



Public Services & Facilities Committee

9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2024

1207 Palm Boulevard

City Hall Council Chambers

Public Comment:

All citizens who wish to speak during the meeting must email their first and last name, address and topic to Nicole DeNeane, City Clerk, at nicoled@iop.net no later than **3:00 p.m. the day before the meeting**. Citizens may also provide written public comment here:

<https://www.iop.net/public-comment-form>

Agenda

1. **Call to order** and acknowledgment that the press and the public have been duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.
2. **Citizens' Comments** – All comments have a time limit of three (3) minutes.
3. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes** – August 20, 2024
4. **Old Business**
 - a. Discussion and presentation from Trident and MPS regarding City Hall renovation and relocation options
 - b. Continued discussion regarding yard debris collection policy
5. **New Business**

Discussion of charging a garbage collection fee based on the number of garbage cans used to improve efficiencies and encourage waste reduction and recycling
6. **Miscellaneous Business**

Next meeting date: 9:00 a.m., October 1, 2024
7. **Adjournment**



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9:00am, Tuesday, August 20, 2024
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and
broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Miars, Hahn, Pierce

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Kerr, Director Pitts, Asst. Director Asero

2. Citizen's Comments

Julie Nestler said she would like to see the Recreation Department include water safety training in the summer camp program. She is willing to pay for it or provide staff with contact information and resources that could fund such a class. She shared pictures of the life rings at the public dock, which she says are not hung properly for life-saving purposes.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – July 9, 2024

MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2024 meeting. Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Old Business

A. Discussion and consideration of commercial bulk container services

Administrator Fragoso shared a brief summary of the situation that has brought the City to needing a decision about the contract for commercial bulk container services. This Committee recommended to City Council and Council approved a 6-month extension with the current service provider to allow the City time to make decisions about how to move forward with the price increase and policy.

She shared that the price per yard for pickup did not change much if the scope of the contract only included the condominiums. The City had been paying \$0.65/yard, which increased to \$3.75/yard. To secure a \$2.50/yard price, a decision needs to be made now. Any action taken now will be effective March 1, 2025.

Mr. Rod Turnage, President of the IOP Chamber of Commerce said he has spoken to the restaurant owners and said most of them understand the "cost of doing business." He stressed the importance of clearly and thoughtfully communicating the situation to the businesses. He recommended the City find a way to allow the businesses to work this new expense into their

budgets. He added that most of the restaurants did not understand what they had been paying towards trash pickup.

Administrator Fragoso explained what the County charges for, what the City charges for, and how the businesses are billed for those services.

Committee members discussed how it might be possible to ease this expense into the businesses over a longer period of time. Treating everyone who currently benefits from this service equally moving forward was of utmost importance. Director Pitts pointed out that several of the rental homes have many more than the 2 roll carts permitted per business and suggested enforcing that will need to be part of the policy change moving forward.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to recommend to City Council the adoption of the new contract at \$2.50/yard beginning March 1, 2025, to absorb the current costs of the contract for the affected business entities through October 31, 2025, then transition costs to those businesses after that date, and continue the current policy of charging users for use of the municipal compactor. Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff will bring to the next Committee meeting data on excessive roll cart usage.

B. Discussion of island wide beach monitoring and surveying

Administrator Fragoso said that an RFP was issued for this contract with an expanded scope of surveying the beach and reporting to the City twice a year. Only Coastal Science & Engineering, the City's current vendor, responded to the RFP. Their current contract needs to be renewed. Their proposal for the expanded services is \$106,000 for semi-annual monitoring and reporting. The current contract is \$60,000 for an annual survey and report.

Administrator Fragoso said semi-annual reporting will allow Council and the City to react to changing erosional situations more quickly. Council Member Hahn added that more frequent monitoring also details seasonal changes.

MOTION: Council Member Hahn made a motion to recommend to City Council the approval of the proposal for a 5-year contract from Coastal Science & Engineering for semi-annual surveying and reporting in the amount of \$106,000/year. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **New Business - none**

