

CONNECTING KENDALL WITH LANDSCAPE EXPERIENCE

7 Fulkerson Park - A Neighborhood Sports Park

Across the road from Ahearn Field, with its softball, street hockey and basketball courts, Fulkerson Park will provide sports program not currently found in the neighborhood, for example tennis courts, and a year-round turf soccer field. The location next to the Grand Junction cycle trail will make it safely accessible for those outside the immediate neighborhood.

2 The Pork Chop - Adventure Play in Nature

Beside the tracks, and connected to the future Grand Junction cycle trail, the Pork Chop is a place to get a little muddy. Scrambling over rocks, riding a BMX over the bumps, playing in the sand in a thicket of trees, children will come to explore, and maybe a few grown-ups too, although they may opt to sit in the shade of the huge cottonwood tree while the children run free. In winter the grassy slope becomes the only sledding hill in East Cambridge.

1 Point Park - An Urban Living Room

Whether meeting a friend at the corner of Broadway and Main, stopping for a quick coffee on the way to the station, or just hanging out just watching the crowd at lunchtime. Point Park is the epicenter of activity in Kendall, a crossroads with comfortable furniture, a gathering place framed by trees, where kids play in the fountains, while older kids play with ideas on the chalkboards.

4 Rogers Street Park - A Focus of Neighborhood Life

At the meeting point of East Cambridge and Kendall Square, people will come to Rogers Street Park to hang out with their friends and neighbors. The pleasures of the park are simple: talking under a shaded pergola, throwing a Frisbee, or taking a yoga class on the lawn, letting dogs run free in the dog park, or letting beans run free in the community garden. At the center of the park a large lawn will play host to neighborhood events and festivals.

3 First Street Triangle - A Dramatic Landscape Gateway

For the thousands of commuters on Land Boulevard, this might be all they see of Kendall Square through their windscreens. For those arriving by car this landscape of rich plantings and beautifully composed rocks is a gateway to the neighborhood. For the trainees at the College of Culinary Arts, or for workers in nearby research buildings, it is a place to find a tranquil nook for a lunchtime sandwich, a small pocket of nature in the city.

6 Kendall Green - The New Heart of Kendall Square

Kendall Green is at the physical center of Kendall Square, connected to the river by the Broad Canal, to the neighborhoods by Third Street, and to the rest of the city by Broadway. It will also be the social heart of the community, a common space that everyone can call their own. Kendall Green will be a dramatic landscape of hills, open lawns and water, a sun-filled and activity-filled park that also serves to cleanse urban stormwater before it flows to the Charles River.

We believe that a playful state of mind is essential to creativity and discovery, and that the remarkable creative activities in Kendall Square, which currently go on largely behind closed doors, will be boosted dramatically by a playful, connected public realm. Connecting Kendall Square will be a personal thing, a process of discovery, a creative endeavor, different every day, and changing through the seasons. It will be a vivid mental map in all who live, work and study in Kendall,

a reflection of the memorable and excitingly programmed new landscapes, public art installations at key locations, and wayfinding cues that will encourage and inspire people to explore, get some thinking done, and above all play a little. Discovery will be made on foot, by bike and online, whether consulting the Connect Kendall app to find out what is going on, taking a looping walk at lunchtime, a morning jog, a quick phone call in the park, or a sledding expedition.

