City of Cambridge Community Development Department

Joint Bicycle, Pedestrian, Transit Advisory Committees

November 18, 2020











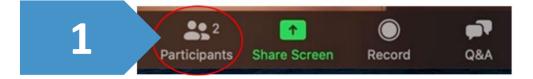
Meeting Agenda

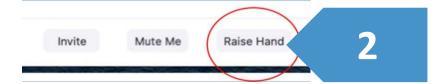
- 1. Zoom meeting protocols
- 2. MIT Volpe Redevelopment Project
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Other Project Updates
- 5. Announcements
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Bicycle Committee Business



Committee Member Instructions

- Committee members may speak and show webcam video
 - Use "Raise Hand" button to help manage discussion
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
- Please stay muted unless speaking
 - *6 to mute/unmute by phone





Public Comment Instructions

- Members of the public are muted and cannot show webcam video
- Public can write questions or ask for assistance in Q&A window at any time
 - Questions may be submitted at any time and will be addressed as time allows, during discussion/comment periods
- During the Public Comment period, use the "Raise Hand" button to signal you have a question/comment. A staff member will then enable you to unmute yourself.
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
 - *6 to Mute/Unmute by phone
- Please be respectful! Participants will be removed for inappropriate behavior

Bottom Panel of Zoom Screen



MIT Volpe Redevelopment Project



MIT VOLPE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Joint Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Transit Committees Meeting 11/18/2020



Agenda

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Path to Volpe
- 3. Site Organization
- 4. Pedestrian Connectivity
- 5. Bicycle Connectivity
- Transit Connectivity
- 7. Q&A

Path to Volpe: Volpe Zoning

• 2014

PUD-KS Proposal developed with discussions at Planning Board

• 2015

PUD-KS Petition Filed

Planning Board Public Hearings

Volpe Site Community Outreach

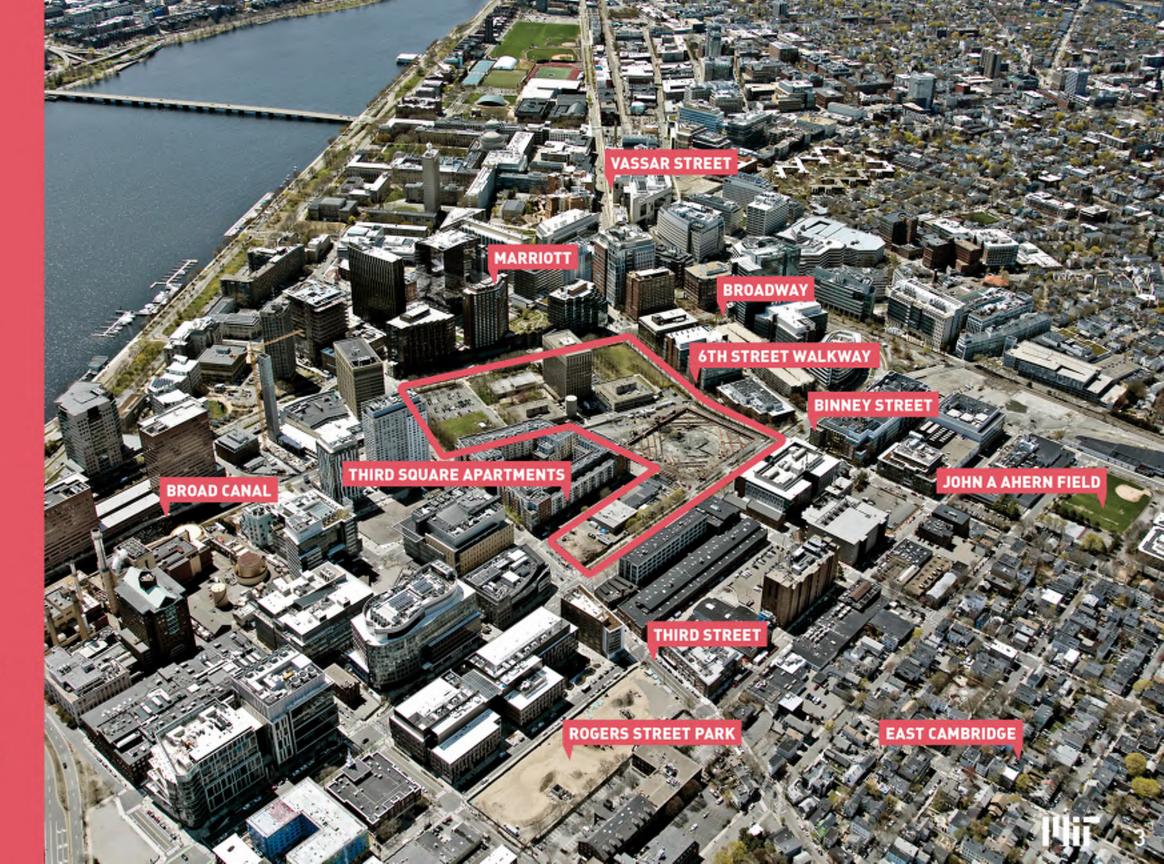
PUD-KS Refiled

Petition Hearings

2016

The City appoints the Volpe Working Group to develop planning and urban design principles

