

# Abernathy Arts Center

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# Proposed Plan for Continuing Arts Programming

- Staff and Architect conducted programming meetings with ArtSS to discuss their needs and required facility space
- The City had an Open House on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 56 in attendance
  - Staff presented the following items to the public
    - Current Site Conditions to include the need for detention pond maintenance, sidewalk repairs and the demolition of the older 1930 stone buildings
    - New addition of Pottery Classes by ArtSS
    - Conceptual design of a Temporary Modular Arts Studio
  - We received six comments, concerns were:
    - Saving as many trees as possible
    - Additional Parking
    - Demolition of the old stone buildings and persevering some of the materials to use on the site

# **New – Adding Pottery Classes**

# Ceramics Program

- Art Sandy Springs will offer ceramics classes, workshops, and special programs for children, teens, and adults led by professional artists for all experience levels
- Classes will be offered mornings, after-school, and evenings
  - Mostly Tuesday through Friday
- The New Abernathy Arts Center Ceramics Program is projected to add
  - \$95,000 in Annual Revenue
  - With 325 New Students
  - And 70 New Summer Campers



# Class Offerings

## **Ceramics - Wheel - All Levels**

- Students learn the principles of making pottery forms on the wheel, throwing, trimming and glazing techniques

## **Ceramics - Hand Building - All Levels**

- Students learn basic hand building techniques while completing projects that are designed to both expand the ideas behind the work and fine tune the technical quality of the work

## **Ceramics - Teen Wheel (Ages 13-18)**

- Focuses on teaching teens the creative possibilities of clay, exploring techniques on the potter's wheel as well as glazing and firing the pieces created in class

## **Ceramics - Hand Building (Ages 9-12)**

- This class teaches children to use figurative and narrative sculpture techniques as well as how to finish a piece with surface decoration and glazing



# Temporary Modular Arts Studio

# Project Site





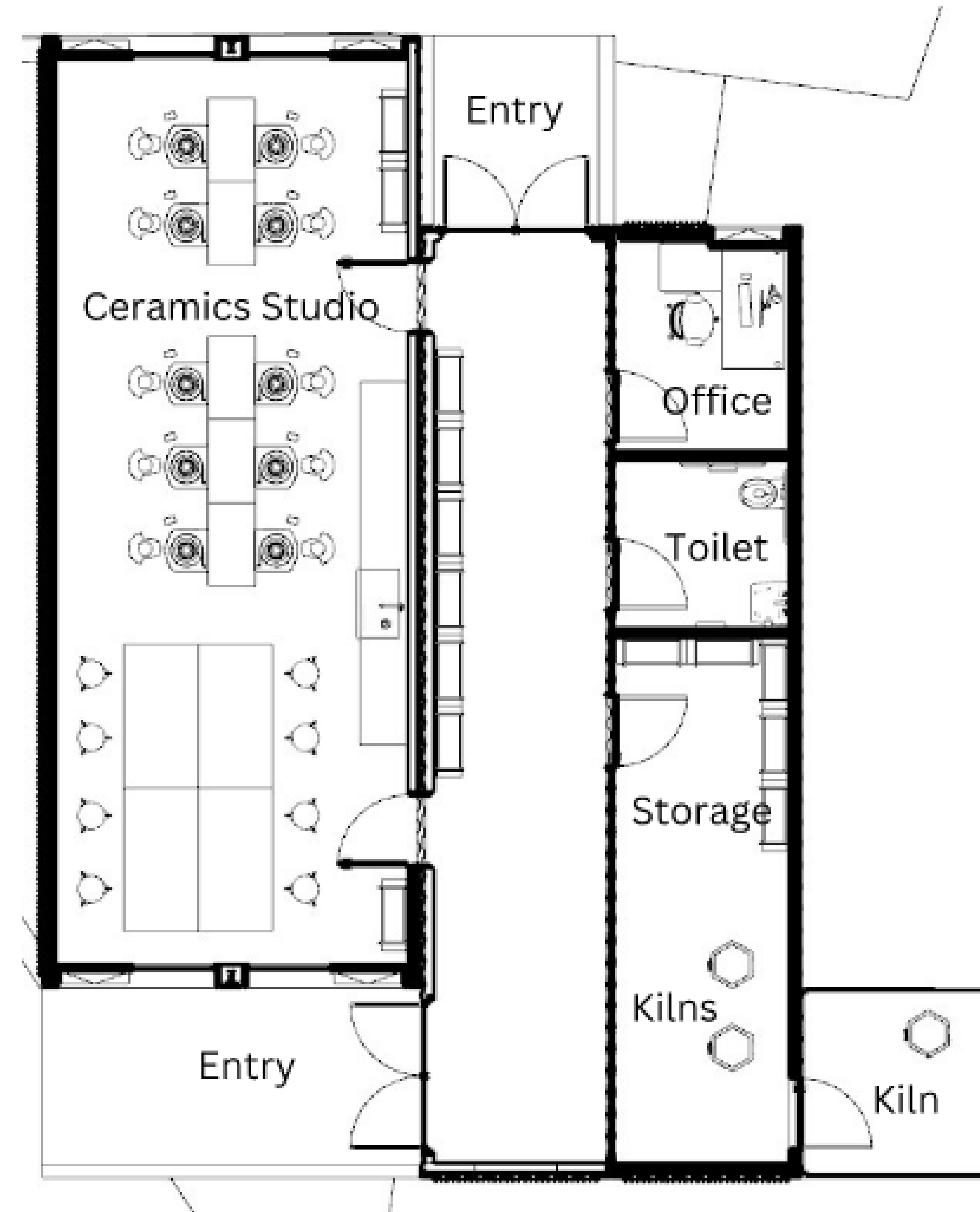








# Floor Plan



# Burdett Park



# Next Steps

- In January 2022, Council approved allocating \$1M for the Abernathy Arts Center site repairs and improvements project, there is currently \$933,326.42 of remaining funds. Staff recommends that we utilize some of these funds for the following improvements:

Item	Amount
Design and Order Temporary Modular Arts Studio	\$287,784.17
Civil Prep for Modular Arts Studio	\$50,000.00
Clean out Detention Pond	\$45,000.00
Demolition of Deteriorated 1930's Stone Buildings - Leaving in place the newer Kiln Building	\$98,860.00
Repair Damaged Sidewalks and Stairs, and restripe parking spaces on Burdett Drive	\$25,000.00
Contract an Architect to design a Master Site Plan for future use of the site	Up to \$75,000
	Total \$581,644.17

# Estimated Timeline of Work

Item	Estimated Completion
Clean out Detention Pond	January 2024
Demolition of Stone Buildings (Requires Permitting)	February 2024
Repair Damaged Sidewalks and Stairs, and restripe parking spaces on Burdett Drive	February 2024
Civil Preparation for Modular Arts Studio	March 2024
Design and Order Temporary Modular Arts Studio	April 2024
Contract an Architect to design a Master Site Plan for future use of the site	June 2024

