

February 19, 2026 - Schematic Design Review Meeting

On February 19, 2026, the team reconvened to continue Schematic Design review and discussion.

Key discussion items included:

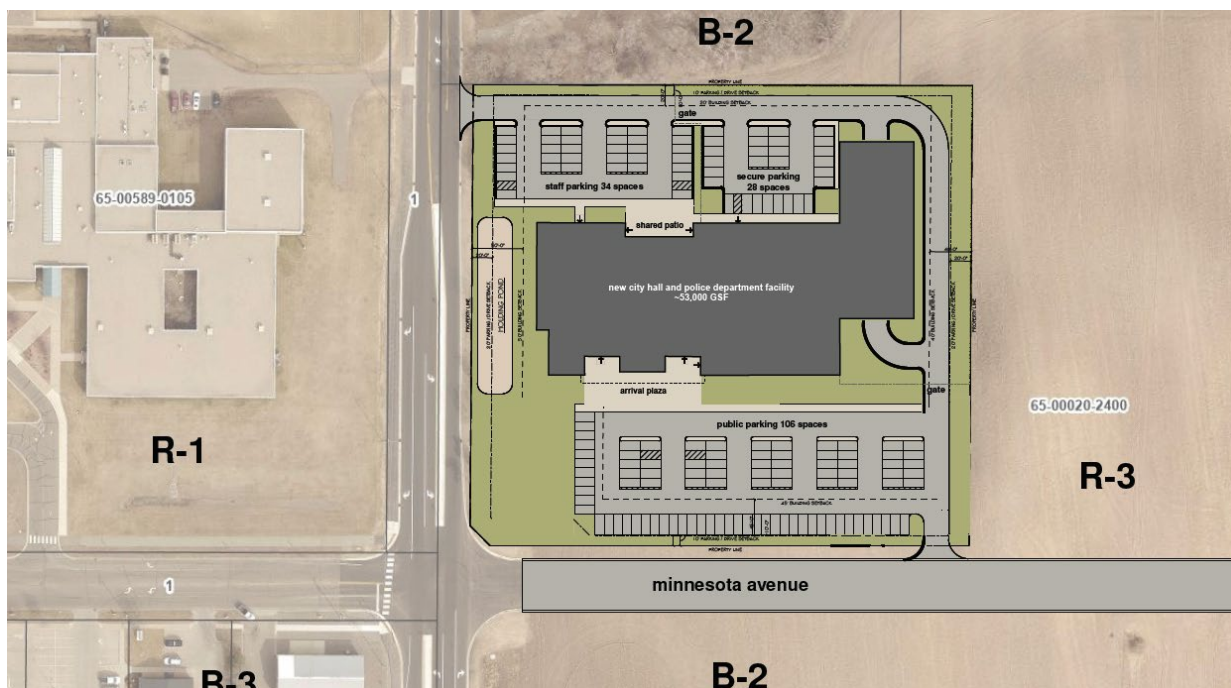
- The possibility that the Library space may not be included in the new building, with a final decision expected soon
- Ongoing communication between GLTArchitects and the County regarding site details.

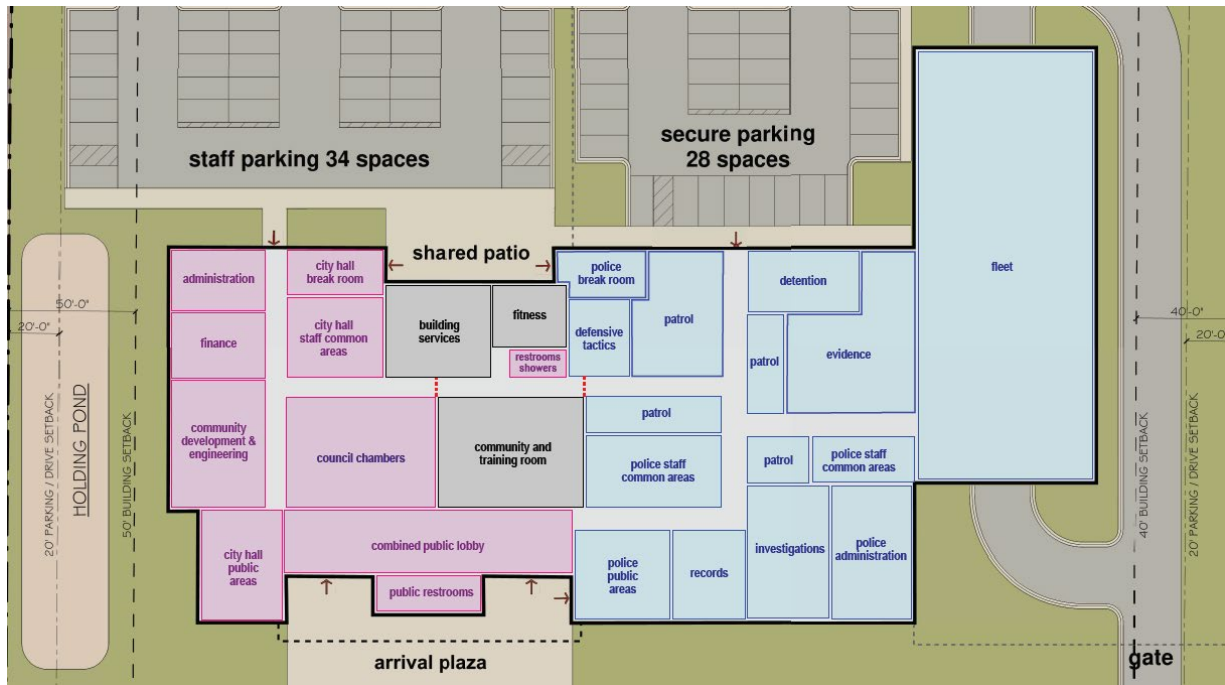
Based on previous meetings and goal-setting discussions, the design team presented the following draft mission statement for the project:

To shape a multi-use Civic Campus that serves as a welcoming front door to the community — uniting City Hall and the Police Department in a setting that respects Big Lake's roots, supports its dynamic and growing population, and looks thoughtfully toward the future.

Continued Schematic Design review included:

- Presentation of two preliminary site plan options
- "Block plan" floor plan diagrams illustrating spatial relationships
- General plan review comments from City staff





The team also engaged in a visioning exercise, reviewing representative exterior and interior project images. The purpose of this exercise was to gather feedback on positive and negative reactions to various architectural styles and material expressions, helping to refine and reinforce the overall project vision and design direction.



Next Steps

The team will continue refining the Schematic Design package with the goal of presenting a more complete Schematic Design review toward the end of March.