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PRESS RELEASE

Renovations for Town of North Kingstown Municipal Office Building to Provide Interior and Exterior Improvements With No Impact on Tax Rates

North Kingstown, RI — Town Manager Ralph Mollis announces the next steps for a \$2.5 million dollar exterior and interior renovations and improvements to the Municipal Office Building (MOB) at 100 Fairway Drive, with no impact on tax rates.

“The Municipal Office Building is home to most of our town’s government,” Mollis said. “It’s where thousands of residents visit each year, where 35 employees work, and is home to 10 of our town’s departments. The work planned is a great investment in our Town which will result in a building and facilities the Town of North Kingstown’s residents, visitors, and employees will be proud of.”

Improvements to the Municipal Office Building will incorporate a small expansion to allow for improved functionality with the installation of an HVAC system and necessary upgrades for increased energy efficiency; public safety and operational improvements in a new entryway and a lobby for visitors and restroom facilities, and improvements for ADA accessibility; and aesthetic enhancements to include improved landscaping and an environmentally sensitive rain garden.

At a meeting earlier this week, the North Kingstown Town Council approved the next step, going out to bid for an RFP or RFQ for an Architectural Engineer. If one can be retained within the next few months, Mollis is optimistic that work on the project will begin in late 2023 or early 2024. “The current state of the Municipal Office Building is such that basic ADA accessibility needs attention. The MOB’s lack of an HVAC system coupled with its need for significant repairs and upgrades to address functionality and operability as a critical provider of the Town of North Kingstown’s services for residents and business owners can be done now without impact on our resident’s tax rates.”

Planned interior and exterior renovations, projected to be up to \$2.5 million by Aharonian & Associates, will be paid for with a combination of ARPA funds, Fund Balance and restricted and unrestricted accounts designated for office capital improvements.

Exterior and interior improvements to the Municipal Office Building, coupled with the \$5 million dollar restoration and rehabilitation of the Town of North Kingstown's historic Town Hall at 80 Boston Neck Road are saving residents upwards of \$25 million. Rather than constructing a new Town Hall or MOB, North Kingstown will now have two buildings that can support services for future generations of residents, employee, business owner and visitors.

"I look forward to the renovations at the Municipal Office Building joining the list of significant recent improvements and upgrades throughout our great town. From the soccer fields, walkways, and the playgrounds and splashpads at Wilson Park, to the significant improvements at our beloved Town Beach and McGinn Park, many dynamic improvements were realized in 2022 for North Kingstown's residents and visitors," Mollis stated. "I look forward to continuing to work with Town Council members and the other town committees and departments for what's in store for 2023."

Please contact Kate Glass, Executive Assistant, at kglass@northkingstownri.gov with any questions.

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PERSPECTIVE VIEW 2



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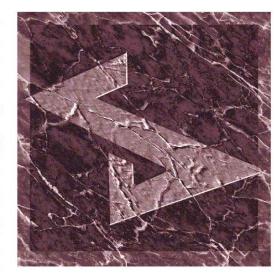
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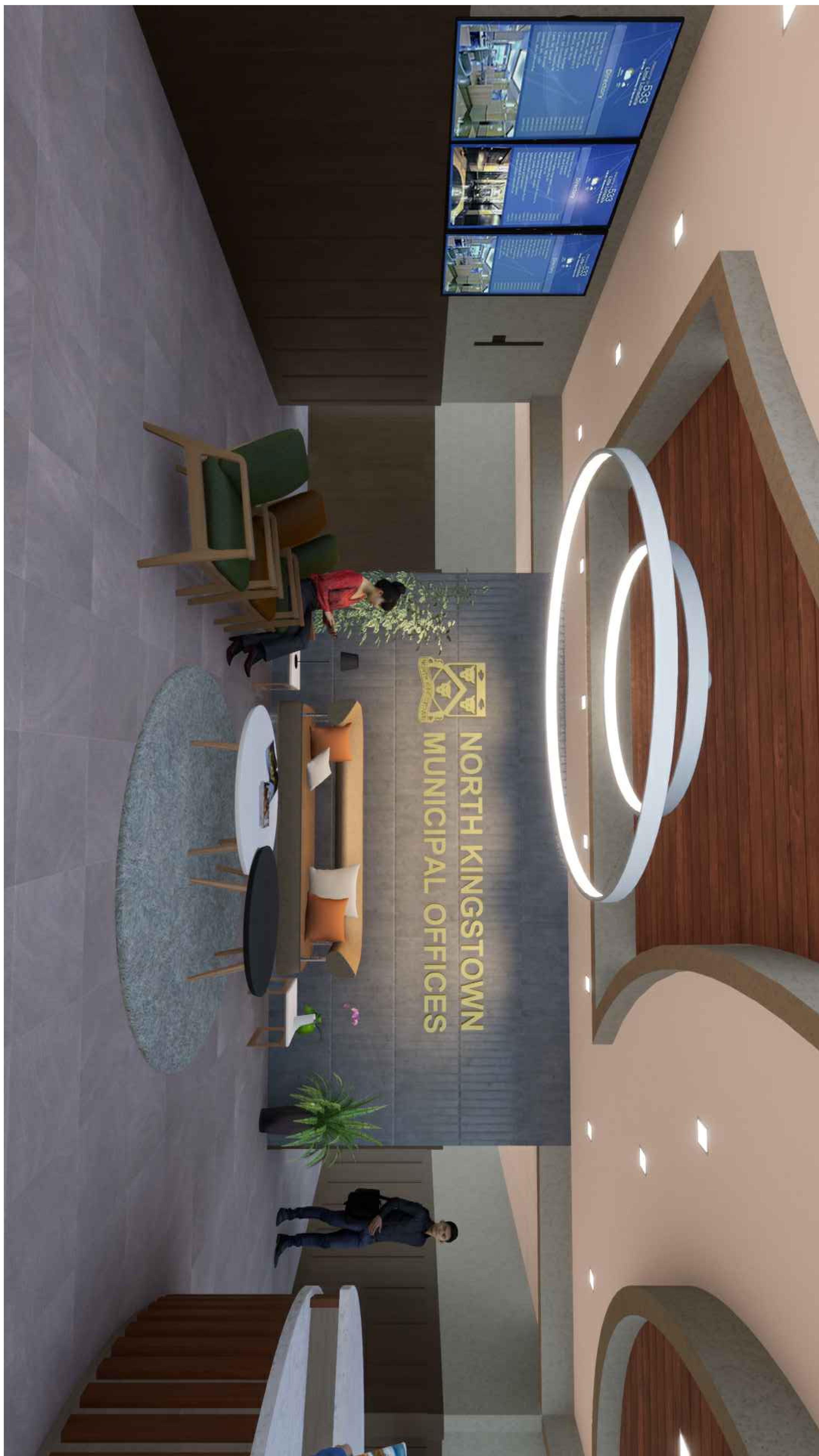




