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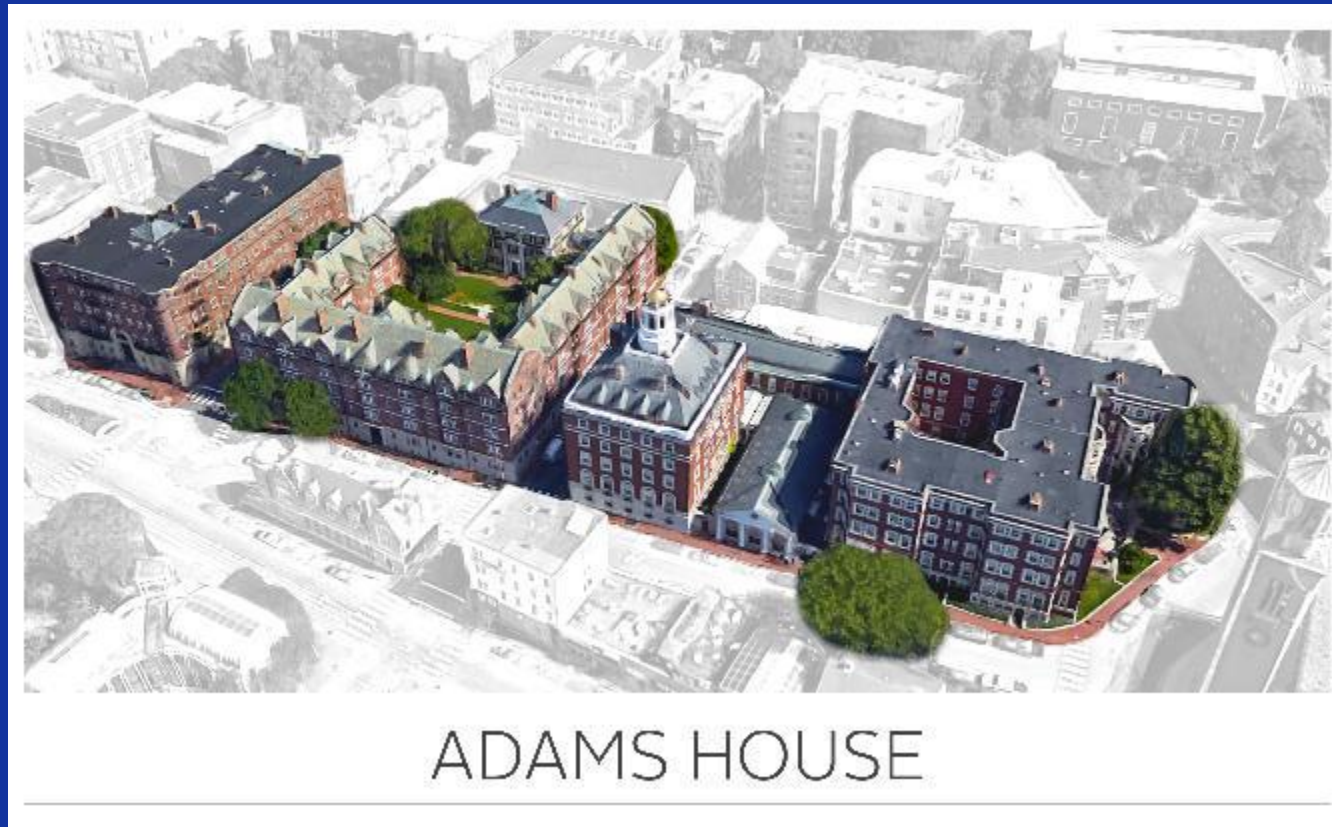
Preservation Awards 2025-26

June 11, 2026

Cambridge Historical Commission Preservation Award Recipients 2025-2026



Adams House Renewal



Harvard University

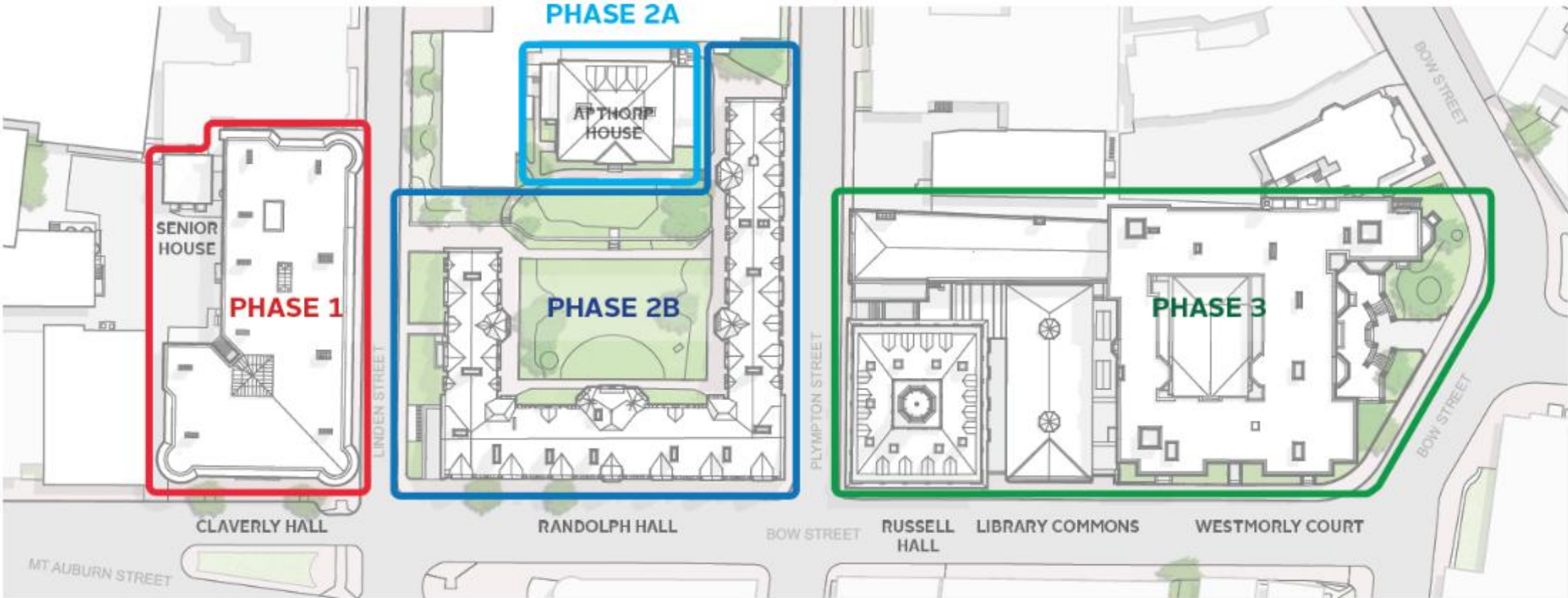


Adams House: Claverly, Randolph, Russell, Westmorly

Phasing Plan for Permitting and Construction

Project Description

NOTE:
This page from original variance request package has been updated to reflect current phasing and sequencing of work

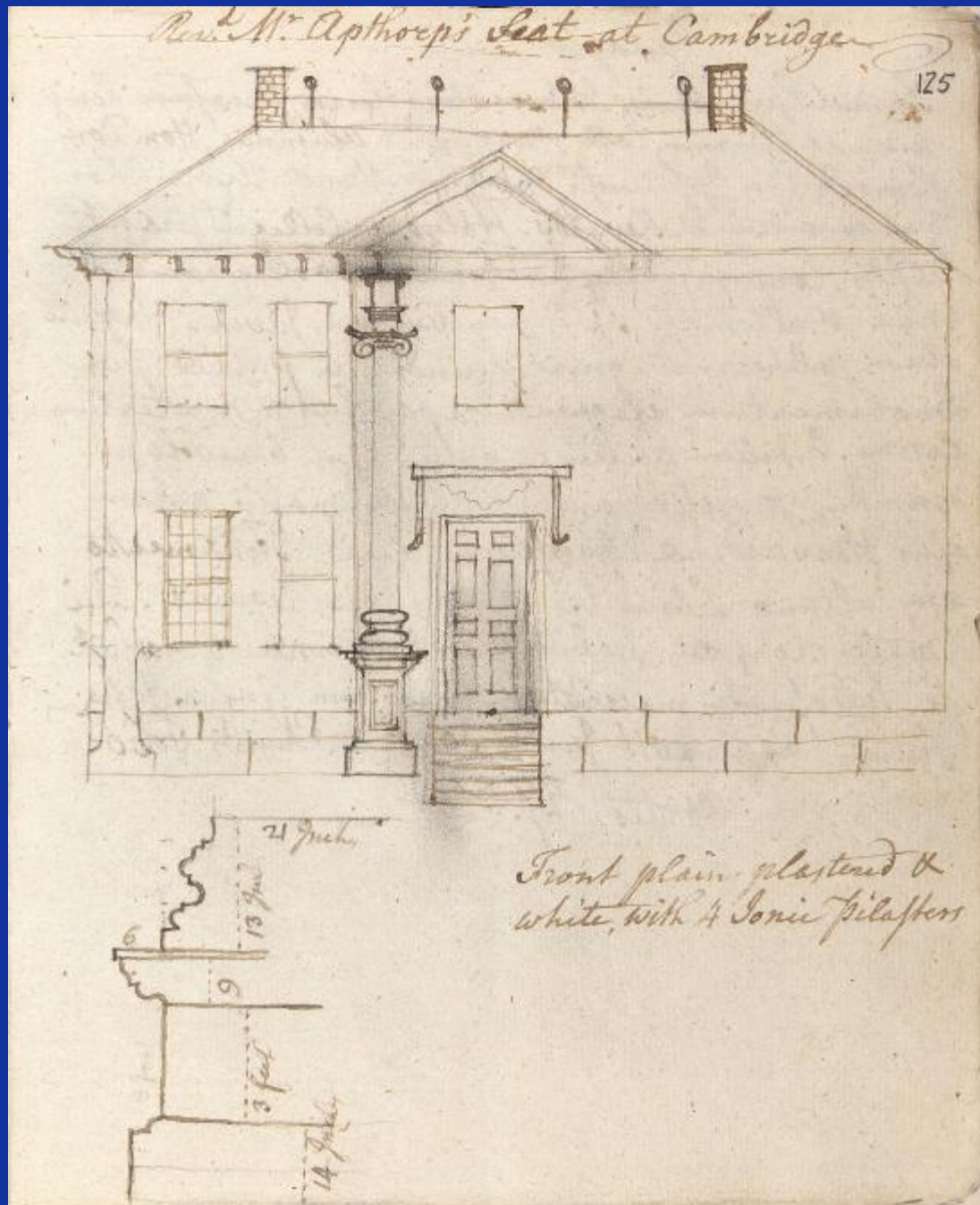




Claverly Hall (1892, George Fogerty, architect)
Construction 2019-2021 Preservation Award 2022



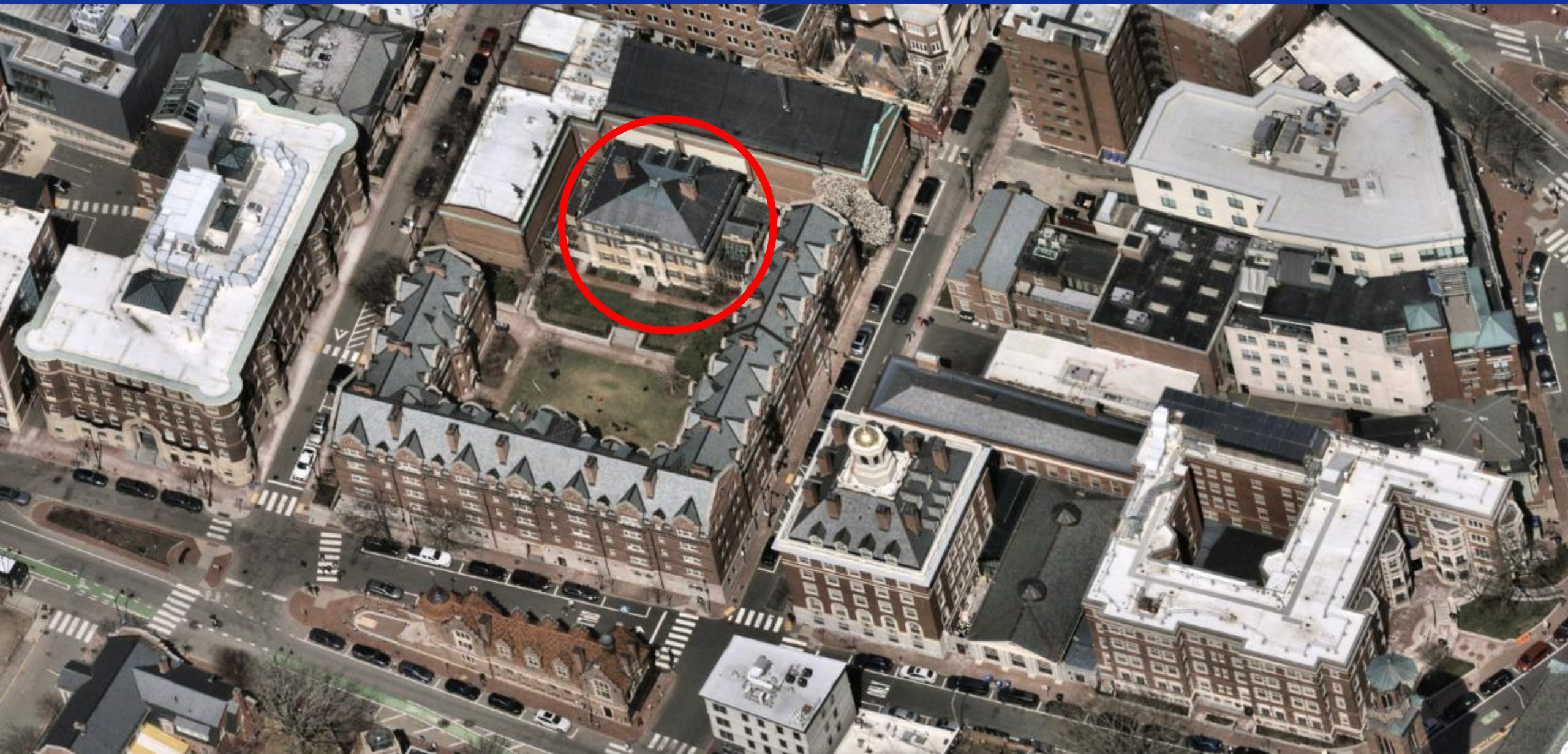
Apthorp House (1760, Peter Harrison, probable designer) Under construction 2019-2021