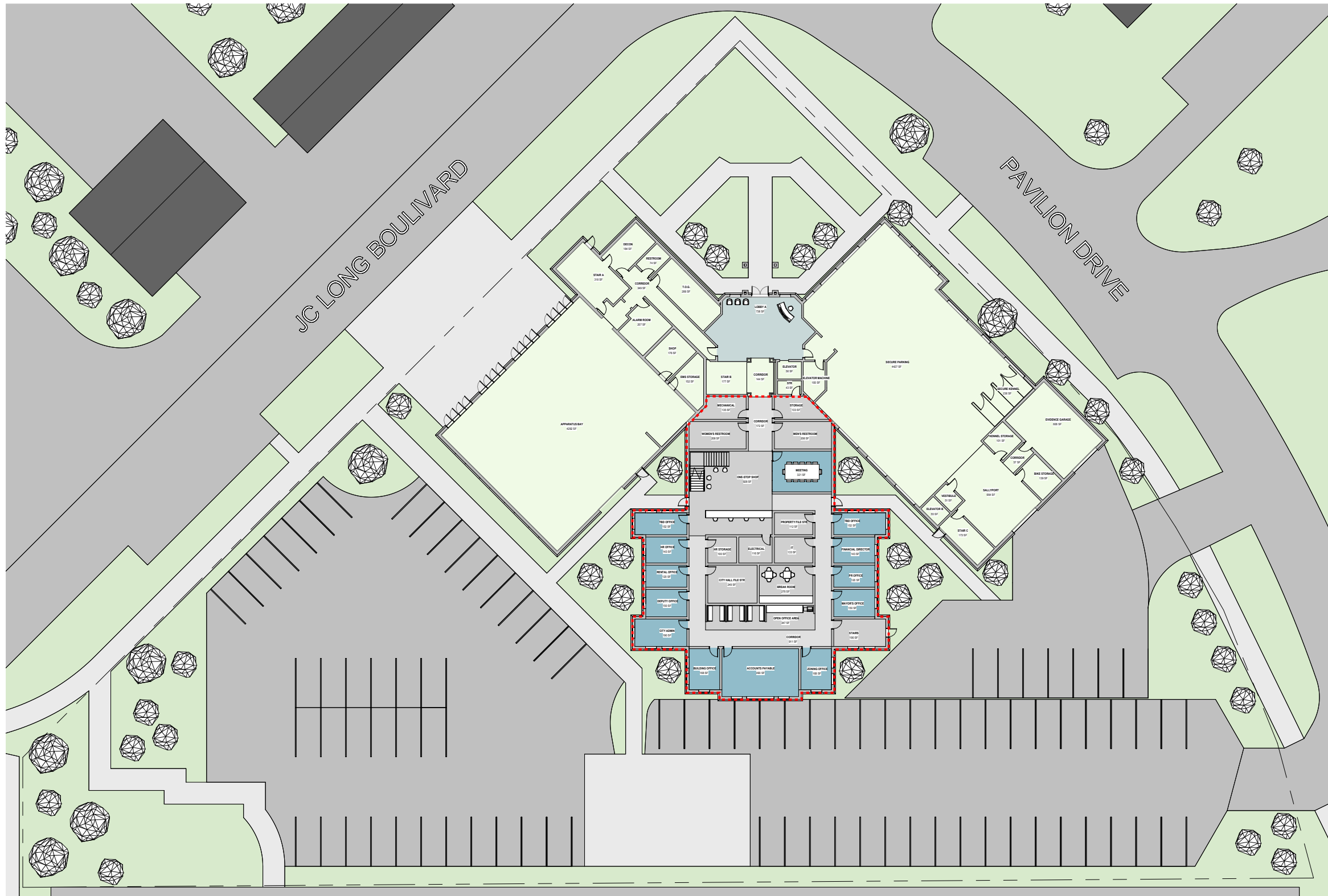
6. **Miscellaneous Business**

The next regular meeting of the Public Services & Facilities Committee will be Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 9am. Discussions will include