Places for Plants are Places for People



1 POINT PARK
An Urban Living Room

Making Kids Welcome

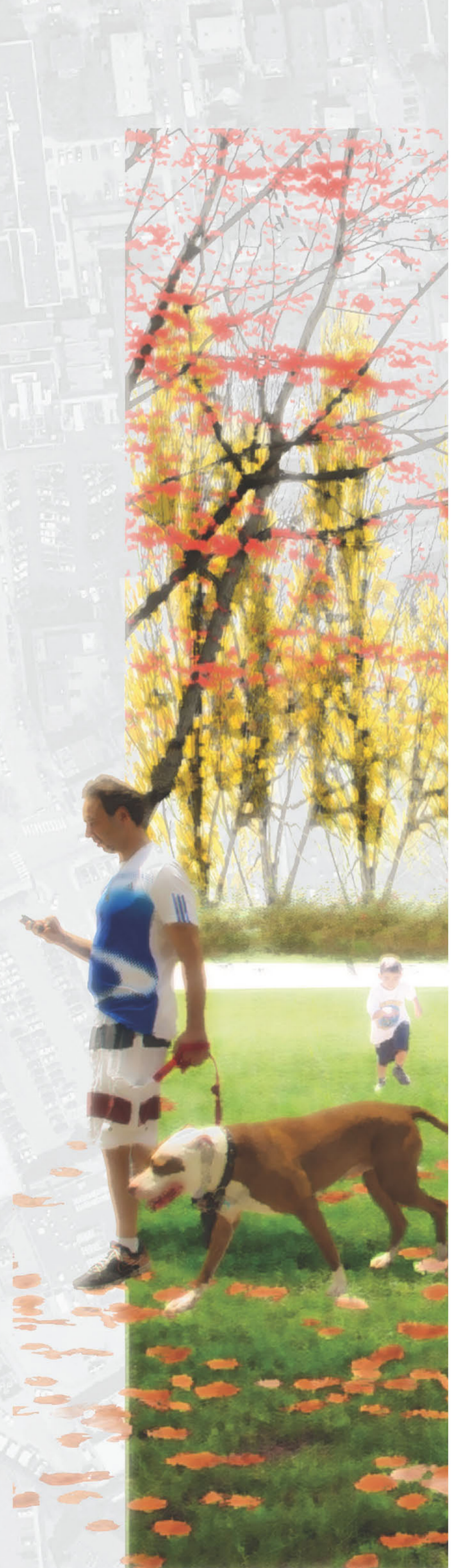


A Discovery Around Every Corner



2 THE PORK CHOP
Adventure Play in Nature

Stimulating Cre



Filling in the Missing Programs

Places for Two, Places for

Building Vivid Mental Maps

Everywhere



3 FIRST STREET TRIANGLE
A Dramatic Landscape Gateway



Multiple

Weaving Playfulness into Every Place Creativity and Imagination



4 ROGERS STREET PARK
A Focus of Neighborhood Life



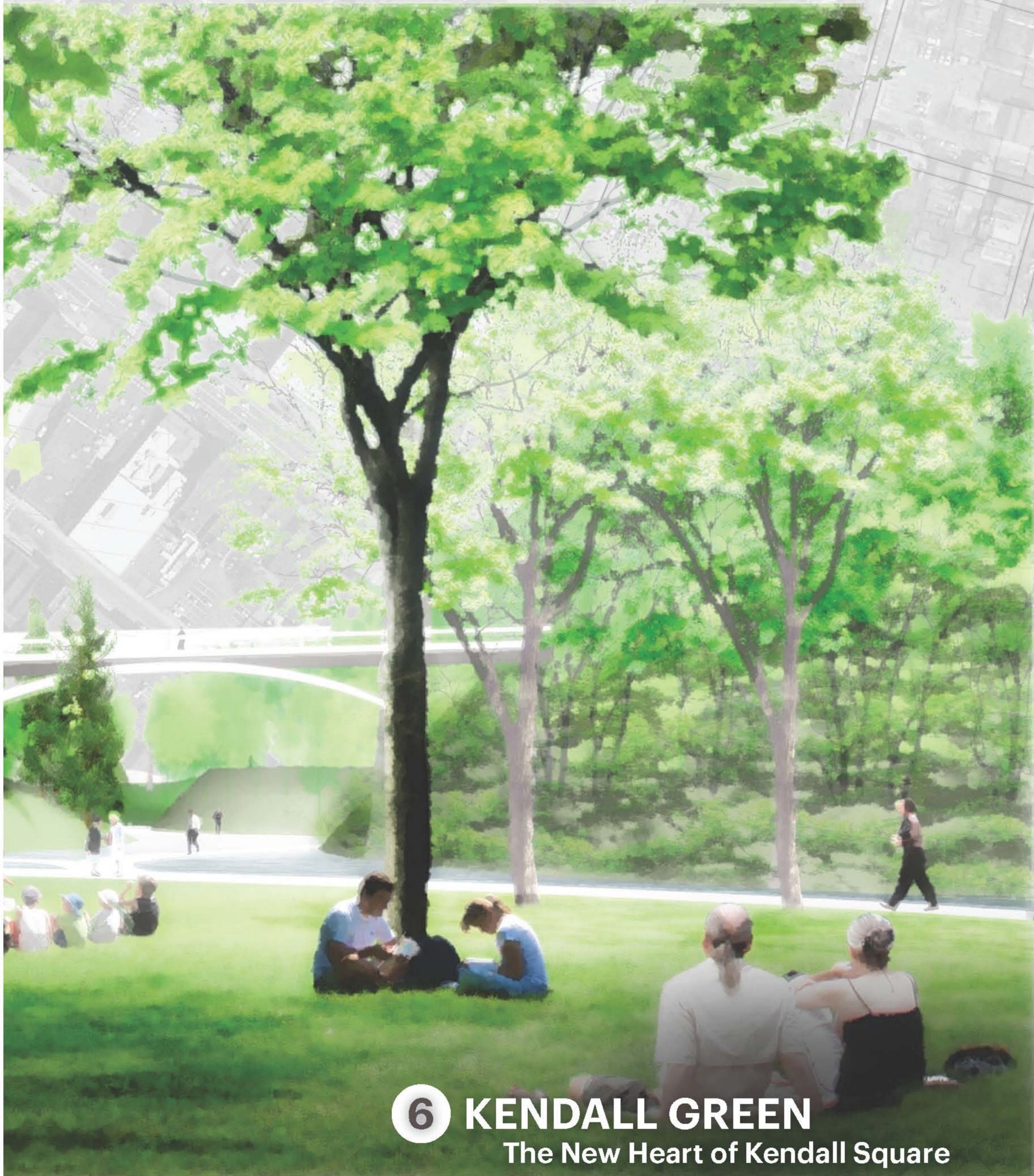
Taking Pleasure in

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5 CHARLES RIVER BASIN
A Landscape Bridge as a Connection to Boston

plying Chance Encounters



6 KENDALL GREEN
The New Heart of Kendall Square

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A STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT TO ENRICH EVERYDAY LIFE



A Sledding Expedition

Hi, my name is Kedrick, and we have the coolest new thing in our neighborhood. Yesterday, I took a tube with my little brother to a sledding hill that they have built over by the tracks. On the way over there we built a snow "goalie" at Fulkerson Park, right in the soccer goal. The sledding hill is really cool, it winds down the hill with banked corners, so our tube went down really fast. There is a big tree at the bottom where the adults like to sit, we nearly hit it a couple of times. On the way back home we stopped for a cup of hot chocolate on the corner of Sixth Street.



An Afternoon Dog Walk

Hi, my name is Britt and when I have finished teaching at the Foundry Building I have to get out and walk my dog Max. It is a good excuse for a bit of exercise, and the best way to clear my mind after a busy day. We go over to the dog park at Rogers Street Park, Max plays with his friends, and I chat to mine, it does us both a lot of good. We then go over to the river and on the way I see one of the students I know at the culinary school having a quiet moment amongst the plants and rocks at the First Street Triangle. We walk down the esplanade, and turn down the boardwalk at Broad Canal. We can see Volpe Park in the distance, and stop for a quick drink of water there before turning back towards the Foundry along Fifth Street.



A Phone Call in the Park

