Townlake YMCA to undergo redevelopment and housing project

The Downtown community center has agreed to sell some of its land for new housing while expanding and building a new facility.

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The Townlake YMCA will likely not break ground on the new project until 2028. Rendering via The Greater Austin YMCA and MP-Austin

Downtown's Townlake YMCA is poised to undergo a redevelopment project that will include a new facility and housing on the property.

Greater Austin YMCA plans to sell a portion of its 4.8-acre lot to the City, where the plan is to build a one structure for affordable housing units and three structures for market-rate condominiums. Early drafts include a minimum of 90 rental units and a maximum of 750 condos.

Greater Austin YMCA will also build a brand new, 100,000-sqft facility on its remaining land. The new YMCA will have a mental health + counseling space, a performing arts theater, a rooftop garden, art studios, coworking spaces, meeting spaces, and 50,000 sqft of youth programming space.

The current Townlake YMCA facility is around 75,000 sqft, was built in 1970, and serves ~400,000 visits per year. Officials hope to break ground in 2028.