



An innovative system of load-bearing masonry wall construction singularly incorporates structural support, thermal insulation, and moisture protection within a unique double-wythe masonry cavity wall.



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LOCATION Wylie, Texas
 AREA 139,000 sf
 COST \$34,000,000
 ARCHITECT Holzman Moss

The City of Wylie Civic Center is a lively combination of stone, clay tile, and metal panel walls topped by metal roofs and canopies.

The building complex consists of a single-story public library, a two-story recreation center, and a three-story City Hall building, interconnected by a 750-foot long, serpentine limestone wall. The unique, load-bearing masonry wall begins at a height of 12 feet at the east end of the library and ascends with a constant slope to 60 feet in height at the west end of the City Hall. The three buildings are separated by public courtyards, articulated by large portals in the stone wall, with huge stone blocks and substantial concrete lintels. The wall also serves as support and a dramatic backdrop for city council chambers, public reading room, and a running track. A grand interior corridor parallels the stone wall for the entire length of the buildings, punctuated by inclined steel pipe columns, progressing in their slopes as the building progressively grows in height. The project is currently under construction.



Civic Center

City of Wylie Municipal Complex