Ezra Stiles, measured drawing of elevation and details, 1761



Apthorp-Plympton-Manning house, ca 1880







Aphorp House Historic Graffiti



Completed 2021



Randolph Hall (1897, Coolidge & Carlson, architects) Under construction 2021-2023



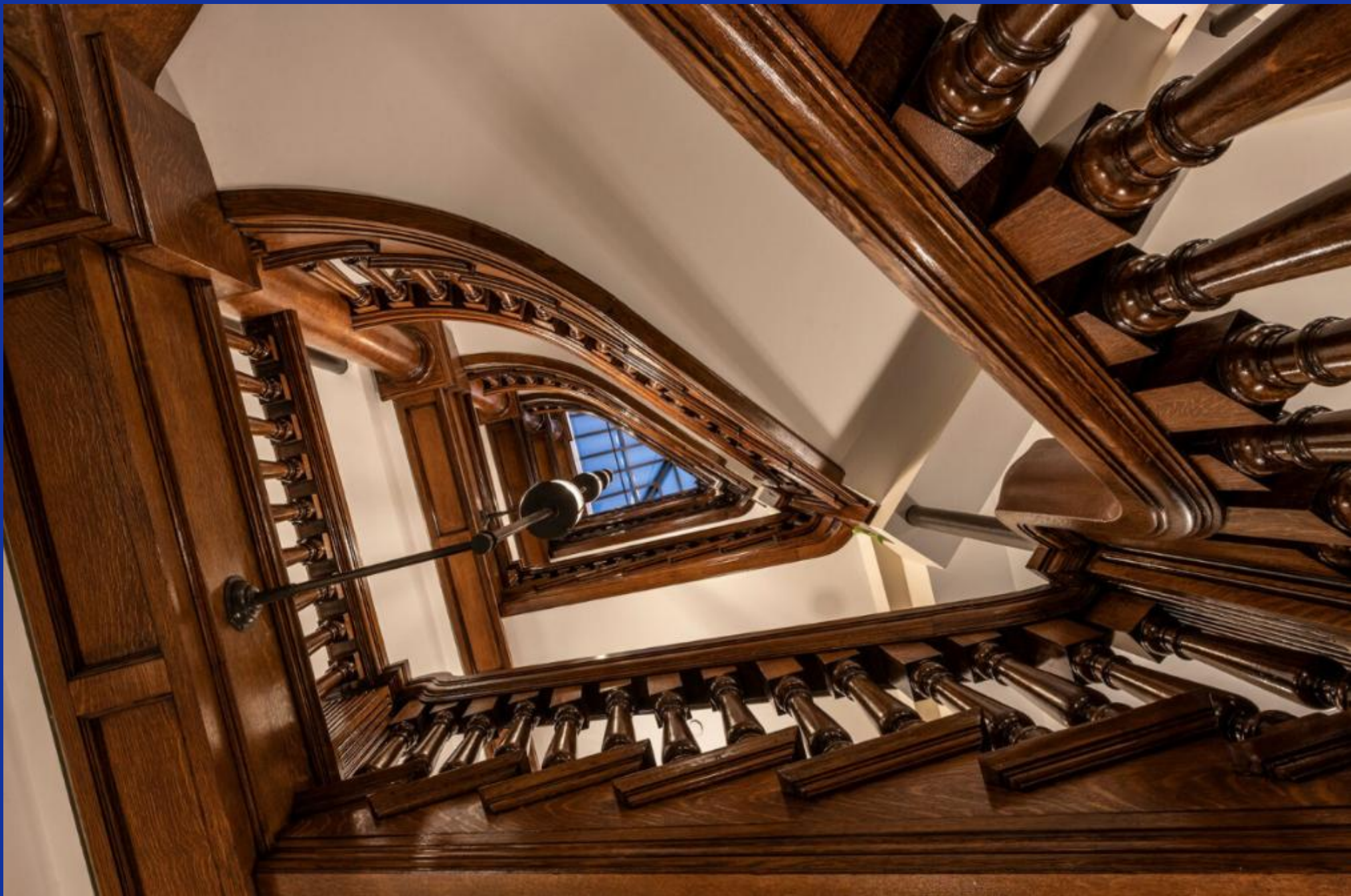
RANDOLPH HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

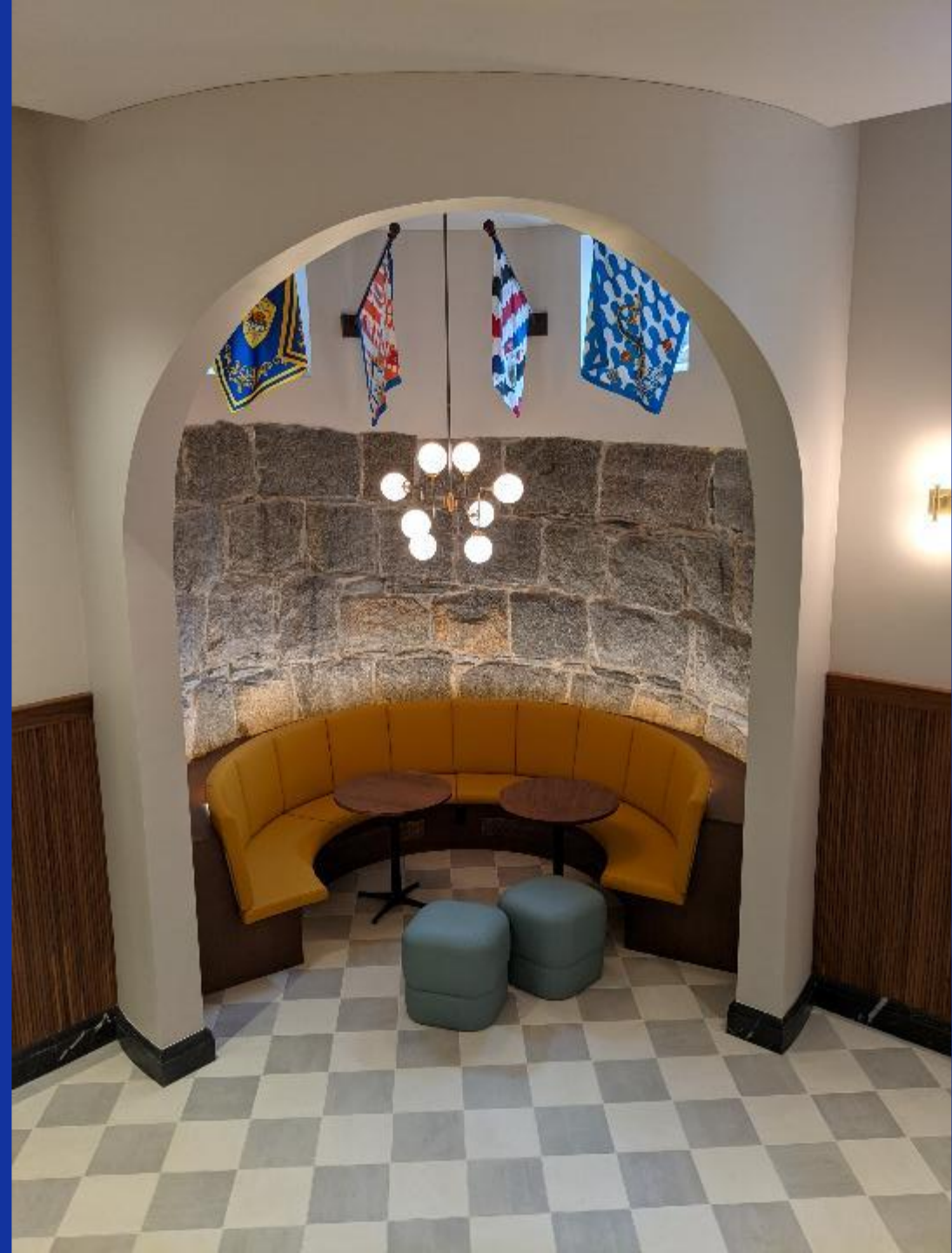
J. R. COULSON, JR., & V. WRIGHT, ARCHT'G, ARCHT'ES.





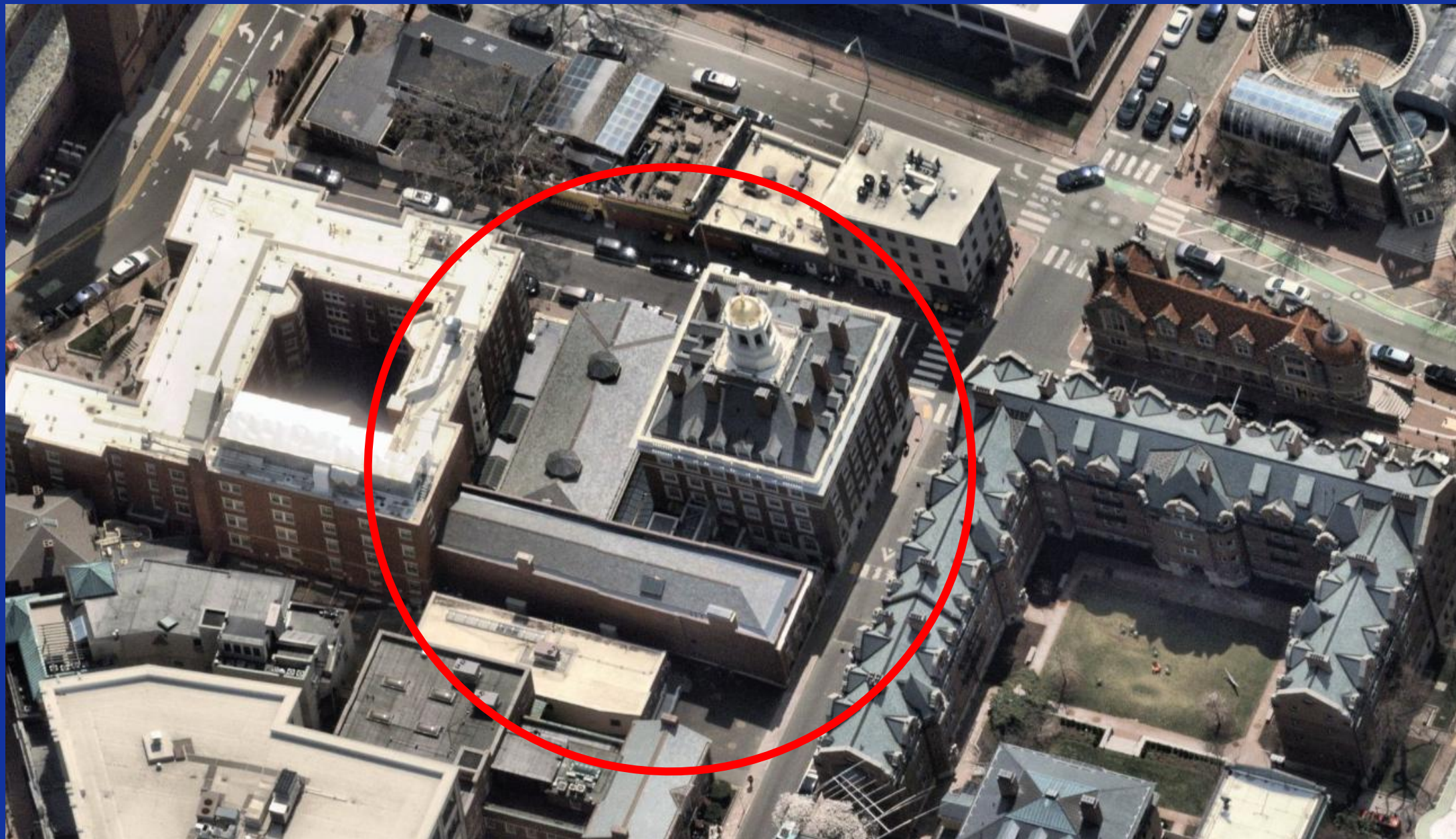








Russell Hall, Adams House Library, and Dining Commons
(1931, Coolidge Shepley Bulfinch & Abbott, Architects)





