



TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Development is a dynamic opportunity for youth and families, designed to deliver community benefits through innovative programs, resources, and meaningful engagement for 3rd Ward Residents and beyond.

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3rd Ward Proposed Development Site History & Background

The site was originally home to Helen J. McCorkle Elementary School, established in 1963 in Chicago's historic Bronzeville neighborhood. For decades, it primarily served children from the nearby Robert Taylor Homes, a Chicago Housing Authority development, and offered education from pre-kindergarten through 8th grade. In the spring of 2010, then-CPS Superintendent Ron Huberman and the Chicago Public Schools Board of Education announced the closure of the underutilized school. Following the demolition of the last Taylor Homes buildings in 2007, McCorkle Elementary officially closed its doors in 2011.

For more than 16 years, the property has sat vacant, deteriorating into an eyesore for local residents. The building has suffered from vandalism and has often been used as temporary shelter by unhoused individuals.

Once a cornerstone of the Bronzeville community, the school was known for educating, supporting, and empowering families for nearly five decades. It graduated and nurtured thousands of young students, leaving behind a legacy of early childhood education in one of Chicago's most historic neighborhoods.

TRECC Proposed Project Needs Planned Development Approval

This transformative initiative focuses on the new construction and adaptive redevelopment of a former Chicago Public Schools elementary school. The current zoning is a combination of commercial and residential, but does not allow for a Museum, Hotel, Community Center, and other project features. Changing the existing zoning is necessary to allow for the operations of all the features of the TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families. To make TRECC a reality, we need to secure the Planned Development Commission approval and then City Council of Chicago final approval.

The TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Operations will feature the following:

Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum

A Hilton Home-2-Suites Hotel; Community Center, Meeting Rooms & Event Space

Technology & Sports Hub Arena,
Drones-Robotics

Sesenergi Eco Solutions
Southside Renewable Energy
Workforce Center

Community Sports Facilities:
For Non-profits, Schools,
And service providers of
Violence Prevention programs

Community Solar & Wind Farm,
Virtual Power Plant



TRECC Development TEAM

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Development & Ownership

(Local Black Non-Profit)



TRECC Community
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Architect



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TRECC

Economic Workforce and Impact



This transformative development will fuel local economic growth by creating between 130 and 180 construction jobs and generating over one million construction workforce hours.



After construction it will provide at minimum 63 permanent positions. Including 29 careers in hospitality, 6 (12) automated parking system careers, 12 opportunities within the community center, 10 positions at the museum, and 6 clean technology jobs with Sesenergi. The monthly traffic from families will offer new customers for surrounding businesses from the monthly basketball & volleyball tournaments.



In addition, the project will create ongoing opportunities for Bronzeville businesses as vendors and service providers for the TRECC Campus in areas such as window washing, landscaping, private security, trash and snow removal, janitorial services, and many more ensuring that the economic impact extends far beyond the construction and permanent jobs.

TRECC Community and Social Impact

3rd Ward Community Benefits

Our facility will be a new pillar and accessible beacon for education, recreation, and community growth. We will offer complimentary athletic facilities to CPS schools and nonprofit organizations across Chicago. Providing space for sports, community events, birthday parties, art classes, and year-round activities for people of all ages. The TRECC campus will offer diverse spaces to our mutual aid partnerships in hosting meaningful programming for school-aged children that addresses challenges like gun violence, youth violence, and bullying. TRECC will offer STEM and technology focused workforce training cohorts in partnership with Sesenergi Eco Solutions, while teaching life-saving skills.

TRECC is more than just a recreational hub—it is a cornerstone for community support. Through food drives, partnerships with local schools, and collaboration with CPS Parent University groups, we will connect families to vital resources, educational programs, and food assistance. Anchored by a multi-million-dollar investment spanning an entire city block from State and Wabash to 44th and 45th Streets, our facility will serve as a trusted space for schools, nonprofits, and community organizations, creating lasting opportunities and hope for generations to come.

- Available to all 3rd Ward CPS Elementary Schools
- Available to all Southside Not for profit organizations
- Available to all 3rd Ward CPS High Schools
- Available to all Not for Profit Private Schools in Bronzeville
- Indoor Track and Custom Programing for all 3rd Ward & Southside Senior Citizen Complexes

TRECC Community and Social Impact

3rd Ward Community Benefits through Sports & Technology Programs

TRECC will provide a permanent home for local nonprofit organizations, establishing a safe and supportive environment where youth can thrive. Within this space, mentorship programs will focus on building essential life skills and preparing individuals for future academic, career, and personal success. The campus will also feature robust recreational opportunities for both youth and seniors, including basketball, volleyball, track, and technology expos.

As a hub for athletics and community engagement, the campus will host National, Regional, and Local Girls & Boys Basketball and Volleyball Tournaments throughout the year. With monthly tournaments bringing vibrant activity and opportunity to the community.

Below are some of the organizations committed to utilizing the TRECC Sports & Technology facilities.

- BYF Sports Basketball - Girls Youth Programs & Annual Regional and National Tournaments
- ISPRO Academy Programming
- The BIGS Sports Media Programs
- MacErving Fire Basketball – Boys Regional and National Tournaments
- Team Prodigy Basketball Program
- Soul Selectors Worldwide Programs & Training
- High School Girls Volleyball Tournaments; Professional Women's Volleyball Leagues
- ACGI Basketball League
- MAC Athletics Programs



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March 3, 2026

Opinion | A Historic Investment in Bronzeville Is an Investment in Black Economic Power

Craig K. Wimberly, President, Coalition of African American Leaders (COAL)

The recent coverage in *The Citizen Newspaper* highlighting the \$126.9 million TRECC investment in Historic Bronzeville marks more than a development announcement — it signals a pivotal moment for Black economic advancement on Chicago's South Side.

COAL's mission to improve the quality of life for our community is rooted in advancing economic equity, civic engagement, and promoting sustainable opportunity for Black communities. We focus on policy, partnerships, and projects that build generational wealth and expand access to capital, careers, and ownership.

The TRECC Development aligns directly with that mission, which is why COAL has supported and promoted the TRECC initiative since it was introduced to COAL membership at its July 2021 Coalition Power Breakfast and featured as an investment imperative in [Legislative and Investment Imperatives May 15, 2022](#).

Workforce Development as Wealth Development

What stands out in this historic investment is not just the scale — though \$126.9 million in a historically divested corridor is significant. It is the intentional integration of workforce training, renewable energy programming, youth development, and mixed-use economic activity within one campus.

This is not speculative development. It is structured economic infrastructure.

