

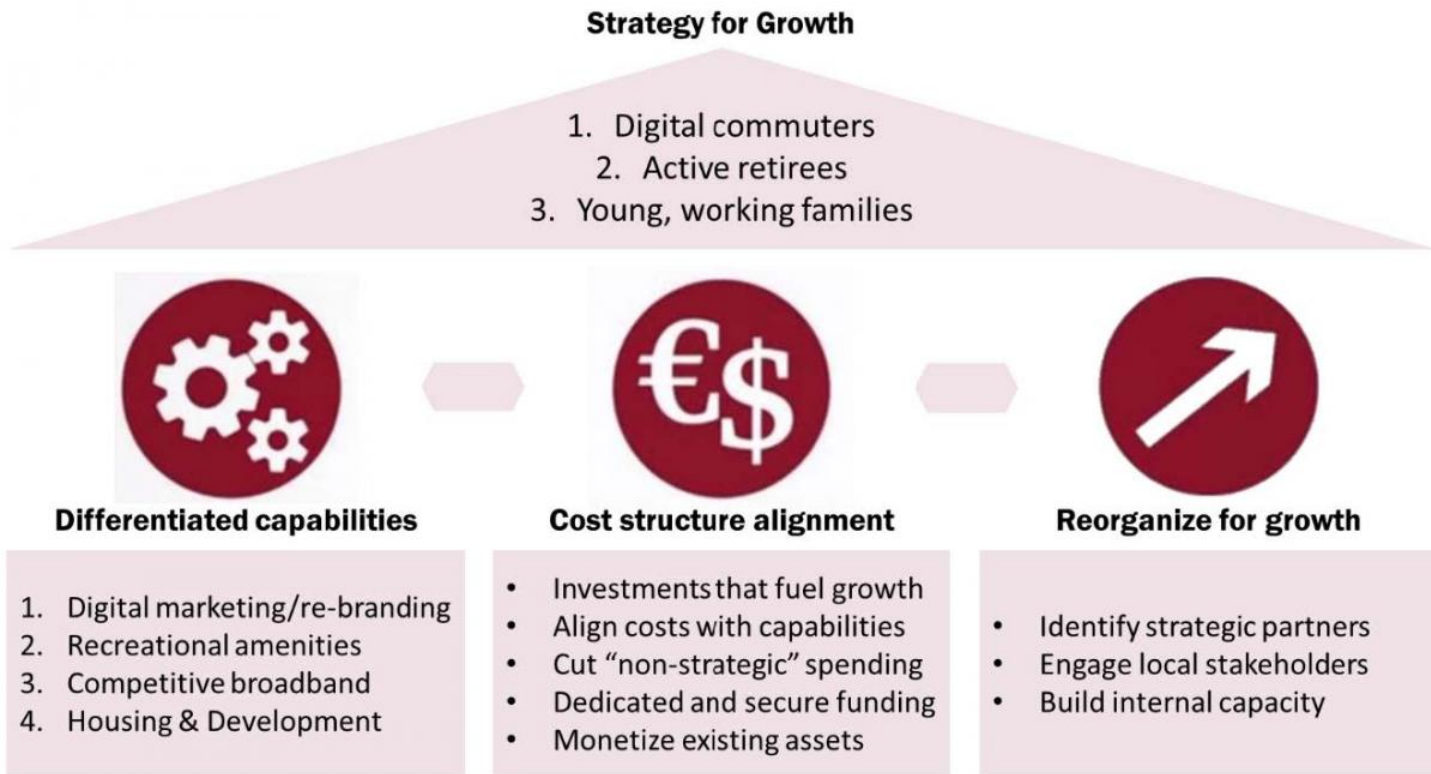


Central Grant County Aquatics
Center Update

Introduction

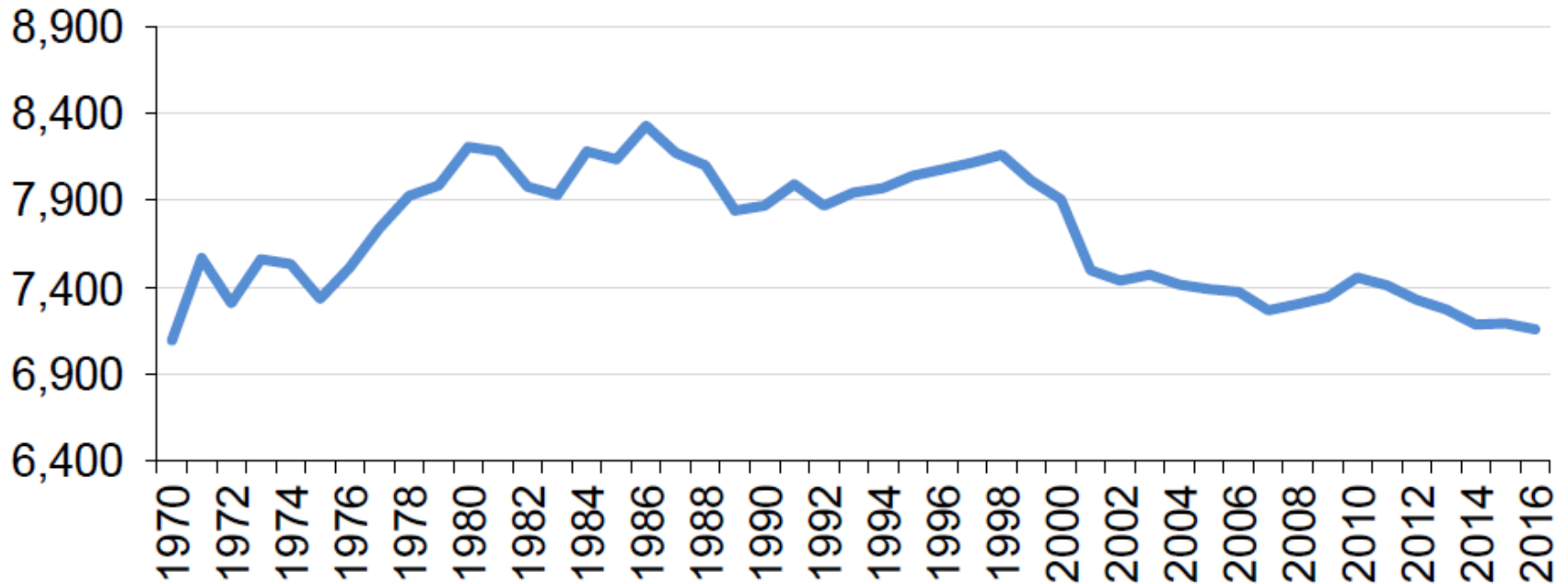
John Day's Growth Strategy

- Combating population decline through **public-sector investments**
- Pursuing **joint investment strategies** with public & private agencies