Russell Hall I (1898, George Fogerty, architect)



Plympton Street with Randolph and Russell Halls

Russell Hall II















Adams House Dining Commons (1930, Coolidge Shepley Bulfinch & Abbott. Architects)









Adams House Library (1931, Coolidge Shepley Bulfinch & Abbott. Architects)





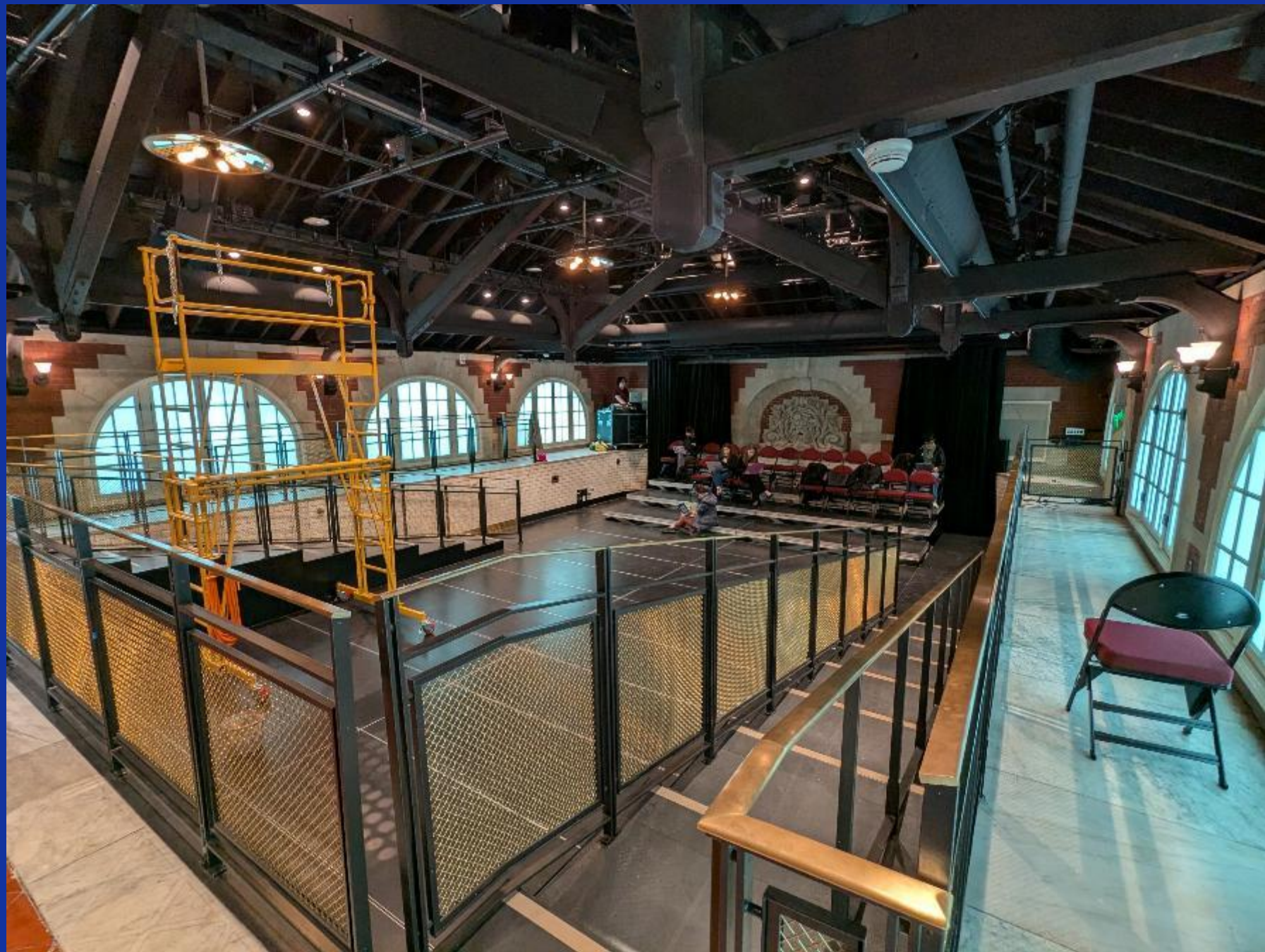
Westmorly Court (1898, Charles D. Wetmore, owner and architect)

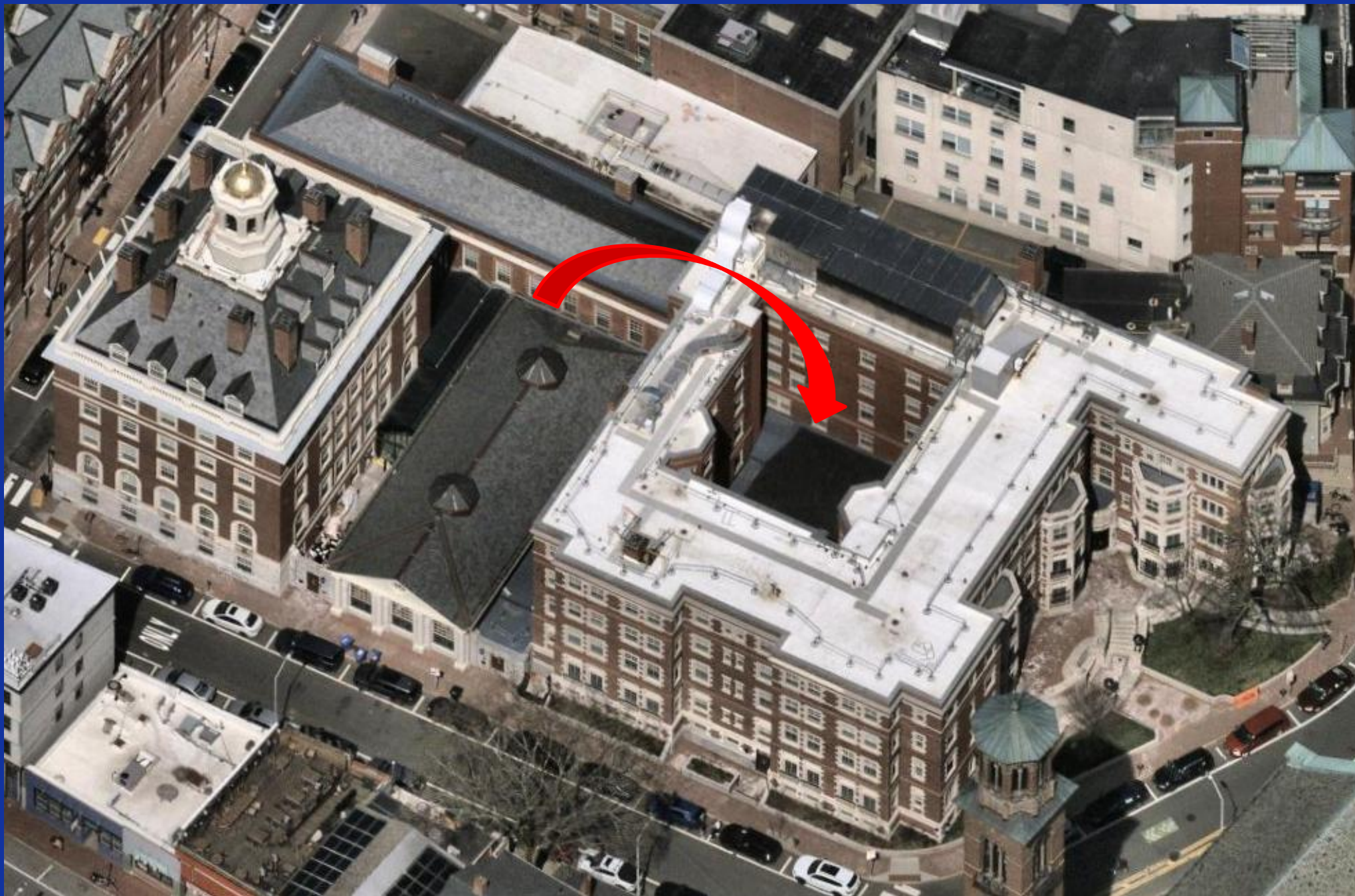






Franklin Delano Roosevelt '04 Suite





Adams House Renewal Harvard University



Owner:

President and Fellows of Harvard College

Project Team:

Cameron Borgasano, Michael Leyne,
Alexandra Offiong, Brad Seamans
Harvard University

Executive Team:

Hopi Hoekstra, Zachary Gingo,
Mercedes Becerra, Salmaan Keshavjee
Harvard University

Architect:

Elizabeth Leber, Nathaniel Rogers,
Aaron Lamport, Michael Doiron
Beyer Blinder Belle

Contractor:

Clavery Hall, Apthorp House &
Randolph Hall

Contractor:

Russell Hall, Library-Commons &
Westmorly Court

Structural Engineer and Envelope Consultants:

Robert O'Leary
Lee Kennedy Construction

Ryan Lynch
Shawmut Design and Construction

Rob Shaeffer, David VanOcker, Tracy Marcotte
CVM

MEP Engineer:

Jonathan Chan, Erin Popa, David Obrzut
Bard, Rao + Athanas

Fire Protection Engineer:

Kevin Callery
Jensen Hughes

Landscape Architect:

Emily Mueller De Celis & Jesse Nicholson
Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, Inc.

Civil Engineer:

Howard Moshier & Kevin Wright
Vanasse Hangen Brustlin

Interiors:

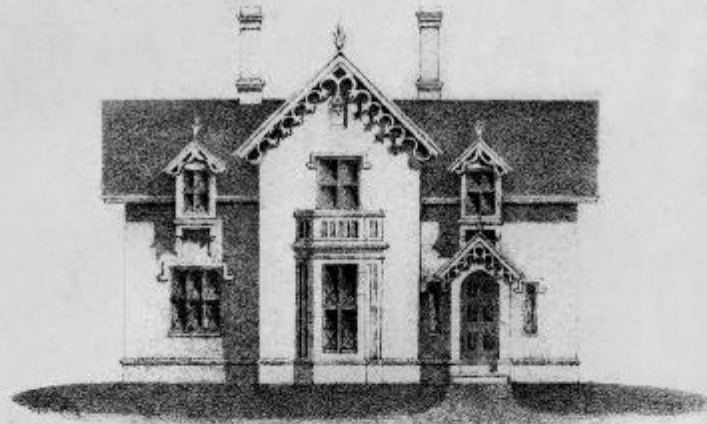
Johnson Roberts Associates

More 2024-2025 Award Winners!

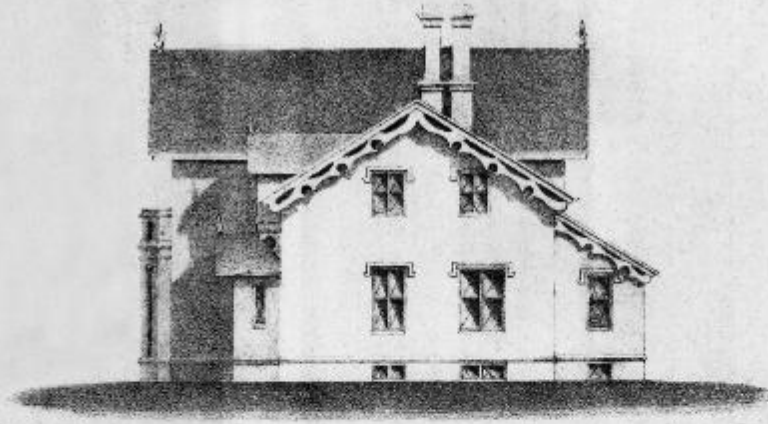
Michael Norton House, 85 Brattle Street (1847)



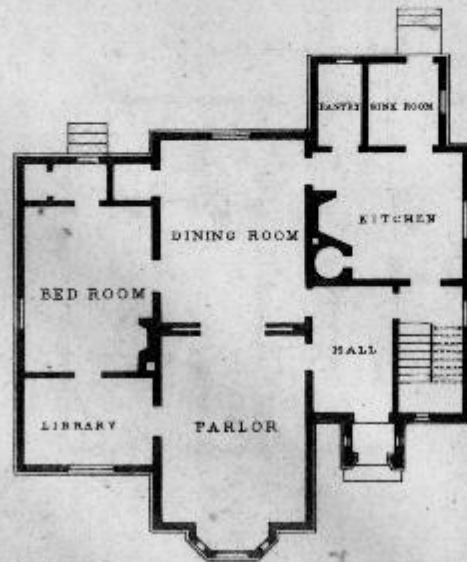
Hildreth and Daniel Potts



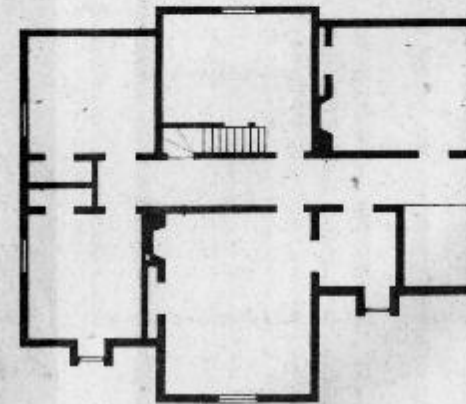
FRONT ELEVATION.