• 2017
PUD-7 Zoning Amendment passed



Values for a Connected Innovation Community



Retail + Active Ground Floors



Science + Research



Sustainability + Resilience



Open Space



Racial Equity + Inclusion



Housing



Community Benefits

Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Transit related Benefits

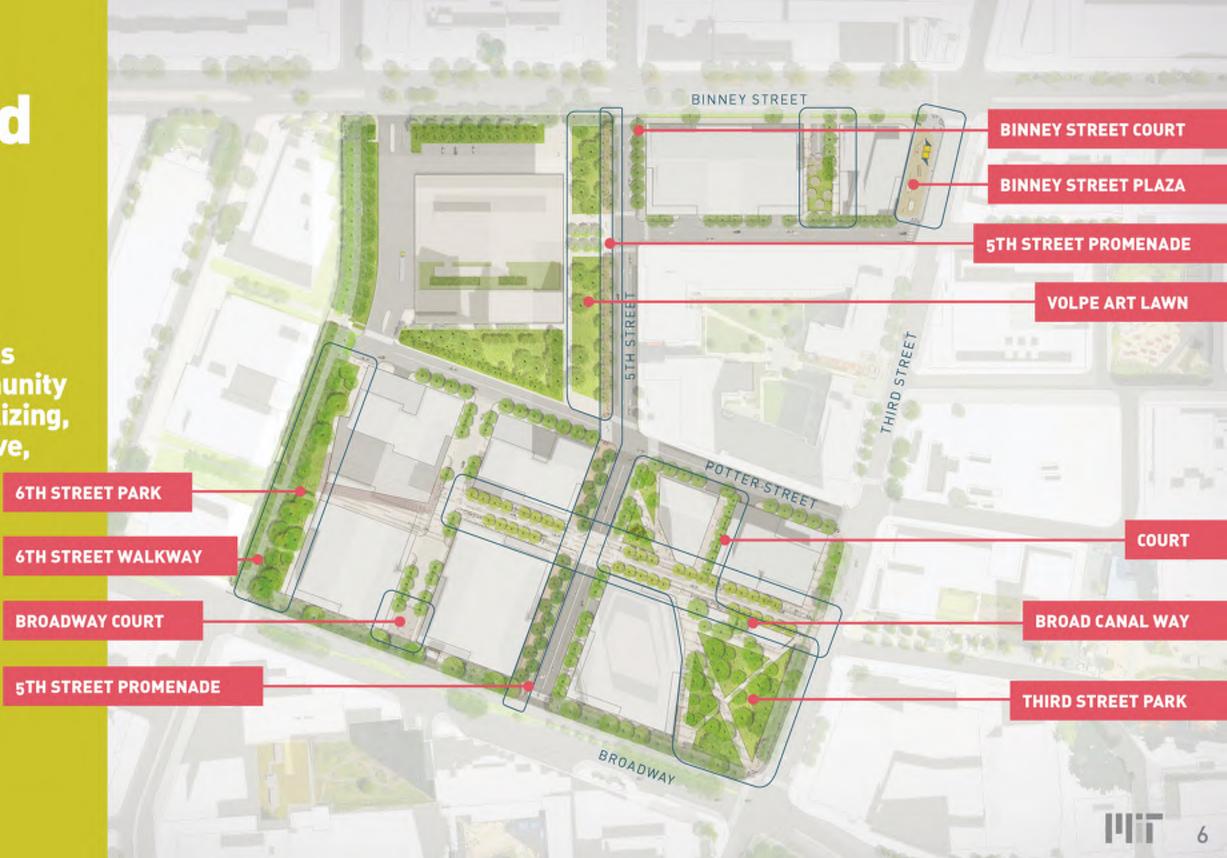
- \$8.5 million for transit improvements to reduce vehicular traffic
- Convey rights and contribute \$8.5 million for design and construction of the Grand Junction path
- Over 2,100 bicycle parking spaces
- Robust transit analysis as part of Transportation Impact Study



Fully-Integrated Public Realm

A range of open spaces offer places for community gathering, play, socializing, and respite, in inclusive, diverse and attractive settings.

6TH STI



Zoning Program

1,692,000 sf Commercial (60% GFA)

1,128,000 sf Residential (40% GFA)

95,000 sf Retail, dining, entertainment, and the arts

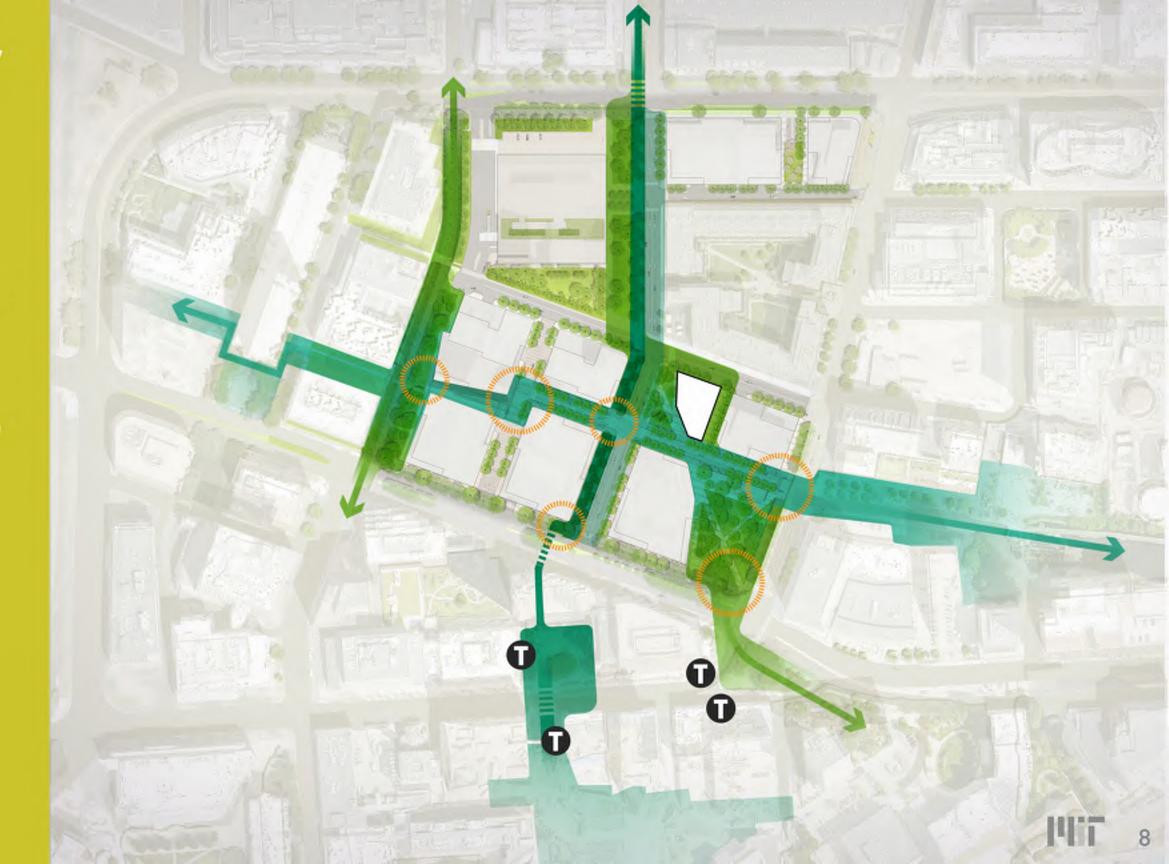
> 2.5 acres
Open space



Thoroughly Connected Network

The Volpe Redevelopment is organized and given identity by the form and activity of its many civic open spaces — its streets, squares, and parks.