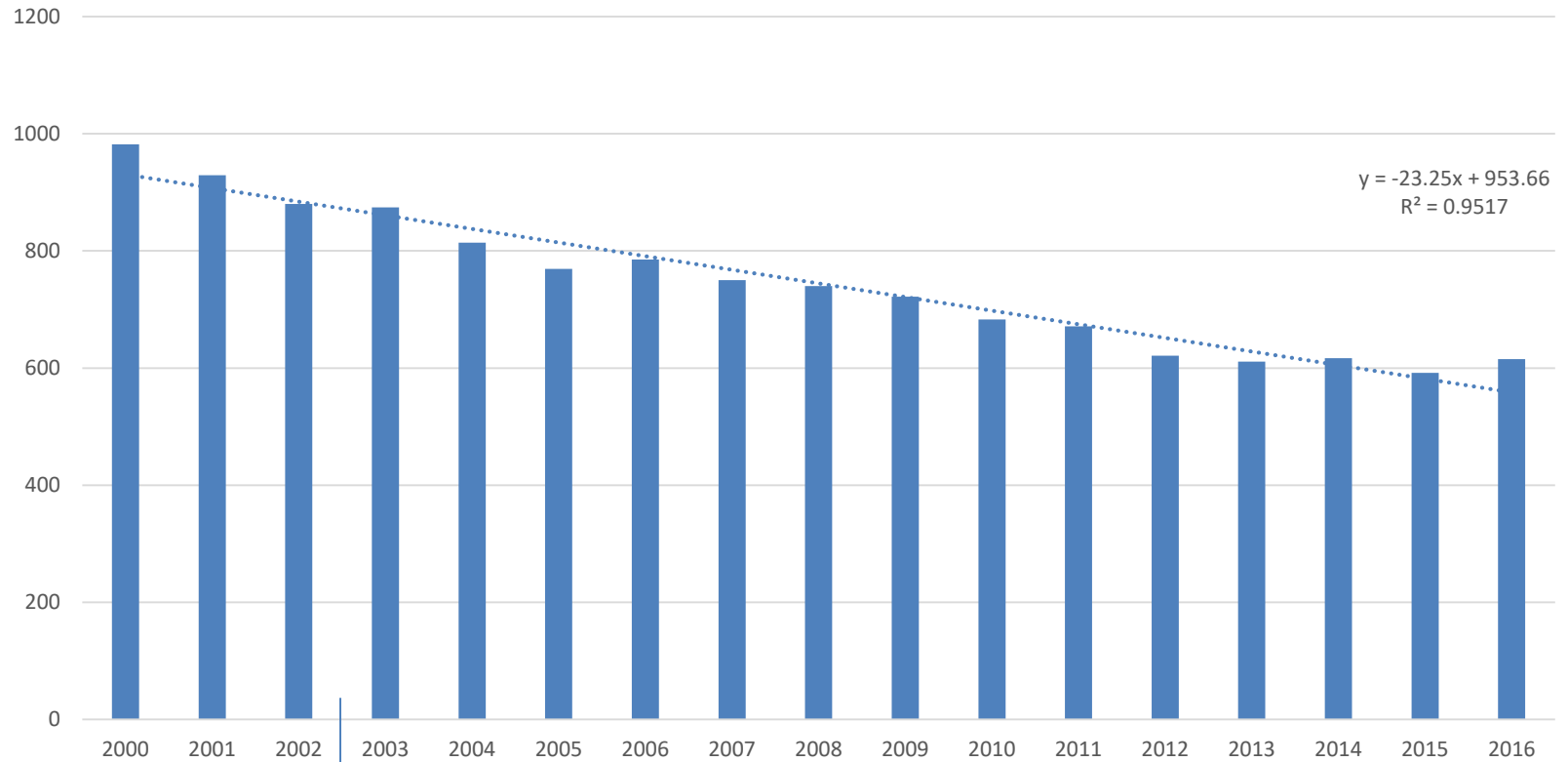
Grant County Population Decline

50 Years of “Net-Zero” population growth



Declining Student Enrollment

Grant School District 3



Blue Mountain
Junior High Closed



Community Investment Strategy

A Five-Year Investment Plan for John Day, 2020-2025

	Greenhouse Industry	Marketing and Tourism	Competitive Broadband	Business Development & Support	Opportunity Areas	Housing & Community Development
1	Identify a source of low-cost power to supply local greenhouses	Identify a lead Marketing and Tourism organization for the John Day area	Apply for grants to support the development of high-speed broadband in John Day	Seek partnerships to enhance and support existing businesses	Acquire funding for John Day River restoration work/ Oregon Pine Lake/ Water garden	Identify targeted areas for infrastructure to support new housing development and adopt a housing plan
2	Explore relationships with other greenhouse operators across the Western United States and Canada	Strengthen marketing presence	Partner with organizations to seek opportunities to leverage new high-speed broadband	Develop a plan to attract new entrepreneurs	Finalize site for the waste-water plant, the reclaimed water network, and new utility services	Acquire land for new housing development
3	Carefully monitor the costs and revenues from the initial phase of greenhouses	Provide clear messages to the local community about marketing and tourism efforts	Develop a broadband plan to connect each premise in John Day to fiber	Advance growth and concentrate resources in target areas: Recreation, Healthcare, & Greenhouse Agriculture	Work with local business to expand riverfront recreation and food services	Acquire land for downtown parking
4	Establish partnerships with regional growers, food outlets and distributors	Engage and empower local entrepreneurs to promote John Day and encourage local entrepreneurship	Create a community accessible space with 24/7 access to high-speed internet.		Connect the River Recreation Area to the Integrated Park System and Main Street	Create an online clearinghouse for local housing developers / contractors
5	Identify food processing and production activities to incent a "food cluster"	Identify stable funding sources for marketing and tourism activities				Explore options for streamlining the housing entitlement process
6	Partner with educational institutions to create a greenhouse learning center	Implement public policies that promote recreation and destination tourism				
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Implement policies that promote recreation & tourism