END ELEVATION.



GROUND PLAN.



CHAMBER PLAN.

Henry Austin's "Villa in the Cottage Style" published in the 1847 edition of Chester Hills's *The Builder's Guide*



1890, anonymous photographer



1920, Leon Abdalian



1930-31, Walker Evans



2014











Michael Norton House, 85 Brattle Street (1847)



Owner: Hildreth & Daniel Potts

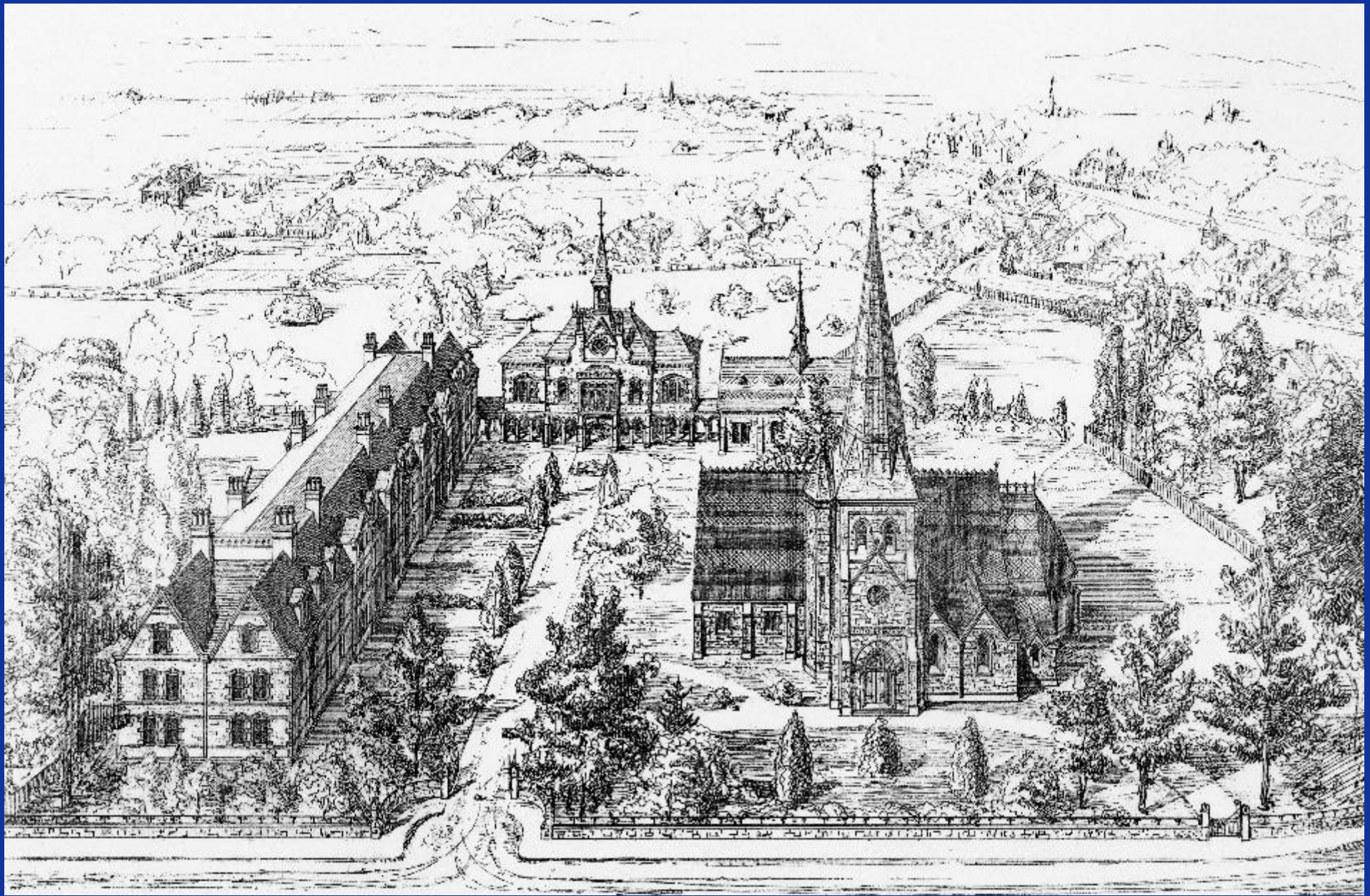
Contractor: Paul Dickey & Norm Darisse
Tom Curren Companies

Specialized Millwork: J. P. Moriarty Millwork

Lesley University, South Campus



Lesley University



Episcopal Theological School master plan (1871, Ware & Van Brunt, architects)



Reed and Burnham Halls (1871, Ware & Van Brunt, architects)



Reed Hall

Walker Evans, 1930-31





2022



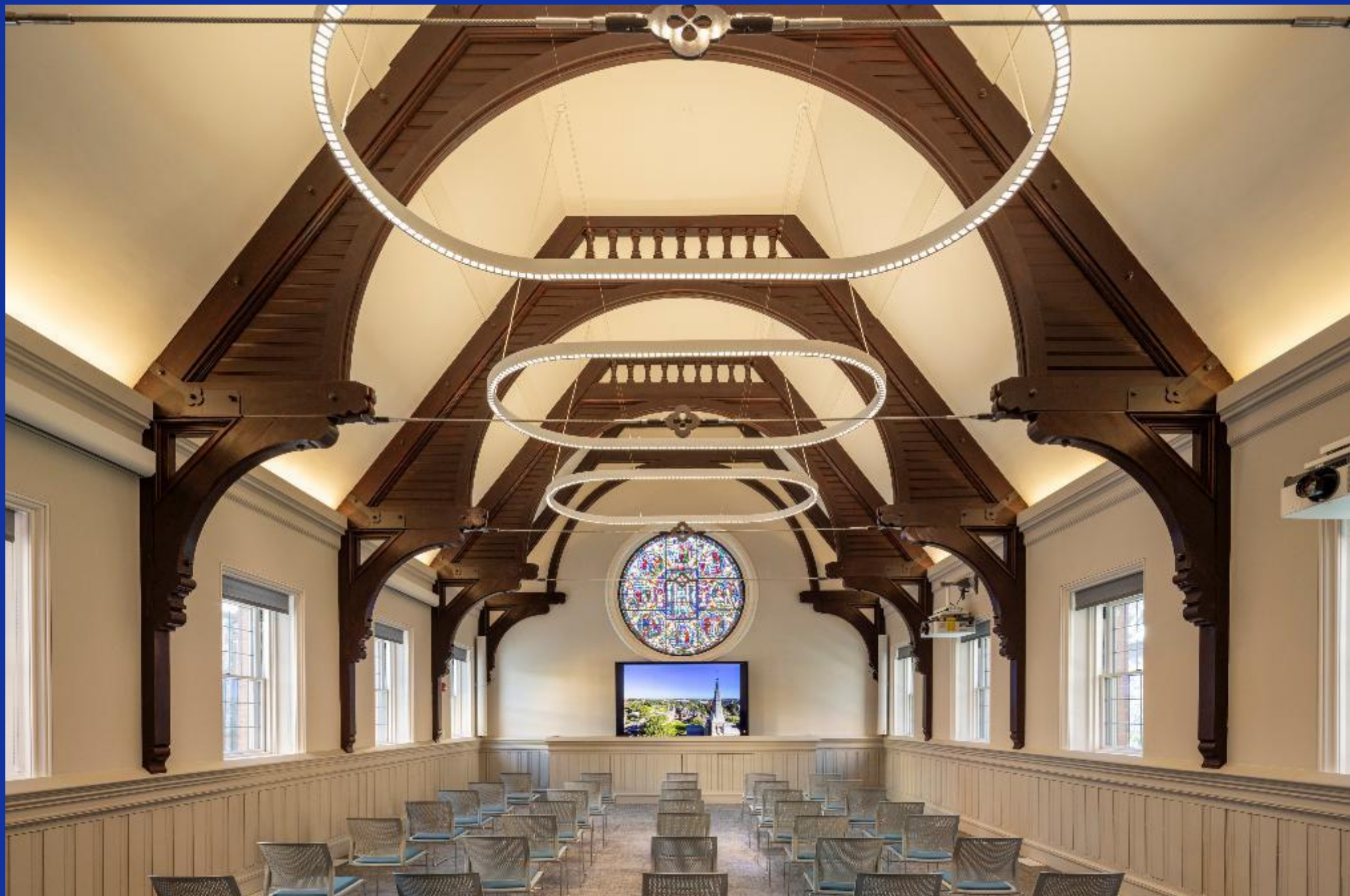
Susan Maycock, CHC; Frank Giordano, Centerbrook; Kelly Lyons, Shawmut;
Sue Wyeth, Centerbrook; Susan Swartz, Shawmut, Nov. 1, 2023

















Lesley University, South Campus



Owner:

Janet Steinmayer, President
Lesley University

Executive Team:

Joanne Kossuth, COO
Lesley University

Architect:

Todd Andrews, Andrew Demelia,
Frank Giordano, Andrew Safran, Susan Wyeth
Centerbrook Architects and Planners

Construction:

Brad Cadieux & Stephanie Swartz
Shawmut Design and Construction

Landscape Architect:

Matt Langan, Megan Little
Stimson Studio

Structural Engineer:

Ken Anderson

Girard & Co. Engineers, LLC

Civil Engineer:

Marissa Valentino

Nitsch Engineering, Inc.

MEP Engineer:

Mark Walsh-Cooke, Anna Beheshti
ARUP

Audio/Visual and Acoustics:

Matthew Moore

Cavanaugh Tocci Associates, Inc.

Lighting Design:

Dan Weissman

LAM Partners

Building Envelope:

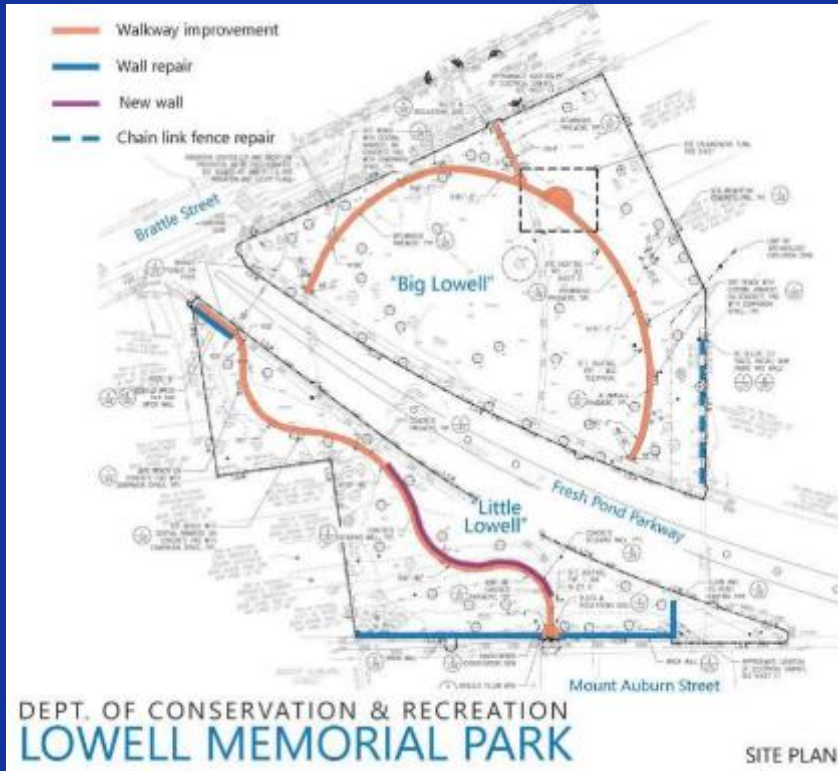
Jonathan Leavitt

Leavitt Associates, Inc.

