



# 1. What is the university experience that we want first-year WYOMING students to have?

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# Goals of the First Year Experience at UW

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What does an ideal freshman year experience produce?

- Assist students with the transition to College and UW
- Prepare for future academic success
- Retain and launch on a four-year graduation path
- Personally and social responsible
- Formation of well-rounded, life-long learning, citizen leaders



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## Goals of the First Year Experience at UW:

- Academic and Social Adjustment
- Improved confidence and self-efficacy
- Increased student engagement
- Introduce the campus culture and build community
- Improved critical thinking, analytical thinking, and problem-solving skills

(Outcomes from First-Year Programs, [National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition](#))



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## Academic and Social Adjustment:

- 66.6% of UW Students are Wyoming Residents
- Wyoming population per square mile (2010): 5.8
  - 23.8 Nebraska
  - 48.5 Colorado
  - 96.3 Texas
  - 239.1 California
- Wyoming persons per household (2013-2017): 2.47

(Source: US Census & UW Fact Book)



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## Academic and Social Adjustment:

1	<a href="#">Cheyenne</a>	62,986
2	<a href="#">Casper</a>	59,171
3	<a href="#">Laramie</a>	32,104
4	<a href="#">Gillette</a>	31,783
5	<a href="#">Rock Springs</a>	23,820
6	<a href="#">Sheridan</a>	17,816
7	UW Students & Benefited F/S	15,245

(Source: US Census & UW Fact Book)



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## Academic and Social Adjustment:

If White Hall was a town in Wyoming it would be just smaller than Big Piney Wyoming.

Price Sensitive: "For Wyoming student with Hathaway 60% graduated without student loan debt" (UW Fact Book).

## Conclusion:

- High-density, expensive, isolating first-year housing does not help Wyoming students adjust to UW and find success.
- We need housing that scales between small town Wyoming and UW
- Housing that develops community and a sense of place
- Housing that integrates academic programs (LLCs)



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## Improved Confidence and Self-Efficacy:

- Summer bridge programs
- Rich support systems (resident assistants, residence coordinators, early alert, educational programming, tutoring, behavior health services, and social engagement)
- Developmentally and socially appropriate housing: doubles and singles
- Living and Learning Communities (LLCs)



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## Increased Student Engagement:

- Living and Learning Communities (LLCs)
- Spaces to connect with peers (lounges, kitchens, study nooks, integrated laundry, food-service, and out-door community/programming space)
- Integrated student life and academic programs
- Sense of identity and place – Example: Honors House





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## Introduce the Campus Culture and Build Community:

- Admissions and enrollment programs
- Summer Orientation in the Residence Halls
- Cowboy Welcome (welcome week programs)
- Living and Learning Communities (LLCs)
- Campus Traditions (homecoming, athletics)



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Improved critical thinking, analytical thinking, and problem-solving skills:

- Living and Learning Communities (LLCs)
- More first-year students on-campus
- Expanded programming: First-year transition course, a common read, first generation support programming, study abroad preparations, and more academic learning communities.



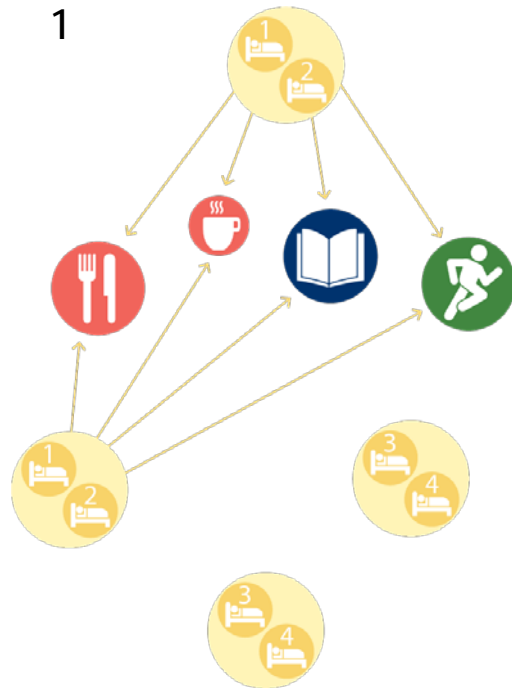
## 2. Alternatives available in creating residential academic programs

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# Undergraduate Residential Models



## RESIDENCE HALLS

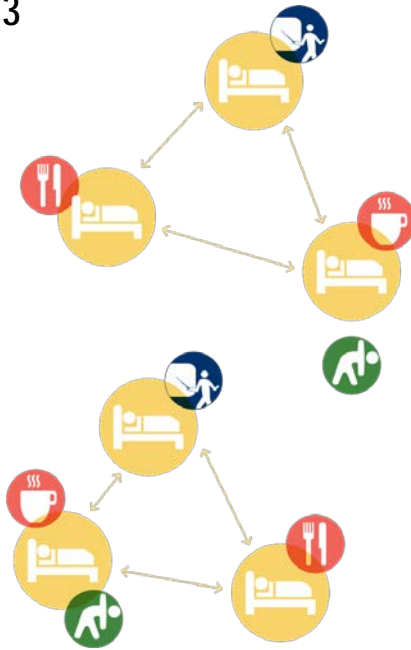
1. Individual residence halls share central academic and student life facilities: dining, recreation, social spaces, etc. in their first two years, then move to independent living options for the last two years

2. Individual residence halls share central academic and student life facilities: dining, recreation, social spaces, etc. for all four years.



# Undergraduate Residential Models

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## RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD

3. Residence halls are arranged in “neighborhoods” to share amenities. Students live in one neighborhood for all four years

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## RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE

4. Each residential college hosts their own amenities, to be used by the same residents for all four years; or in a dedicated first year residence hall followed by three years in a residential college



# First Year Housing – Best Practices

## FLOOR

Small scale communities of 20 to 30 aggregated into larger buildings

Primarily double rooms, with some singles

Community bathrooms on a hallway

Common study and lounge space throughout upper residential levels

## BUILDING

A rich complement of common spaces on the first level, including academic functions

Distributed student and professional staff, including faculty-in-residence programs

## DISTRICT

Proximity to outdoor gathering areas (small and large, to accommodate the entire class)

Intentional dining experience

## CAMPUS

Located near the campus academic core

Located near student life and student services facilities

Strong connection to campus open space



# Peer Residential Program – Composition of Community

500 beds



1 x  
Resident Director Apartment /  
Faculty in Residence Apartment



4 x  
Graduate  
Residential Fellows

16 x LIVING GROUP  
Ranges from  
21 – 30 people



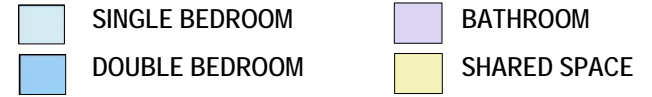
COMMON  
SPACES

Lounge  
Kitchenette  
Study Rooms  
Nooks  
Bathrooms

FLOOR

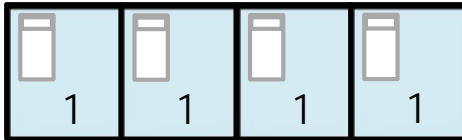


# Ideal Unit Type by Student Development

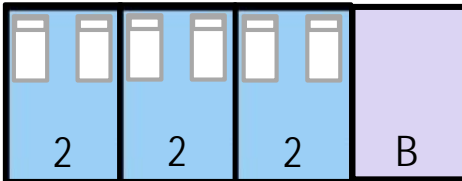


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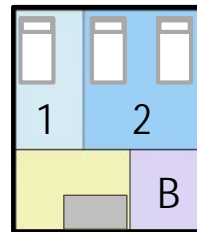
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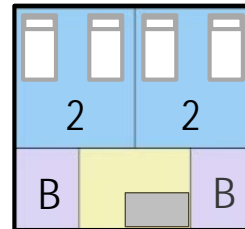
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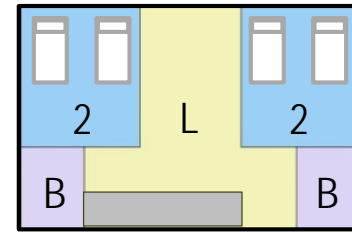
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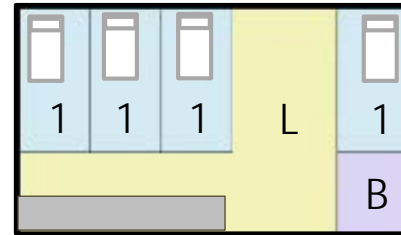
UNIT TYPE 1:  
THREE BED SEMI-SUITE