When projects incorporate:

- Construction jobs tied to local hiring
- Workforce training pipelines
- Renewable energy certification programs
- Youth sports and mentorship pathways
- Retail and hospitality job creation

they create layered economic impact.

For Black communities, workforce development is wealth development. Access to skilled trades, technology training, hospitality management, energy innovation, and entrepreneurship expands income potential and stabilizes households. Stabilized households build communities.



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September 2, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Dear Brian:

The Black Star Project is pleased to lend its support to the TRECC Development and the vision it represents for Bronzeville and Chicago's South Side.

For nearly three decades, our work has centered on a simple belief: when we invest in young people and provide them with meaningful opportunities, we strengthen entire communities. Education, mentorship, leadership development, cultural enrichment, and exposure to career opportunities are essential to building a stronger future. That is why we see tremendous promise in TRECC.

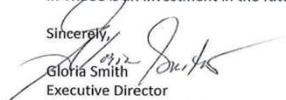
The development brings together many of the elements our communities need—education, athletics, culture, workforce development, technology, entrepreneurship, and economic opportunity—in a single destination. More importantly, it creates the possibility of connecting young people to experiences and opportunities that can expand how they see themselves and what they believe is possible.

Bronzeville has a remarkable history of producing leaders, artists, entrepreneurs, educators, and changemakers. We should be creating the spaces and institutions that allow the next generation to continue that tradition.

The combination of the sports complex, Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum, workforce initiatives, renewable-energy programming, community spaces, and other components of TRECC can help create an environment where young people are not simply entertained, but exposed, challenged, mentored, and prepared.

We believe developments of this scale should be measured not only by the buildings they create, but by the opportunities they create for people. TRECC has the potential to become an important community asset and a place where education, culture, recreation, and economic opportunity intersect.

The Black Star Project is proud to support the TRECC Development and looks forward to opportunities to collaborate in ways that help ensure that young people and families are central to its success. Investing in TRECC is an investment in the future of Bronzeville.

Sincerely,

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April 12, 2026

Brian Gorman
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Dear Brian,

Thank you for reaching out and sharing the correspondence TRECC received from the city of Chicago's Department of Planning and Development (DPD) on March 18, 2026. We are excited to learn of your progress and efforts towards moving the TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families forward.

BYF Sports have been operating basketball tournaments for girls and boys in the Midwest for more than 24 years. We are one of the largest operators, promoters, and sponsors for youth/HS Elite Exposure Events, exposure camps, leagues, and basketball events for girls and boys in the Greater Chicagoland Area. We bring in over 2,000 teams from 32 states and 6 countries each year. We are NCAA certified, some of our biggest tournaments are the Chicago Summer Jam, Big Time Exposure Classic, Chicago Tune Up, Battle of Borders, Baylor Invitational, High School All Star Classic, and Spring Showdown that have resulted in thousands of our participants receiving athletic scholarships from our exposure events. We bring in over 300 Universities and Colleges to our Events with many of our alumni successfully reaching the NBA, WNBA, and Professional league overseas.

We are excited and prepared to exclusively operate the BYF Sports tournaments at the TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Sports and Technology facility. Once the TRECC Foundation is able to secure the City of Chicago resources and approvals needed to begin construction, we will then be ready to finalize our long-term financial partnership.

We are looking forward to working together as this project presents a unique opportunity for BYF Sports to streamline and centralize our tournaments at one location, TRECC, for all of our NCAA certified and non-certified tournaments.

Sincerely Yours,

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Dear Brian,

Please accept this letter as an official expression of intent from Mac Irvin Fire to collaborate with and support The New TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Sports Facility. After meeting with several members of the TRECC Board and gaining insight into the vision for this initiative, we recognize the tremendous potential and impact this project can have on the youth and families of Chicago.

There is a clear and longstanding need for a facility of this kind within the city, and TRECC's plan offers a thoughtful and resource-backed approach to addressing that need. We are confident in the direction TRECC is heading and fully support its mission.

Mac Irvin Fire is eager to explore a long-term partnership with the campus. We are committed to being active participants in its development and ongoing programming. Specifically, we are interested in utilizing the sports facility to host tournaments, showcases, training sessions, and camps on a regular basis. We are also open to engaging with other areas of the campus where our programs and resources may align. We are willing to finalize any and all economic terms after TRECC receives all approvals from The City Of Chicago & project begins construction.

We look forward to staying in close communication with the Board as this exciting project moves forward and are proud to stand alongside TRECC in bringing this vital facility to life.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Irvin'.

Michael Irvin
Mac Irvin Fire



BJ Levy
President

September 29, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Dear Brian,

On behalf of the Chicago Federation of Musicians (CFM), Local 10-208, I am pleased to express our support for the TRECC Development and our intent to explore a long-term partnership that creates meaningful opportunities for professional musicians and DJs.

The CFM represents more than 2,000 professional musicians across Chicago and throughout virtually every genre of music. Our union has additionally made a commitment to organizing and supporting Chicago's Hip Hop, DJ, and Electronic Dance Music communities.

We see TRECC as an opportunity to put that commitment into practice.

The CFM intends to work with Soul Selector DJs and TRECC to establish TRECC as a union house, creating opportunities for CFM-member DJs and other professional musicians to perform, work, and participate in the many activities taking place throughout the development.

This partnership could include DJ and music programming for the Sports Complex, Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum, hotel, rooftop restaurant, community spaces, special events, tournaments, exhibitions, and other TRECC programming.

We are also interested in working with Soul Selector DJs and TRECC on programming that exposes young people to the professional side of the music industry, including DJing, live performance, music business, audio/production, and the opportunities available through union membership and professional music careers.

The goal is straightforward: create more opportunities for musicians to work, make a living, and build sustainable careers while connecting Chicago's musical heritage to the next generation.

The TRECC Center has the potential to become a place where culture, entertainment, education, and economic opportunity come together. The CFM is interested in being part of that vision and continuing discussions with TRECC and Soul Selector DJs toward a formal partnership and union agreement.

We look forward to helping make TRECC a place where Chicago musicians have a place to work, perform, teach, and build their careers.

Sincerely, 

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LETTER OF SUPPORT AND INTENT
TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families

September 29, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Dear Brian,

I am writing this letter from a place of history, relationship, work, and collective spiritual responsibility with our shared humanity.

I have known you and worked with you long before there was a TRECC. When Organic Oneness was developing what would become our signature King Day programming in Bronzeville. You were there helping us produce the events, bringing your experience, your relationships, and your commitment to making sure the work came together.