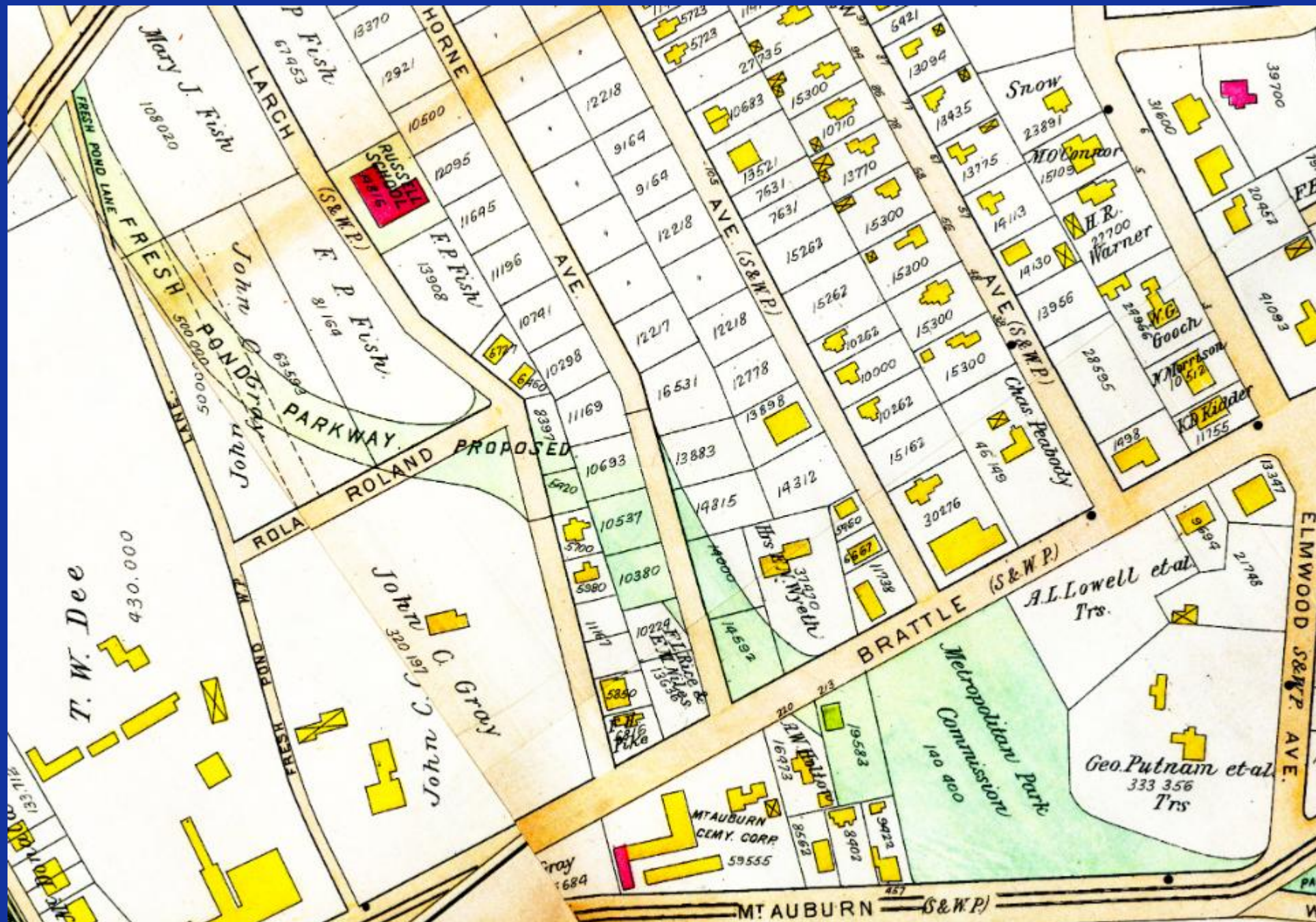
Signage:

Brad Collins
Group C Inc.

Lowell Memorial Park, Brattle Street at Fresh Pond Parkway



Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation



1900 Atlas of Middlesex County





FRESH POND PARKWAY—LOWELL MEMORIAL PARK





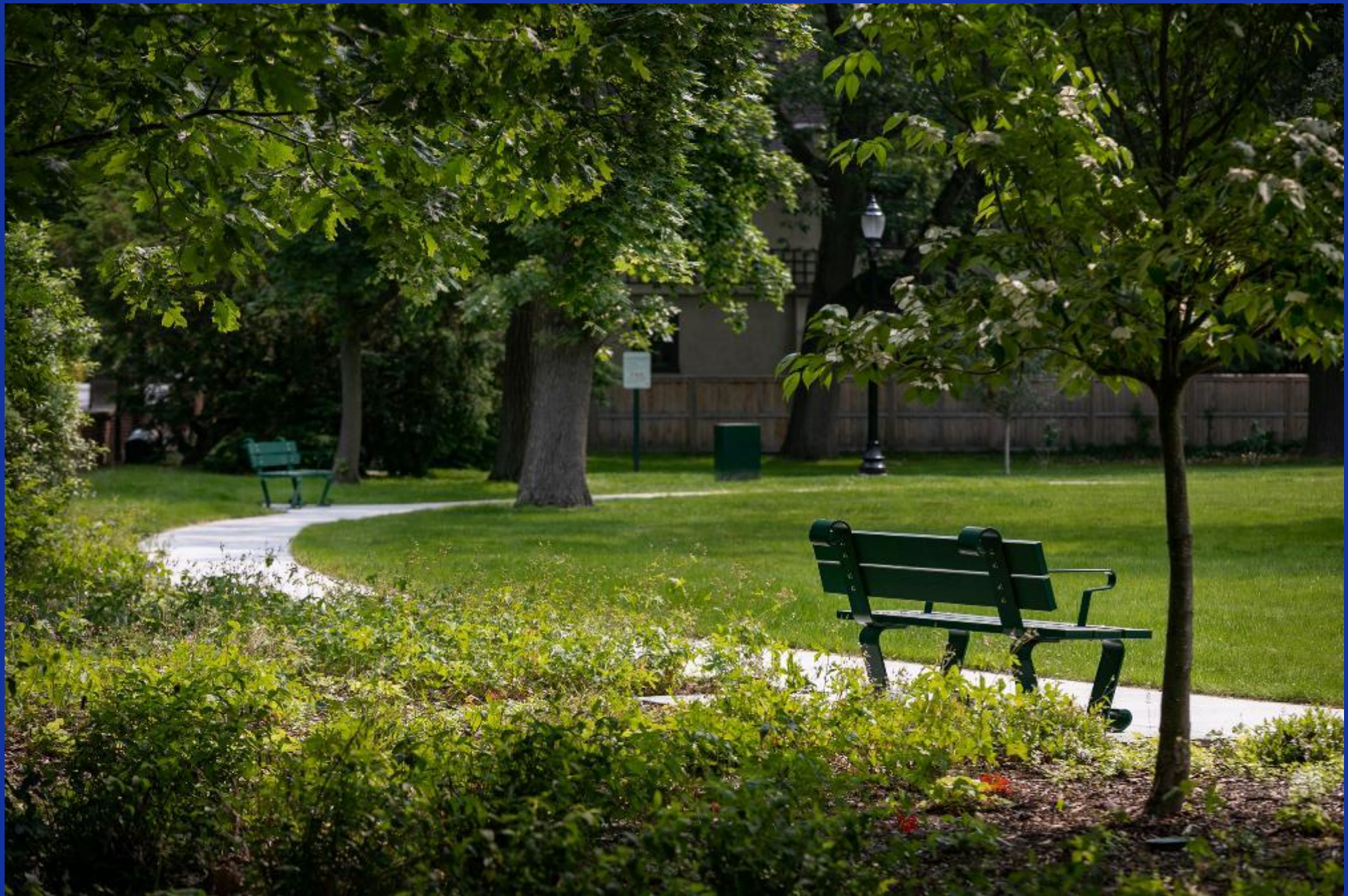
2016





2016











Lowell Memorial Park, Brattle Street at Fresh Pond Parkway



Owner:

Wendy Pearl, Director, Office of Cultural Resources
*Massachusetts Department of Conservation
and Recreation*

Landscape Architect:

Danielle Desilets
Kyle Zick Landscape Architecture, Inc.

Contractor:

Keith Little
JJ Phelan & Son, Co. Inc.

Supporters:

Martha Stearns, Janet Burns & Jan Ferrara
Cambridge Plant and Garden Club

Sally Rubin
Popplestone Foundation

Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation

Elphalet Davis house (1841), 137-139 Cherry Street



Ganesh and Elizabeth Ramkissoon





Margaret Fuller House, 71 Cherry Street (1807)



1965



138-162 Cherry Street, ca. 1950, a vacant lot from 1935 until 1983









Elphalet Davis house (1841), 137-139 Cherry Street



Owner:

Ganesh & Elizabeth Ramkissoon

Contractor:

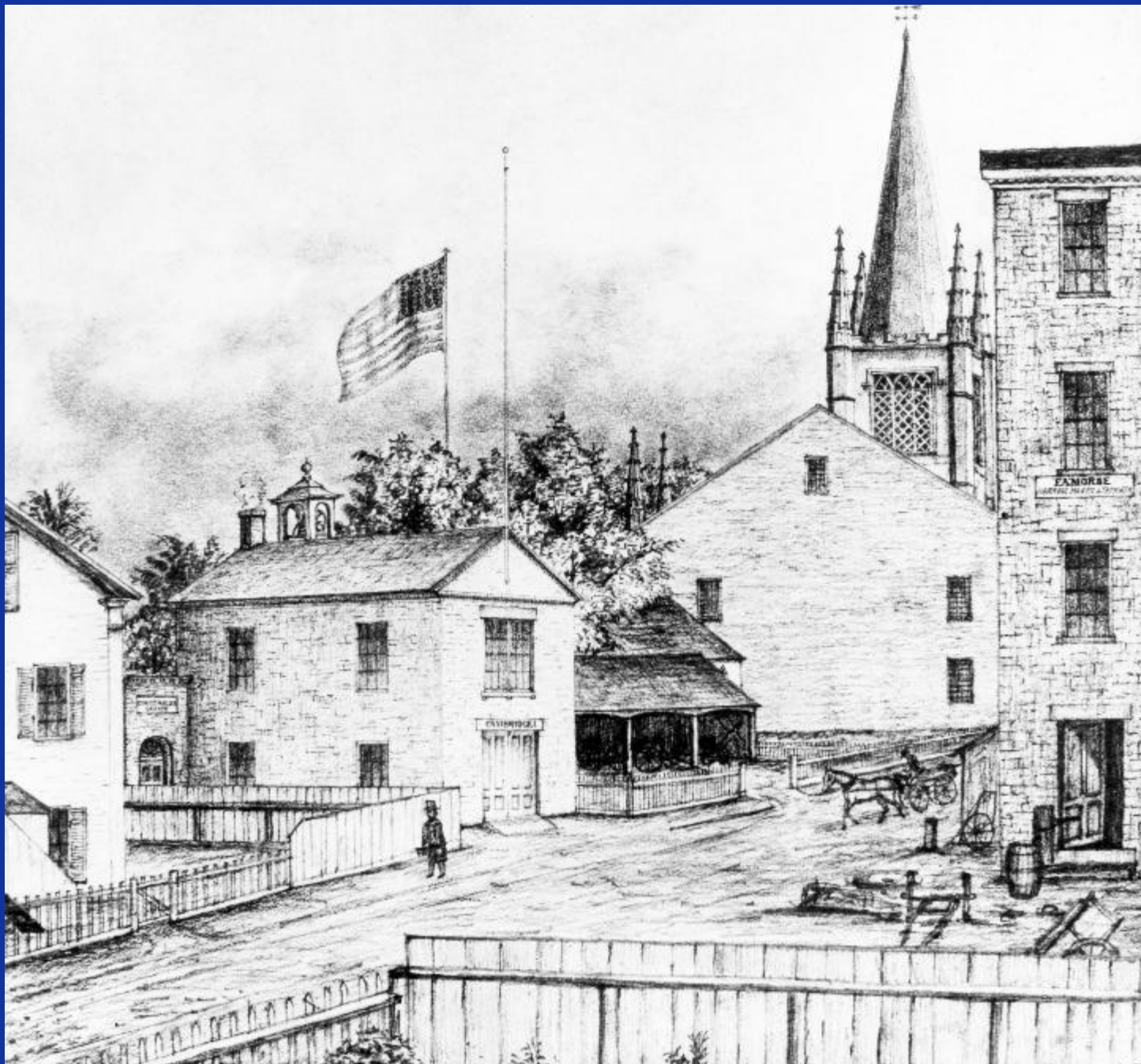
Ganesh Ramkissoon

Cambridge Electric Light Co. showroom (1936)

