



# The West End: A place to learn, play, create, and relax

*Picture This!* The year is 2025, and you are visiting Boulder's main library to do research and check out e-books for your upcoming international trip. You peruse the collection, enjoying a coffee at the library café, and stroll through the park to the former Municipal Building to meet your daughter and grandchild to create a new painting. Afterward, you'll visit the creekside play area near the library to watch the children climb the rocks, splash in the water, and feed the ducks and to watch people stroll along the park promenade.



## Possible Program Elements

- **Boulder's Main Library (existing):** The new south wing of the library will remain in its current location with functions. The north library may remain or redevelop to accommodate more arts and cultural facilities.
- **Multi-purpose Senior Center (redeveloped):** The Senior Center either will be redeveloped or relocated as a multi-generational facility offering more services for seniors and others and tied with arts and recreation.
- **Café:** At library and kiosks in the park.
- **Municipal Building (existing):** The 24,000 square foot building remains.
- **Arts and Performance Space:** Includes a smaller performing arts facility (less than 800 seats) on the site of the north library wing – either as redeveloped space or renovation.
- **Civic Use Pad:** Includes multi-use facility for events (10,000 square feet) and upper level hotel rooms.
- **Night time uses:** Residential.
- **Structured Parking:** For the library and park (replacing surface parking lots) and other uses on the site.
- **Outdoor space and parks:** (See the parks plan.)

## Options for Further Analysis:

The conceptual plan will carry forward two options for the west end of the Civic Area around the library. Both options include the existing south wing of library as it is today. The options will require further analysis over coming months and years. They include:

### A: CITY SERVICES AND LIBRARY

Includes north library much as it is today and the Municipal Building continuing to operate as city hall. The Senior Center site may redevelop as municipal services (with Senior Center relocating downtown) or redevelop onsite as a multi-purpose senior center facility.

### B: ARTS AND CULTURE FOCUS

Includes redeveloped north library site to accommodate a small performing arts facility and museum, and repurposed Municipal Building as a hands-on arts center. The Senior Center is redeveloped as a multi-purpose facility, possibly including some housing.