

Welcome!

Historic Abilene High – Lincoln Campus

"The first real high school building was erected at South First and Peach in 1889. The site was selected because early Abilenians reasoned that people traveling through on the T&P Railroad would see this impressive edifice and be interested in moving to Abilene to educate their children."

*--Miss Tommie Clack
"Pioneer Days... Two Views"
1979*

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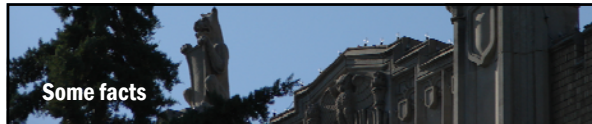


Over 30,000 students attended?



McMurry is getting ready to spend \$8 million to renovate Old Main, which is the same age as AHS - Lincoln





Some facts

Historic Abilene High – Lincoln Campus


Constructed 1923
 Addition 1927
 First classes 1924
 Auditorium 1928
 Eagle's Nest Gym 1929



Some facts


The nature of the property
 Rooms
 Gyms
 Auditorium
 Laboratory
 Kitchen
 Cafeteria
 Space

any number of uses
 mixed uses indicated



Residential


- Affordable
- Market Rate
- A mixture between the two
- Affordability can be designed for groups
 - Seniors
 - Artists
 - Students
- Can be highly restricted and secure




Residential

Lofts at Waco High

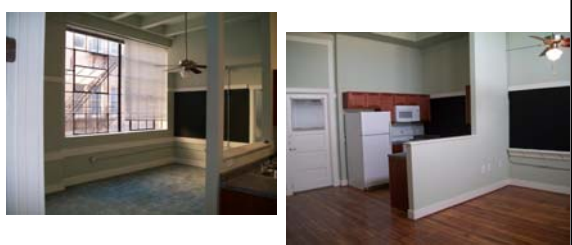
- Redeveloped as affordable residential, 104 apartments
- Opened January 2010
- 100% occupancy in April 2010
- Landmark Group
 - Winston-Salem, North Carolina
- City of Waco
 - Housing and Community Development Department

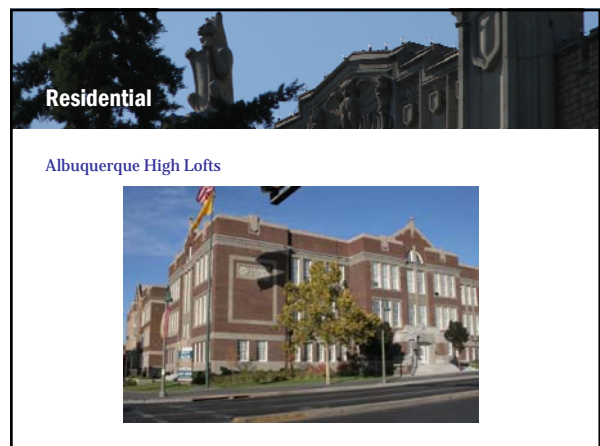
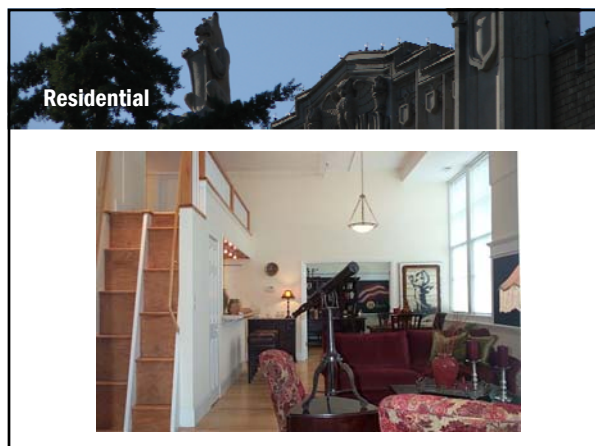
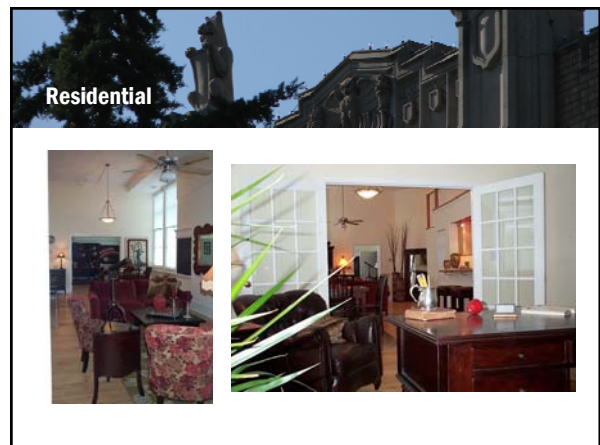
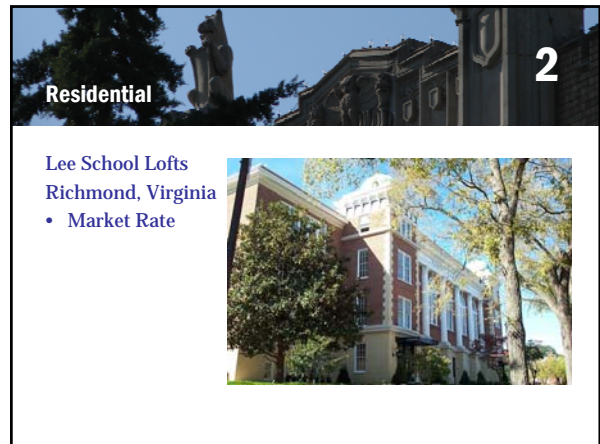
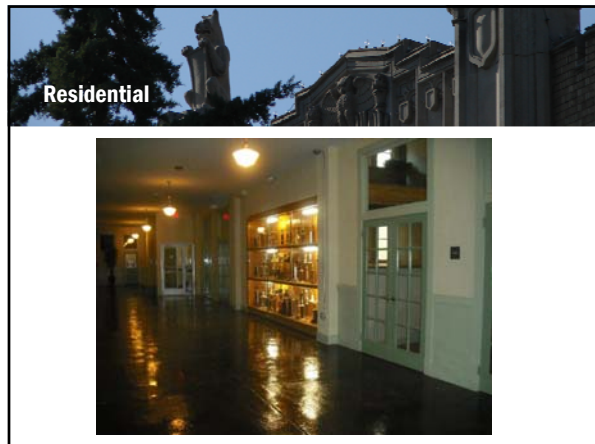