23 Church Street



First Church of Christ, Scientist



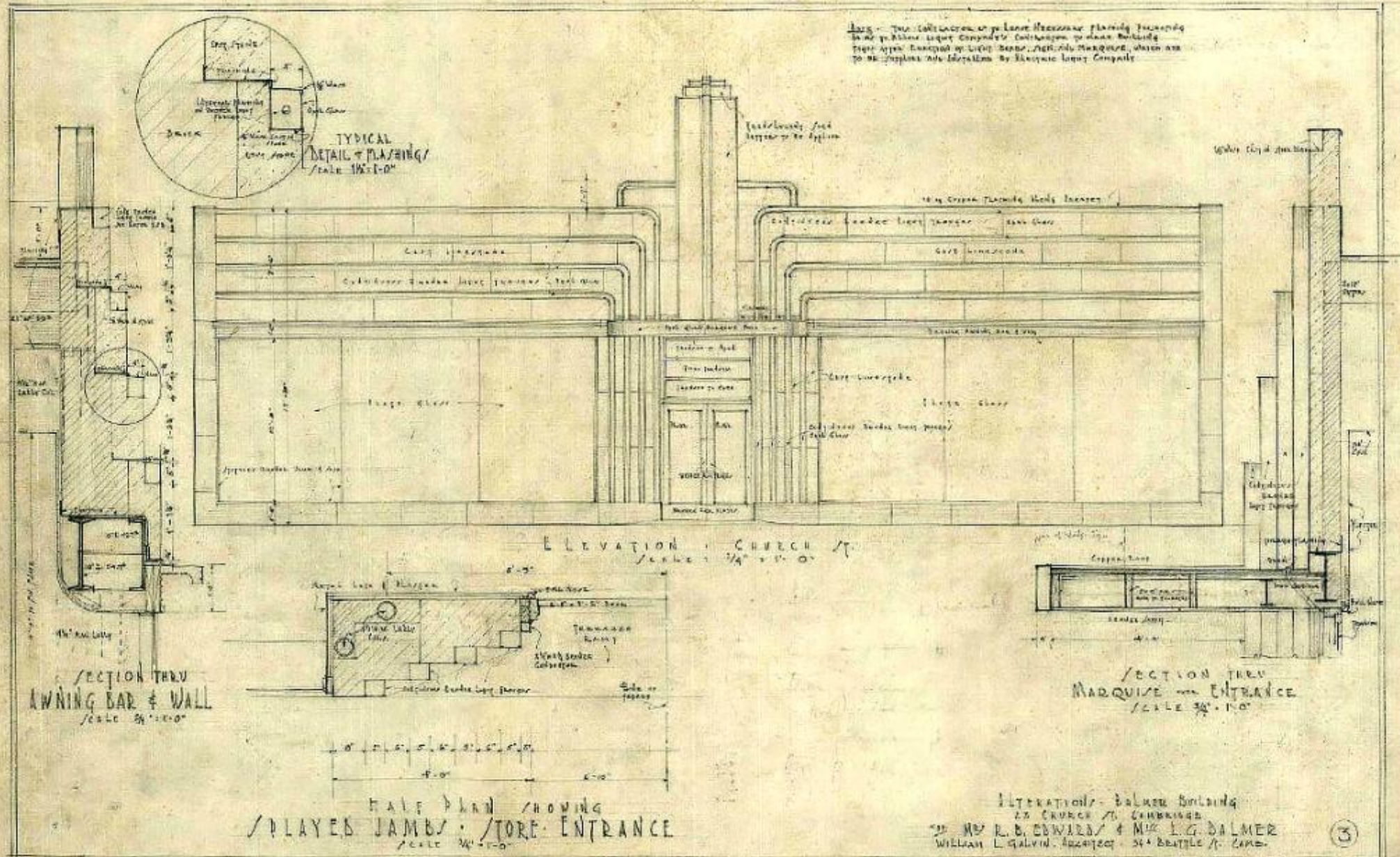
Church Street looking east, with CPD Station 1, CFD Cambridge 1, William Balmer's Forge, and the First Parish Church, ca. 1857–64



Balmer's Forge, 23-25 Church Street, ca. 1885



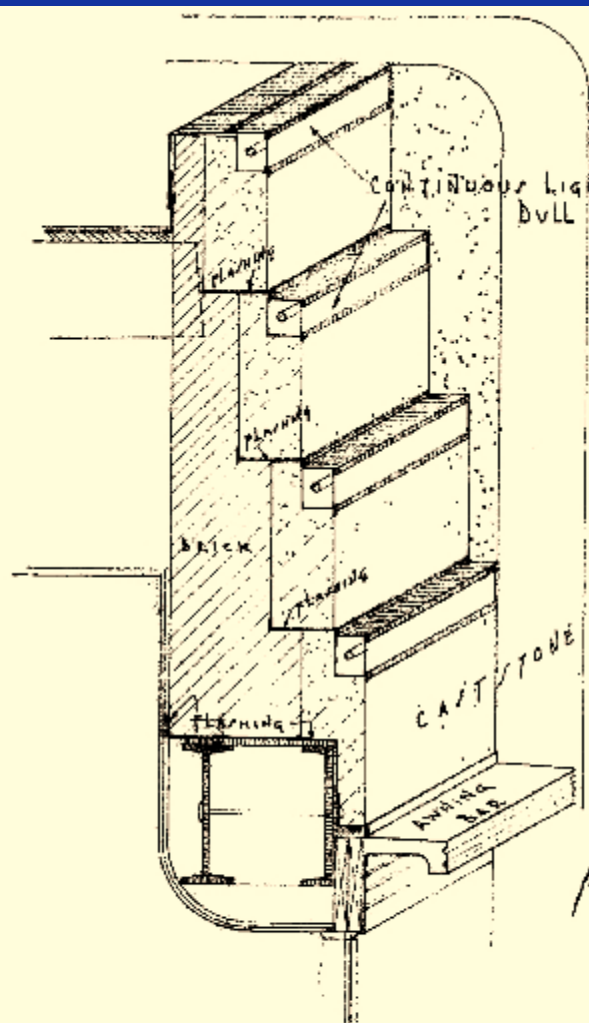
William Balmer's carriage factory, 23–25 Church Street (1894, Marshall N. Stearns, builder)



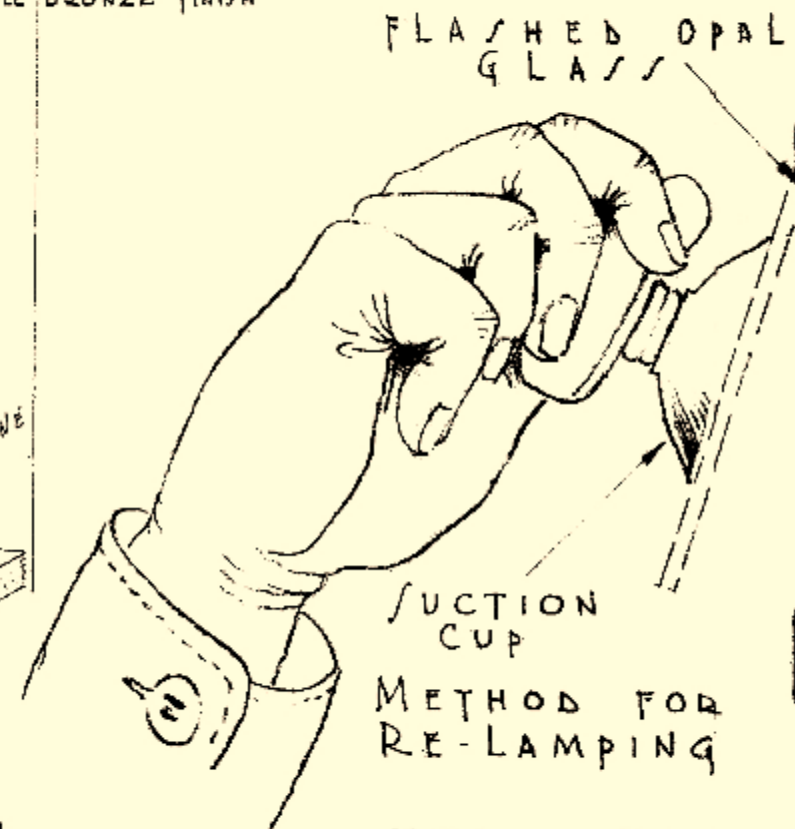


Cambridge Electric Light Co. store, 23-25 Church Street (1936, William L. Galvin, architect



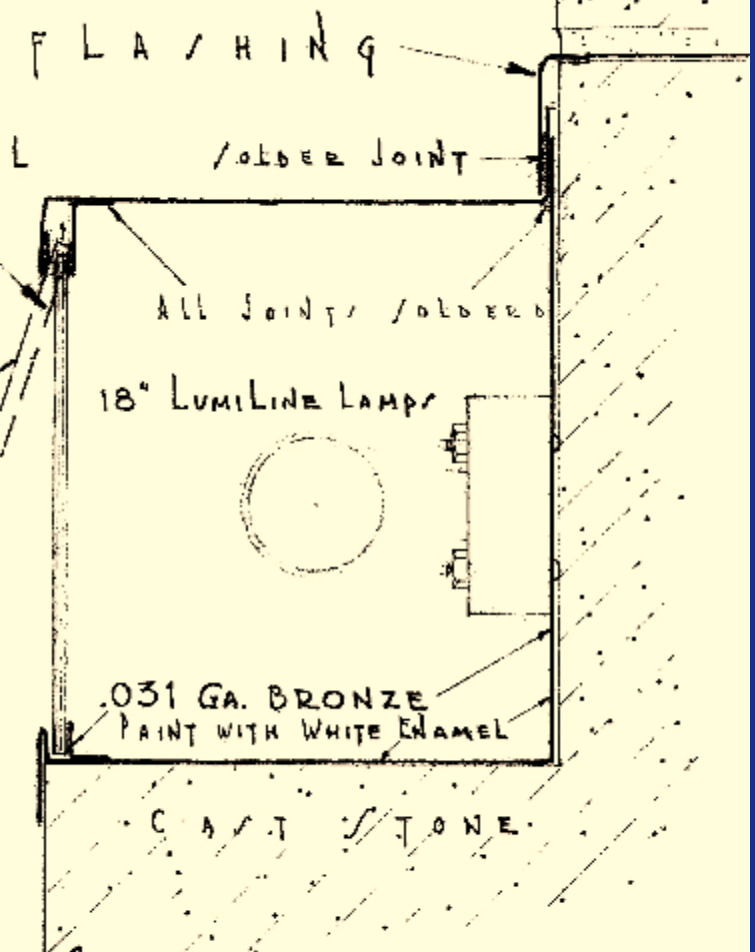


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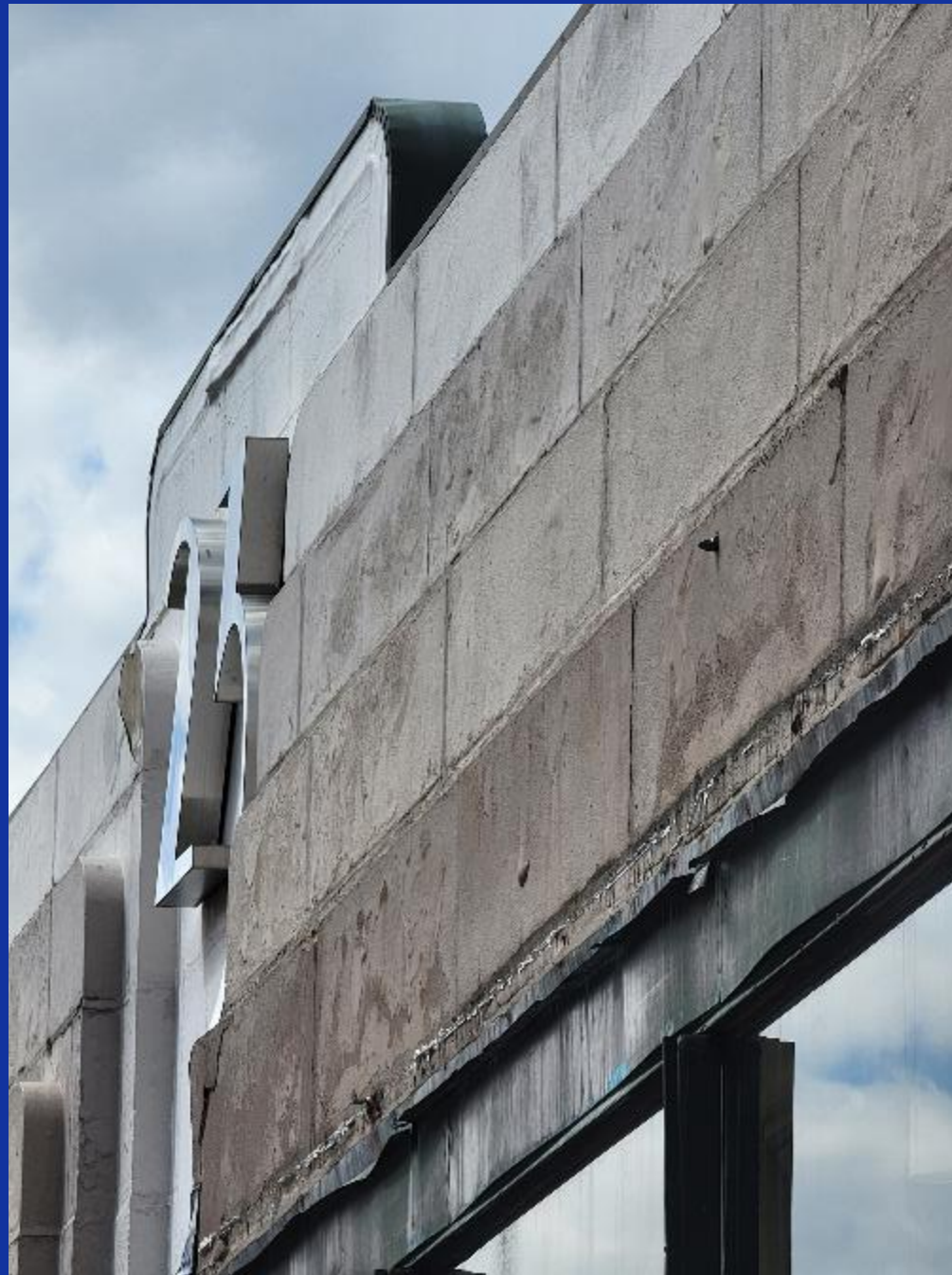
Cambridge Chronicle, Sept. 4, 1941



1976



23 Church Street as renovated and painted in 1986



2022









Cambridge Electric Light Co. showroom (1936)

23 Church Street



Owner:

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Project Manager:

Elliott Reinert

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Lighting Design:

Jason Fredette, Richard Poyant,

Stephanie Poyant Moran,

Poyant Signs

Electrical Work:

Tom Kuik

Kuik Electric

Masonry Restoration:

Marcos Almada

Almada Masonry

Roofing:

Rodrigo Almeida, Sara Pontes

RB Farina Roofing Co.