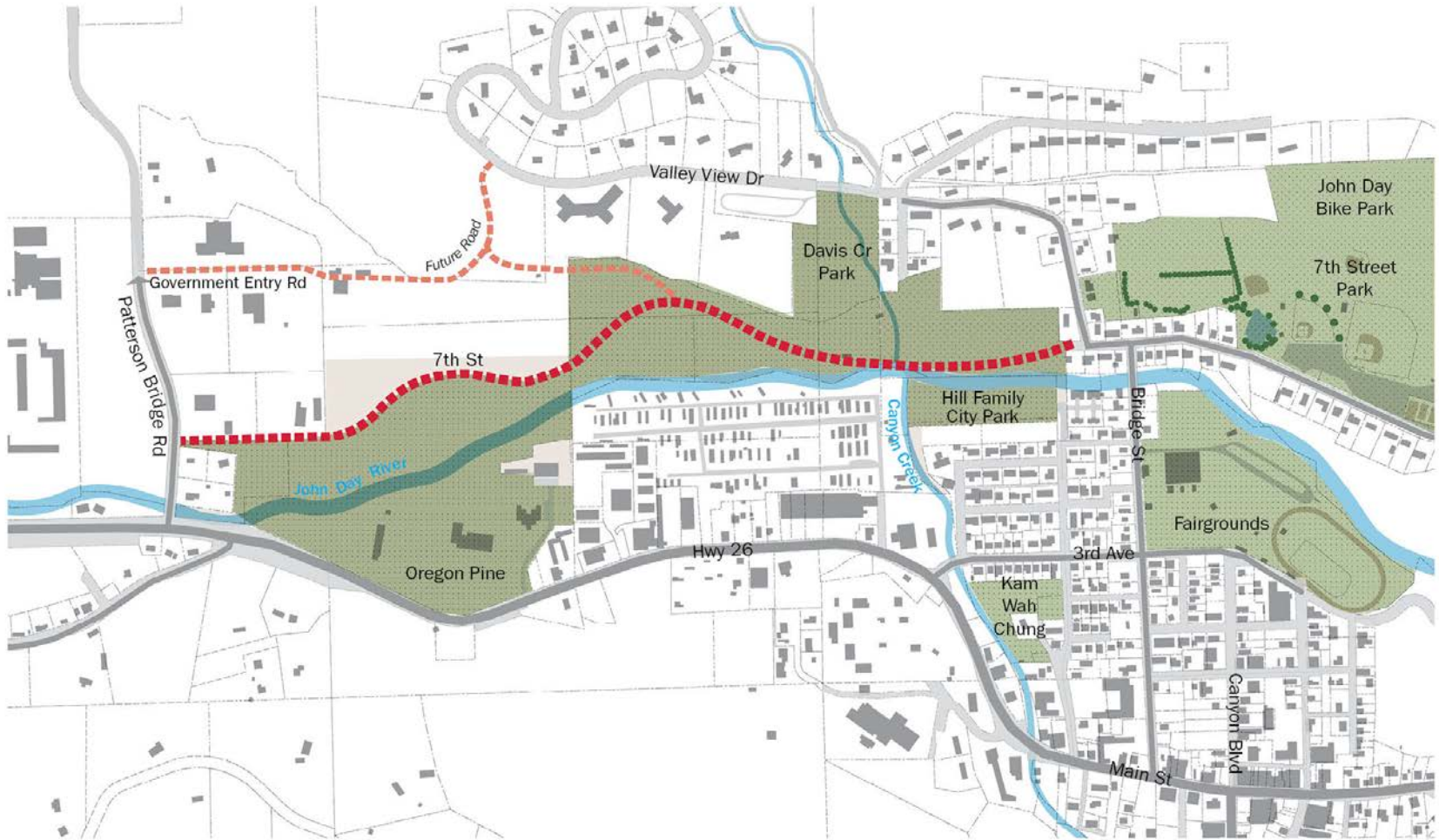


- Proposed On Street Pedestrian Connection
- .- Proposed Trail

AN INTEGRATED PARK AND TRAIL SYSTEM