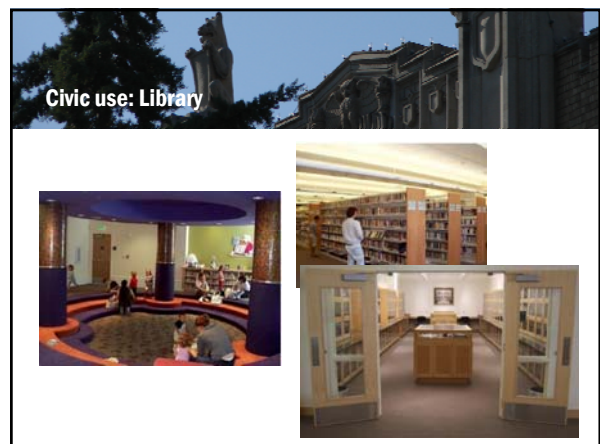
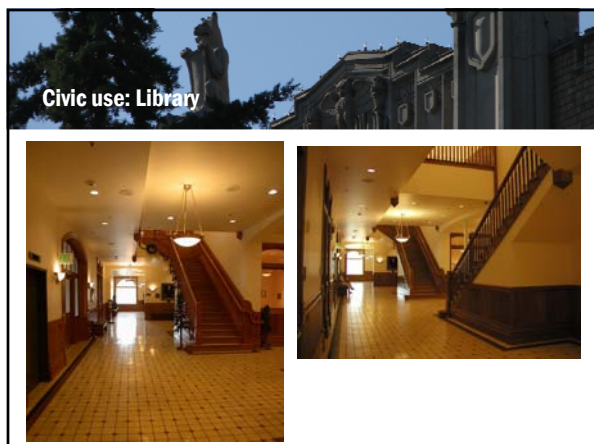
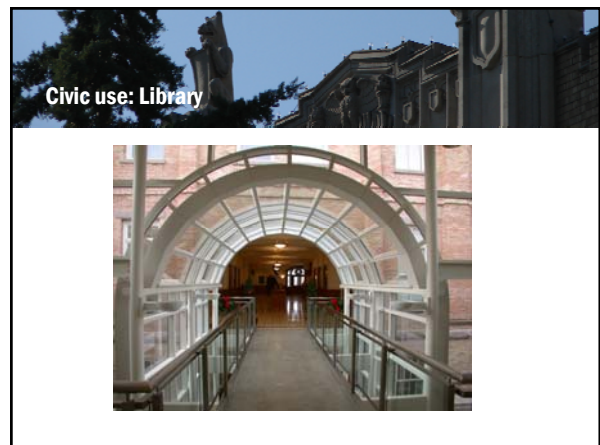