UNIT TYPE 2:  
FOUR BED SEMI-SUITE



UNIT TYPE 1:  
TWO DOUBLES SUITE / APARTMENT



UNIT TYPE 2:  
FOUR SINGLES SUITE / APARTMENT





# Ideal Unit Type



UNIT TYPE 2: DOUBLE BEDROOM

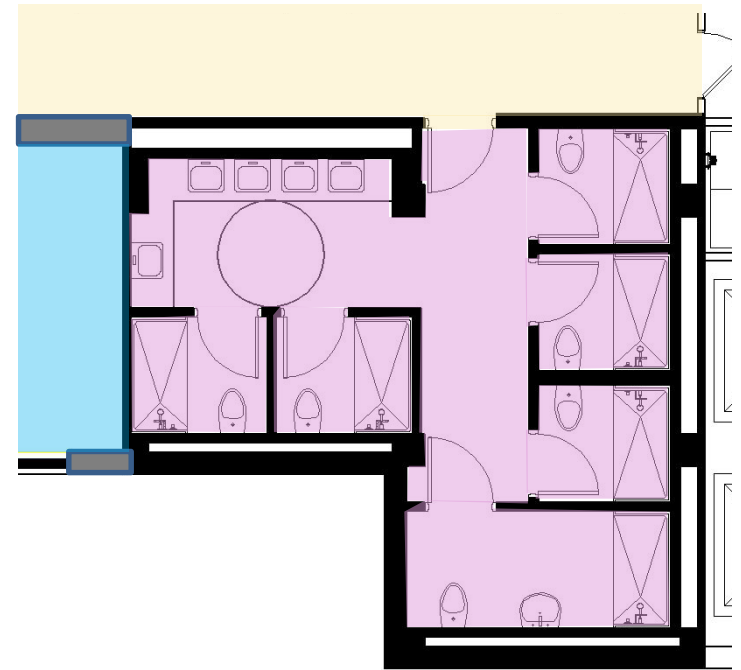
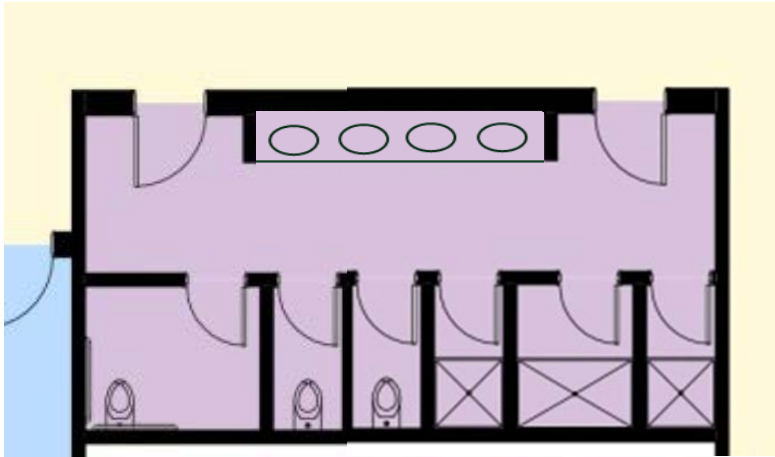


UNIT TYPE 1: SINGLE BEDROOM

FLOOR



# Community Bathroom – Privacy Gradient for 8 – 10 students



Grooming: shared, supporting community formation

Bathing: private for full bathing activity; shower, toweling, dressing

Toileting: full privacy

**FLOOR**



# Common Spaces throughout the Upper Floors



LOUNGE @350 SF



QUIET SPACE @200 SF



LOUNGE @480 SF (+KITCHENETTE)



HANGOUT SPACE @350 SF



SAMPLE FLOOR PLAN - 46 BEDS (12 SINGLES + 17 DOUBLES)

FLOOR



# Common Spaces on the Ground Floor



**BUILDING**



# Academic Integration: Classrooms



KEENE STATE COLLEGE



FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

**BUILDING**



# Academic Integration: Learning Commons

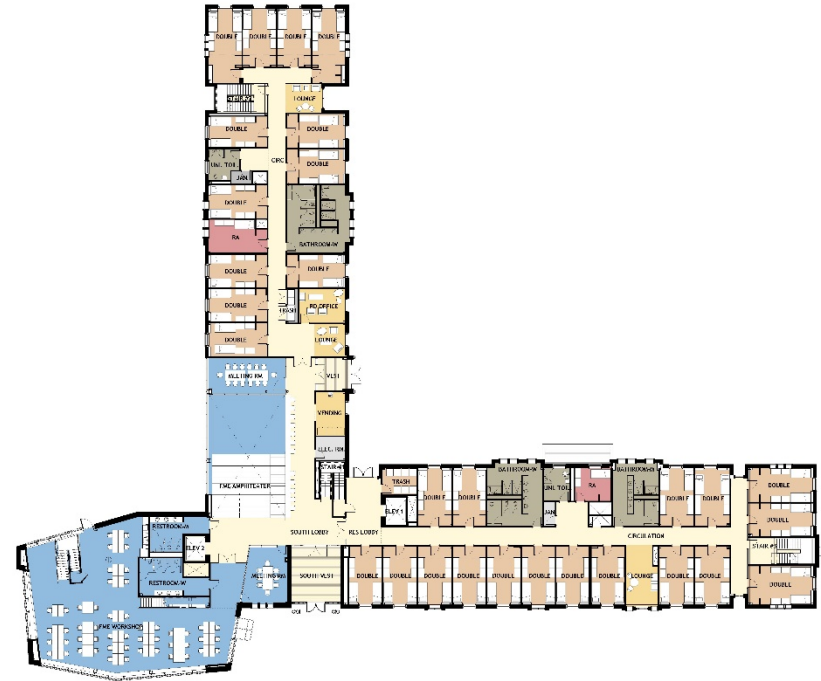
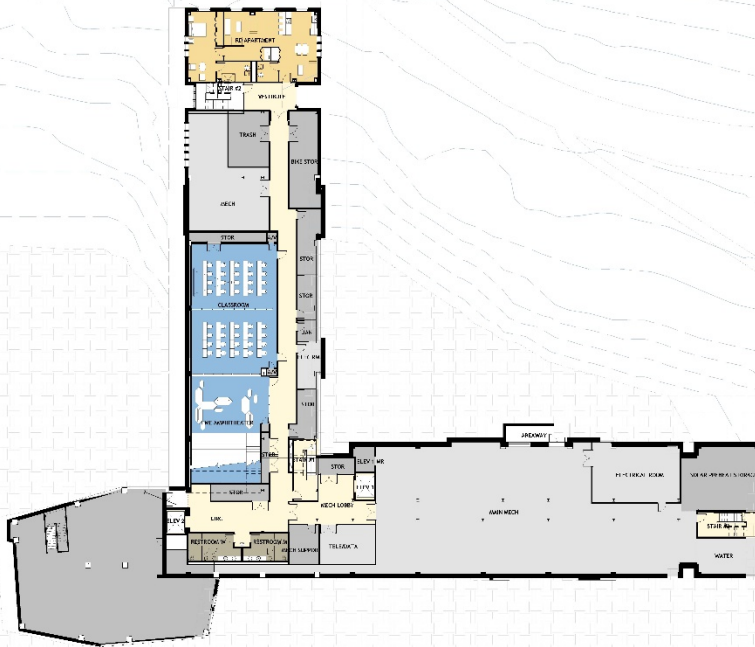
KALAPUYA ILIHI RESIDENCE HALL,  
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON



**BUILDING**



# Academic Integration: Innovation

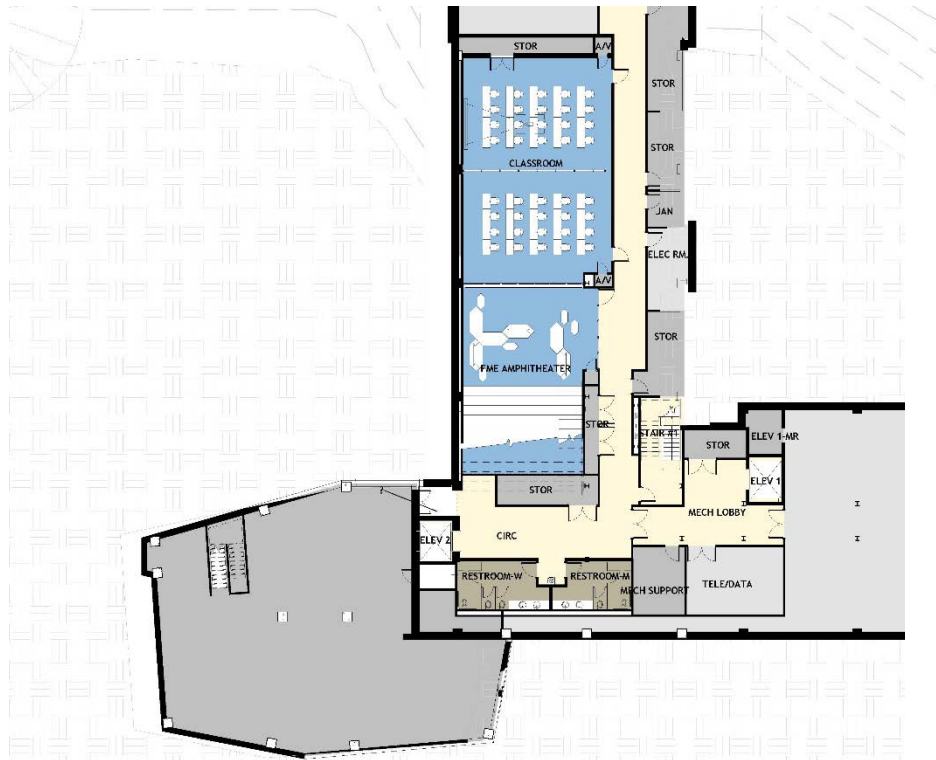


PARK MANOR WEST RESIDENCE HALL AND INNOVATION CENTER,  
BABSON COLLEGE

**BUILDING**



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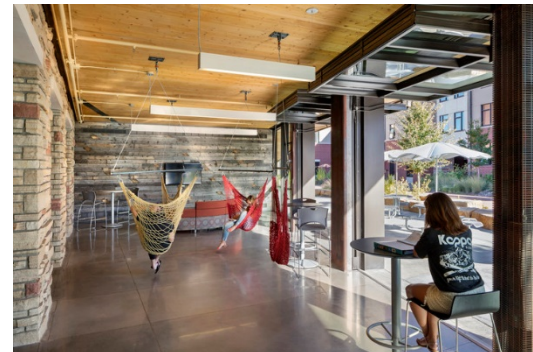


# Proximity to Outdoor Community Spaces

GOUCHER COLLEGE, FIRST YEAR RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE



CSU FORT COLLINS, LAUREL VILLAGE



PAVILION AT LAUREL VILLAGE  
CSU FORT COLLINS

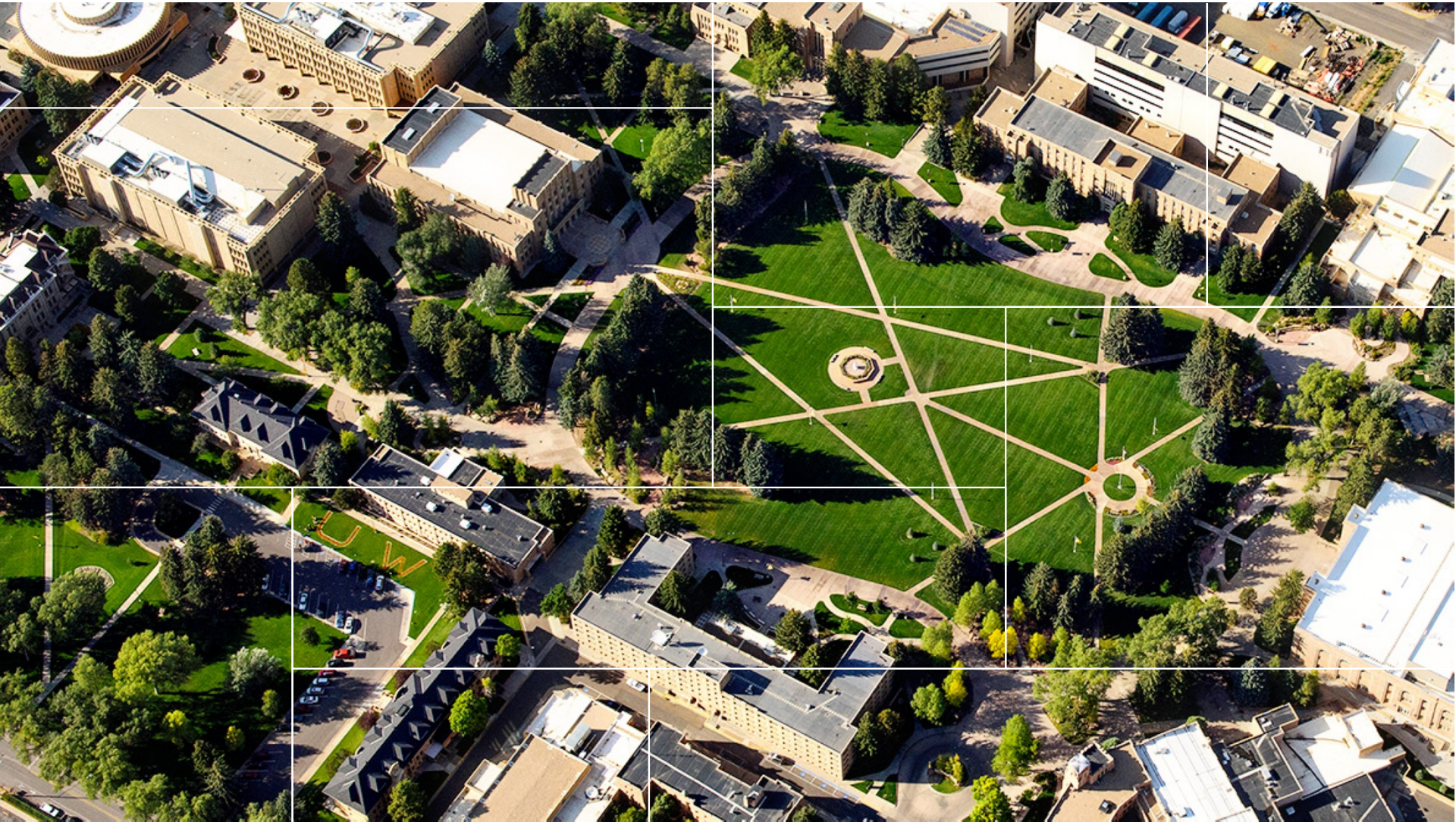
DISTRICT



# Intentional First Year Dining Experience



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### 3. Massing and spacing of student residence halls