yard debris and information about roll cart usage by businesses.

7. **Adjournment**

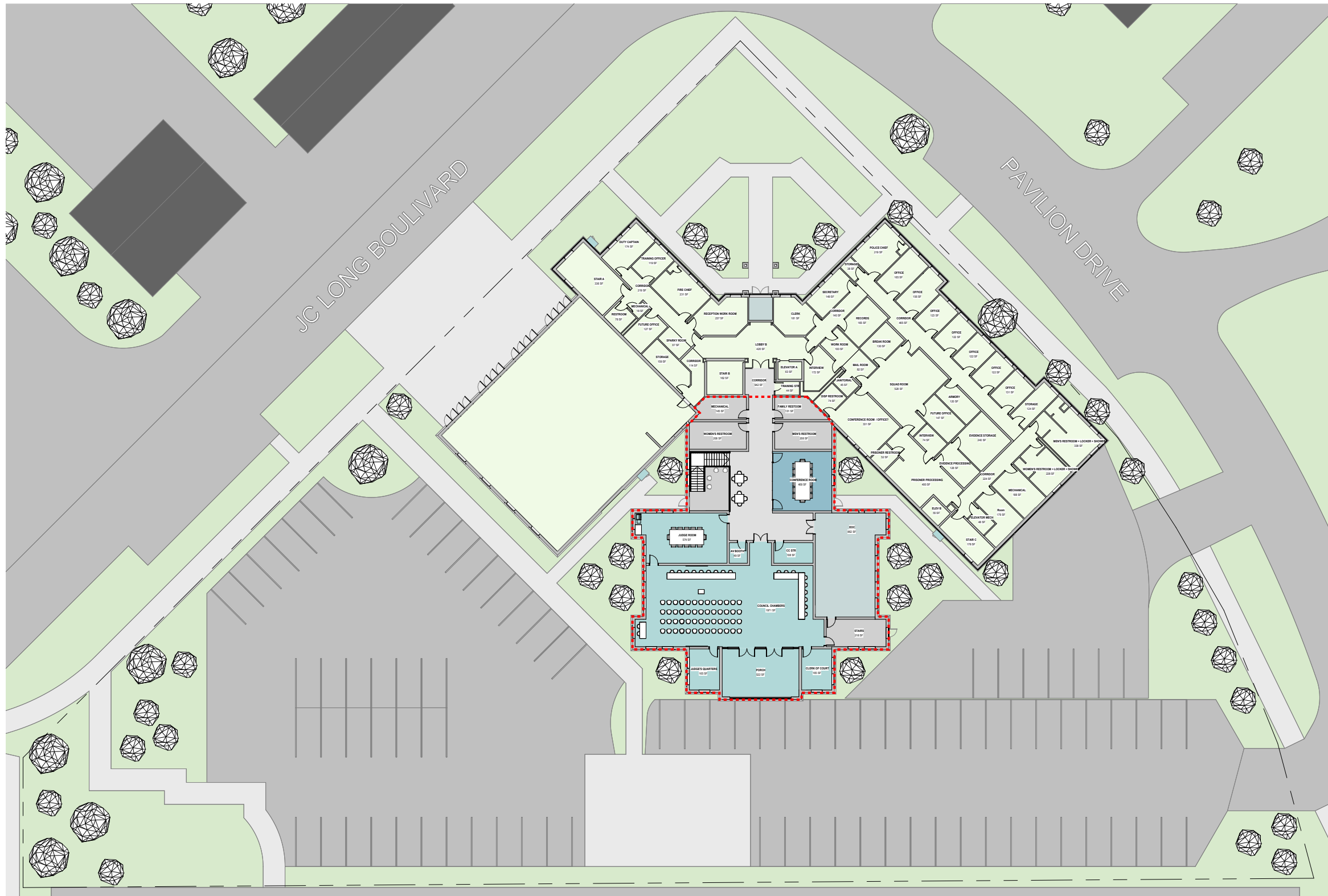
Council Member Pierce made a motion to adjourn and Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:08am