You were also instrumental in the work around Chicago Race Riot of 1919, before TRECC existed. Those experiences helped establish a relationship between us based on something deeper than a project. We shared a belief that bringing people together, creating space for dialogue, honoring history, and serving our community could have a lasting impact.

When TRECC was formed, you brought TRECC into King Day. For me, that was an important moment. Something we had built before TRECC was now joining in to become part of this much larger vision. That history is why I am excited about what we can do together through the TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families.

I see the Mutual Aid Community Space as a place where we can continue creating the kinds of community experiences that have always been at the heart of Organic Oneness. I want to work with TRECC to develop community activations that bring people together across generations and backgrounds and create opportunities for service, healing, education, culture, and connection.

I believe deeply in the fundamental principle of the Oneness of Humanity—that of unique differences are a part of a larger whole, we are interconnected and have a responsibility to one another.

I see TRECC as a physical place where we can put that belief into action. I intend to work with TRECC on programming and community activations that reflect that spirit, including opportunities around King Day, community service, cultural programming, wellness, dialogue, and initiatives that bring Bronzeville residents together.

For me, this feels like a continuation of work that we started years ago. We were bringing people together before there was a TRECC. Now we have an opportunity to build a home for that work.

I am proud to support the TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families, and I look forward to continuing our work together to create a space where people can connect, serve, heal, celebrate, and experience the oneness of our shared humanity.

With appreciation and admiration,


Syda Segovia Taylor
Founder/Executive Director
Organic Oneness





February 23, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Re: Support for the TRECC Development

Dear Mr. Gorman:

On behalf of Watch Guard Chicago, I am pleased to express our strong support for the TRECC Development and its vision for Bronzeville.

As an organization committed to community safety, Watch Guard believes that safer communities are built through presence, opportunity, engagement, and relationships—not surveillance alone. Our work emphasizes neighborhood engagement, youth development, Safe Passage, conflict de-escalation, and community-based intervention.

From this perspective, TRECC represents an important investment in public safety.

The development's combination of a sports complex, community spaces, the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum, workforce development, renewable-energy initiatives, hospitality, and economic activity can create positive destinations and opportunities for residents—particularly young people.

Youth engagement is violence prevention. Providing young people with safe places to gather, athletic and cultural programs, mentors, workforce opportunities, and pathways to success gives them constructive alternatives while strengthening their connection to the community.

TRECC can also create the consistent positive activity and community presence that are important to neighborhood safety. We believe Watch Guard and other community organizations can play a meaningful role in supporting TRECC through youth engagement, event safety, Safe Passage, de-escalation, hosting self defense training, and community-based safety initiatives.

Bronzeville deserves investment that creates more than buildings. It deserves investment that creates opportunity, connection, activity, and hope.

For these reasons, Watch Guard Chicago strongly supports the TRECC Development and encourages the public and private sectors to support its advancement. We believe TRECC can become an important part of building a safer, stronger, and more economically vibrant Bronzeville community.

Sincerely,

Marquinn McDonald
President
Watch Guard Chicago

LETTER OF SUPPORT AND INTENT

Artist-in-Residence & Mural Partnership at the TRECC Center



September 22, 2026

From: Damon Lamar Reed
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To: Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

I am excited to express my support for the TRECC Development and my intent to serve as an Artist-in-Residence at the TRECC Center.

I don't take the opportunity to create art for TRECC lightly. Knowing that the creation of meaningful art is part of the vision of TRECC, it aligns perfectly with my company's values to Create, Inspire and Uplift. I look forward to creating work that reflects the culture, history, creativity, and community spirit of Bronzeville and Chicago.

My anticipated role would include three major components:

A Signature TRECC Mural...

I intend to work with TRECC to design and create a large-scale mural on the exterior of the parking garage. The goal would be to create a highly visible work that helps establish the TRECC Center as a visual/cultural landmark while reflecting the identity of the Center and the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum.

Artist Residency...

I intend to establish a creative presence at TRECC through the proposed 1,460-square-foot gallery/studio and retail space. This space would provide a home for my artwork, studio practice, exhibitions, and merchandise while allowing me to remain connected to the community and engage the visitors of TRECC.

The program would culminate in young artists creating a series of mural panels for the Sports Complex. These works would give young people an opportunity to see their creativity become part of the fabric of the TRECC Center.

For me, this partnership is about more than putting murals on walls. It is about creating a place where art can live, where young people can learn from working artists, and where Chicago's creative history can inspire the next generation.

I am committed to continuing discussions with TRECC and the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum to develop these components and establish the appropriate agreements, timelines, compensation, and responsibilities necessary to bring them to life.

I am eager to contribute my work and experience to TRECC and to help make the Center a place that people recognize not only for the activities inside its buildings, but for the artistic expressions that speak to everyone it comes in contact with.

I look forward to becoming part of the TRECC community and helping bring its creative vision to life.

Sincerely,

Damon Lamar Reed
Artist / Owner
Damon Lamar Reed Enterprises LLC



LETTER OF SUPPORT AND INTENT

Moore Poppin – TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families

September 29, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Dear Brian,

As the President of Moore Poppin, a business with deep roots in Bronzeville, I am excited to support the vision for the TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families and to explore how Moore Poppin can help create economic opportunities for the organizations that will become part of this development.

For me, this partnership is personal.

Bronzeville has always been a community where businesses, families, artists, churches, entrepreneurs, nonprofits, and neighborhood organizations have found ways to support one another. I see TRECC as an opportunity to build on that tradition and create new ways for organizations to generate resources for the work they do.

That is where I see Moore Poppin playing a role.

I intend to work with TRECC to develop a TRECC Fundraising Program that can be offered to the teams, youth programs, nonprofits, schools, community organizations, and other groups that utilize the campus.

The concept is straightforward: if organizations are coming to Bronzeville to use TRECC, they should also have opportunities to raise money while they are here.

Moore Poppin would work with TRECC to establish an easy-to-use fundraising model that could include popcorn sales, online fundraising campaigns, event-based fundraising, and other opportunities connected to TRECC activities.

I especially like the idea of a youth sports team participating in a tournament at TRECC being able to launch a fundraiser to help pay for uniforms or travel. A nonprofit hosting an event could raise money for its programs. A youth organization could use the program to help fund its activities.

That creates something bigger than a fundraising campaign.

It creates an economic relationship between TRECC and the organizations serving our community.

I also believe this is an opportunity to demonstrate what can happen when a Bronzeville business partners with a Bronzeville development to help other community organizations succeed.

My intent is to work with TRECC to develop the program structure, participation guidelines, fundraising process, and revenue-sharing model so that Moore Poppin and the participating organizations can benefit from a sustainable partnership.