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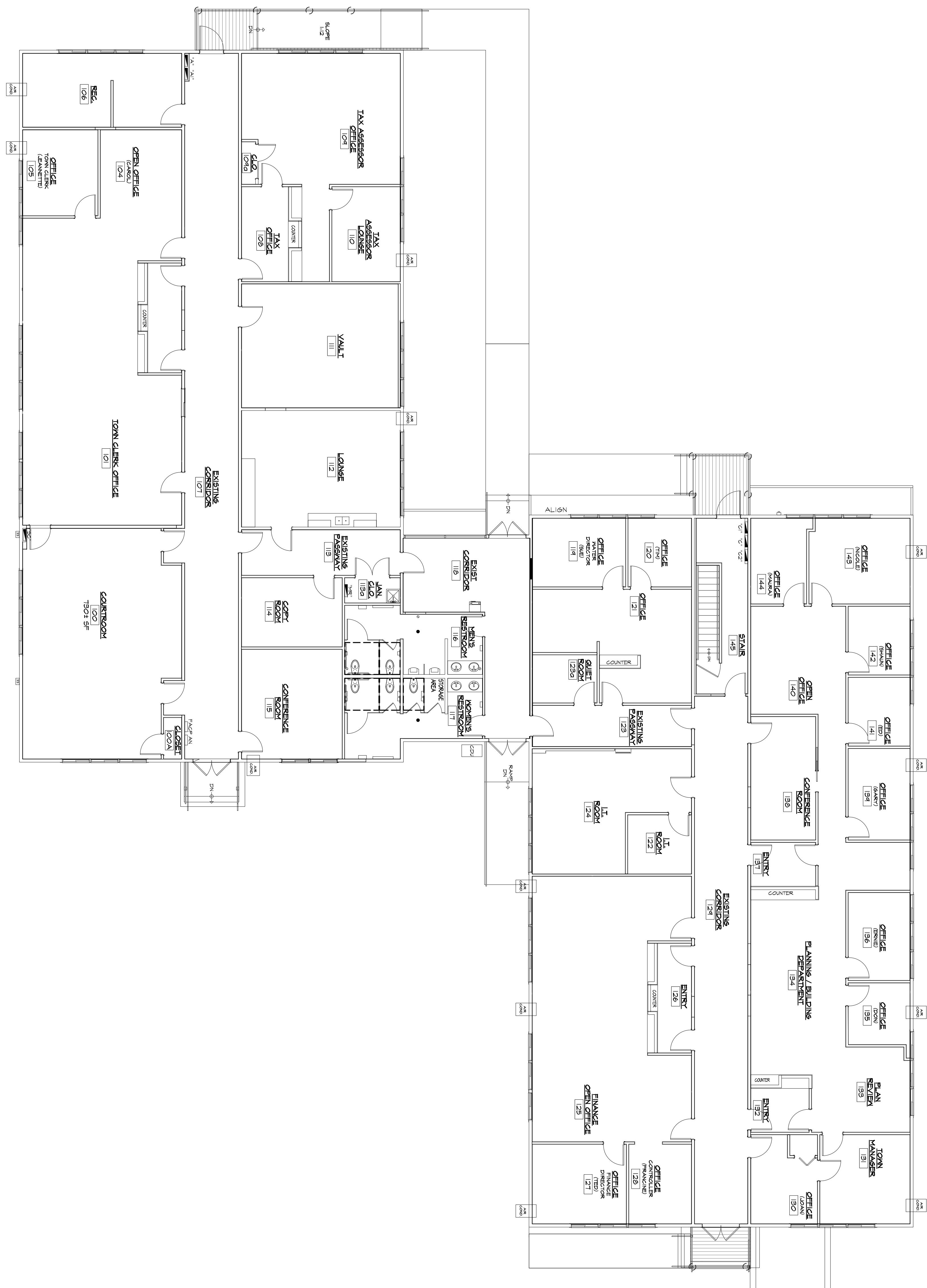