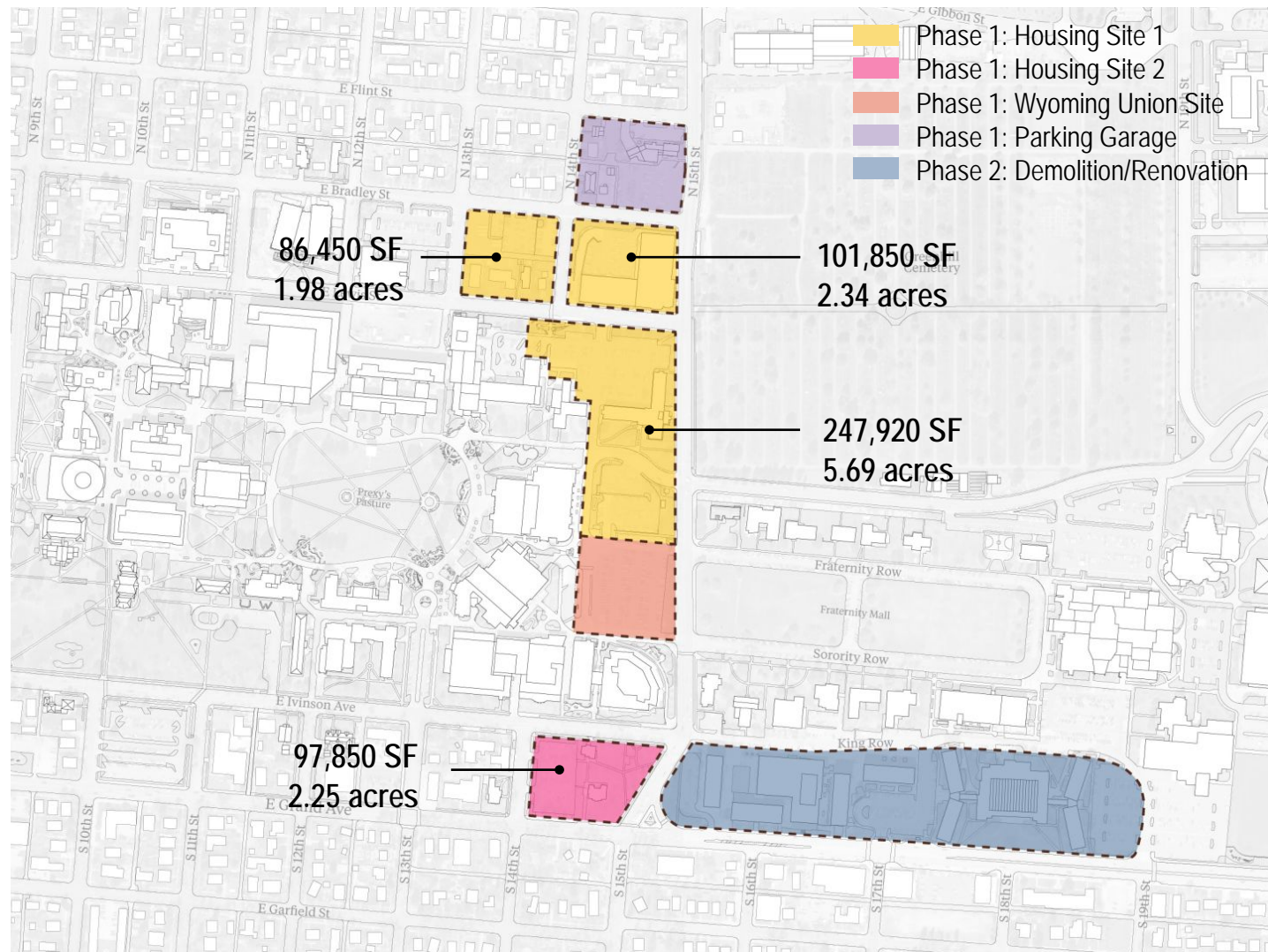
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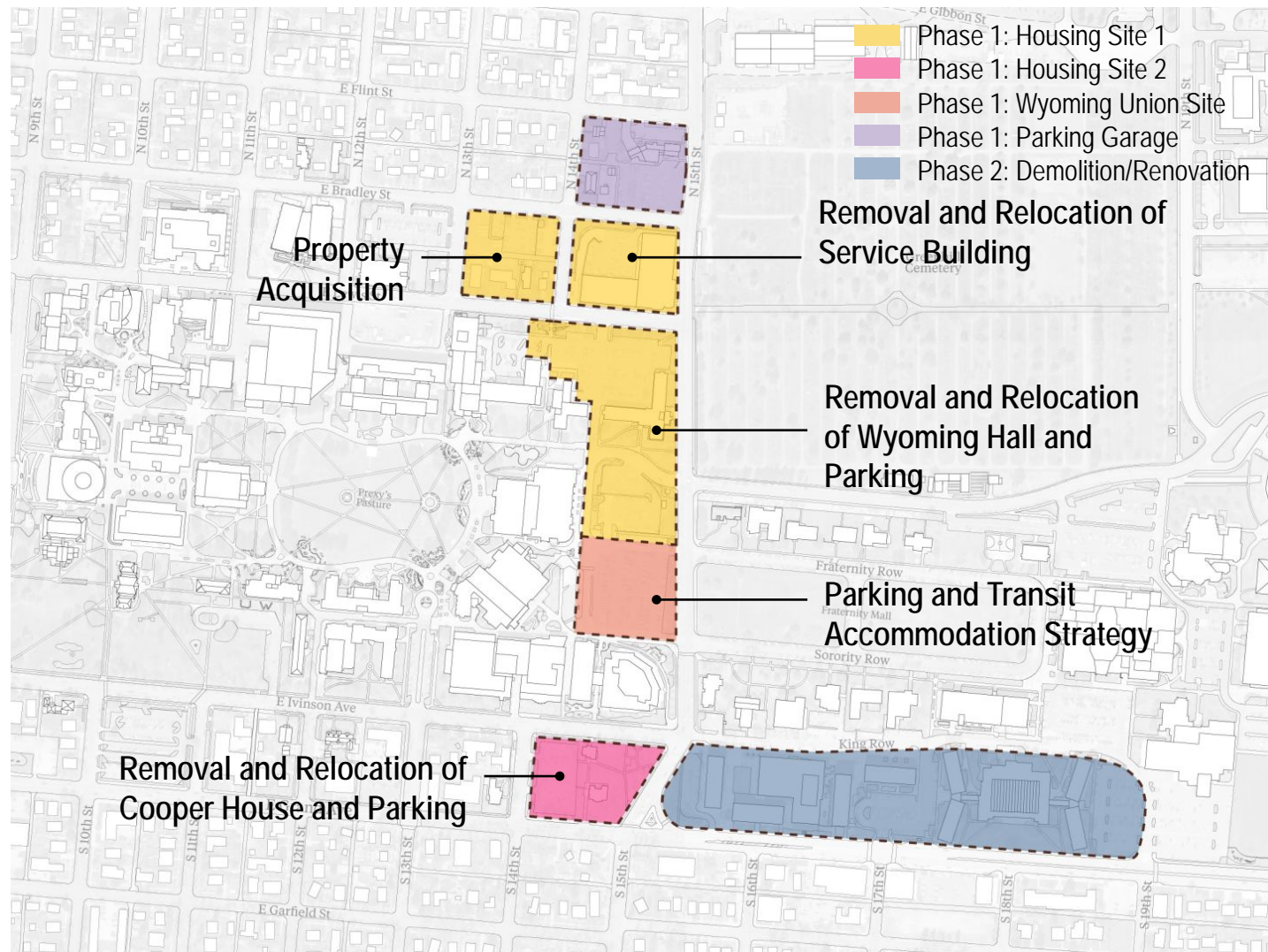
# HB 293 Sites

- Key location adjacent to the heart of the campus
- Shifts the focus of residential beds toward the campus core
- Opportunity for spatial and pedestrian integration across 15th
- Future of existing residential district