All Sides Activated

Various venues for gathering, the arts, entertainment, recreation, innovation, inventive retail, creating an inclusive place that fosters community and opens social and economic opportunities.



A PARKING ENTRANCE

▲ LOADING ENTRANCE

RETAIL BUSINESS

OTHER ACTIVE USE

LOBBY

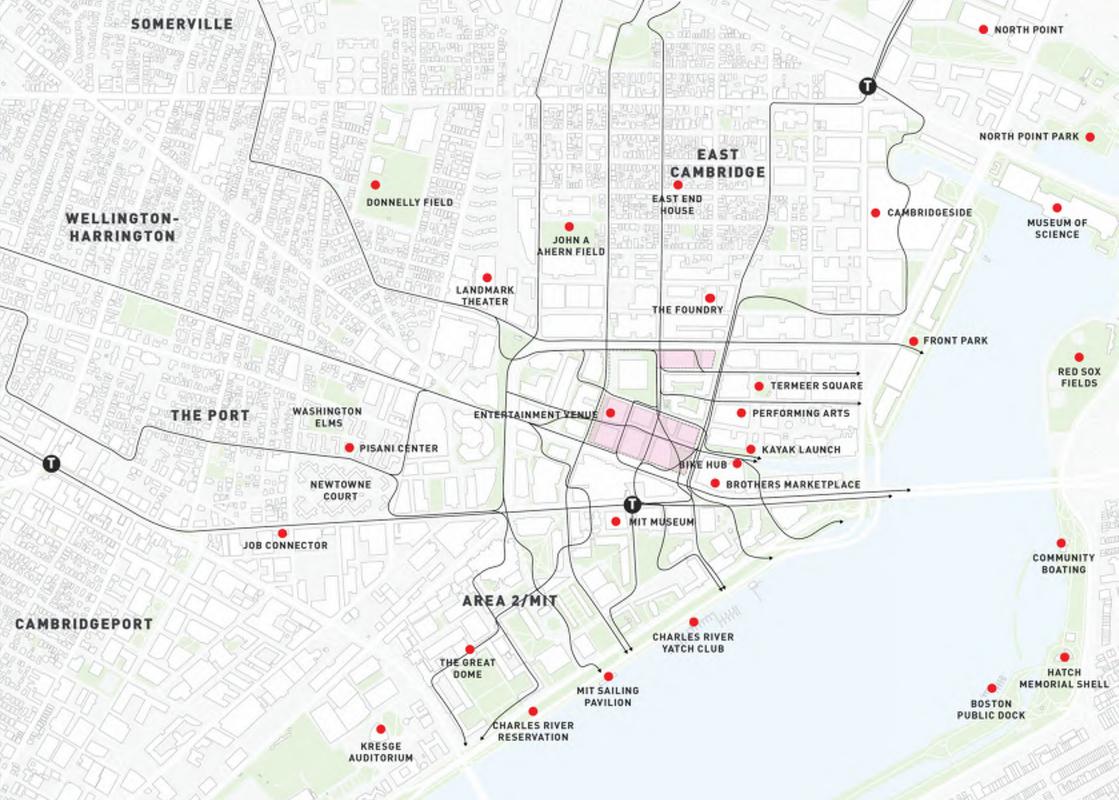
ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