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk

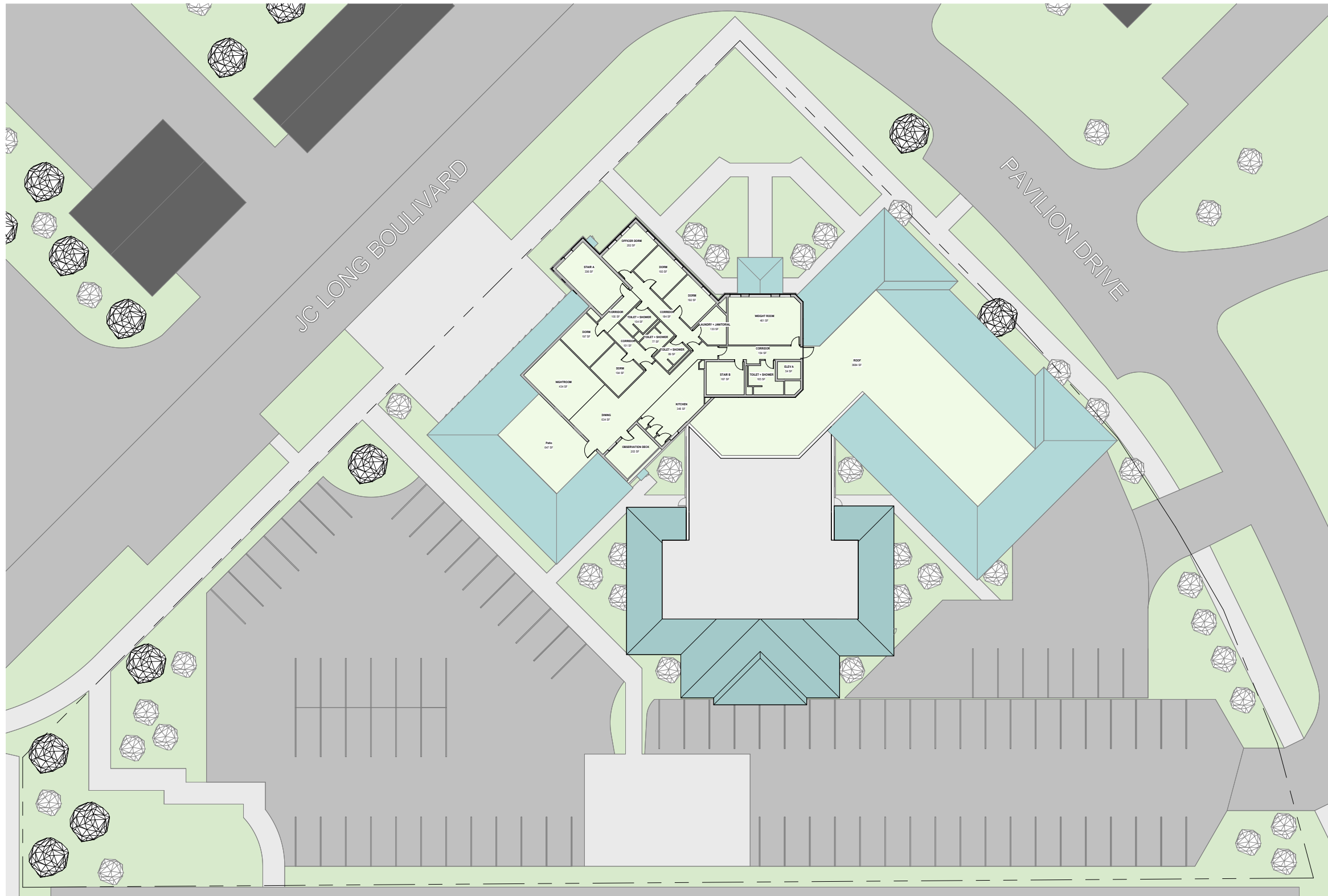


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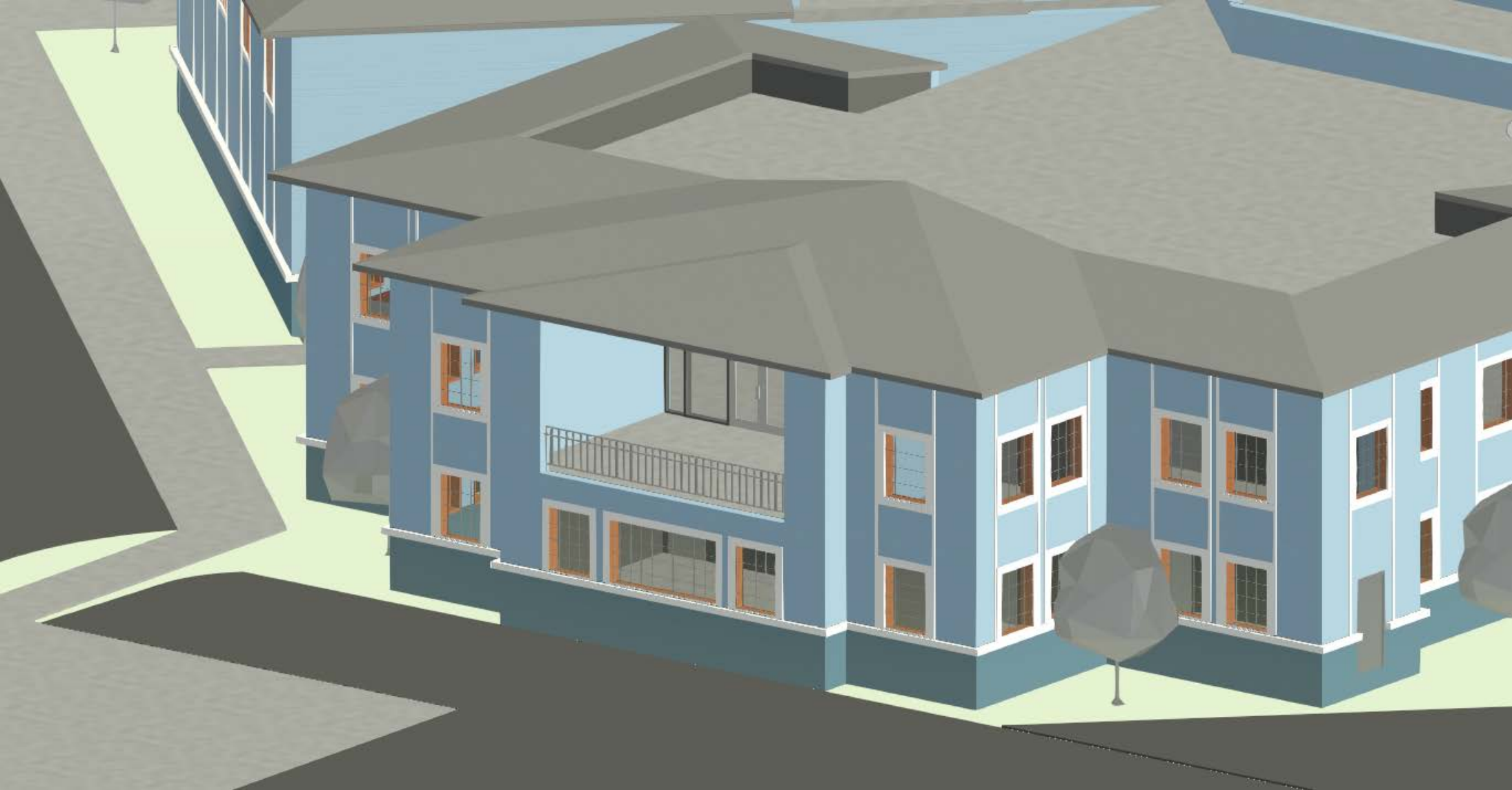