I believe the TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families can become more than a destination. It can become an economic engine that creates opportunities for the people and organizations connected to it.

I want Moore Poppin to be part of building that ecosystem.

I am proud to support TRECC and look forward to working with you to build a fundraising program that helps organizations throughout Bronzeville and Chicago turn participation into opportunity.

Sincerely,

Andre Moore
President
Moore Poppin



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LETTER OF SUPPORT AND INTENT
SOUL SELECTORS WORLDWIDE, INC.

September 15, 2026

Brian Gorman
President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation

Re: TRECC Development – Letter of Support and Intent to Partner

Dear Brian:

On behalf of Soul Selectors Worldwide, I am pleased to express our strong support for the TRECC Development and our intent to pursue a formal partnership with TRECC in the development and operation of its AV/Media Department and related workforce-development programming.

Soul Selectors Worldwide represents a collective of more than 130 DJs, with a deep connection to Chicago's music and Hip Hop culture. Our members bring experience as DJs, producers, entertainers, educators, event professionals, and media practitioners. We believe TRECC presents a unique opportunity to turn that talent into sustainable economic opportunity.

Our Intent to Partner

As part of our ongoing discussions with TRECC, Soul Selectors intend to work with the TRECC team to develop a comprehensive AV/Media operation serving the development's various facilities and activities.

This may include supporting the:

- Sports Complex – DJ services, sound reinforcement, live-event production, broadcasting, streaming, and content creation.
- Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum – audio/visual production, interviews, exhibitions, programming, archival and digital content.
- Hotel and Rooftop Restaurant – music programming, entertainment, AV production, and special events.
- Community and Mutual Aid Spaces – AV support for community meetings, cultural programming, workshops, activations, and emergency/community-response activities.
- TRECC-wide Events and Activations – production, DJ services, live sound, video, streaming, photography/video content, and other media needs.

Beyond providing services, we intend to explore the creation of a TRECC Media Workforce Development Program that can prepare young people and community residents for employment and entrepreneurship in the growing creative and media industries.



The program could provide hands-on exposure and training in areas such as DJing, audio engineering, video production, live-event production, broadcasting, streaming, content creation, and AV technology.

Our goal is to create a pathway from training to experience to paid work.

A Commitment to Opportunity

For Soul Selector DJs, this partnership is about more than finding places for DJs to perform. It is about recognizing DJs and media professionals as part of Chicago's creative workforce and creating the infrastructure necessary for them to earn a living from their skills.

TRECC's multiple facilities provide an opportunity to create an ongoing demand for these services while simultaneously creating a training environment for the next generation.

The presence of the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum makes this particularly meaningful. Chicago has produced generations of DJs, musicians, producers, and cultural innovators. TRECC can help ensure that this history is not only preserved, but connected to education, employment, entrepreneurship, and economic opportunity.

Letter of Support

Soul Selectors supports the TRECC Development and its broader vision for Bronzeville. We believe the project can create a meaningful economic and cultural ecosystem that benefits residents while providing new opportunities for Chicago's creative workforce.

We are prepared to continue working with TRECC to define the scope, responsibilities, operating structure, and programmatic components of this partnership and to develop a formal agreement as the project advances.

This letter represents our present intent to partner with TRECC in developing its AV/Media Department and exploring the implementation of a media workforce-development program, subject to mutually acceptable terms and a final written agreement.

We look forward to building something significant together—a place where Chicago's culture creates opportunity, where our DJs have places to work, and where the next generation can learn the skills necessary to participate in the creative economy.

Sincerely,

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To:

September 21, 2026

Brian Gorman

President, Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development
Foundation

Dear Brian:

ISPro Academy is pleased to express our support for the TRECC Development and its vision for creating meaningful opportunities through the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum.

ISPro Academy is committed to preparing emerging artists and producers with practical skills in music production, recording, sound design, songwriting, and music business. As a programming partner with the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum, we intend to bring that expertise to TRECC through educational programming that gives participants hands-on experience and a deeper understanding of the creative and business sides of the music industry.

We believe TRECC's combination of the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum, Sports Complex, and other community-focused spaces provides an exciting environment where music education, culture, and career development can come together.

ISPro Academy is committed to working with TRECC and the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum to deliver music production and music business programming as the development moves forward. We are proud to support TRECC and look forward to being part of a project that connects Chicago's rich musical heritage with opportunities for the next generation.

Sincerely,

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September 28, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Its Us Foundation, I am excited to express our intent to partner with TRECC to create meaningful opportunities for young people to learn, work, and grow through sports media.

The Sports Complex provides a natural environment for young people to gain hands-on experience telling stories. We envision teens covering games and tournaments, interviewing athletes and coaches, capturing photos and video, producing podcasts and social media content, and learning the fundamentals of sports journalism and broadcasting.

We also see an opportunity for young people to document the work happening throughout TRECC, including programming at the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum. They can interview artists and community leaders, cover events, and tell the stories of the people, history, and culture that make Bronzeville special.

Our goal is to provide young people with real-world experience—not simply classroom instruction. Participants should leave the program with practical skills, confidence, professional relationships, and a portfolio of work they can use as they pursue college, employment, and careers in media.

Its Us Foundation intends to work with TRECC to develop and implement the program, including curriculum development, mentorship, hands-on experiences, and the resources necessary to create a meaningful and sustainable youth media initiative.

We are committed to being a strong programmatic partner with TRECC and look forward to continuing our discussions and turning this vision into a working youth media program.

We believe TRECC can give young people something powerful: a place to learn, a place to create, a place to build, and a place to have their voices heard.

Sincerely,

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May 2, 2025

Brian Gorman
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Dear Brian,

Please consider this as a Letter of Intent to collaborate and support The New TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Sports Facility in any way we possibly can. After Speaking with several of TRECC's Board members and having a chance to preview their Vision, we have a good understanding of the potential this project has to offer. There has been a void and a need for a facility such as this in the city limits of Chicago. TRECC is on the right path and has the resources to make this vision become a reality.

