Kendall Square
Open Space Concept

Eastern Cambridge Kendall Square
Open Space Planning Committee

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Streets become more active...
...creating a network of diverse places that contribute to community, vitality, innovation
...that create a *connected* public realm connections within Kendall, to the neighborhoods and to the Charles River
Gardens and Courtyards

Significant plantings, comfortable microclimates (South End)

Semi-public character, access (Malmo)

Spaces for group gatherings (University Park)
Roof Gardens

Quality plantings & furniture (West End)

Promoting gathering; visible and accessible from buildings (NYC High Line)

Interior gardens on upper floors (Dana Farber’s Stoneman Healing Garden)

Offering unique views (Lincoln Center)
Parks

Mix of lawn, trees, sun, shade (SF)

Water elements (Copley Square)

Seating and walking areas

Pocket parks (Vellucci, Inman Sq.)

Host events
Plazas

Engaging water, art, cultural anchors (Centre Pompidou, Paris)

Places to see and be seen; cultural anchors (Lincoln Center/Juilliard)

Public art, water (Rose Kennedy Greenway)
Plazas

Spaces for arts programming (Rose Kennedy Greenway)

Distinctive nighttime lighting (Rose Kennedy Greenway)

Retail, seating (New York)

Outdoor dining (West Philadelphia)
Plazas

Canopies adding scale, weather protection

Winter Garden (Sheffield U.K.)
Promenades

Landscapes

Street, walk or woonerf formats (Kassel, Germany)

Quality design (Malmo)

Rain gardens (Portland)

Pocket gathering spaces
Promenades
Storytelling

Convey history, future

Experiential art (Kennedy Greenway)

Interactive media

High quality interpretive signage
Active sidewalks/interiors

Retail/info kiosks (Darmstadt)

Traffic separation, interior connection (Seattle)

Public art/activity at challenging edges (Charlottesville)

Interior/exterior transparency (Rome)

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Wayfinding
Reinforcing sense of place & improving accessibility