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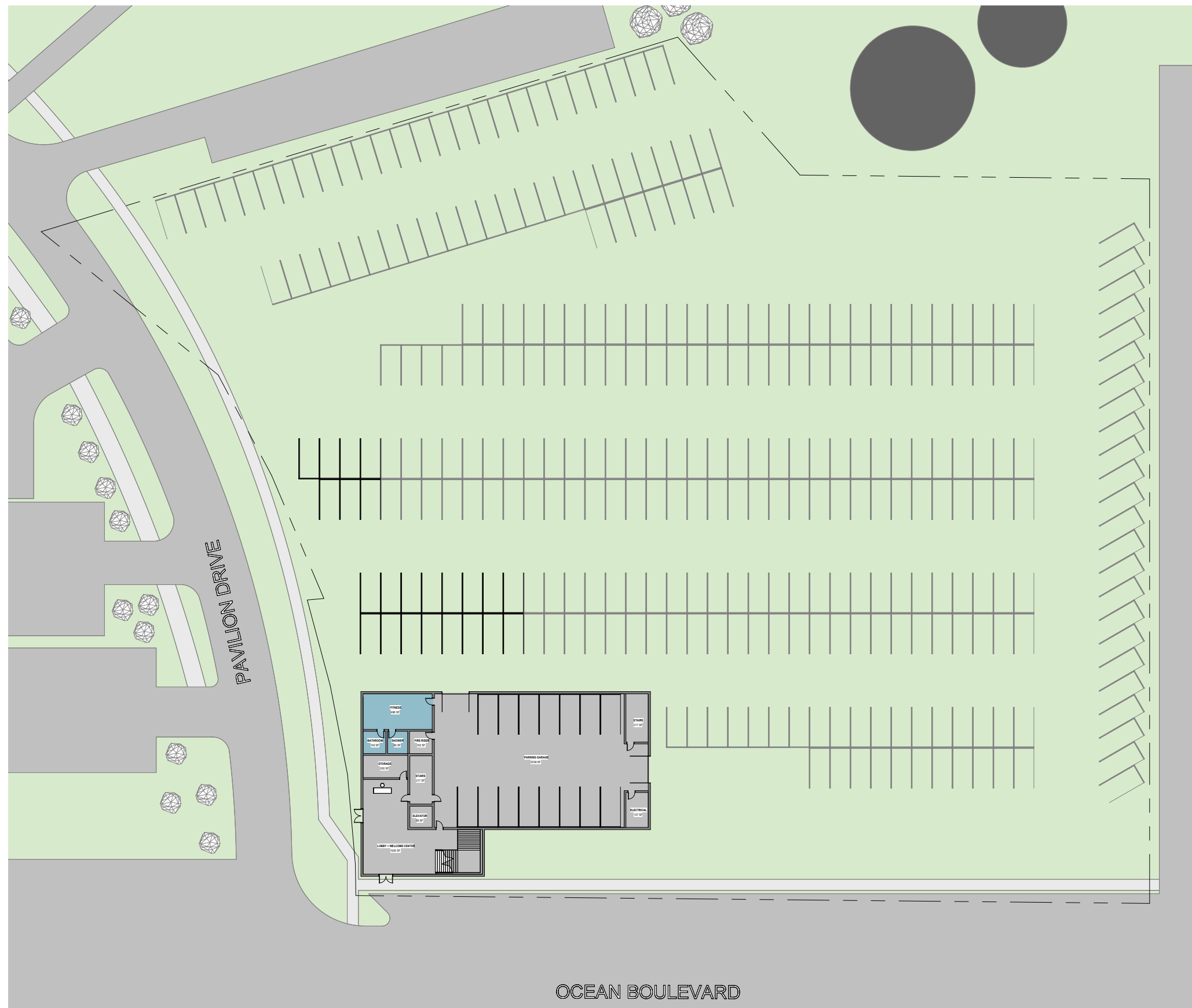


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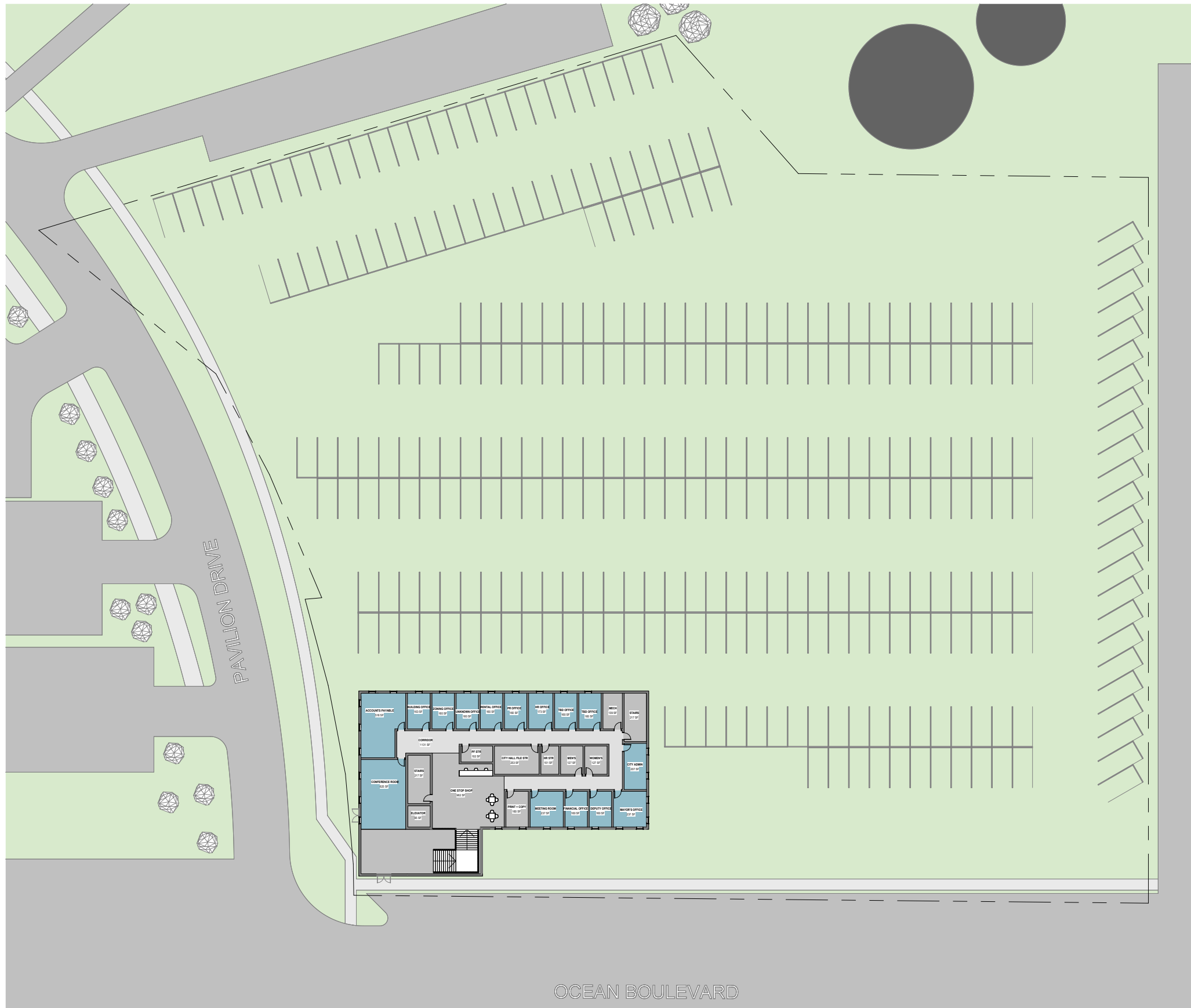