# Potential Prerequisite Projects





# Urban Design Considerations

- Maintain campus setback character



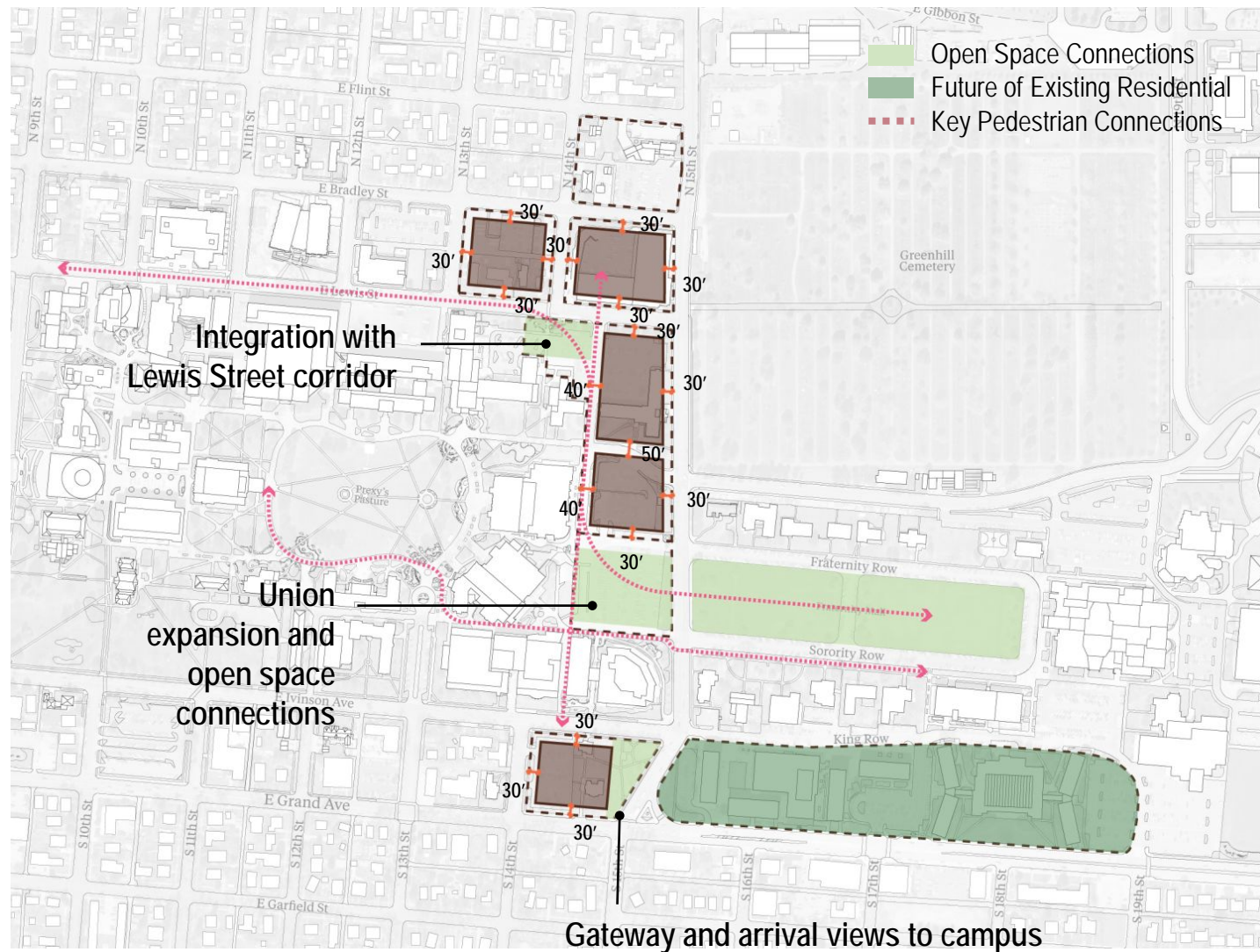
Total Site SF: 303,670 SF  
Total Acreage: 6.97 acres





# Urban Design Considerations

- Maintain campus setback character
- Improve campus connectivity through critical open spaces
- Arrival sequence





# Task Force Meeting #1 – Conceptual Massing Recap





# Conceptual Footprints

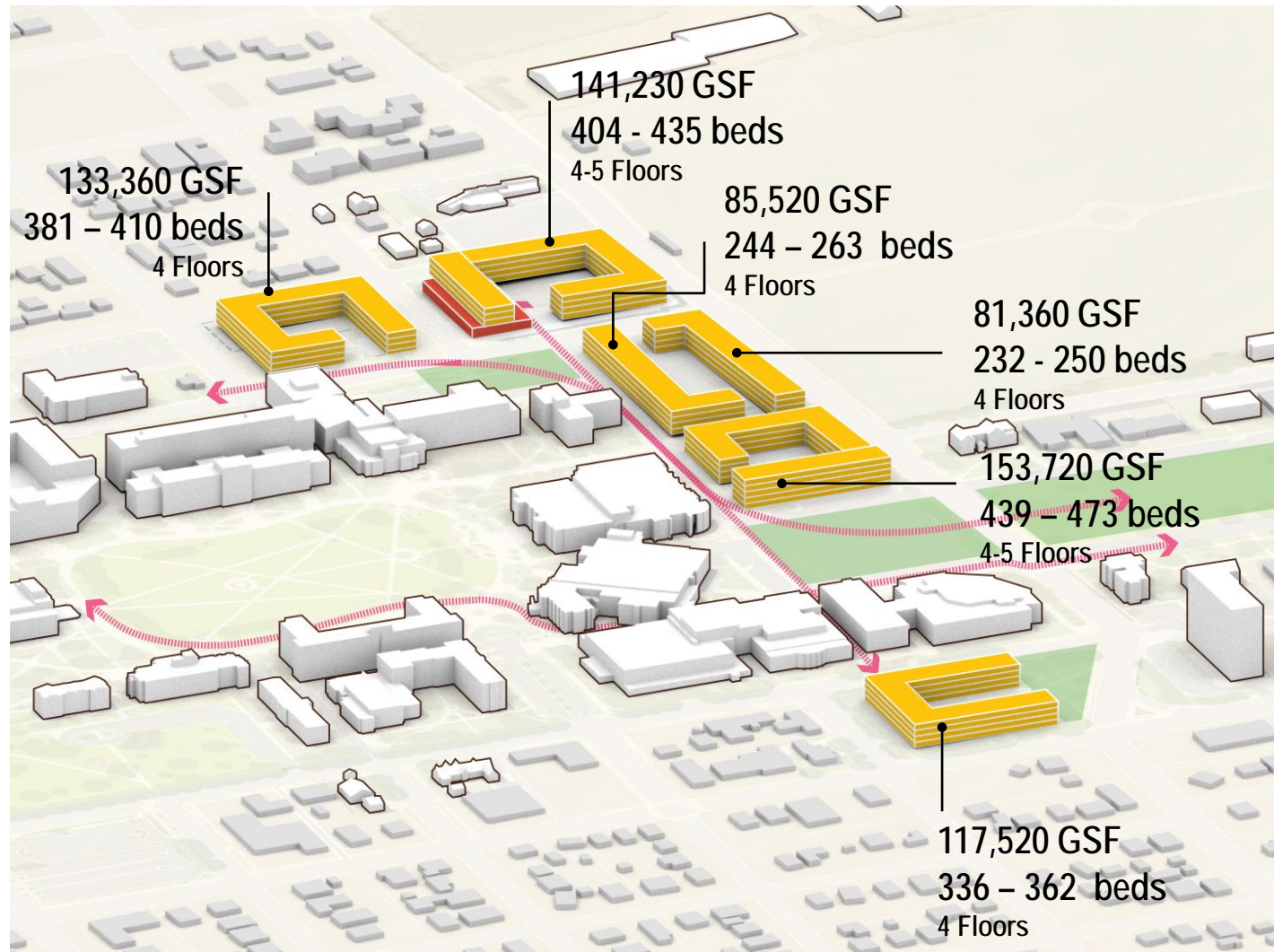
- Dining
- 4 Floors
- 5 Floors
- Open Space Connections
- Future of Existing Residential
- Key Pedestrian Connections





