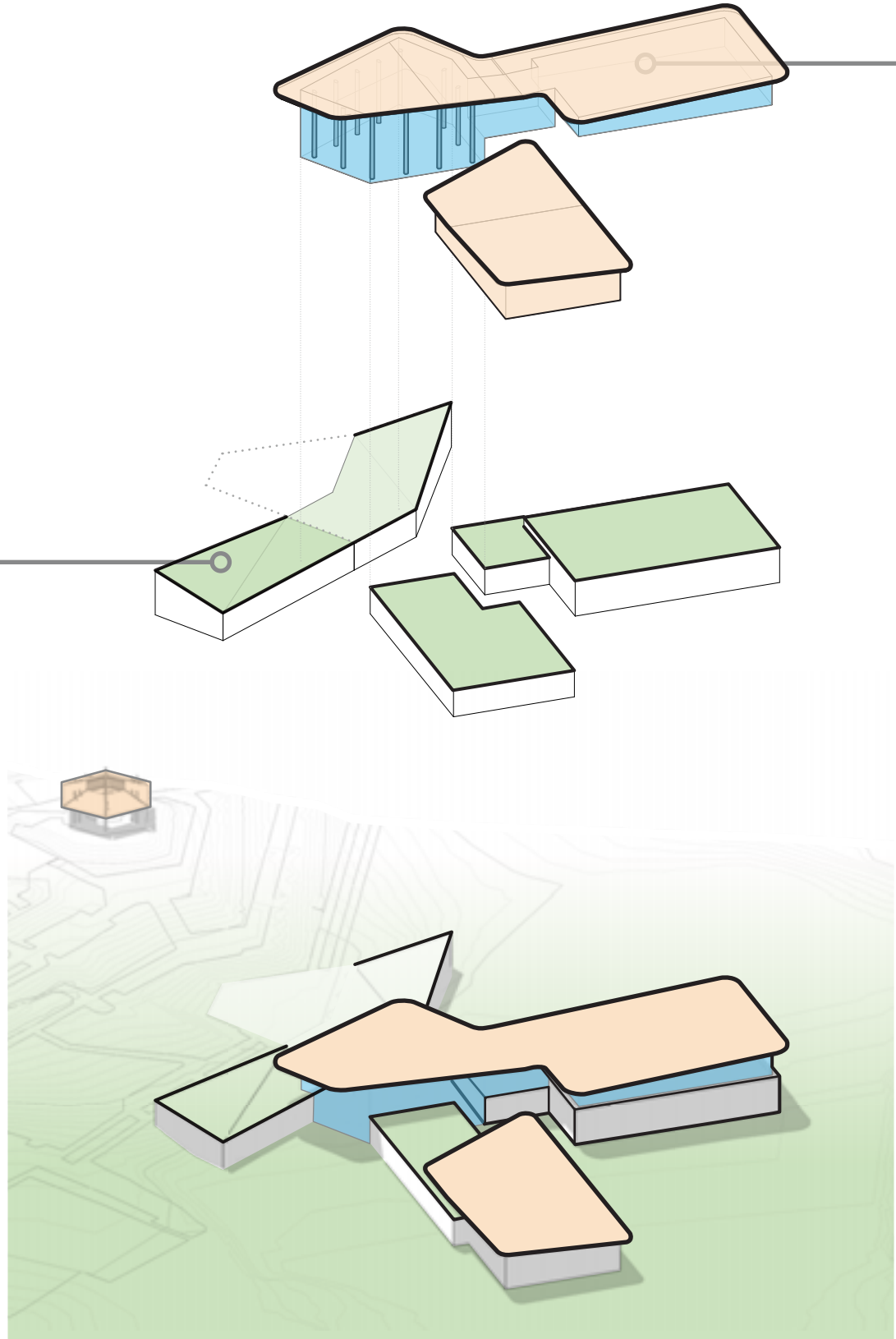


BLACK METAL

# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ARCHITECTURAL MATERIALS CONCEPT - INTERPRETATION OF EXISTING ELEMENTS



LANDFORM STRUCTURES  
CONCRETE & STONE



HILLTOP PAVILION  
CONCRETE & WOOD

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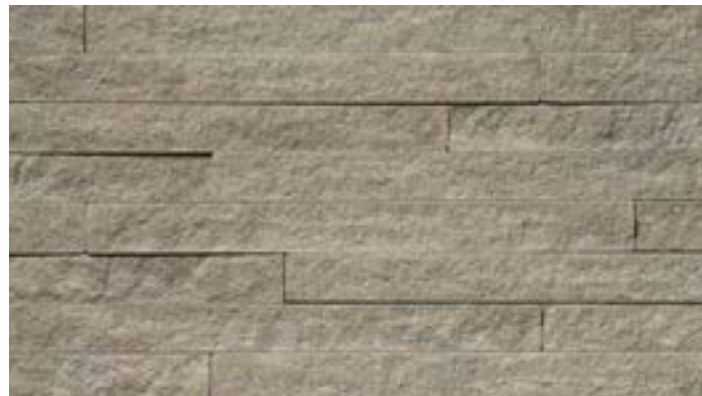


1 TEXTURED MASONRY

2 SMOOTH MASONRY

3 WOOD

4 BLACK METAL



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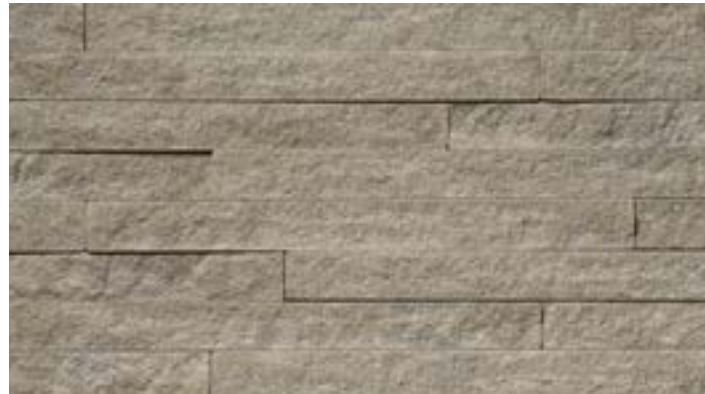
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5 BLACK METAL



# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER EXTERIOR VIEW FROM THE SOUTH





# FORT LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AERIAL VIEW FROM THE NORTHEAST