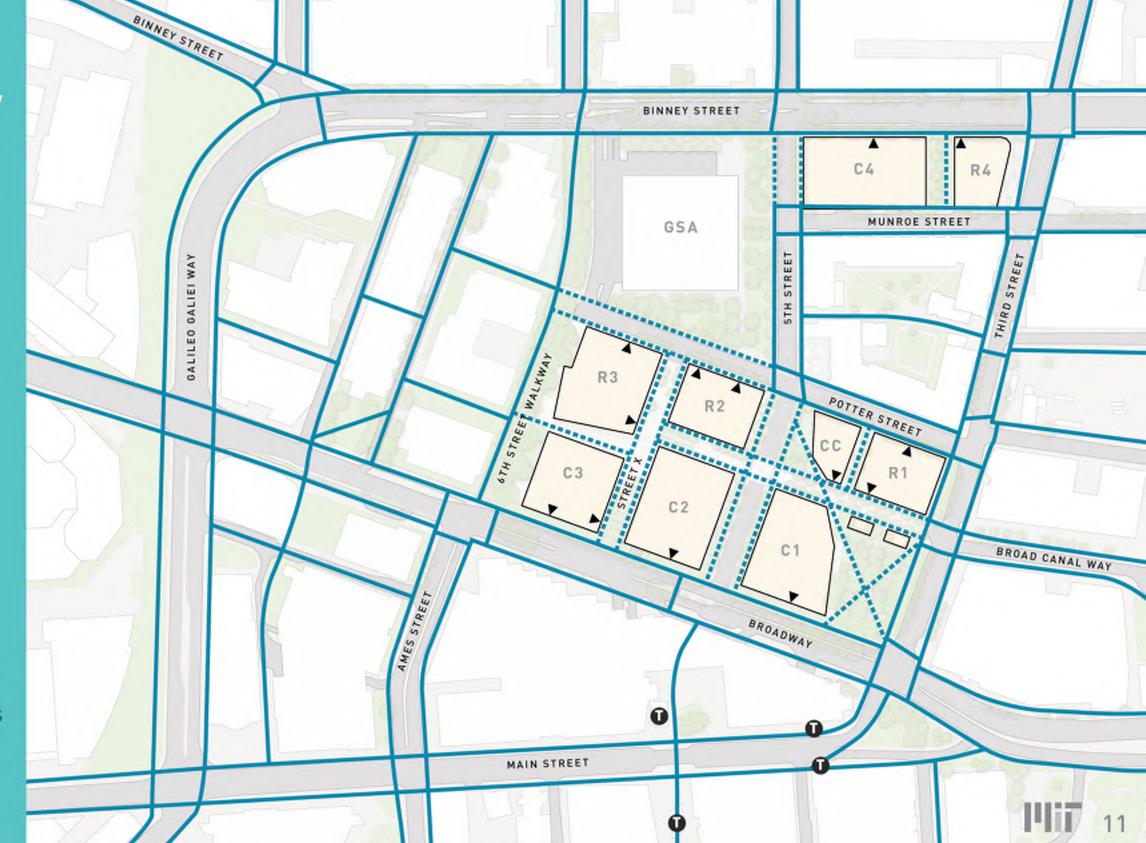
RECREATION

MECHANICAL/ BOH

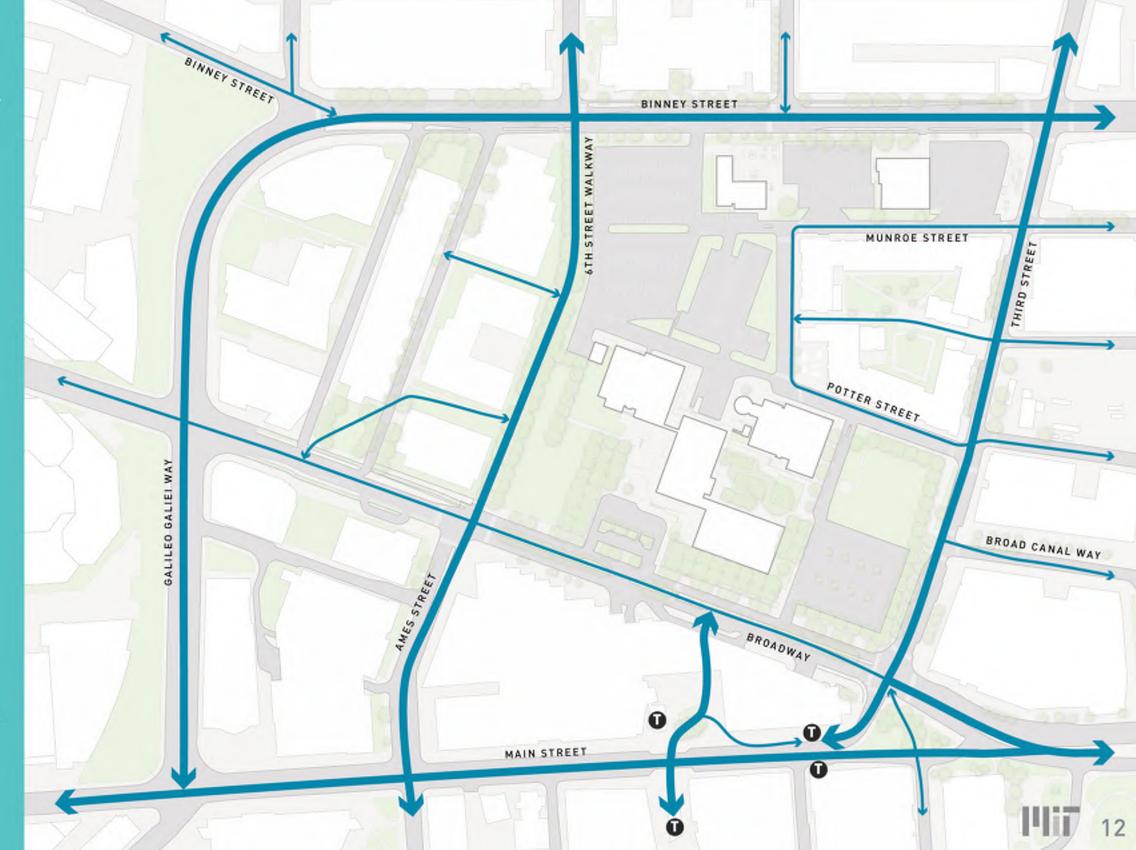






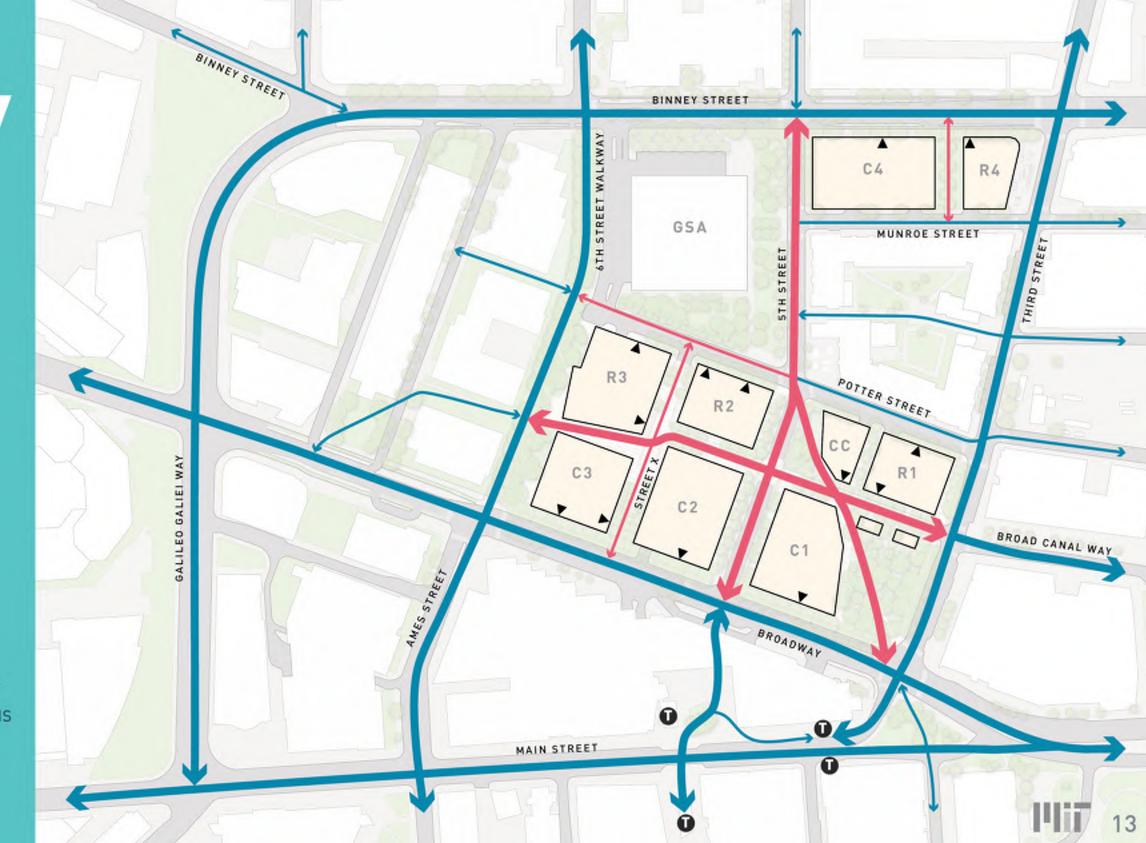






PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS

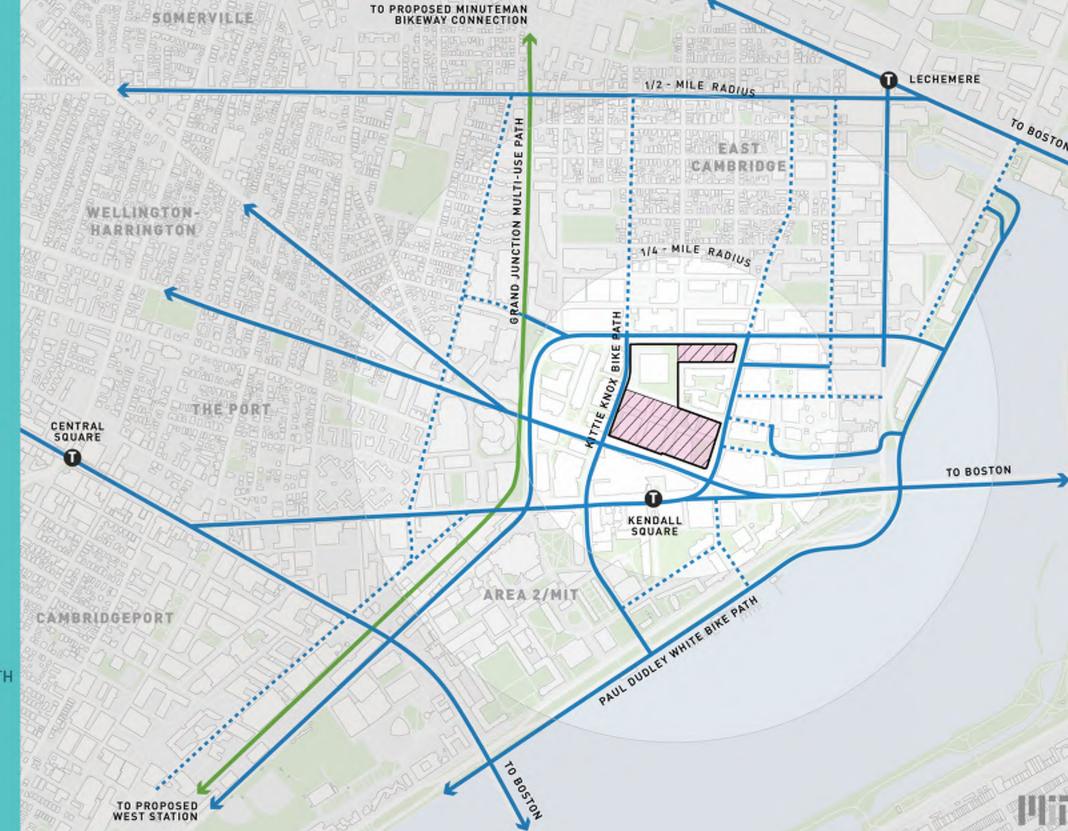
PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE



PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS

PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE

Bike Connectivity



SHARED LANES

BICYCLE LANE/ CYCLE TRACK/ BIKE PATH

GRAND JUNCTION MULTI-USE PATH

// SITE

Bike Connectivity

- 1,862 long term bicycle parking spaces
- 302 short term bicycle parking spaces

PATH OF BICYCLES

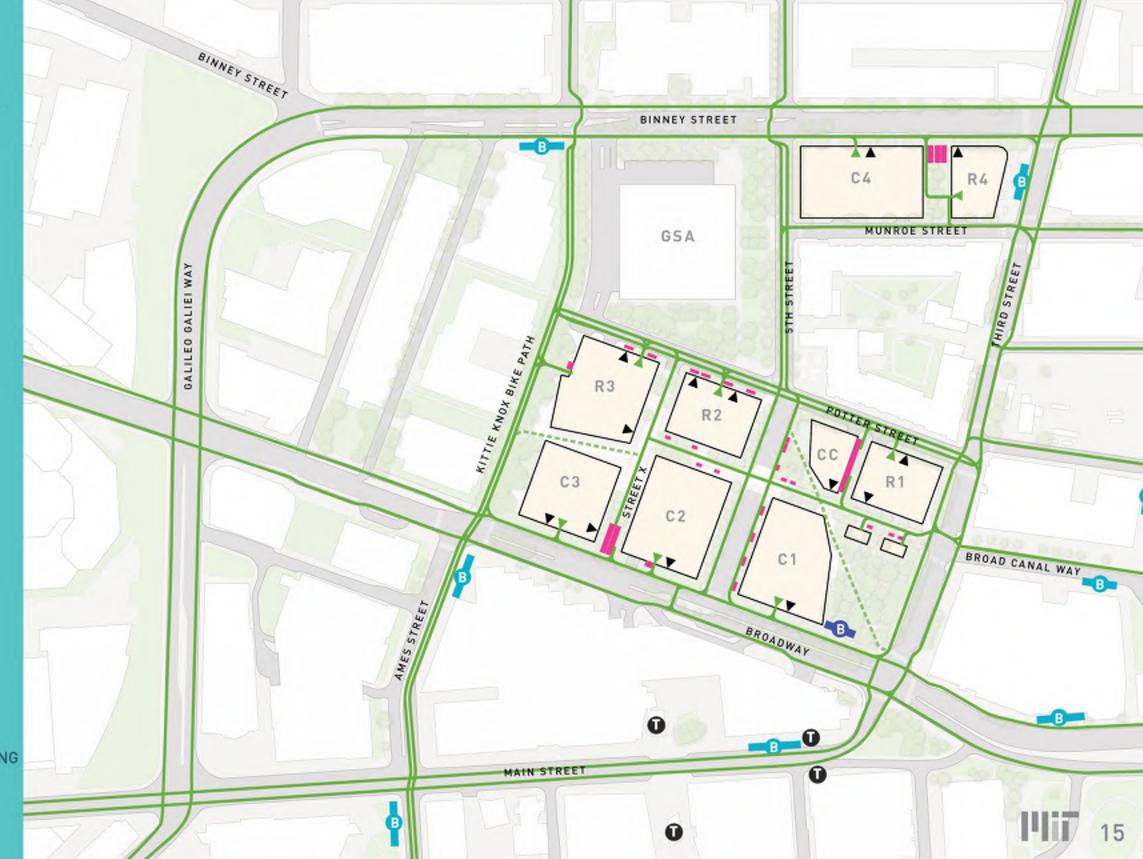
EXISTING BLUEBIKE STATION

■B■ PROPOSED BLUEBIKE STATION

SHORT TERM BICYCLE PARKING

▲ PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE

ACCESS TO LONG TERM BICYCLE PARKING



Transit Connectivity

MBTA GREEN LINE

MBTA RED LINE

M2 SHUTTLE

MIT WEEKEND SHUTTLE

MIT SHUTTLE TECH

KENDALL TO CHARLES PARK

EZ RIDE

MBTA BUS ROUTES

■■■ GRAND JUNCTION RAIL CORRIDOR

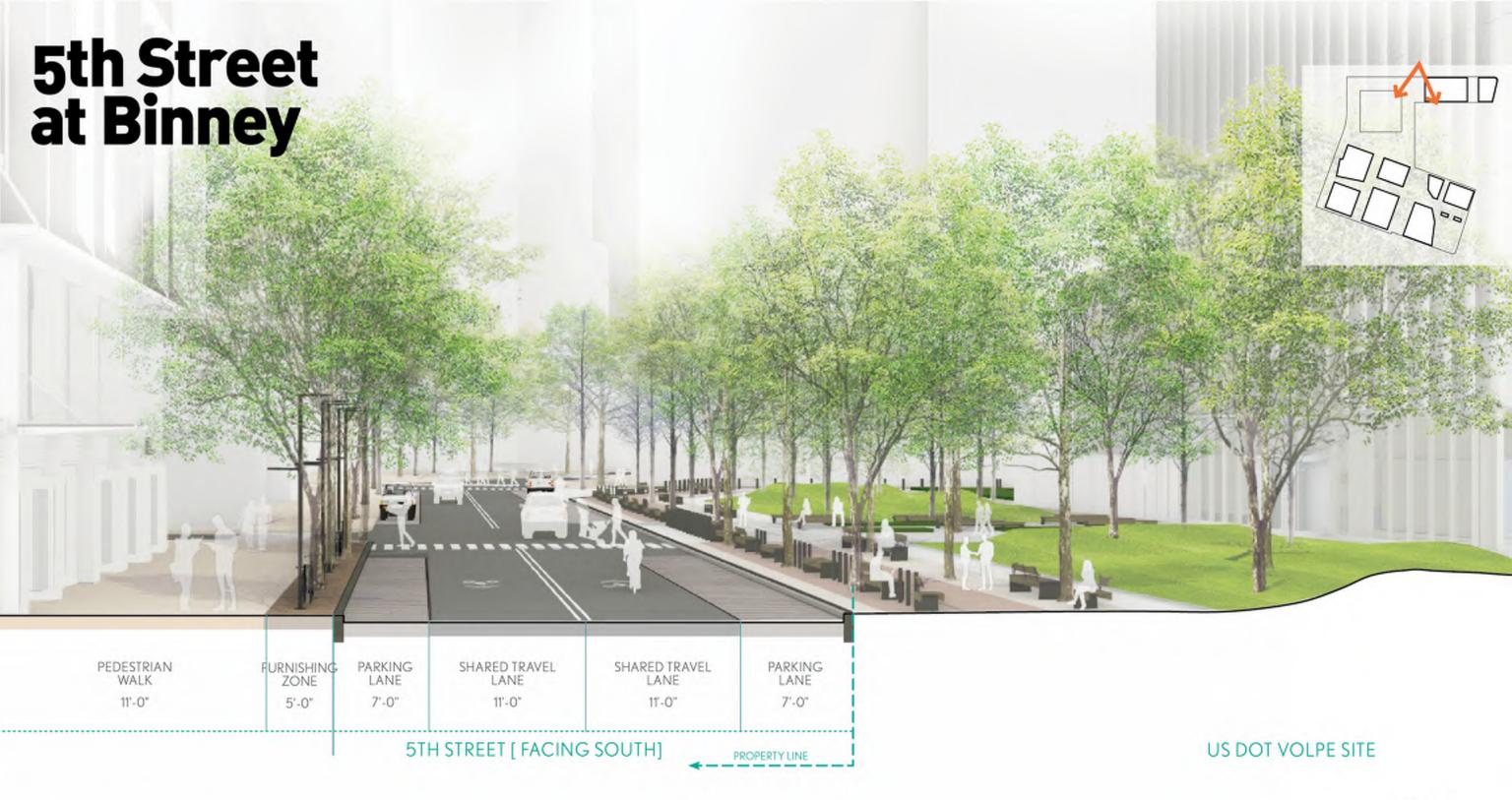




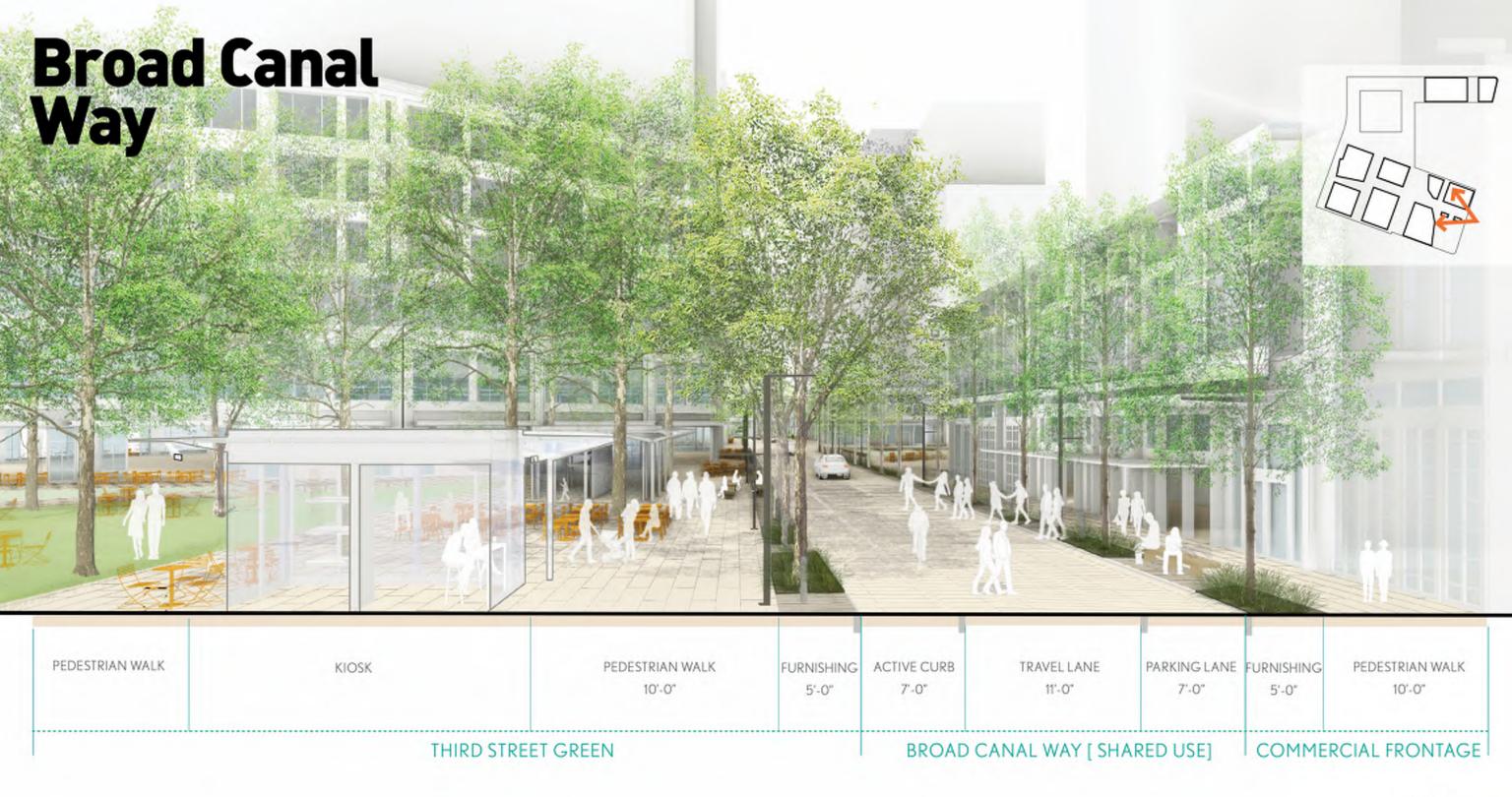


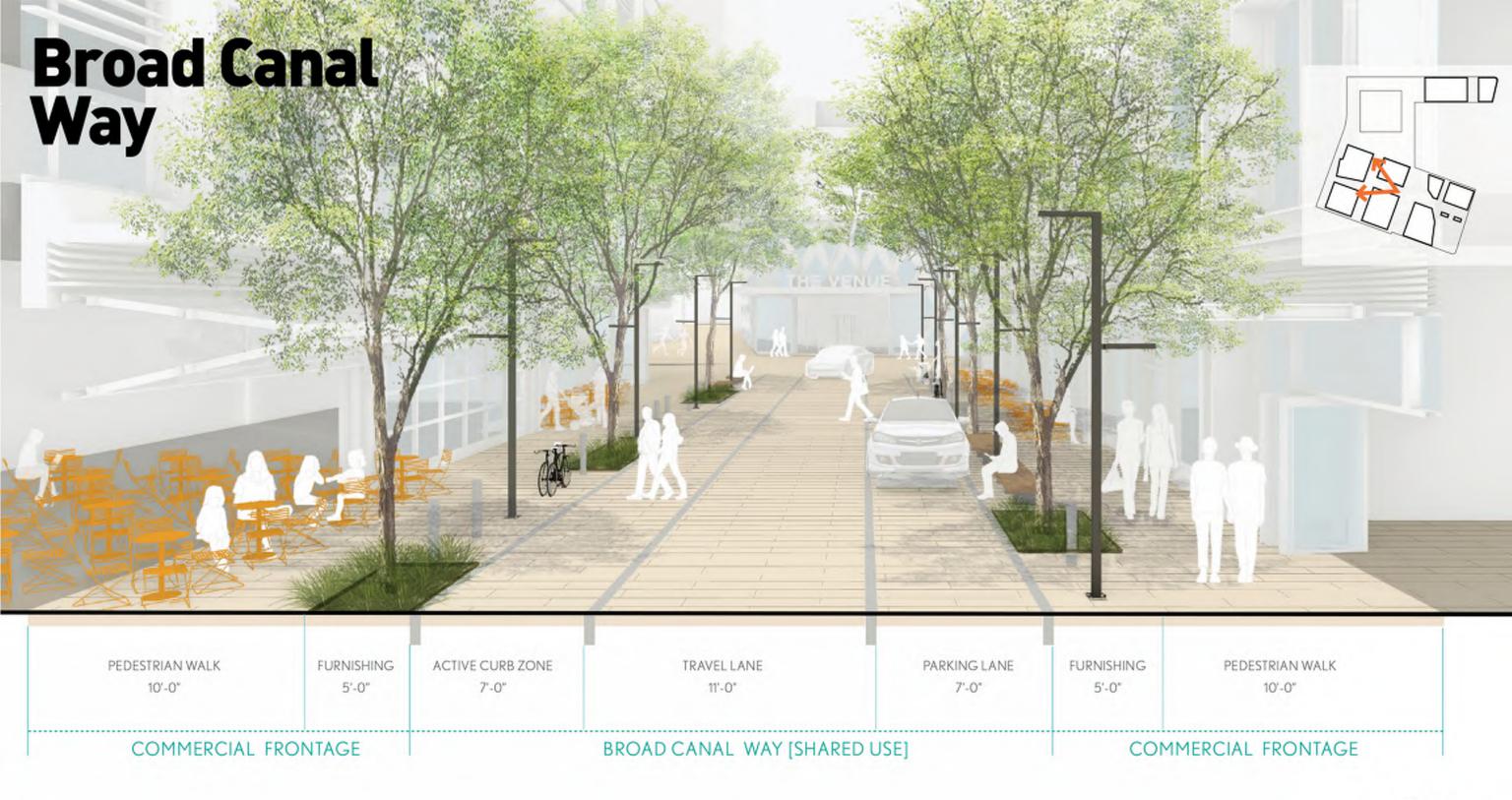


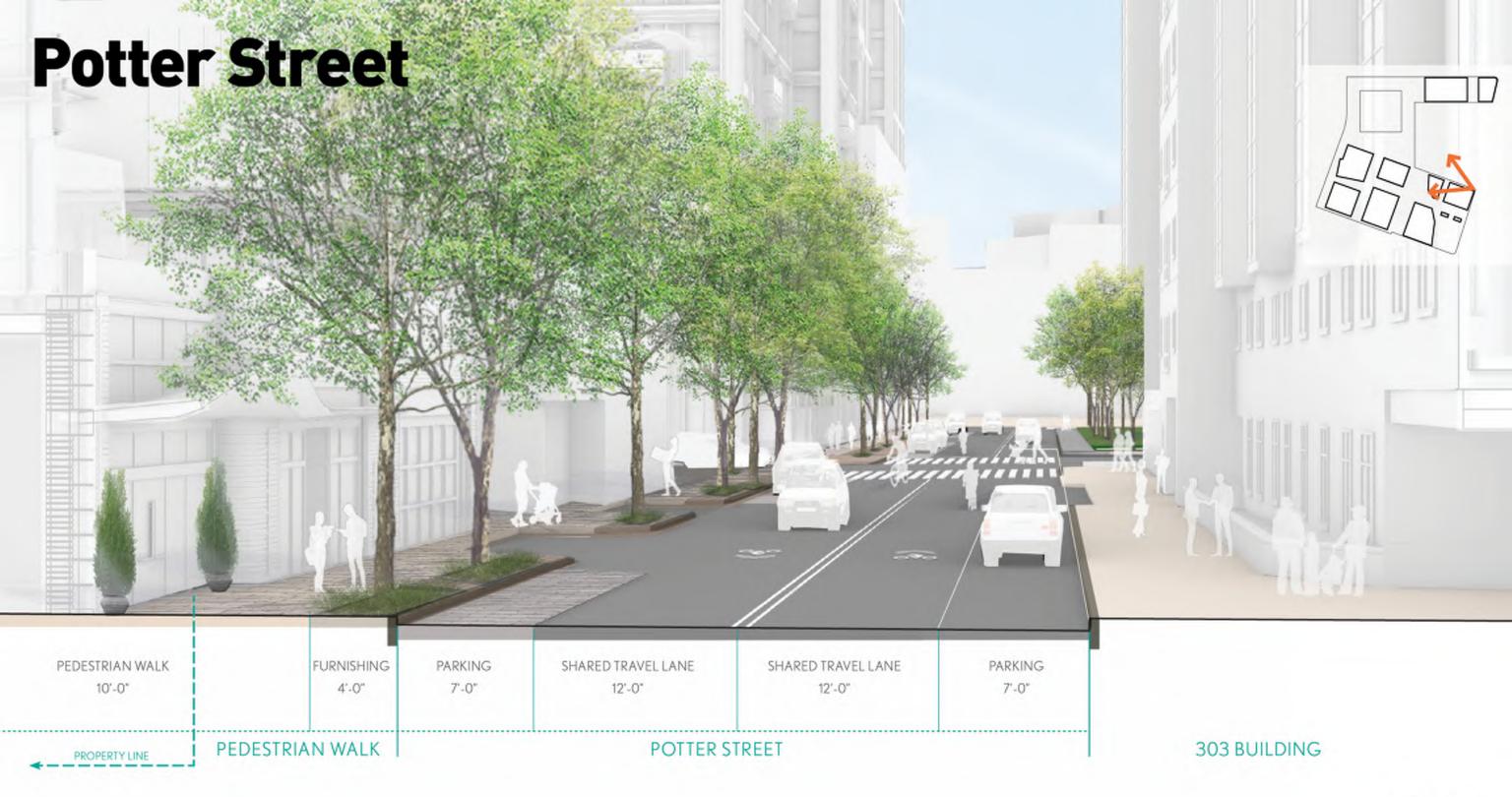














Thank you. Questions?

Community Engagement Input Sessions

- Open Space Design and Programming
- Community Center Programming
- Retail Diversity
- Housing Equity
- Job Equity

Details and presentation at https://volpe.mit.edu
Please send questions and feedback to volpemit@mit.edu

Public comment

Public Comment Instructions

- Use the "Raise Hand" button to signal you have a question/comment.
 A staff member will then enable you to unmute yourself.