Funded and in construction





7TH STREET EXTENSION

In planning for construction





CAMPGROUND + DAVIS CREEK

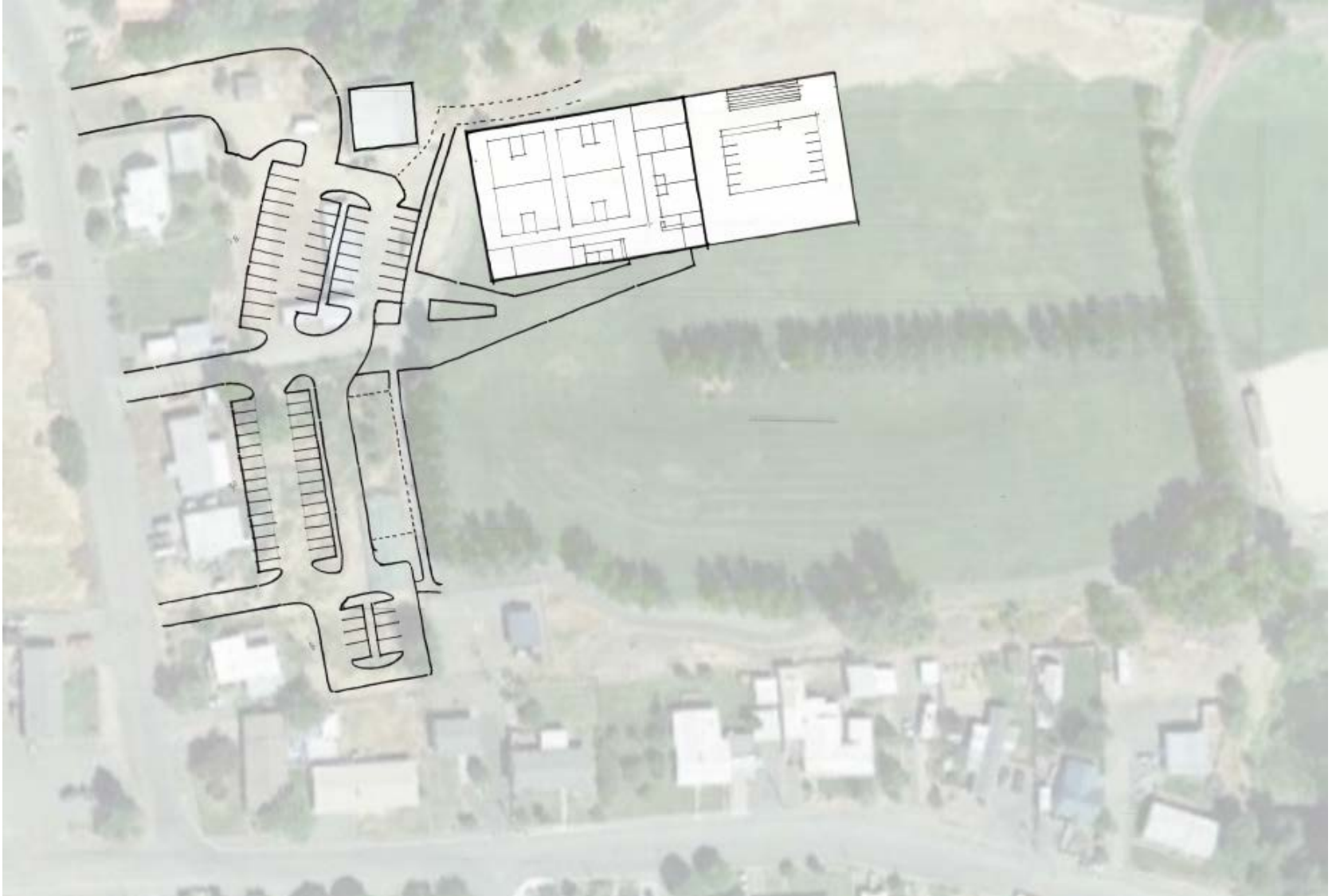