# Conceptual Massing & Capacity Studies

- Dining
- Residential
- Open Space Connections
- Key Pedestrian Connections

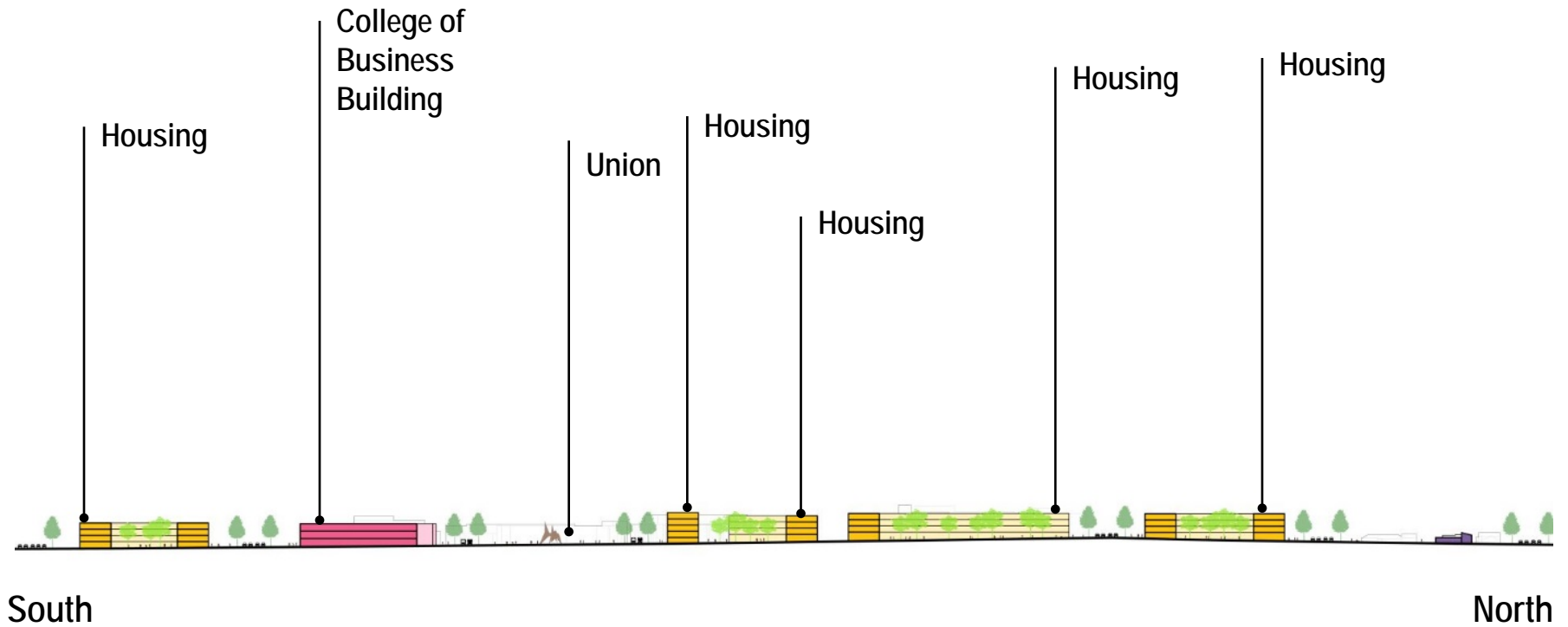


- Total GSF:
- 712,710 GSF (Beds)
  - 20,500 GSF (Dining)

- Total Beds:
- 2,036 (350 GSF/ Bed)
  - 2,193 (325 GSF / Bed)

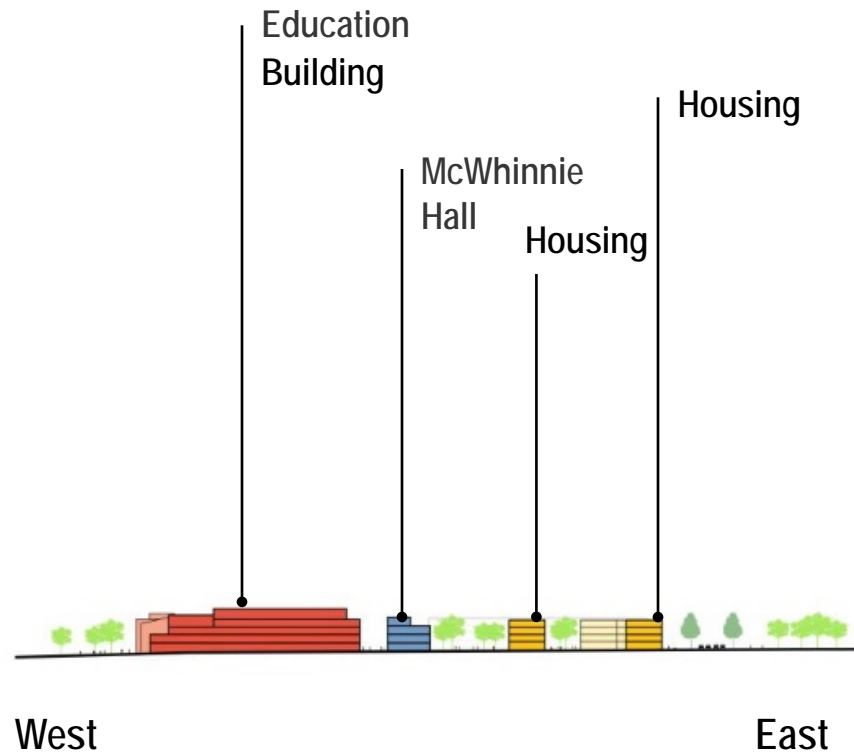


# North-South Section





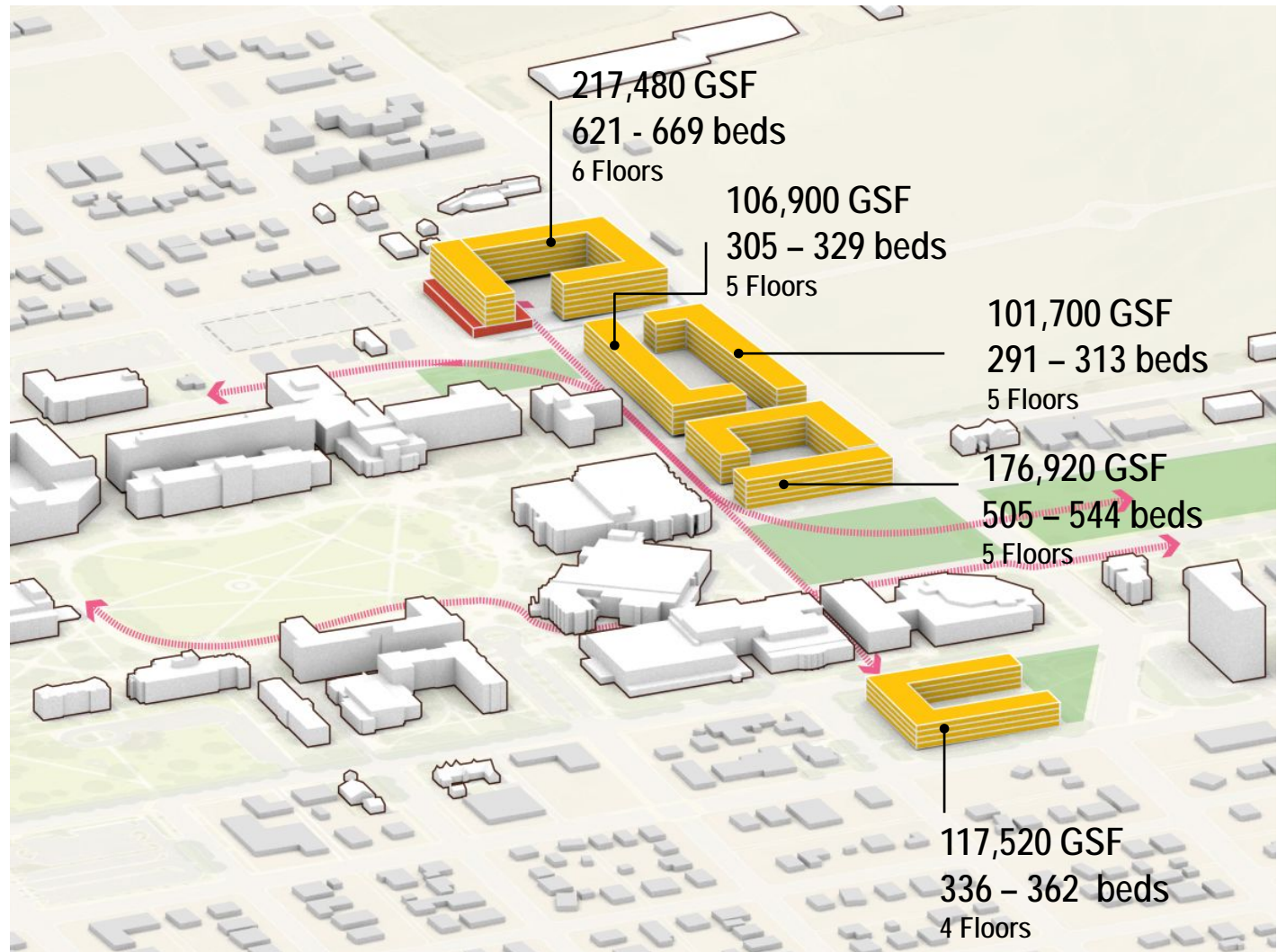
# East-West Section





# Conceptual Massing & Capacity Studies

- Dining
- Residential
- Open Space Connections
- ⋯ Key Pedestrian Connections



- Total GSF:**
- 720,520 GSF (Beds)
  - 20,500 GSF (Dining)