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Sincerely Yours,

Mike Powell

Team Prodigy, AAU
RaiseTheBarYouth@gmail.com



May 2, 2025

Brian Gorman
TRECC Community Development Foundation
233. S Wacker Drive Suite 4400
Chicago, IL 60606

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Willie Harris

Willie Harris, Director
"AnyBodyCanGetIt!" Basketball League

October 6, 2025

Board of Directors
TRECC Community Development Foundation
233 S Wacker Drive, Suite 4400
Chicago, IL 60606

Re: TRECC Global Campus for Youth and Families Bronzeville Development

Dear Board of Directors,

Greetings. The Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum celebrates the Hip Hop community that has served as an alternative to negativity by providing creative outlets since the 70s. The Chicago Hip Hop outlet was used to save lives and became therapeutic to the many that participated to escape from the realities of gangs and drugs. The Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum celebrates, honors, and cherishes the community that nurtured collective talents and creative energies within the elements of Hip Hop. In June 2021, Custom Resources, the ChiRock Nation (Chicago Respect Our Creative Kids/Kings), and Diverse City collaborated to create the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum to commemorate the 18th annual Hip Hop Heritage Month in July as designated by the City of Chicago. The exhibit opened July 3rd, 2021.

Since then, we have established partnerships with Columbia University and the University of Illinois at Chicago increasing the museum's community engagement. Pending the successful completion of approval from the city of Chicago to move your project forward. We are committed to executing a 5-year \$100,000 annual lease with extensions. We will wish you well in your efforts to gain the approval of the city of Chicago as this project is greatly needed for Bronzeville.

We are excited about the opportunity to partner with the TRECC Community Development Foundation to transform the southside of Chicago through arts and culture. The vision of community development with the inclusion of the Chicago Hip Hop Heritage Museum will greatly benefit youth and families. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

Carrico Kingdom Sanders
Vice President
Chicago Hip-Hop Heritage Museum

October 6, 2025

Brian Gorman President
TRECC Community Development Foundation
11351 S May St
Chicago, IL 60643-4549

Re: TRECC Community Development Foundation Corporate Partnership at the TRECC Global Campus for Youth & Families Campus

Dear Mr. Gorman,

We are an Illinois-based energy company that provides national certification training programs in renewable energy. In Illinois we offer workforce development programs to adults 18 years and older in various communities across the city of Chicago. We have partnered with the TRECC Community Development Foundation to provide community programs on the south side of Chicago.

Sesenergi Eco Solutions is prepared to provide a financial corporate sponsorship at the level of \$2M dollars for Phase I and \$1M dollars for Phase II, which is contingent upon a successful application with the city of Chicago for a Community Development Grant-Large. Additionally, we are prepared to rent space inside the hotel portion of your project at a rate of \$400,000 annually for at least 5 years with multiple renewal options providing community skills development cohorts.

We are excited about the opportunity to partner with the TRECC Community Development Foundation to transform the city of Chicago through workforce development programs and sports. We share a vision of community development and growth through working with youth and families to better serve the city of Chicago. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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TRECC Phase I and Phase II Highlights

PHASE I

(New Construction -16 to 18 months)

- Community Center
- Museum
- Sports & Technology Hub
- Renewable Energy Workforce Center
- Hotel & Retail

PHASE II

(New Construction -8 months)

- Auto ParkIt Garage & EV Charging
- Microgrid
- 1-2 MW Rooftop Solar & Wind Farm
- Commercial Solar Training Site