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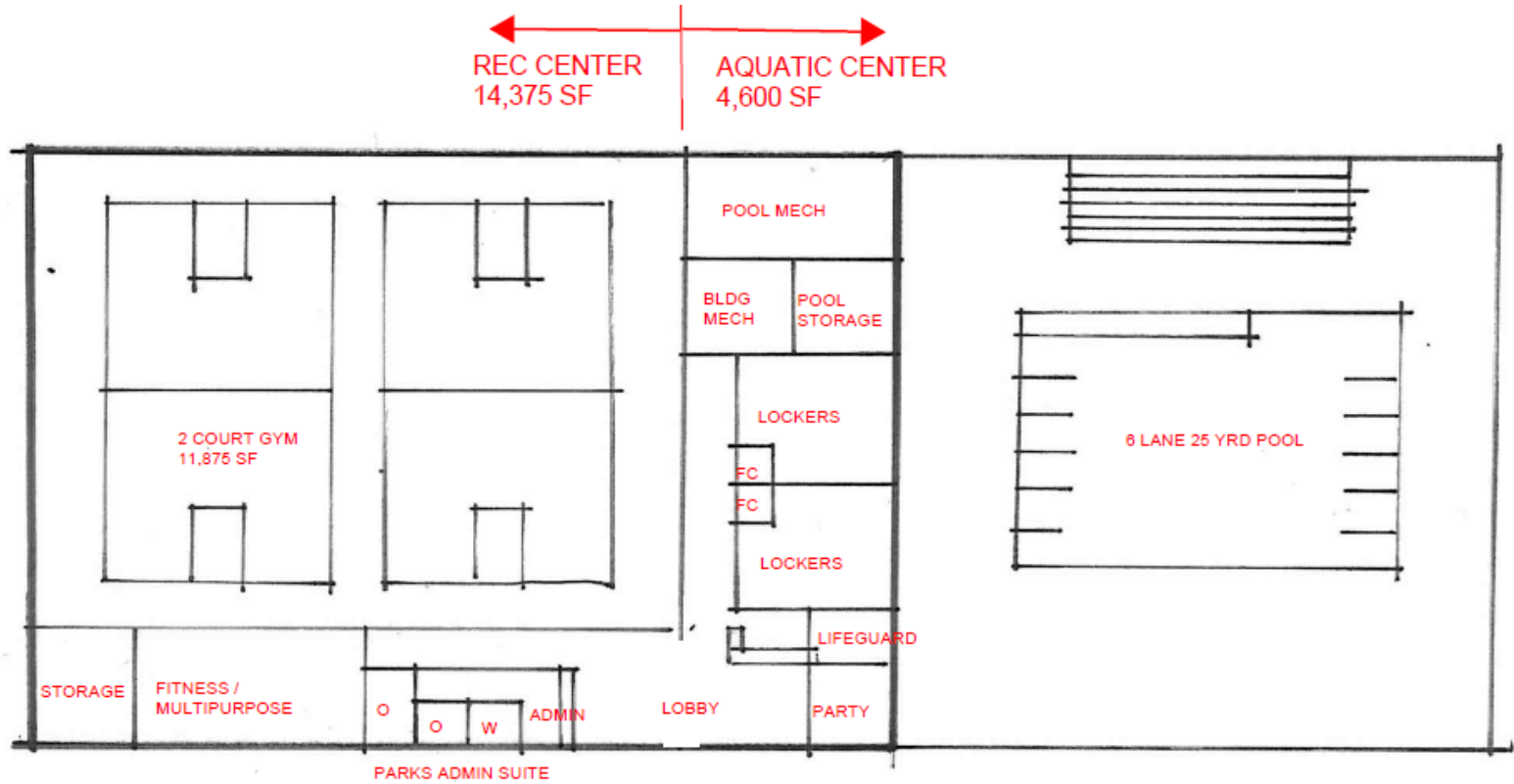
New Aquatic Center/Rec Center



