



On July 1st, 2020, the City of Cannon Beach became the proud owner of the former Cannon Beach Elementary (CBE). This property is something the city has previously tried to acquire several times. The purchase allows us to preserve its historical significance, culture and memories for members of the community.

The City's intended use of the property upon redevelopment is to become a tourism related facility that will primarily serve visitors and tourists to Cannon Beach. The City also intends to use the redeveloped property as a space for community-related events when not being used for tourism purposes. Cannon Beach is consistently ranked as one of the top beaches in the United States. Our popular and picturesque area plays host to more than 750,000 visitors annually. Please use this page as a reference for all activities as we move forward with the project.

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Current Announcements

- **06/11/2024** - CIDA will be [presenting updated 50% Construction Drawings & updated cost estimates](#)
- **05/22/2024** - CIDA will [presenting updated finishes](#)
- **04/30/2024** - CIDA will [presenting finishes, gym acoustics & projection options](#)
- **04/09/2024** - [City will be discussing bond issuance & project budgets](#) for CBE
- **03/19/2024** - City will be addressing [public input](#) from concerned citizen letters for cost reductions
- **03/12/2024** - Council will be holding a [Public Hearing](#) to review revised landscape plans
- **03/06/2024** - CIDA will be [presenting updated Design Development plans & cost estimates](#)
- **02/20/2024** - CIDA will be [presenting revised landscape plans](#)
- **02/13/2024** - Council will be [hear CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee recommendations](#)
- **01/16/2024** - Council will be [discussing next steps](#) for CBE

- **01/10/2024** - City will briefly [address public input](#) from 1/9/2024 work session
- **01/09/2024** - City will be addressing [public input](#) from 11/28/2023 forum
- **01/04/2024** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **12/05/2023** - Council will be holding a [Public Hearing](#) to appeal the Design Review Board's denial of design criteria
- **11/28/2023** - City will be providing a [forum for public input](#) on the CB Elementary Project
- **11/20/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **11/02/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **10/19/2023** - [Design Review Board will continue review](#) of design submittal
- **10/02/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **09/21/2023** - [Design Review Board will be reviewing project](#) design submittal
- **09/11/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **07/25/2023** - City will be holding a [Public Hearing](#) to vacate a portion of Beaver Street
- **07/24/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **07/06/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue CBE discussion](#)
- **06/27/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will continue discussing CBE management](#)
- **06/20/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will be meeting to discuss the CBE management](#)
- **06/13/2023** - [City will continue funding discussion and next steps](#) of CBE School Rejuvenation project
- **06/12/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee [will be meeting to discuss the CBE project](#)
- **05/30/2023** - [City will continue funding discussion and next steps](#) of CBE School Rejuvenation project
- **05/25/2023** - Planning Commission approves City's request for [setback reduction and vacation of a portion of Beaver St.](#)
- **05/02/2023** - CB Elementary School Rejuvenation Research Advisory Committee formed to discuss use & operations of facility
- **04/05/2023** - [City will continue funding discussion and next steps](#) of CBE School Rejuvenation project
- **03/28/2023** - [City will be having a discussion about funding](#) the CBE School Rejuvenation project

- **03/13/2023** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #7](#) to present cost projections for the CB Elementary Project
- **02/21/2023** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #6](#) to finalize public input for Schematic Design
- **01/26/2023** - Planning Commission approves City's request to [reduce required parking requirements](#)
- **12/14/2022** - [CIDA will be presenting Council](#) with an updated Schematic Design based off of Community Outreach Event #5
- **11/30/2022** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #5](#) to gather public input for Schematic Design
- **11/08/2022** - Council will be [discussing potential variances for the site](#) including parking and road realignment
- **10/11/2022** - City hires Bremik Construction for Cannon Beach Elementary CM/GC services
- **09/28/2022** - [CIDA will be presenting Council](#) with an updated Schematic Design based off of Community Outreach Event #4
- **09/14/2022** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #4](#) to gather public input for Schematic Design
- **08/09/2022** - Council will be [discussing the food pantry and parking for the site](#)
- **07/15/2022** - City issues RFP for Cannon Beach Elementary Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) services
- **07/07/2022** - [CIDA will be presenting Council](#) with a report about the initial programming phase
- **06/14/2022** - [CIDA will be providing Council](#) with list of input categories for prioritization discussions
- **06/08/2022** - [CIDA will be presenting Council](#) with a report about input received from the community outreach events
- **05/27/2022** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #3](#) to gather public input for site planning
- **05/11/2022** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #2](#) to gather public input for site planning
- **04/30/2022** - City will be holding [Community Outreach Event #1](#) to gather public input for site planning
- **04/27/2022** - CIDA issues a [CBE Project Survey](#) to gather public input for site planning
- **04/08/2022** - City & CIDA met with [Clatsop Nehalem Tribe](#) for their vision of the Cannon Beach Elementary property
- **04/05/2022** - City hires Commercial Industrial Design Architecture (CIDA, Inc.) to redesign Cannon Beach Elementary site
- **03/17/2022** - City secures bond to finance Cannon Beach Elementary
- **12/20/2022** - City issues RFP for Cannon Beach Elementary renovation design