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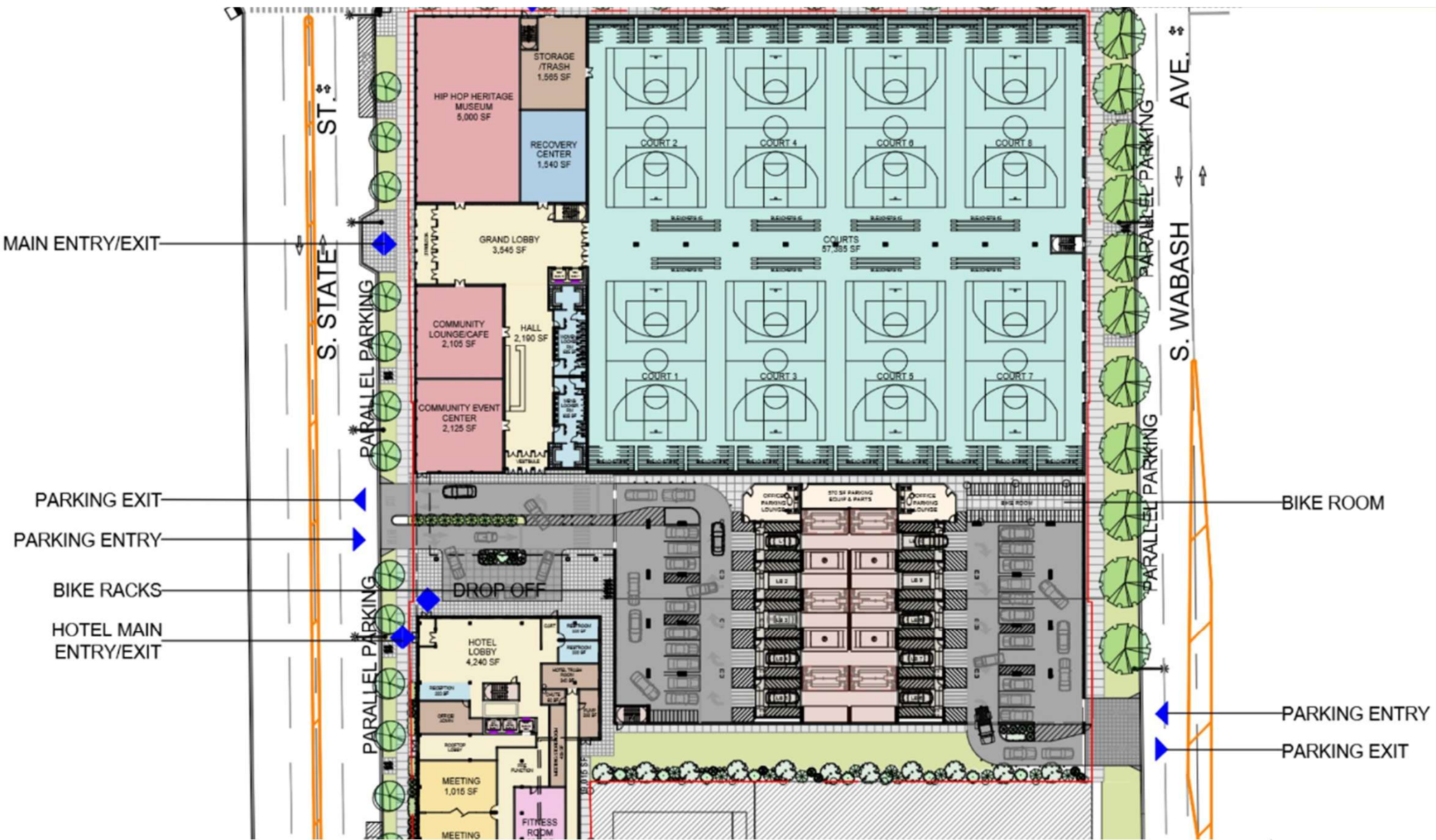
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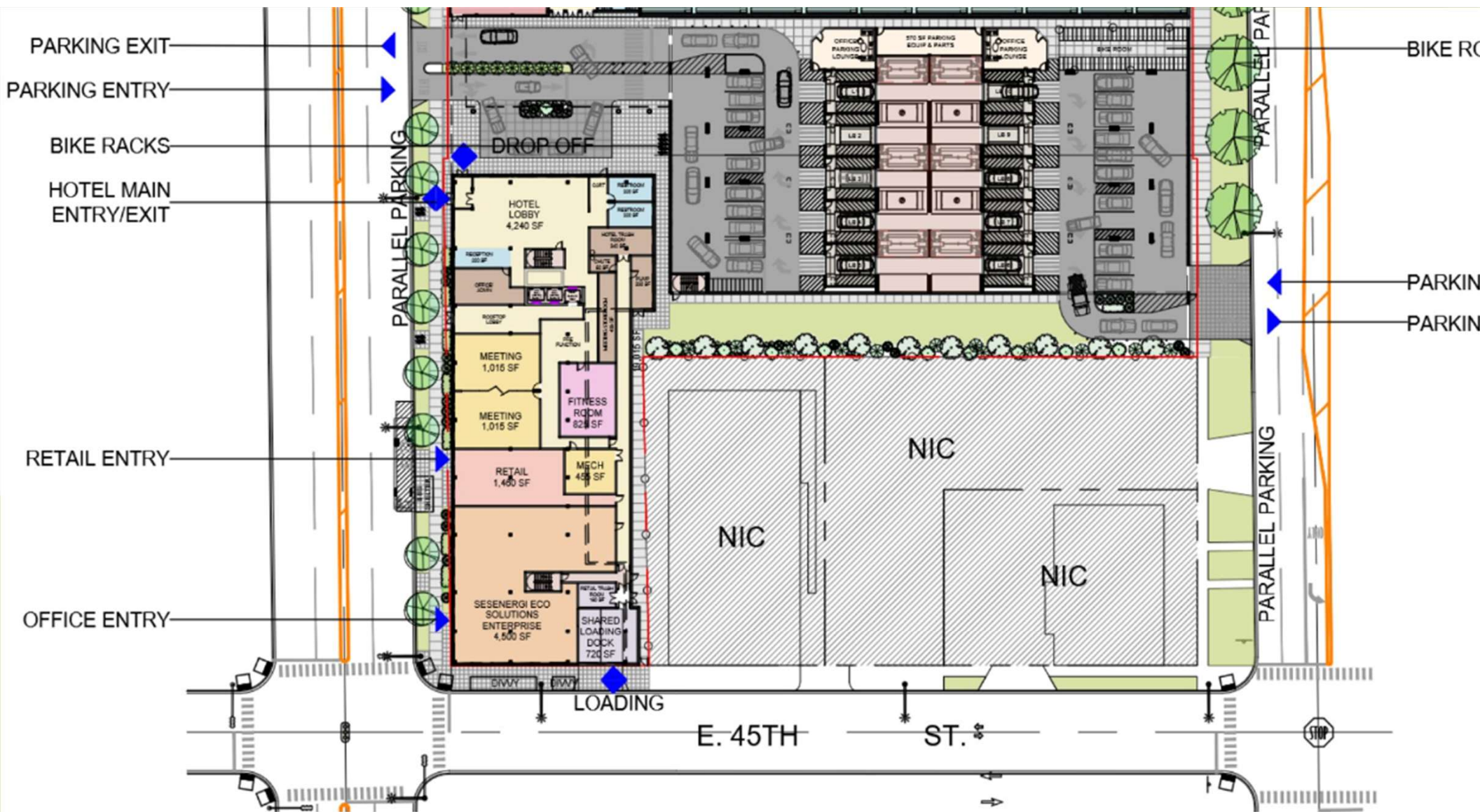
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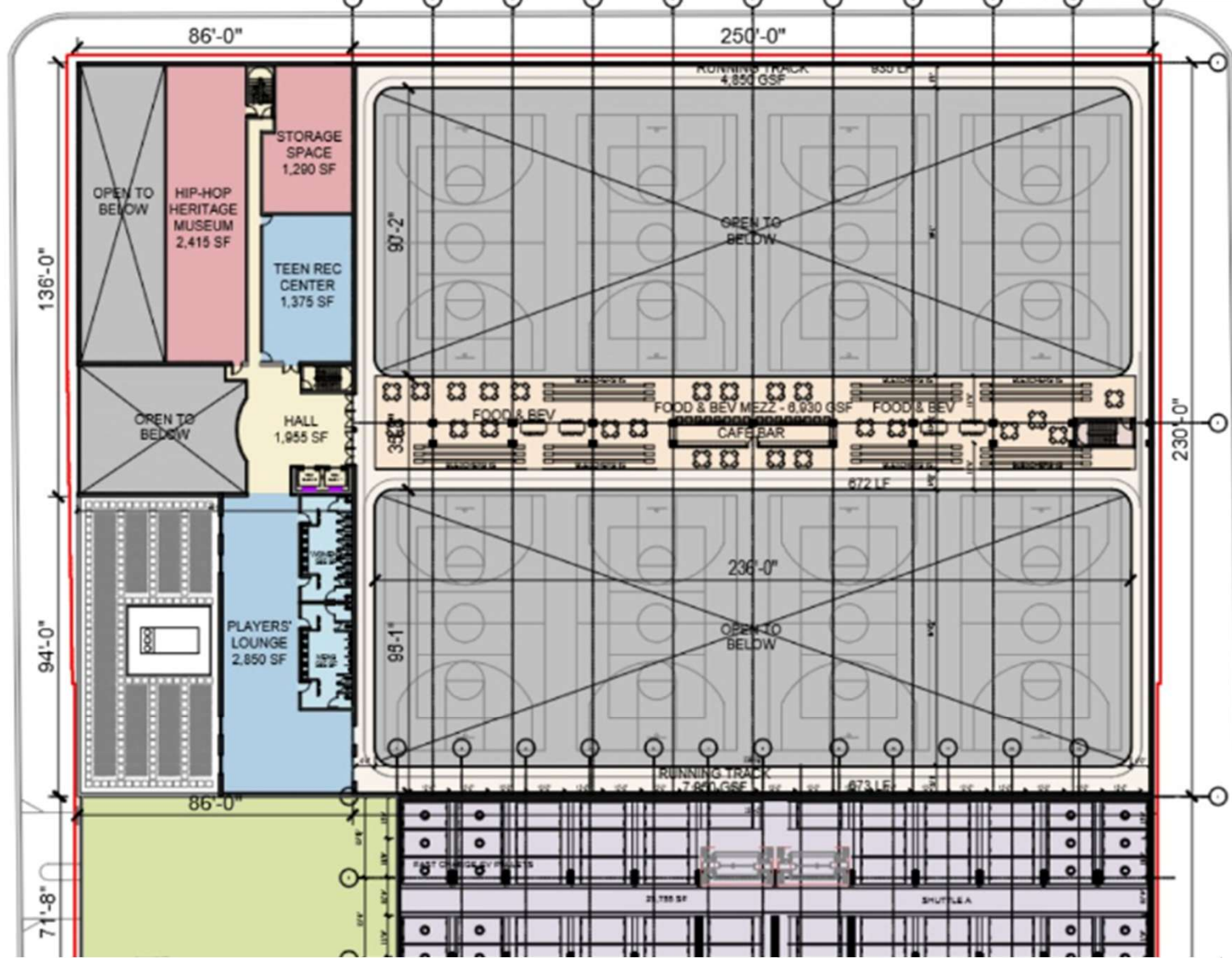
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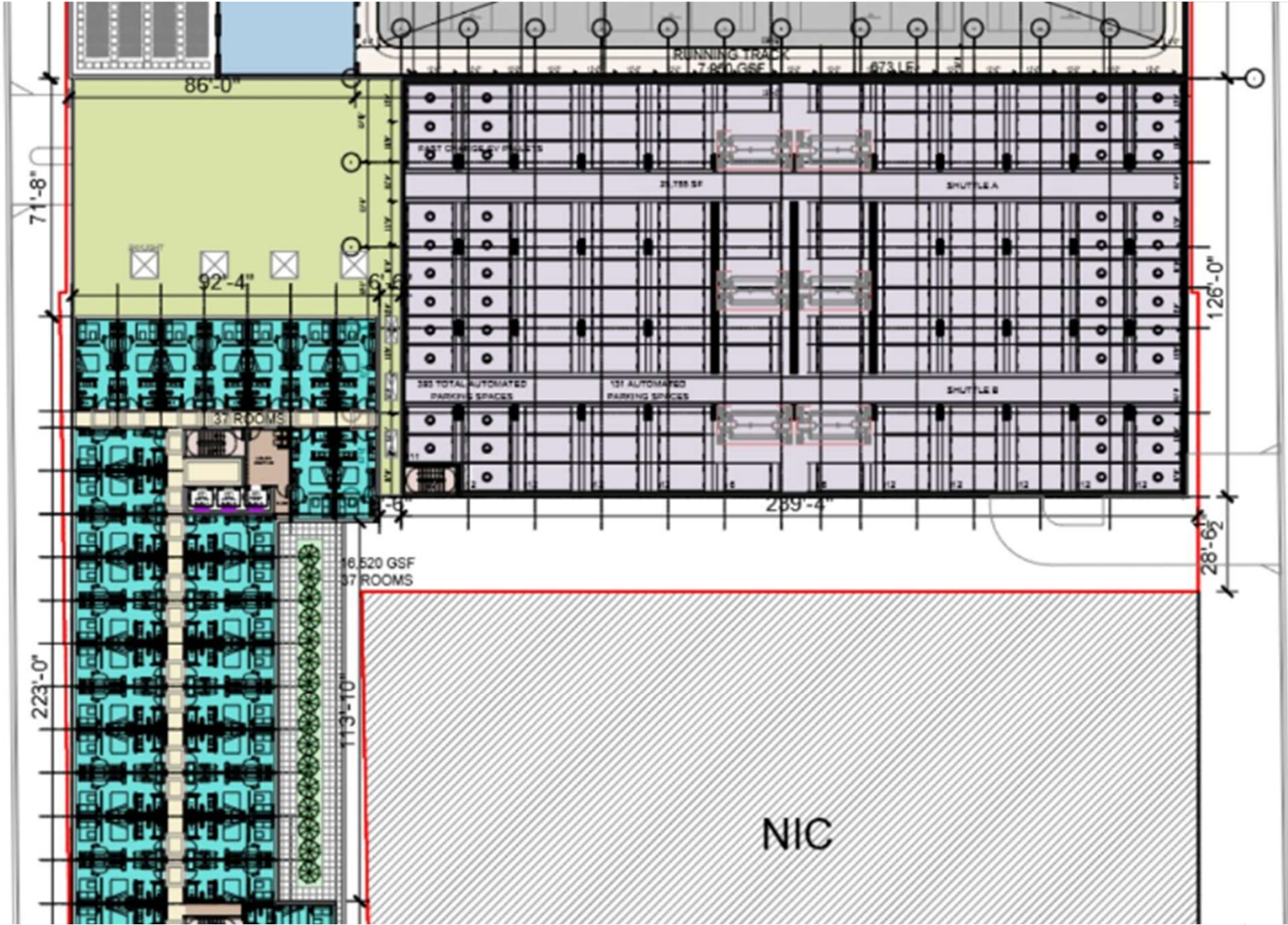
