I’M SEEING A PLAY
AT THE CIVIC CENTER!

A SOCIAL NARRATIVE
The Civic Center

I am going to see a show at the Civic Center. I might drive or walk to the theater with my group. When I get there someone from the theater will greet me.
Arriving

When I get inside the building I will see many doors, windows and people. Many other groups may be walking in with me who are also going to see the show.
Going into the Lobby

After I arrive at the theater I will go into the lobby of the theater.

To get into the lobby, I will either go up stairs or a ramp or go through some glass doors.

If I have a question, I should look for a helper wearing black pants and a gold name-tag.
My Seat

As I enter the theater, an usher will help my group find where will we sit.

I will line up with my group so that we can each get a seat.

Many other groups will be finding their seats at the same time. It might be noisy with children talking. I can talk quietly with my group.
The Lights

Before the show there will be an announcement to let me know that the show is ready to start.

I will also know the show is starting because the lights will change. Now it will be very quiet.
The Performance

I will see people talking, dancing, singing on stage. They might have puppets or special objects as part of their performance. The performance will be one hour long with no stopping.
Going to the Restroom

I can use the restroom before, during or after the show.

If I need to use the restroom during the show, I can ask an adult to take me and leave the theater quietly.

I will use the restroom respectfully then go back to my seat in the theater.
Clapping

During the show I will see actors onstage. If I like something I can laugh and clap.

At the end of the show, actors will come onstage to bow and everyone will clap as a way to say thank you.
Leaving

When the actors leave the stage after their bows the show is over and the lights will come back on.

Everyone will leave the theater at once and I may have to wait in line to leave. I’ll walk out of the Civic Center the same way I came in. I might leave in a car or on a bus.

I can talk about the play with my group after the performance ends.