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National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Our Town Grant



GRANT OVERVIEW

- Grant award \$100,000
- Grant purpose is for planning and construction documents for an arts focused public space downtown.
- Texarkana was selected as one of sixty-nine (69) grants nationwide.



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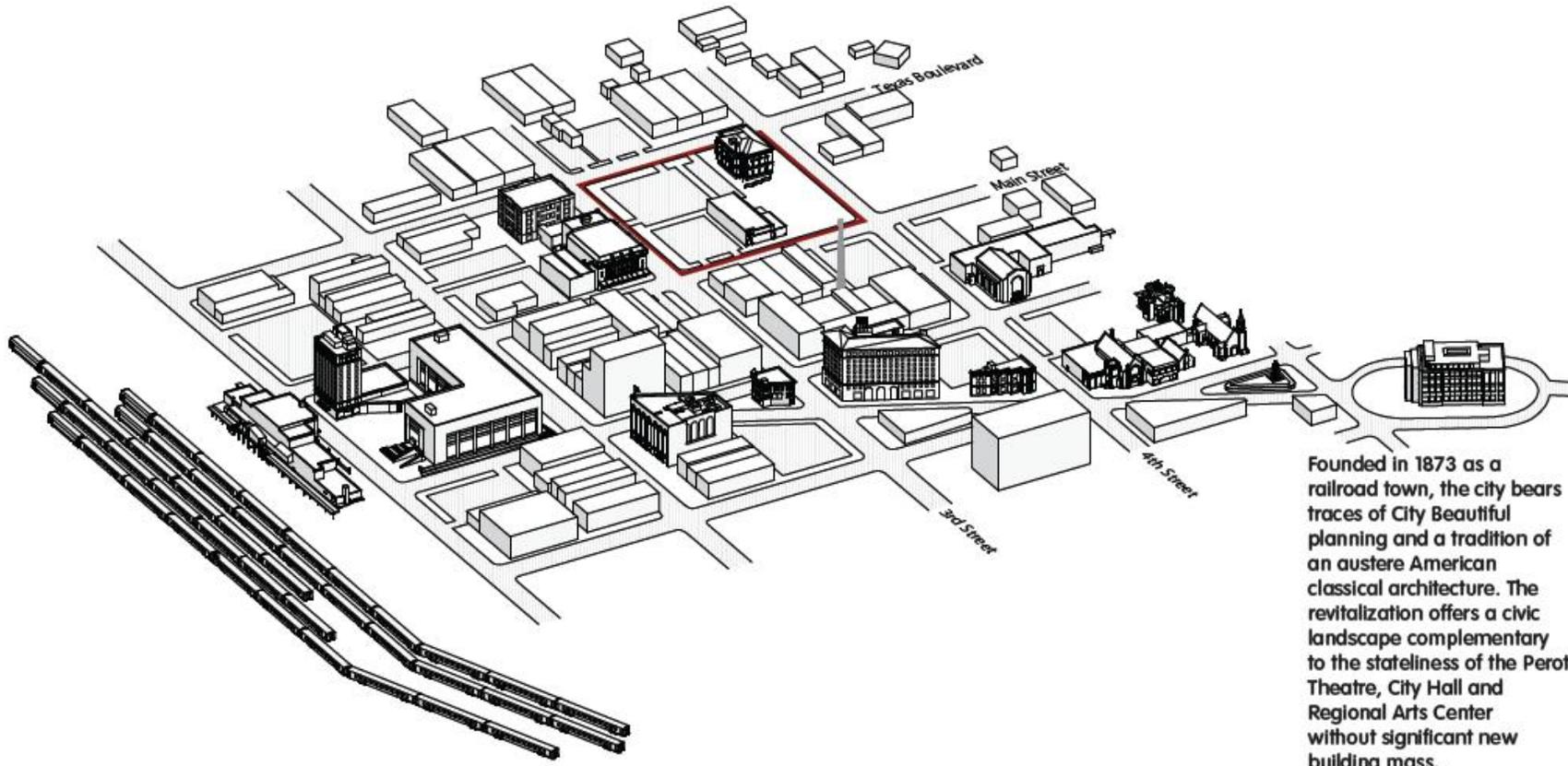


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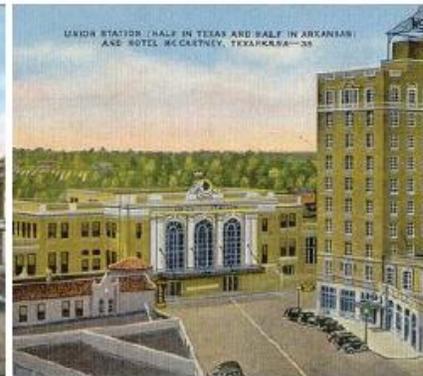
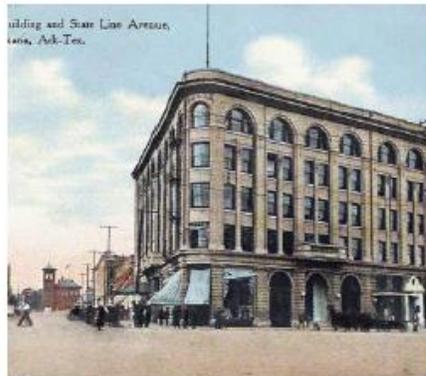
- **Grant partner is the Texarkana Regional Arts & Humanities Council (TRAHC).**
- **Design consultant is the University of Arkansas Community Design Center (UACDC) selected for its internationally-recognized urban designs in collaboration with Marlon Blackwell.**