Draft Site Concept (Pre-decisional)



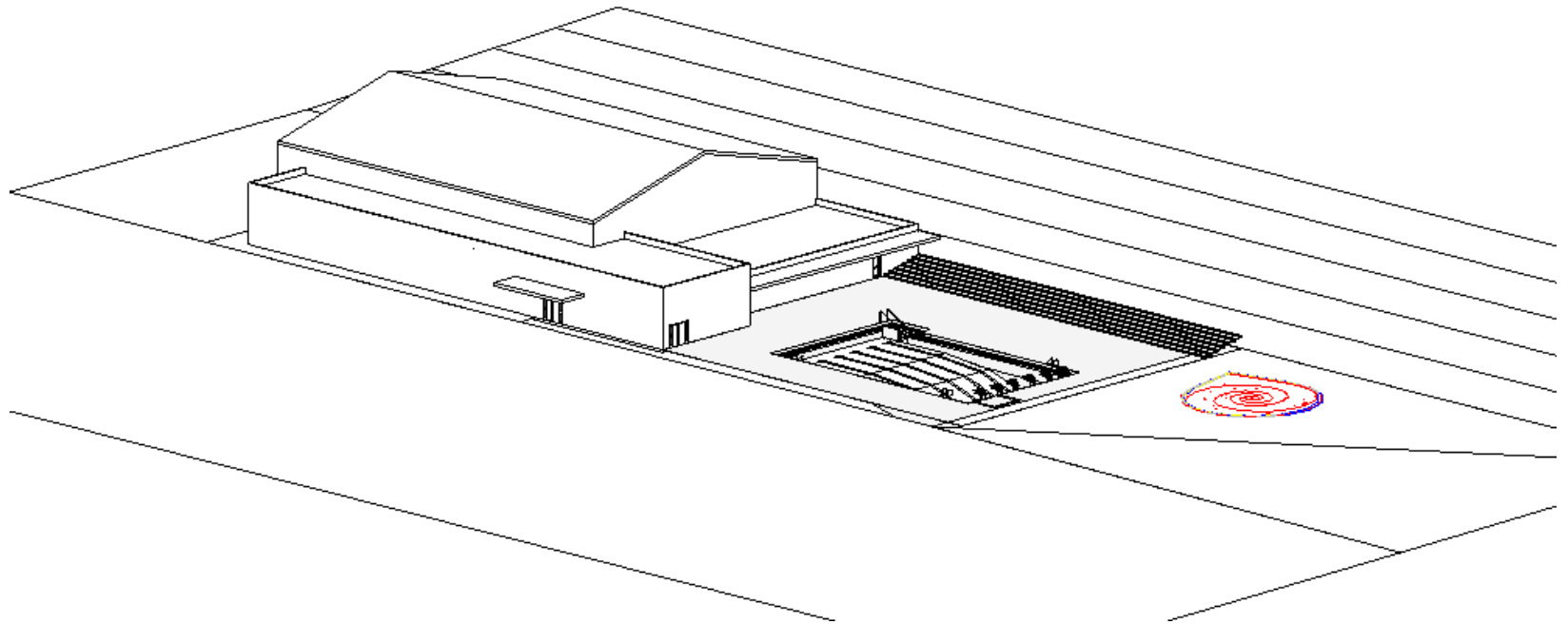
Draft Schematic (Pre-decisional)