Color Consultant:

Susan Maycock

First Church of Christ, Scientist

James and Joseph Caller House (1868), 23-25 Ellery Street



Broadbridge Construction, LLC



- 1935 Last time painted
- 1948 Rooming house
- 1950 Replace slate
- 1951 Reside
- 1962 Repair fire damage

23-25 Ellery Street (1868); photo 1965









James and Joseph Caller House (1868), 23-25 Ellery Street



Owner:

Gueve Ataie & Lilian Ross
Broadbridge Real Estate

Architect:

John Buckley
John Buckley Architecture & Design

Construction:

Gueve Ataie
Broadbridge Real Estate

Landscape Architect:

Jon Ouellette
Studio Ouellette Inc.

Engineer:

Michael Davidson
Davidson Engineering

Interior Design:

Rebecca Walsh
RSW Development & Design, Inc

Broadbridge Construction, LLC

Archibald C. Gove House (1885), 29 Maple Avenue

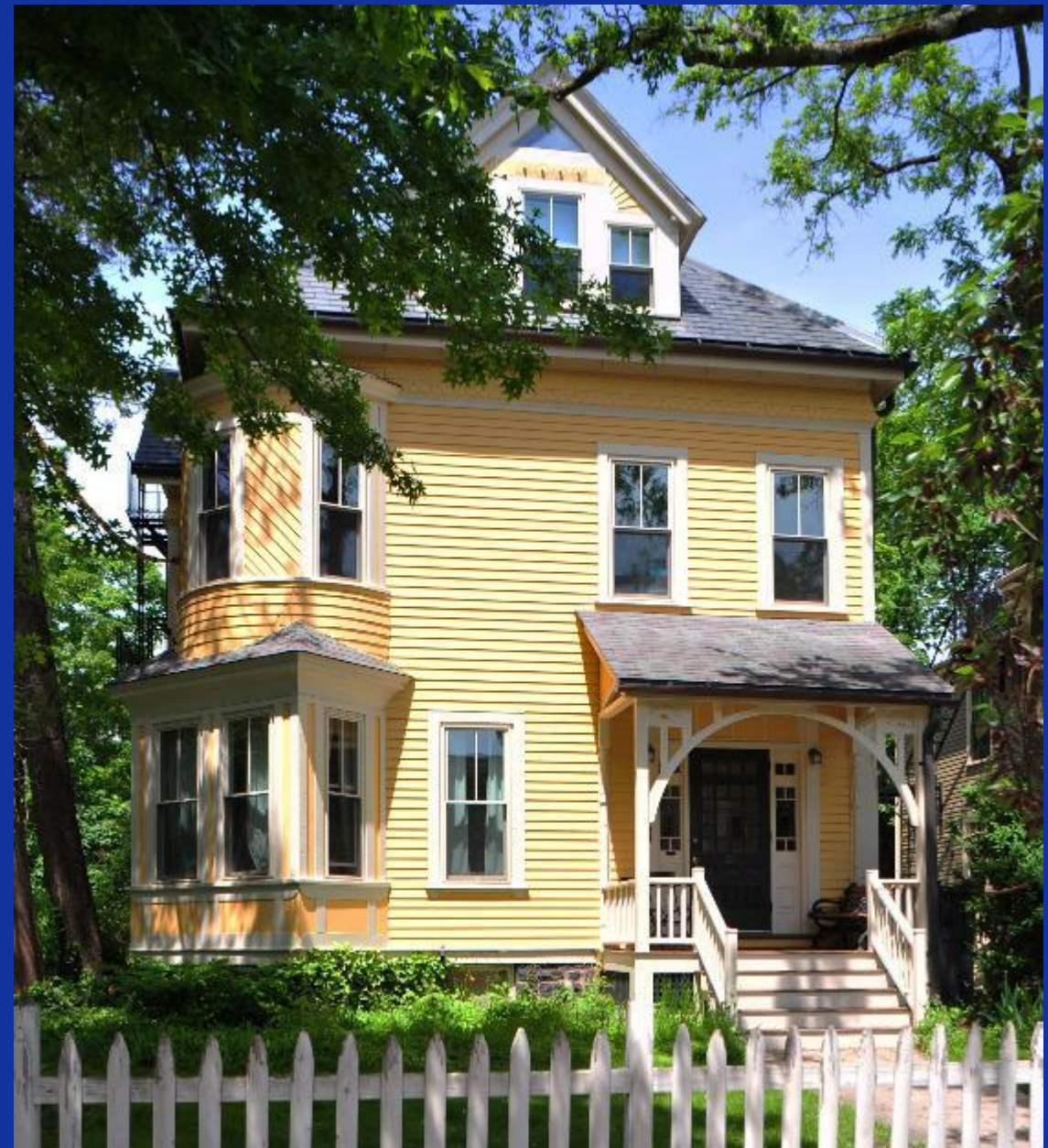


Carl Rasmussen with Abby Bass and Anders Rasmussen

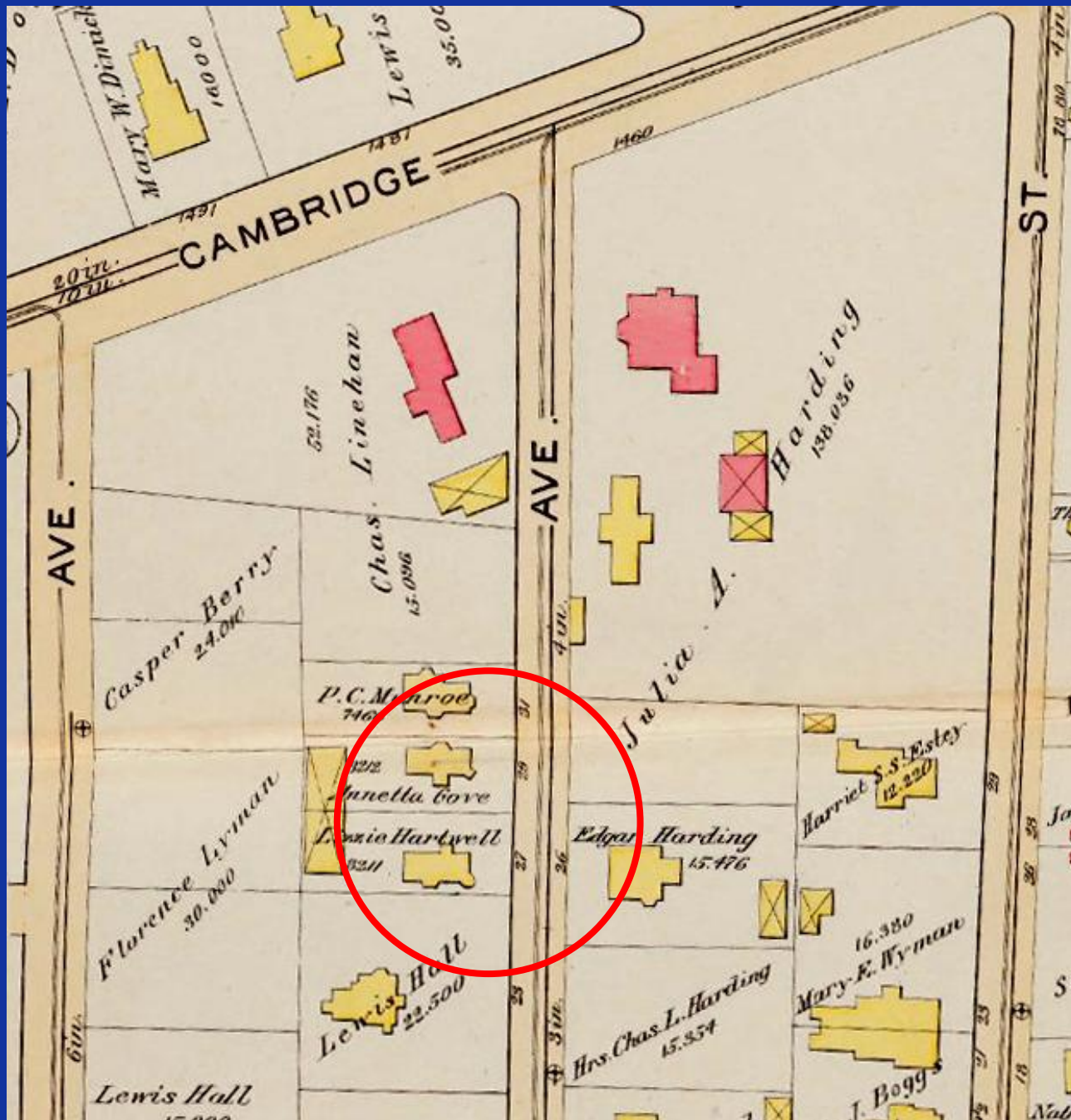




William and Lizzie Hartwell house, 27 Maple Avenue



Archibald and Annetta Gove house, 29 Maple Avenue



Archibald Gove (1847-1917)

New Hope, Pa. - Milk contractor

Annette E. Gove (1850-1924)

Weare, N.H.

William H. Hartwell (1835-1890)

Littleton, Mass. - Hay & grain dealer

Lizzie Hartwell (1841-)

Sterling, Mass.

Henry Walker Hartwell (1833-1919)

Boston and Littleton, Mass. – architect,
Hartwell & Richardson

1894 Cambridge Atlas



27 Maple Avenue and 29 Maple Avenue (both 1885)

Archibald C. Gove House (1885), 29 Maple Avenue



Owner:

Carl Rasmussen,
Abby Bass and Anders Rasmussen

Contractor:

Colin Hamell

Painting:

RB Painting Company

Mason:

Jose Vidal Cruz

Electrician:

Brad Sonia
New England Dynamics

Carl Rasmussen with Abby Bass and Anders Rasmussen

Wadsworth House (1726), 1731 Massachusetts Ave.



Harvard University





Massachusetts Avenue prior to widening 12' in 1894





September 2020 – Roofing and gutter replacement, dormers rebuilt







2024

































Wadsworth House (1726), 1731 Massachusetts Ave.



Owner:

President and Fellows of Harvard College

Project Team:

*Miguel Escuer & Diane Gray
Harvard University*

Architect:

*Oliver Radford & Dan Fischer
Perry and Radford Architects*

Contractor:

*Jared Cianciolo, Maitane Sesma,
Benjamin Phaneuf, Zachary Tarolli
Consigli Construction*

Structural Engineer:

*David Tuckey
LeMessurier Consultants*

Preservation Consultant:

*Colleen Chapin
Building Conservation Associates, Inc.*

MEP Engineer:

*Mike Peugh
CMTA Inc.*

Mechanical Engineer:

*Joseph Dussault
DMC Consulting Engineers*

Fire Protection and Alarm
Engineer:

*Kevin Callery
Jensen Hughes*

Architectural Preservation:

*Robert Muckle
M&A Architectural Preservation*

Harvard University

Porter Square Theater & Stores (1927), 2000 Massachusetts Ave.