- Total Beds:**
- 2,059 (350 GSF/ Bed)
  - 2,217 (325 GSF / Bed)



## 4. Alternatives available in building parking capacity

Paul Kunkel, UW Parking and Transportation

Matt Newman, UW University Architect





# Parking Alternatives

## Alternative #1 – Build Parking Structure

### Considerations

- Siting, # of spaces, ramp configuration
- Shared Use
  - Transit Hub (modal integration)
  - Welcome center, office space, and/or commercial
  - Police Station
  - Employees
  - Residents
  - Visitors
- Capacity of surrounding streets
- Access/Egress
- Sustainability
- Security
- Minimizing vehicle/pedestrian conflicts

### Common Mistakes

- Not siting appropriately (not convenient for users)
- Not building to meet demand (over/under building)
- Garage parking is cost prohibitive and results in low use
- Using for only the sole purpose of parking
- Not visually appealing, doesn't integrate with the rest of campus



*University of Chicago Parking Garage*



# Parking Alternatives

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## Alternative #1 - Proposed Site (15<sup>th</sup> and Bradley)

### Benefits

- Maintains existing supply in moderate proximity to core campus
- Maintains visitor parking option
- Provides to additional green space east of Wyoming Union

### Considerations

- Cost – initial, ongoing and to the user
- Distance (1/3 to 1/5 mile to current “core” campus)
- No net gain in parking spaces, number of spaces remains the same
- Traffic Flow issues
- Slope differential



# Parking Alternatives

## Cost Considerations

### General Parking Cost Figures

Surface Parking - \$4k/space

Above Grade Structure - \$25k/space

Below Grade Structure - \$50k/space

600-space above grade structure - \$15M

30-year bond @ 3.1% = \$770k annual debt service

Operating Expenses (utilities, cleaning, routine maintenance) - \$60k/year

Major Maintenance and repairs sinking fund - \$150k year

### Cost To Users (costs distributed throughout system)

Faculty/Staff Permits - \$210/annually to \$627/annually

Student Permits - \$163/annually to \$418/annually



# Parking Alternatives

## Peer Institutions (w/ parking structures)

Institution	Garage Permit Cost (Annual)	Surface Permit Cost (Annual)	Notes
University of Wyoming	N/A	\$210.00	
Colorado State University	\$600.00	\$600.00	2 garages (845, 648 spaces)
Kansas State University	\$600.00	\$600.00	1,385 spaces
Montana State University	\$525.00	\$205.00	550 spaces garage 50% funded by donations
Oklahoma State University	\$355.00	\$143.00	650 spaces
University of Nevada – Reno	\$566.00	\$278.00	1,540 spaces
Washington State University	\$676.41	\$307.87	4 garages (125, 114, 269, 285)
University of New Mexico	\$598.00	\$437.50	3 garages (average 600 spaces)
University of Utah	\$660.00	\$630.00	11 garages (average 400 spaces)



# Parking Alternatives

## Alternative #2 – Utilize existing parking supply / expand transit (Walker Plan)

- No additional parking added
- Utilizing existing supply (56% occupancy)
- With proposed housing footprint, permitted supply decreases by 627
- Expand and improve transit, add park-and-ride lots to north and west
- Transportation Demand Strategies
  - Tiered permit pricing
  - Free day permits for choosing transit
  - Guaranteed ride home

Space Type	Verified Inventory	Tuesday	
		Occupancy 10:00 a.m.	10AM %
A	968	861	89%
A/C	829	411	50%
R	928	921	99%
D	242	37	15%
U	139	56	40%
M	10	5	50%
Meter/ pay by plate	230	158	69%
Reserved	226	130	58%
Free	2,846	1,045	37%
All paid permits	266	76	29%
Loading	18	-	0%
Fuel Efficient	1	-	0%
"Future Cowboy"	18	3	17%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,642</b>	<b>3,706</b>	<b>56%</b>



# Parking Alternatives

## Walker Proposed Parking Permit Tier Structure



Source: Walker Consultants



# Parking Alternatives

## Alternative #3 – Build additional surface parking east of 15th

- Surface parking on current housing and dining locations (600-650 spaces)
- Add parking in field southwest of stadium (350-400 spaces)
- Support with shuttle service, improved pedestrian pathways

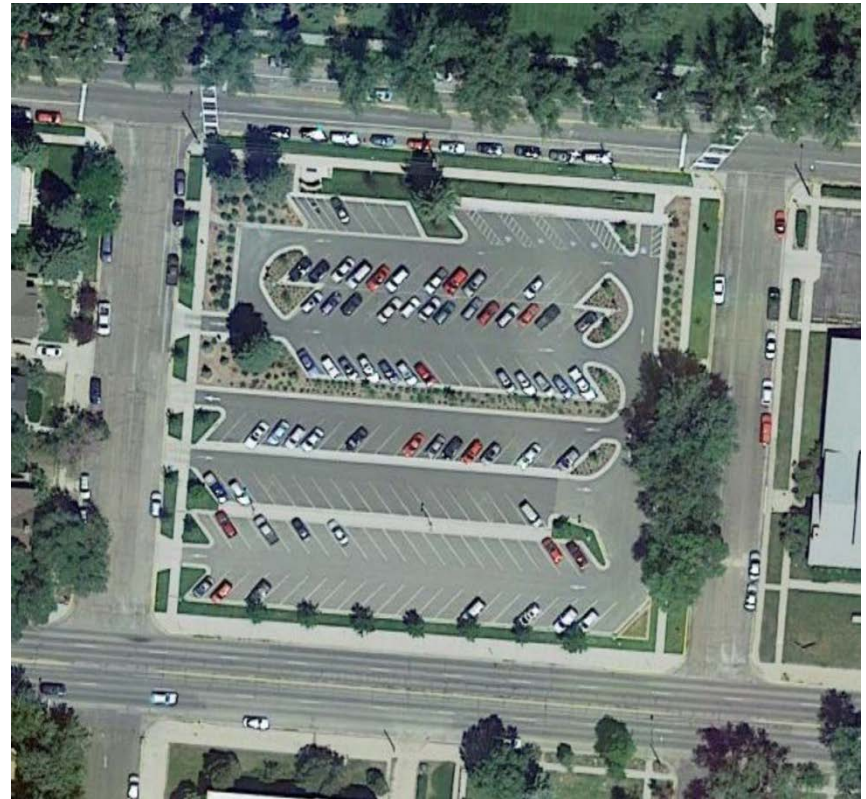




# Parking Alternatives

## Alternative #4 – Hybrid plan (Walker + Smaller Supporting Parking Structure(s))

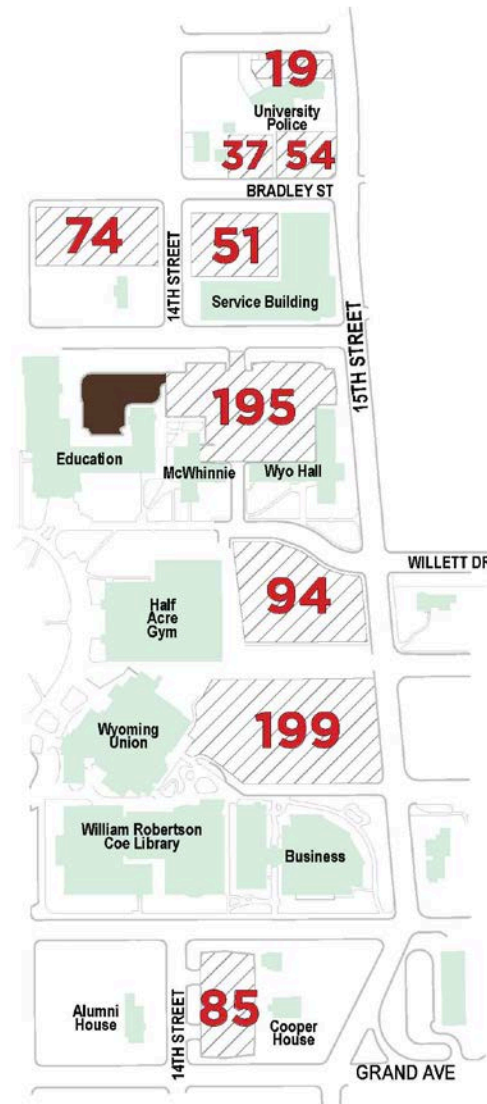
- Potential sites
  - Ivinson Lot (148 spaces)
  - Cooper Lot (85 spaces)
- 300-400 space structures
- Combine increased transit from peripheral tiered surface lots, tiered permit structure, transit demand management options while increasing parking on core campus