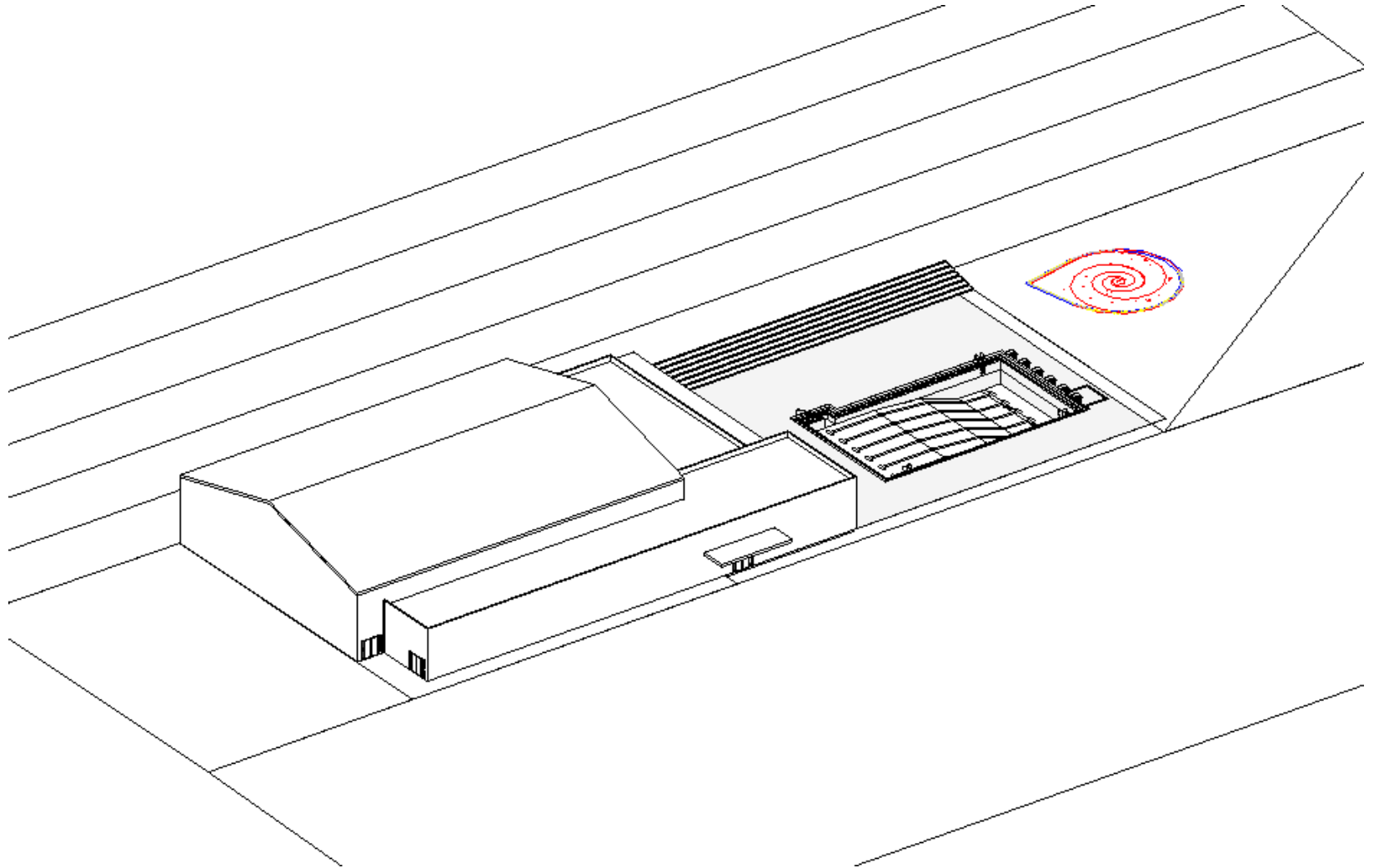
JOHN DAY AQUATIC CENTER OPTION 5

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Site Massing (Pre-decisional)



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Questions for Discussion

- Do we need year-round recreation space that is open to the public?
- Would this help with the school district's and city's efforts to attract and retain students and families?
- Would the school district consider partnering with the City, County and Parks & Recreation District on a joint investment strategy to develop a recreation center as part of the proposed aquatic center?
 - Aquatic Center would be taxpayer funded (May ballot)
 - Recreation Center would be funded by public agencies (through an intergovernmental agreement)
- Why now?
 - Reduces cost of construction (built simultaneous with pool)
 - Low interest rates (currently 2.6%) for capital projects

Related Investments

- Inn at Whiskey Flat (2020-2021)
- New Wastewater Treatment Plant (2020-2022)
- Kam Wah Chung Heritage Site (2020 - 2023)
- County Fairground Study (Ongoing)