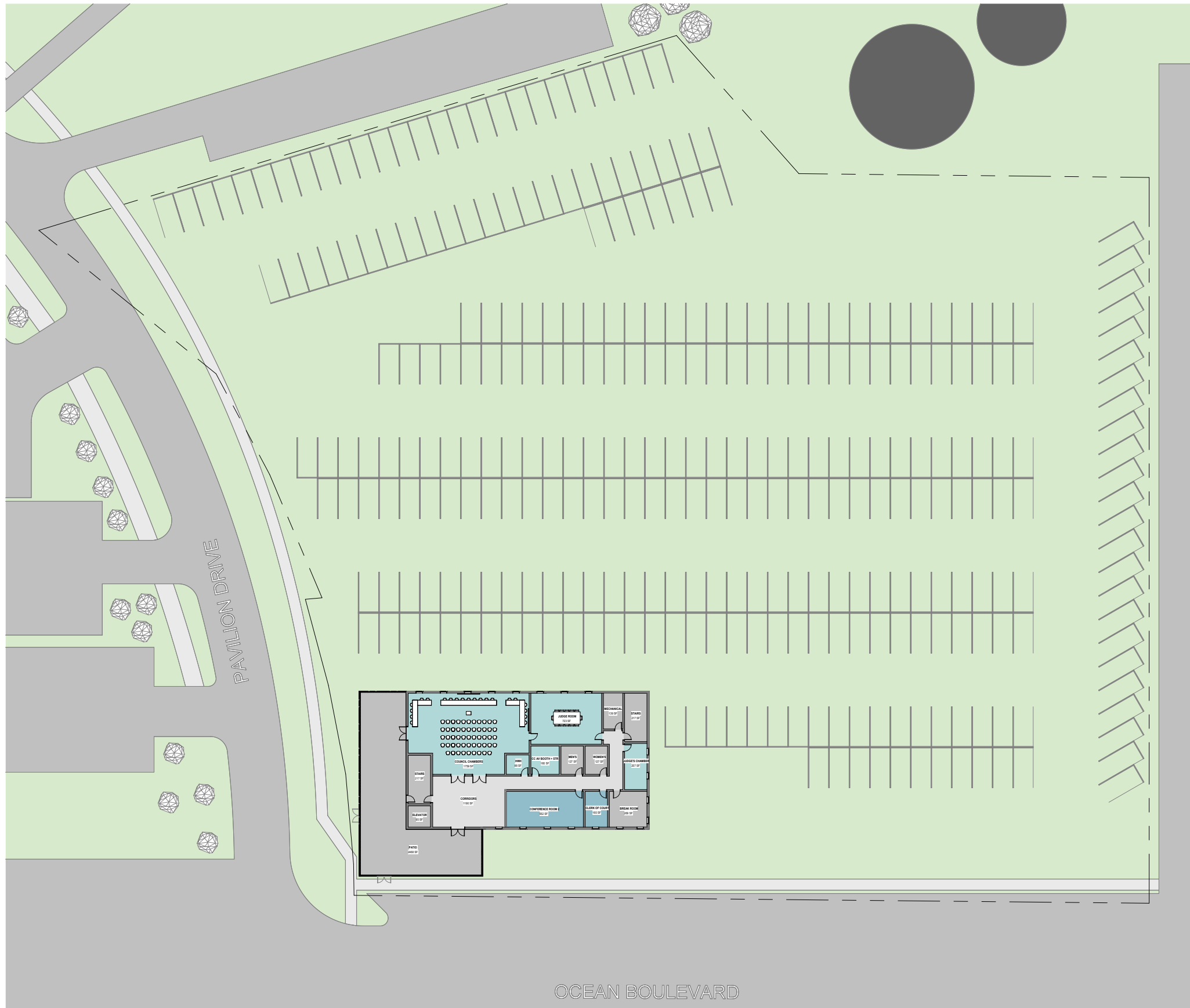
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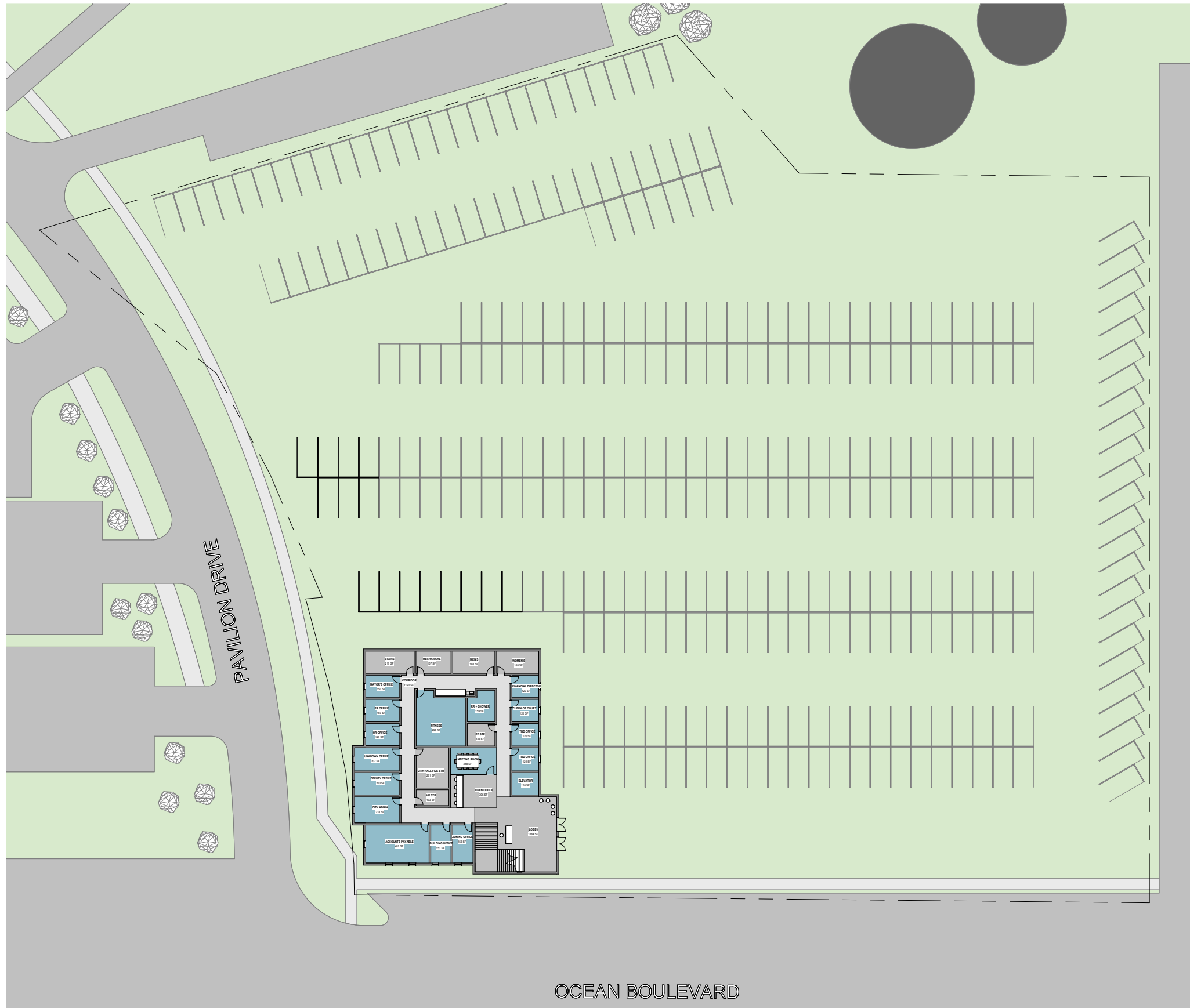