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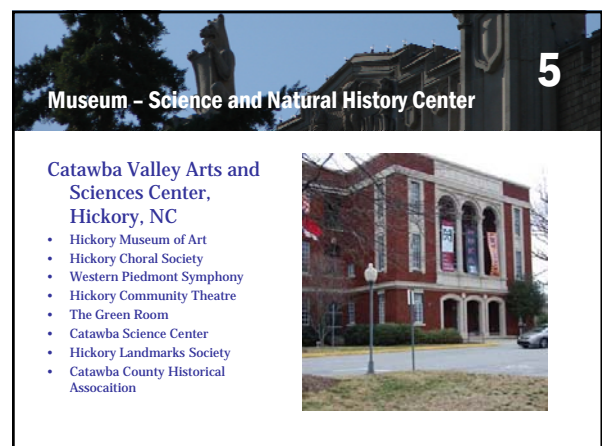
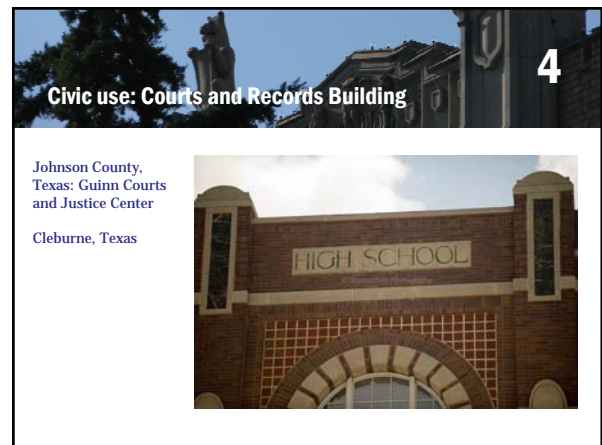
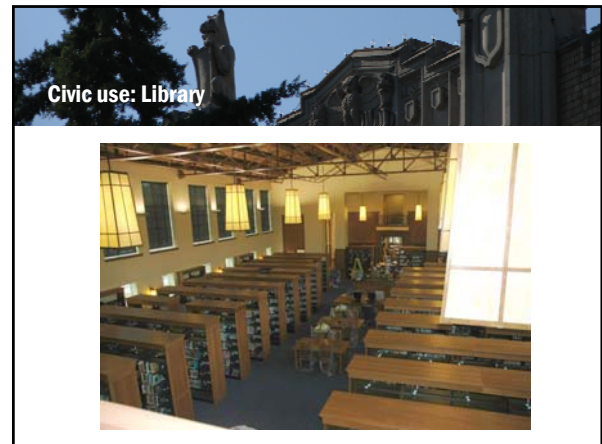



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Museum – Science and Natural History Center



A group in Abilene has been conceptualizing this type of museum



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Doesn't duplicate the offerings of other museums and attractions



Higher Education: Technical Specialties School

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- As a professional school, secondary education
- Examples: Dental hygiene, medical technical
- A follow-on option for Holland graduates?
- Utilizing existing infrastructure for labs



Housing Students: Learning Communities

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- Would ACU, HSU and McM consider an innovative and "green" solution to student housing needs?





Office Building

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- Either for-profit
- or Non-profit


California former Post Office South Omaha


Community Center

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- Athletic Facilities
- In combination with another use
- A replacement for Briarstone?
- Civic clubs meeting space and teaching space



Syracuse, NY



Matthews, NC




Ionia, Michigan

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Social Services


- Housing for formerly homeless
- In combination with another use



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Cooperative Campus for charter or private schools


- Shared spaces & facilities
 - Cafeteria
 - Athletics
 - Mechanical
- Maintaining separate identities
 - Instructional classrooms



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Higher Education:

Savannah College of Art & Design



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Next Steps?

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- Need for primary research
 - What are the community's attitudes about various re-uses? Can perceptions be turned around?
 - For residential, is the neighborhood considered safe?

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Recommendation:	Sell Property
To Be Sold By:	February, 2012
Condition of Sale:	

The property will be sold by competitive sealed bid. While a year long window for bid acceptance may seem exceptionally long, administration strongly encourages the big window in respect to the historical and sentimental significance of this plant to our community. The District is obligated to take the most competitive offer at the end of the marketing period, however, we believe it is important to allow time for historical societies, community advocates and other Lincoln admirers to create and fund a plan to compete for this facility. The exact date and location to receive bids will be determined.


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Next Steps

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- A series of community forums
 - Tours of AHS Lincoln
 - Public comment
 - Proposals formulated
 - Engagement
 - Advocacy
 - [Timeline](#)

Historical Angle

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- Texas Historical Commission
- City of Abilene
- National Trust for Historic Preservation
- National Development Council
- Other partnerships?



A Dozen Adaptive Re-Uses

These paths vary in their appropriateness and level of community need...

But they are all achievable.

Thank you