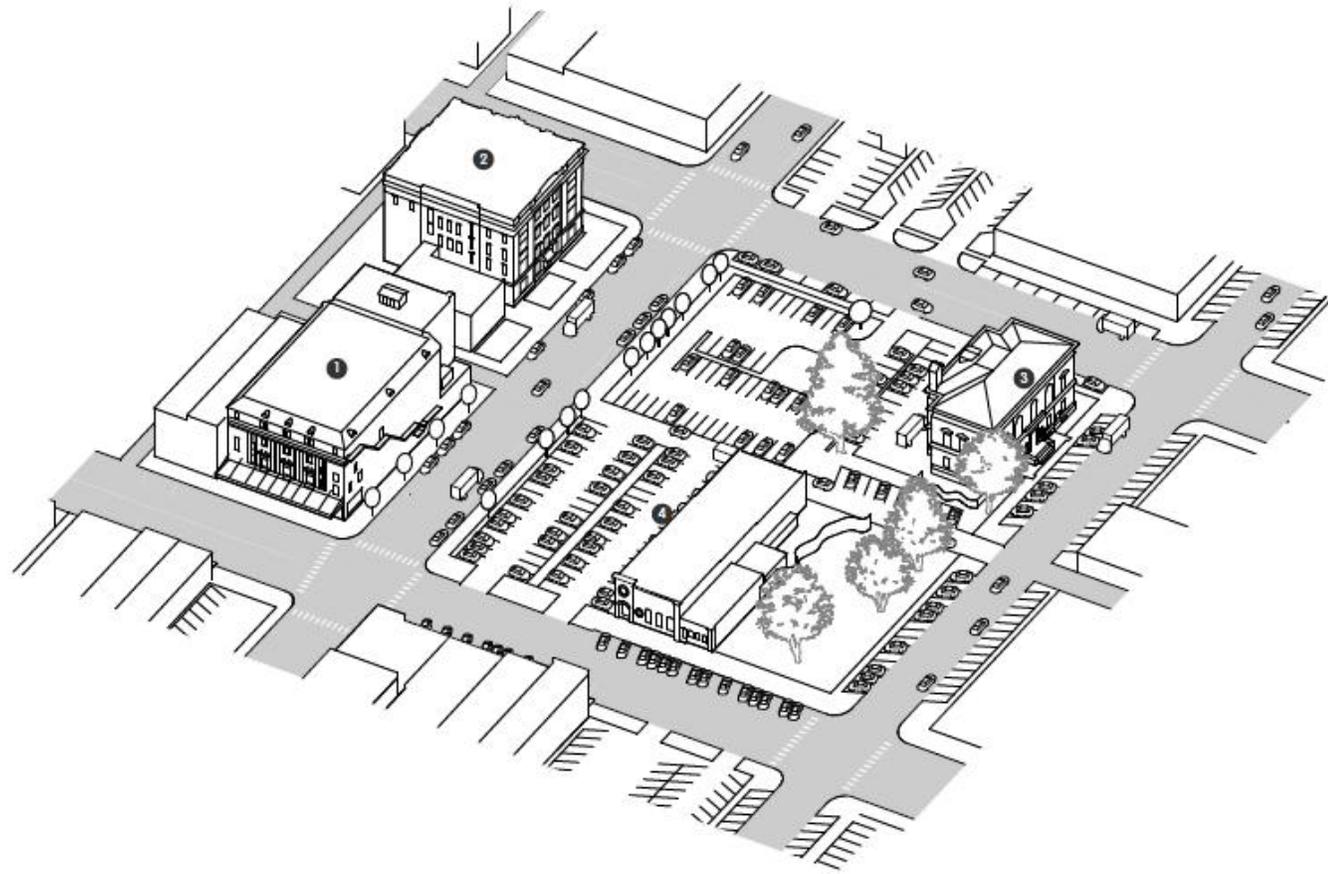




Founded in 1873 as a railroad town, the city bears traces of City Beautiful planning and a tradition of an austere American classical architecture. The revitalization offers a civic landscape complementary to the stateliness of the Perot Theatre, City Hall and Regional Arts Center without significant new building mass.

Beautiful Texarkana





Existing Condition

Situated between the backsides of signature civic buildings, the site is presently a parking lot tasked with becoming a central town space for celebrating the arts. The proposal addresses several development challenges. First, the proposal tempers mobility in an auto-dominant environment with renewed pedestrian activity. Second, the hardscape is softened through greens and shade structures to encourage sustained social activity. Third, the proposal reconciles improved building egress and disabled accessibility, waste management, and loading dock functioning with Art Park functions.

- 1 Perot Theatre
- 2 City Hall
- 3 Regional Arts Center
- 4 Scott Joplin Mural







Looking south at Art Salon on 4th Street

4th Street Elevation





Texas Street Elevation





Looking west through Farmers' Market





NEA GRANT OPEN HOUSE



- **Tuesday, October 27th at the Regional Arts Center located at 321 W 4th St.**
- **Public is invited to two sessions with the first at 11:30am until 1pm and the second session 5pm until 6pm.**