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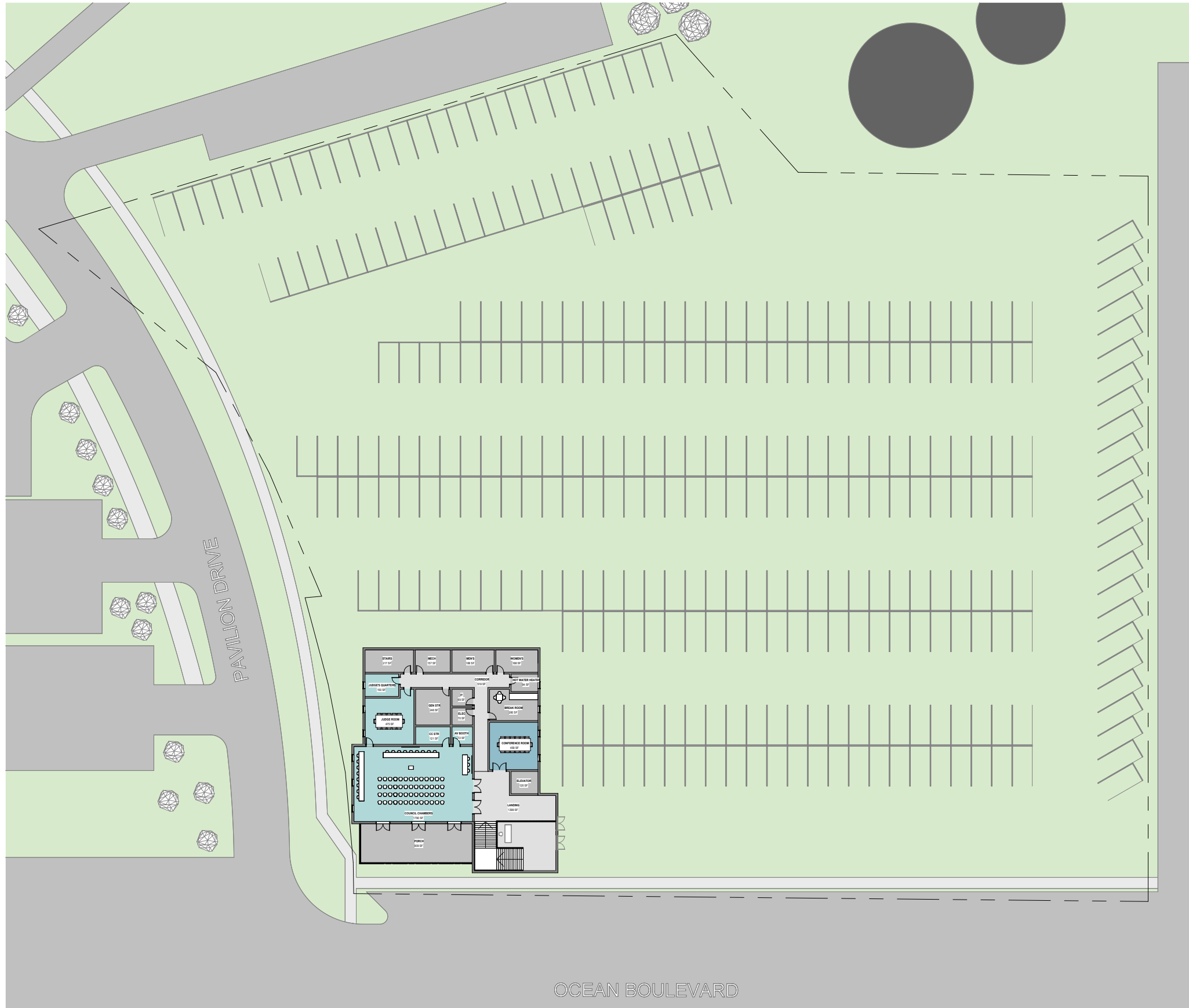
THIRD FLOOR GROSS SF:
9,225.5 SF