Materials Provided

Current Design & Budget Documents

- **CBE Current Design Documents** - Most recent CIDA Design Through DD
- **CBE Current Budget Documents** - Most recent Bremick Budget Estimates Through DD

Construction Drawing Phase:

Design Development Phase:

- **CBE Revised Landscape Plans** - 3/12/2024 Adopted at Public Hearing
- **CBE Design Development Plans** - 3/6/2024 Includes Updated Landscape Plans
- **CBE Design Review Board Submittal** - 9/21/2023 Design Packet

Schematic Design Phase:

- **CBE Schematic Design Update #5** - 3/13/2023 Community Outreach Event #7 with CIDA
- **CBE Schematic Design Update #4** - 2/21/2023 Community Outreach Event #6 with CIDA
- **CBE Schematic Design Update #3** - 12/14/2022 Council Milestone Approval
- **CBE Schematic Design Update #2** - 11/30/2022 Community Outreach Event #5 with CIDA
- **CBE Schematic Design Update #1** - 9/28/2022 Council Milestone Approval
- **CBE Schematic Design** - 9/14/2022 Community Outreach Event #4 with CIDA

PreDesign Phase:

- **CBE Programming Report** - 7/7/2022 CIDA Program Report
- **CBE Programming Discovery Packet** - 6/8/2022 CIDA Report from Community Outreach Events
- **CBE Community Outreach Executive Summary** - 6/8/2022 CIDA Community Outreach Executive Summary
- **CBE Community Outreach Event #3 Meeting Notes** - 5/27/2022 Community Outreach Event with CIDA

- ***CBE Community Outreach Event #2 Meeting Notes*** - 5/11/2022 Community Outreach Event with CIDA
- ***CBE Community Outreach Event #1 Meeting Notes*** - 4/30/2022 Community Outreach Event with CIDA
- ***CBE PreDesign #1 Meeting Notes*** - 4/8/2022 Tribe Discussion with CIDA
- ***CBE Building Evaluation Report*** - 8/1/2020 by ZCS Engineering & Architecture

Previous Discussion:

- ***Mayor Steidel CB Elementary Vision*** - 2/10/2021 City Council Work Session
- ***CB Elementary Building Process Presentation*** - 11/12/2020 City Council Work Session
- ***Mayor Steidel CB Elementary White Paper*** - 11/12/2020 City Council Work Session
- ***ZCS Presentation*** - 11/4/2020 City Council Work Session

Project Schedule

CBE Project Schedule 59.98 KB

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Potential Tourism Purposes Q & A's

What Are Potential Tourism Purposes?**Heritage Tourism:**

The National Trust for Historic Preservation defines heritage tourism as “traveling to experience the places, artifacts, and activities that authentically represent the stories and people of the past and present.” A high percentage of domestic and international travelers participate in cultural and/or heritage activities while traveling, and those that do stay longer, spend more, and travel more often. CBE is adjacent to Ne-Cus’ Park. Ne-cus’ is the original name of the Clatsop-Nehalem Village that was present near the mouth of Ecola Creek. It translates roughly to meaning “Place where the tide rushes out”. It is our hope to educate and engage tourist and visitors in the natural and cultural history of the site.

Meeting/Event Space:

Cannon Beach is an excellent location to hold a conference, meeting, retreat, banquet, wedding, etc. With multiple hotels, outdoor activities, amazing restaurants and a charming village, what is not to love? The former school will offer an additional option in the area to host a meeting or event for tourism events or even community events.

Haystack Rock Awareness Program (HRAP):

HRAP's visitor count for 2021 was 89,847. The former classrooms of CBE could offer HRAP a location to provide additional interpretive educational opportunities to tourist and visitors.

Tourism and Arts Funding:

Each year the Tourism and Arts Commission awards Tourism and Arts Funding (TAF) grants to non-profit organizations providing programs/projects that further the arts while promoting tourism in Cannon Beach. Each year applicants state that if larger spaces were available, it would improve their events. CBE will give applicants another venue option for their events.

How can the community use the space?

When not being used for tourism purposes, the site will be made available for community use.

How will the city pay for the renovations, maintenance and upkeep?

The city is utilizing the Clatsop County Transient Room Tax to pay the debt service and maintenance. This tax comes from the 70% of the 1% transient room tax levied by Clatsop County beginning January 1, 2019 and paid to the City in January and July of each year.

Are you allowed to use those funds for this project?

Yes. This is a tourism facility offering meeting/event space and education opportunities to tourists.

Who will manage the site? What will it look like? Where will we park?

We are in the early stages of development and do not have the answers to many questions yet. CIDA Architects is in the process of gathering feedback to incorporate into the preliminary design. The preliminary design will be presented to Council during a public meeting where the community is welcome to share their thoughts.

Archived Content

[CBE Project Survey \(No Longer Accepting Submittals\)](#)
[Read More](#)

CBE Community Input

Below is public input provided for the CB Elementary Project. If you wish to provide public input on what the city should do with the property and buildings, use the Community Input Form to submit your ideas and suggestions to council as we plan for it's future.

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[Previous Events & Discussions](#)

- **5/18/2021 City Council Work Session** - Cannon Beach Elementary Roof Materials
- **4/27/2021 City Council Work Session** - Cannon Beach Elementary Status
- **2/10/2021 City Council Work Session** - CB...

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