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
 - *6 to Mute/Unmute by phone
- Questions can also be submitted using the Q&A button.

Bottom Panel of Zoom Screen



TP&T Updates

Webster Ave separated bike lane

- Installed Tuesday 17th.
- Flex post installation starting the 18th and continuing throughout week
- Green tentative for Friday. May have some stencils pushed to Spring since they're not in stock.

Banks St contra-flow bike lane

- Aiming for Thursday 19th evening installation
- Stencils likely next Spring as they're not in stock.
- Green intersection conflict zones to be installed as weather allows

Hampshire St (Card. Medeiros Ave to Broadway)

- Bike lanes restriped after maintenance paving.
- Green tentative for Friday. May have some stencils pushed to Spring since they're not in stock.

Sixth St

Shared lane markings added tomorrow or Friday

Aberdeen Ave

- Bike lanes restriped after maintenance paving
- Stencils in Spring

Sparks St

 Bike lane restriped after maintenance paving (all markings and stencils completed)

Cambridge St separated bike lane

• Flex post replacements substantially complete

Cambridgepark Drive

 Flex posts added to parking protected side of separated bike lane

Broadway at Third St (separated bike lane)

 Flex post installation on Broadway approach to Third St to begin soon (waiting on hardware)

DPW Updates

CDD – South Mass. Avenue (Central to Mem Dr.)

- South Mass Ave Corridor Safety Improvements implemented in 2018
 - Separated bike lanes installed along most of corridor
 - Operational changes to improve pedestrian and cycling safety
 - Exclusive bus lane not providing the expected benefits, initially
- Follow-up since 2018
 - City staff, MAPC, and MBTA reviewed operations and identified potential issues (2019)
 - Need additional "clean" data (minimizing data "noise" from unrelated construction projects) but 2020 was not the year to collect it! (and maybe not 2021)
 - Grand Junction MUP design project (2019-2020) for new path crossing
 - Pedestrian Crossing at Windsor installed (completion November 2020)
 - City staff is beginning to identify bus priority opportunities
 - Transit signal priority using new/novel signal priority systems
 - Working with MBTA Transit Priority team with consultant design assistance

Other Announcements

Public comment

Public Comment Instructions

- Use the "Raise Hand" button to signal you have a question/comment.
 A staff member will then enable you to unmute yourself.
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
 - *6 to Mute/Unmute by phone
- Questions can also be submitted using the Q&A button.

Bottom Panel of Zoom Screen



Bicycle Committee Business

- Minutes
- Upcoming Meetings

Thank You