THIRD FLOOR CONDITIONED SF:
6,758 SF



FIRST FLOOR GROSS SF:
8,297.17 SF

TOTAL BUILDING GROSS SF:
(1st Floor + 2nd Floor) = **16,621.34 SF**



SECOND FLOOR GROSS SF:
8,324.17 SF

SECOND FLOOR CONDITIONED SF:
7,415.17 SF

Miscellaneous and Yard Debris Policy

Discuss the desire for a new policy regarding collection of miscellaneous and yard debris on the island. The current situation poses several challenges that are impacting the aesthetics of our community and causing inconsistencies in the pickup process.

Problem

- High volume of miscellaneous and yard debris placed on the public right of way for pick up impacting aesthetics of the island
- Lack of consistency of pickup schedule due to high volumes

Objective

- Improve Public Works (PW) efficiencies in the operation of miscellaneous and yard debris collection
- Improve aesthetics of the island by regulating debris visible on the public rights of way
- Create a consistent and sustainable schedule

Strategy

- Reduce volume of miscellaneous and yard debris allowed to be set out for PW collection
- Limit amount of time miscellaneous and yard debris is allowed to be placed on the right of way for collection
- Create a consistent schedule for pick up
- Implementation strategy would require changes to the city code.
- Implementation strategy would include public education/communications campaign followed by targeted enforcement to help modify behavior

Miscellaneous and yard debris policy to consider

- Limited to a quantity of no more than two (2) 96-gallon containers. Create an exemption for up to 10 leave bags.
- Must be placed on the public right of way no earlier than the day before collection
- Modifications or delays in the schedule relayed to residents through Sunnie, AI citizen engagement tool
- Appliances, household goods and large items such as furniture, mattresses, sofas, etc. that can fit in the bed of a regular pick-up truck require scheduling a special pick up with the Public Works Department. The city could consider charging a fee for special pick-ups. If volumes exceed this limit, the property owner is responsible for removal.

Collection Schedule

Yard Debris

- Mondays – Breach Inlet through 14th Avenue
- Tuesdays – 15th Avenue through 30th Avenue
- Wednesdays – 30th through 42nd Avenue
- Thursday – Wild Dunes
- Friday – 42nd Avenue through 57th Avenue

Miscellaneous

- Wednesdays – Island wide