# Housing Project Parking Impacts





## 5. Utility tunnels and how they work together

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Frosty Selmer, Deputy Director Utilities Management



# Existing Utilities Impact: Lewis to Flint, 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Street

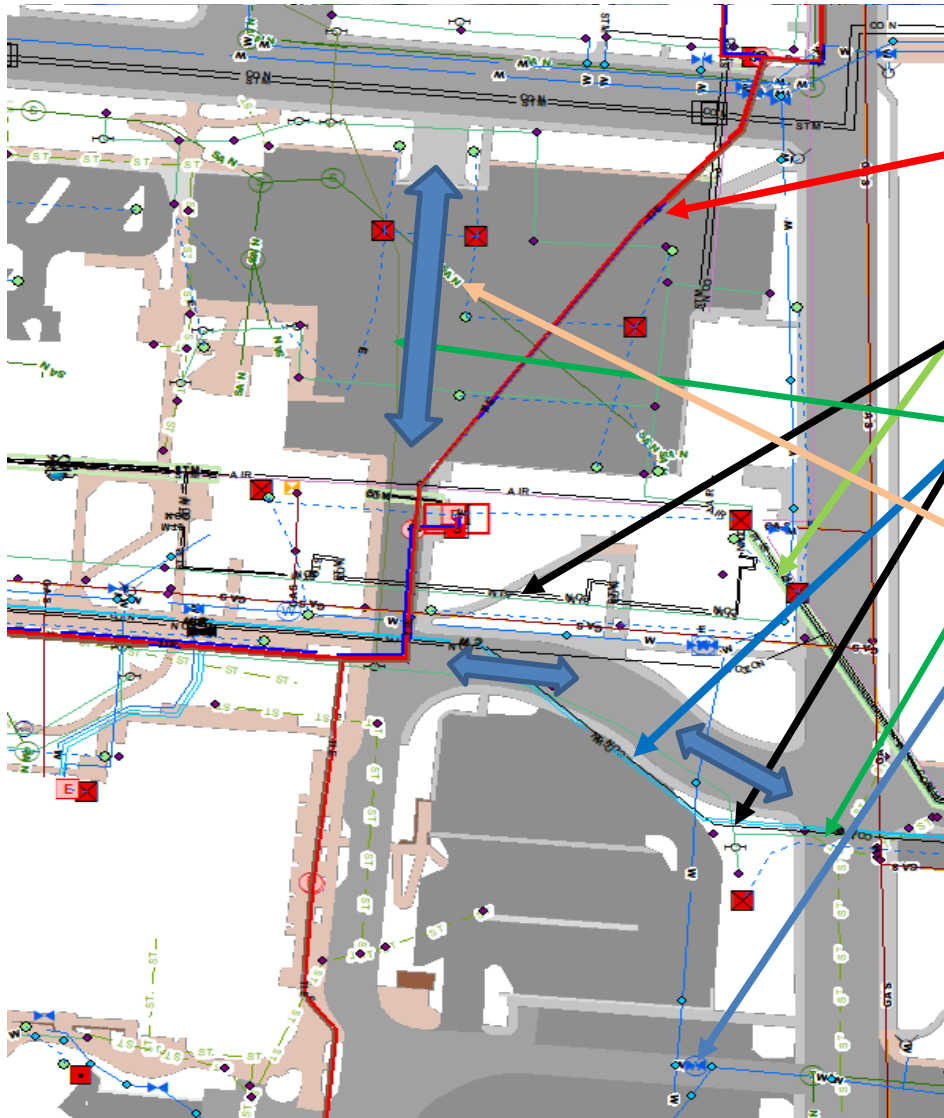


## Major Impacts:

- Electric tie to Central Energy Plant
- Steam/condensate in Lewis
- City Utilities (most not represented)
- Lewis must remain a City/UW corridor
- Bradley and both 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> from Lewis to Bradley need to be utility corridors



# Existing Utilities Impact: Wyoming Hall, Half Acre Parking

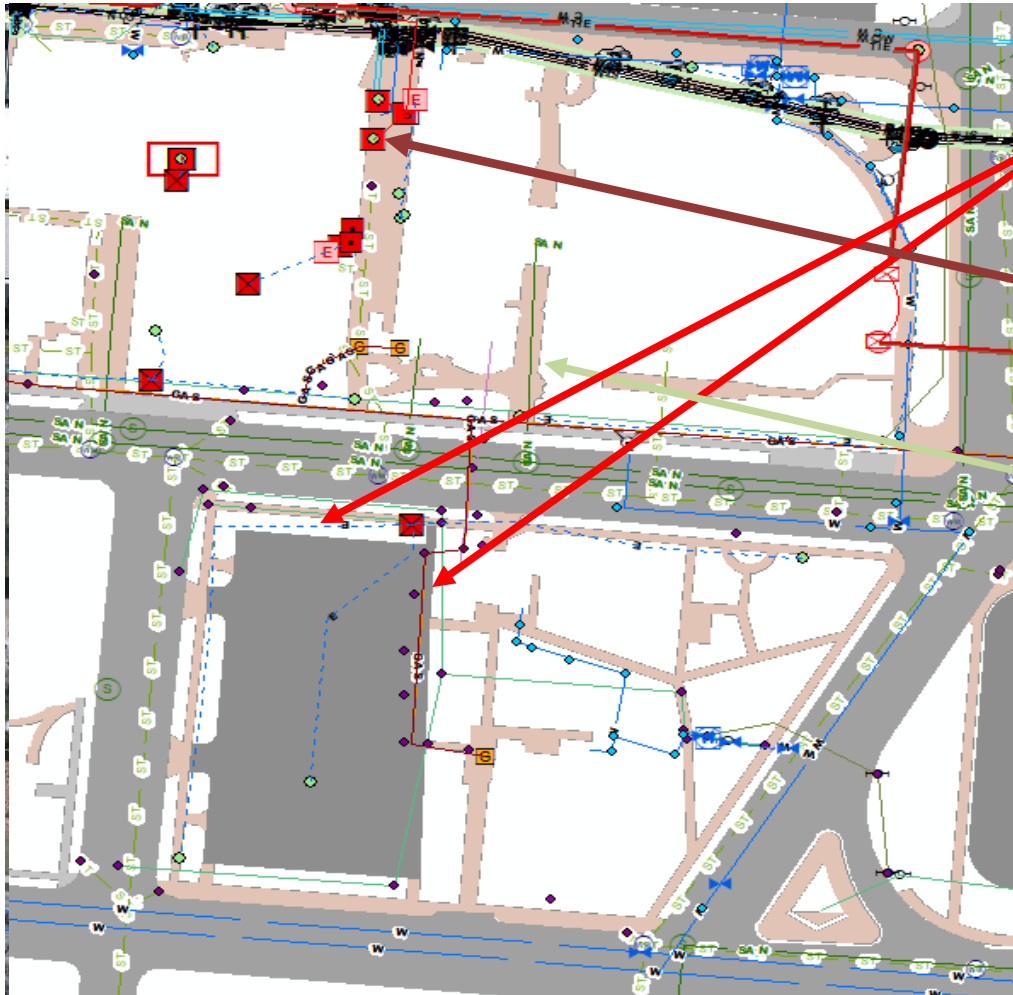


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- Electric tie to Central Energy Plant
- Steam Tunnel
- Steam and Condensate
- Chilled Water
- Irrigation Mainlines
- City water line relocate
- Sanitary Sewer may need replacement to 13<sup>th</sup>.
- N-S utility corridor needed between McWhinnie & Wyo and E-W from Willett west of 15<sup>th</sup>.



# Utilities Impact: Cooper House area



## Major Impacts:

- Electric (Rocky Mountain Power line runs down the S side of Ivinson)
- Could run Hot Water & Chilled Water Lines & Electric from COB-COE Alcove
- IT from COB/Visitors Center



## 6. Timeline

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