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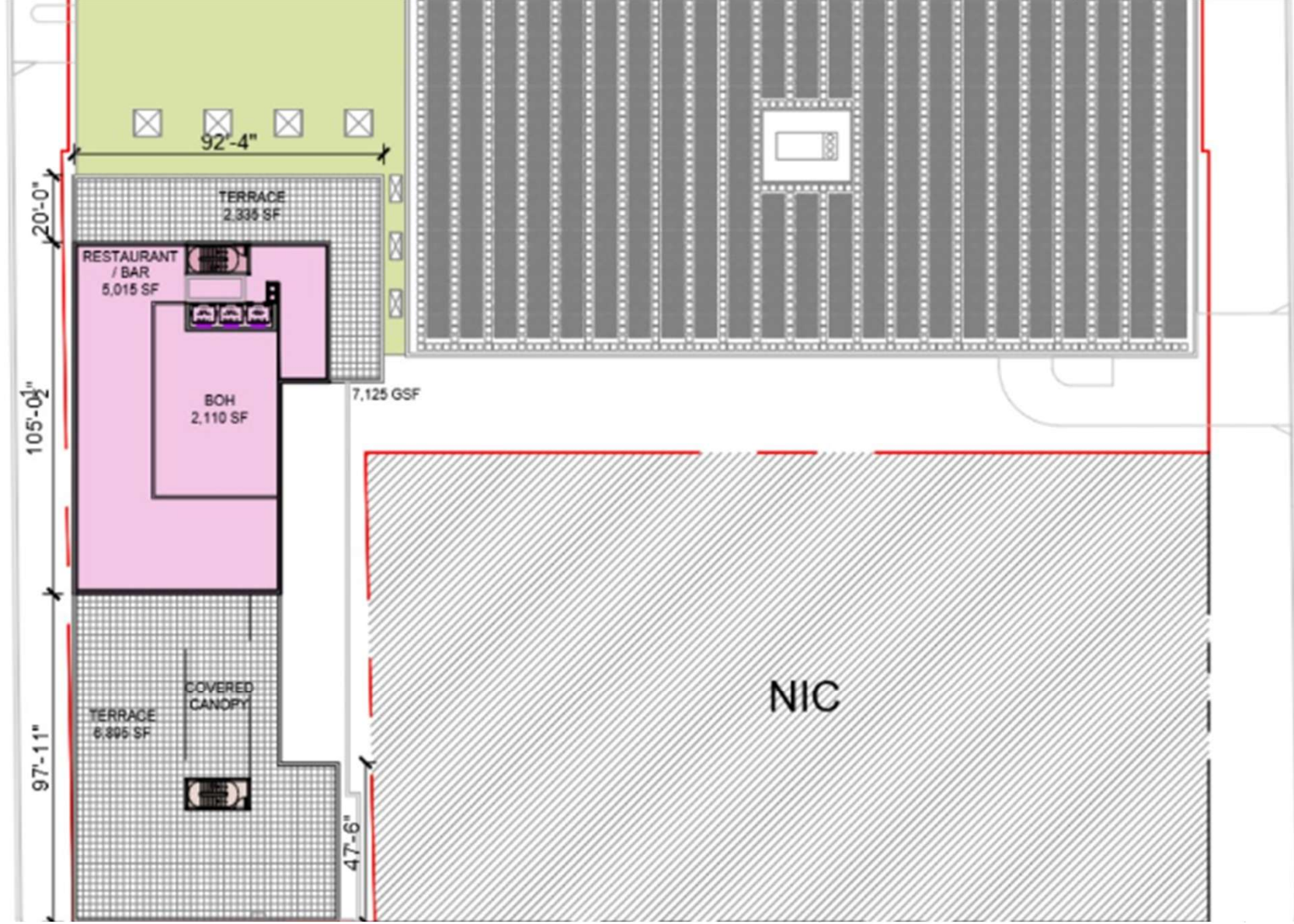
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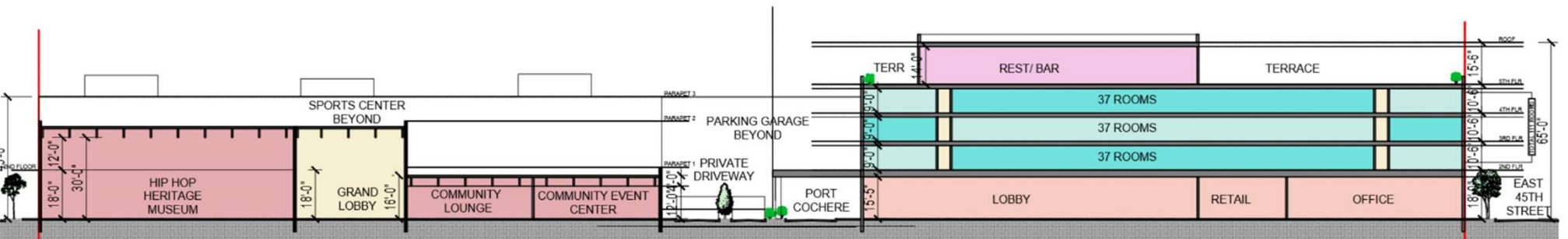
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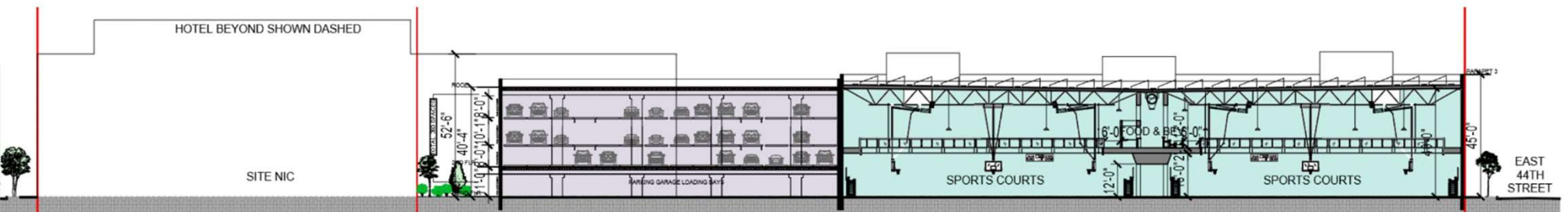
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Site Plan