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EXISTING FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

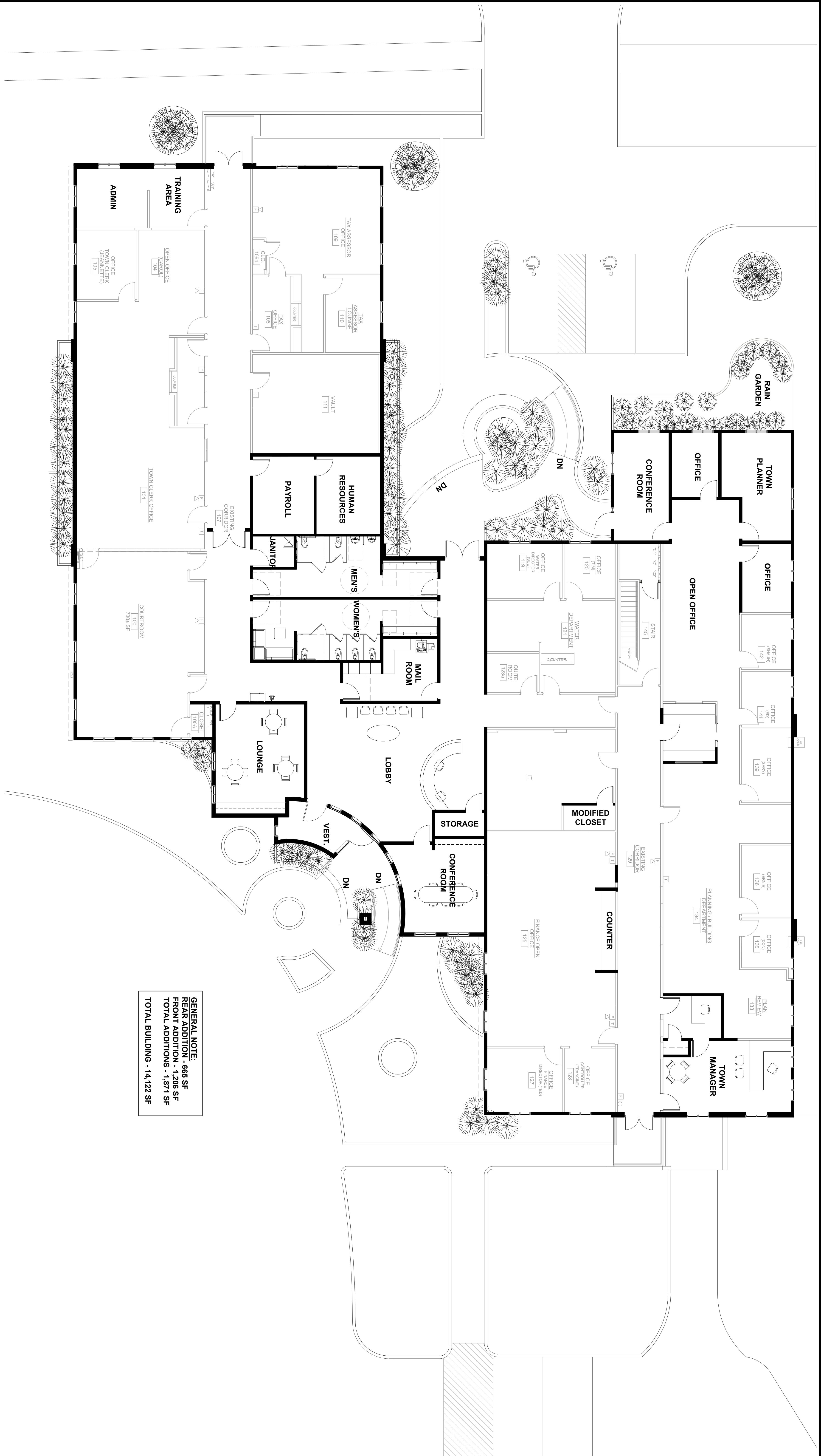


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PROPOSED FLOOR PLAN

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