Hi, my name is Adam, and I am trying to get my biotech start-up off the ground from one of the incubator spaces in the new Volpe Center. Yesterday afternoon I had to make a particularly tough call to one of our investors, so I headed over to Kendall Green, thinking that strolling through the park might help loosen me up and make a great pitch. Things seemed to be going well, despite the background rhythm of a jazz ensemble playing in the event bowl. I headed up to the top of the hill in the middle of the park, where it was quieter. As I got off the call, I took in the view all the way down the Broad Canal with a sliver of Beacon Hill visible in the distance. Things were looking good.



A Morning Run Before Class

Hi, my name is Lee, and I live in the new MIT graduate student housing right next to the Kendall T. When I come out of my building I can run through the new East Campus landscape, right up and over Memorial Drive on a land bridge, to the river without crossing any roads. My favorite loop is to jog over a new series of bridges and islands along the esplanade, and behind the Science Museum (still no roads to cross) and over to the Boston side. My urban design professor tells us it only took 110 years for Charles Eliot's Charles River Basin Master Plan vision to be realized, but this morning my mind is focused on getting back over the bridge, grabbing a quick coffee at the kiosk in Point Park, and getting to class.

EAST CAMBRIDGE

Fulkerson Park

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- Soccer
- Tennis
- Softball
- Ahern Field
- Basketball
- Play
- Street Hockey

Grand Junction Bicycle Trail

Charles Street

Bent Street

Rogers Street

Rogers Street Park

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- Dog Park
- Discovery Play
- Garden
- Event Lawn
- Lawn
- Play
- Explore
- Terrace
- Garden

The Pork Chop

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- Sand
- Sladdling
- Adventure Play
- Habitat
- Viewpoint

Rocky Slope

BMX Track

- Terrace
- Basketball
- Seating

Binney Street

Munroe Street

Third Street

Biomed Square

- Relax
- Cafe
- Events
- Skating

Athenaeum Street

Kendall Green

6

- Playground
- Relaxing
- Private
- BBQ
- Jogging
- Strolling
- Pond
- Viewpoint
- Event Lawn
- Stage
- Frisbee
- Picnic
- Relax

Broadway

Dining

Seating

- Relaxing
- Habitat

Broad Canal

Point Park

1

- Plaza
- Food Trucks
- Events
- Lawn
- Meeting
- Relaxing

Main Street

Crack

Water

Play

MIT EAST CAMPUS

Memorial Drive

Landbridge

Lawn

Views

Relaxing

Jogging