North South Section Looking East



North South Section Looking West Phase II

1/32" = 1'-0" 

4412 South Wabash Avenue Area Analysis PHASE II - 08-31-2026

FLOOR	HOTEL & MIXED USE					SPORTSPLEX			PARKING GARAGE		MECHANICAL	AREAS		HEIGHTS	
	TOTAL HOTEL ROOMS	HOTEL	TERRACE	RETAIL	SESENERGI ECO SOLUTIONS	MUSEUM	COMMUNITY	GYM	PARKING SPACES	PARKING AREA		TOTAL GROSS AREA	F.A.R.	FLOOR TO FLOOR HEIGHT	OVERALL HEIGHT
Rooftop	0	7,295	9,225	0	0	0	0	0				16,520	7,295	15'-6"	65'-0"
4	37	16,520	0	0	0	0	0	0				16,520	16,520	10'-6"	49'-6"
3	37	16,520	0	0	0	0	0	0				16,520	16,520	10'-6"	39'-0"
2	37	16,520	0	0	0	2,415	0	22,350	393	29,755		41,285	41,285	10'-6"	28'-6"
1	0	13,055	0	1,460	4,500	5,000	4,230	68,215	0	29,755	0	96,460	96,460	18'-0"	18'-0"
TOTAL	111	69,910	7,084	1,460	4,500	7,415	4,230	90,565	393	59,510	0	187,305	178,080		
SITE AREA		144,232				gross area includes parking and landscaped terraces									
TOTAL USED FAR		1.23				Loading is included in parking number									

We welcome the
support of all 3rd
Ward residents to
make this a reality.

Thank You!

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