Mass Ave Property LLC (Raymond Bandar)



Massachusetts Avenue at Beech Street



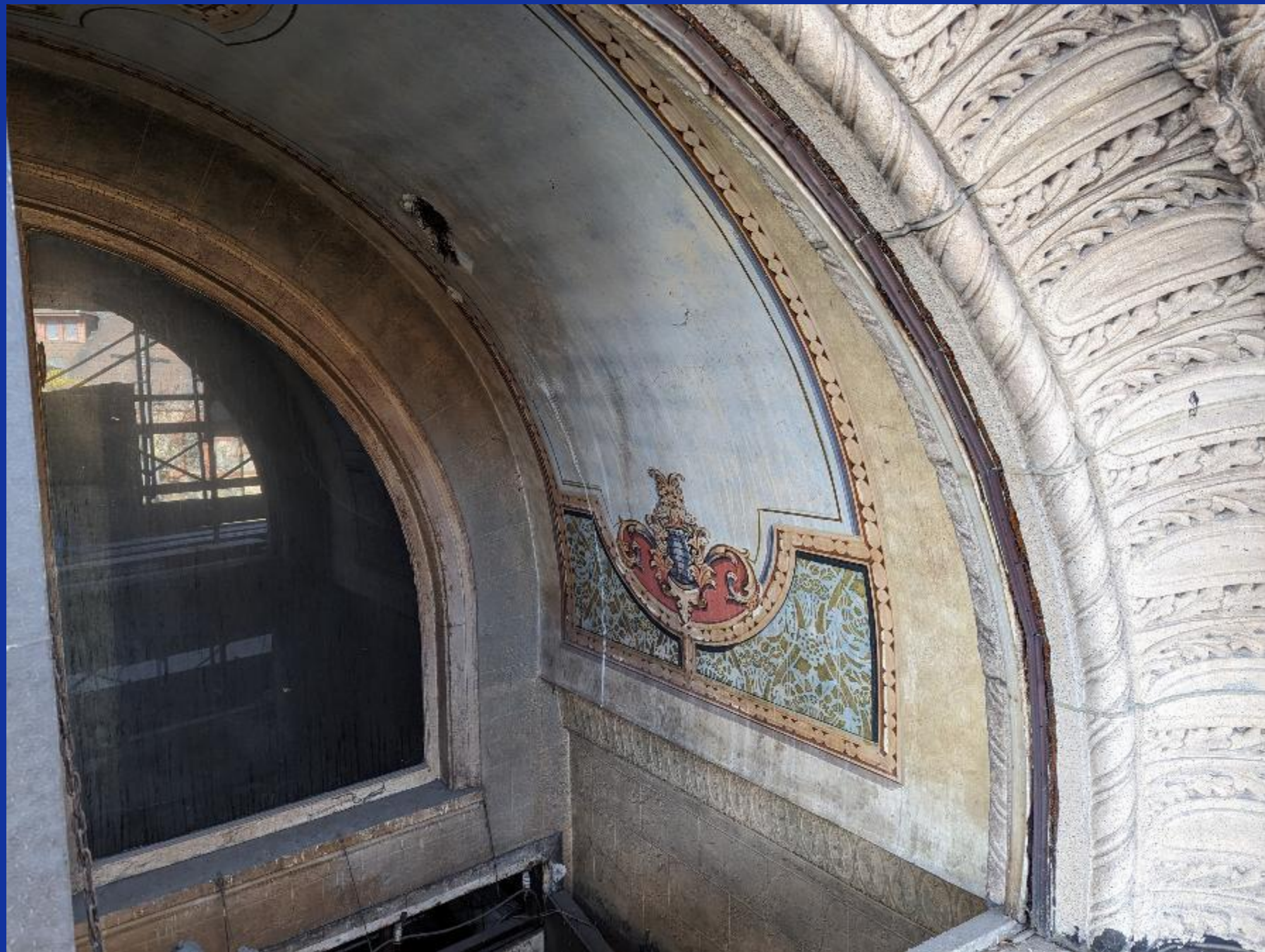
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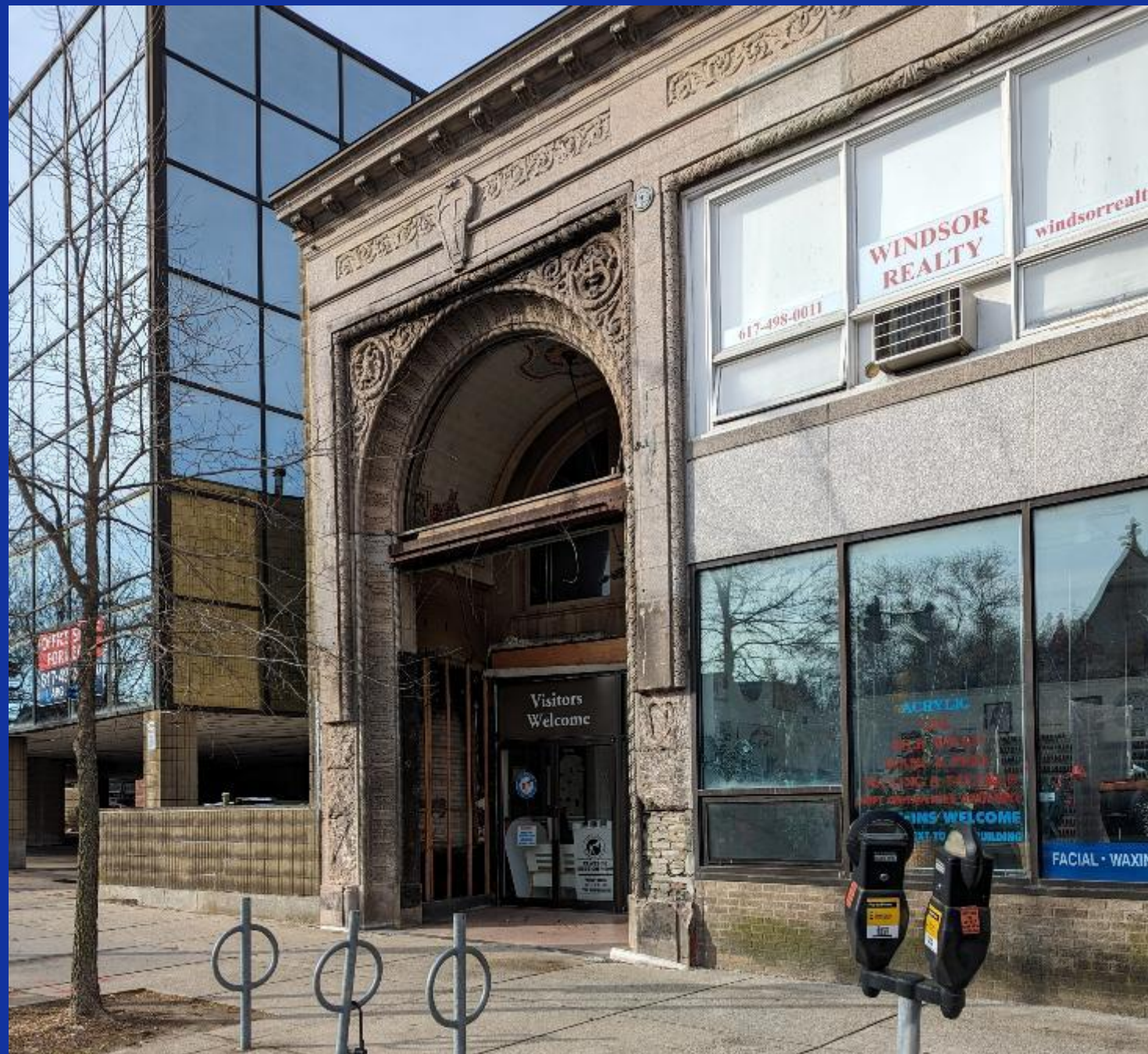
ca. 1930













October 2025!



Porter Square Theater & Stores (1927), 2000 Massachusetts Ave.



Owner:

Raymond Bandar & Stephen Bandar

Architect:

Doug Okun

Construction:

Fred Festa
Festa Construction

Waterproofing:

Joe Ambrose, Renae Tuffy,
Frank LoConte & Anthony LoConte
Acme Waterproofing Company Inc.

Mass Ave Property LLC (Raymond Bandar)

James Thayer and Appleton Hubbard houses (1844 and 1862 9 and 11 Mt. Auburn Street



Mount Auburn MLD, LLC



James Thayer house, 1844



1854



1875



25 MT. AUBURN

0 ARROW ST.

15 MT. AUBURN

11B MT. AUBURN

11A MT. AUBURN

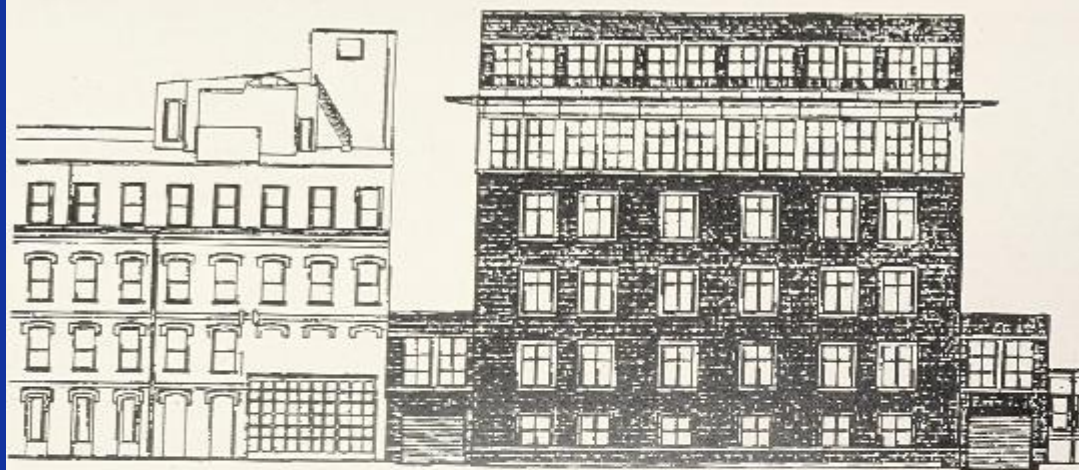
1100 MASS. AVE

MOUNT AUBURN STREET ELEVATION

ZERO ARROW STREET

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Graham Good Architects, Inc.



25 MT. AUBURN

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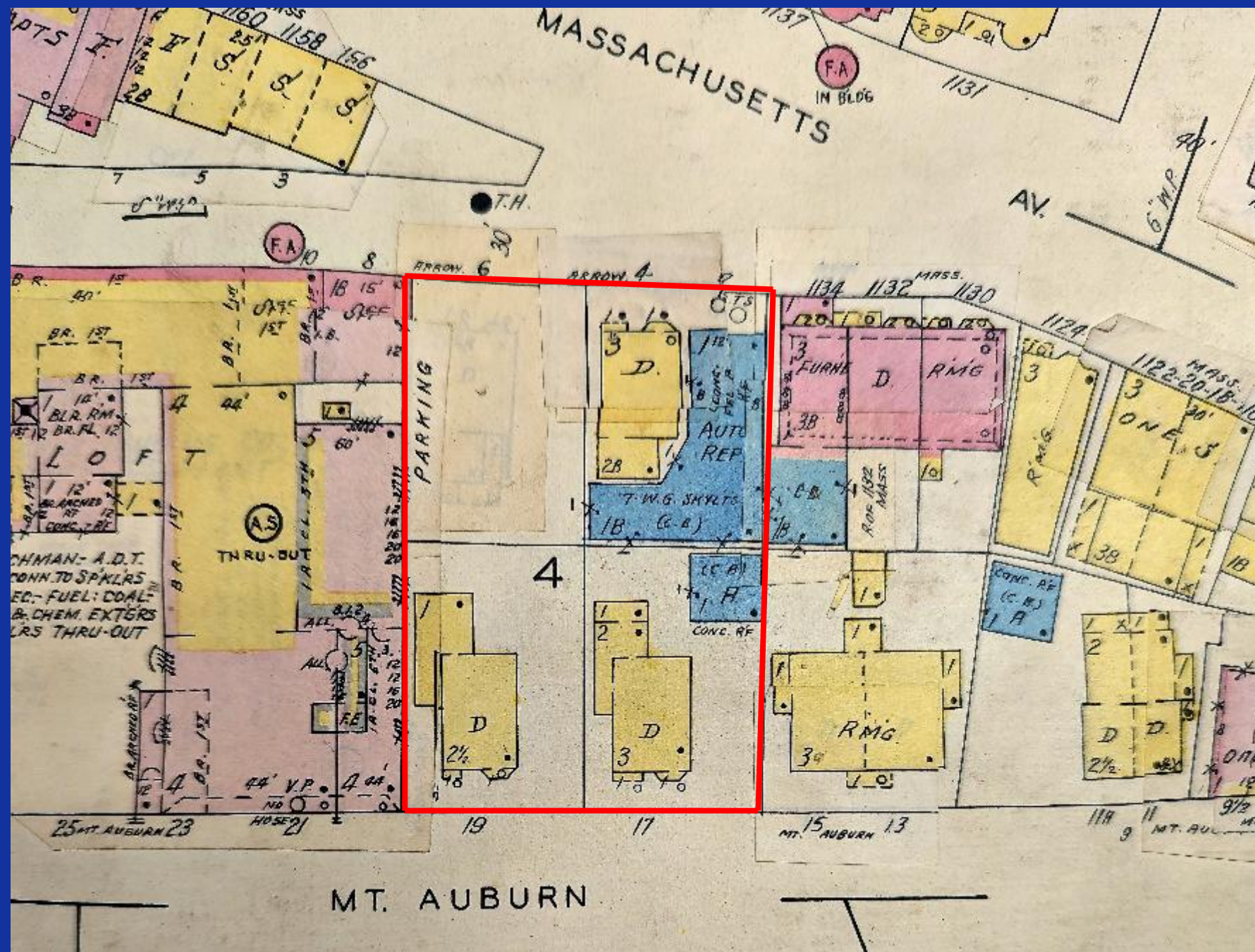
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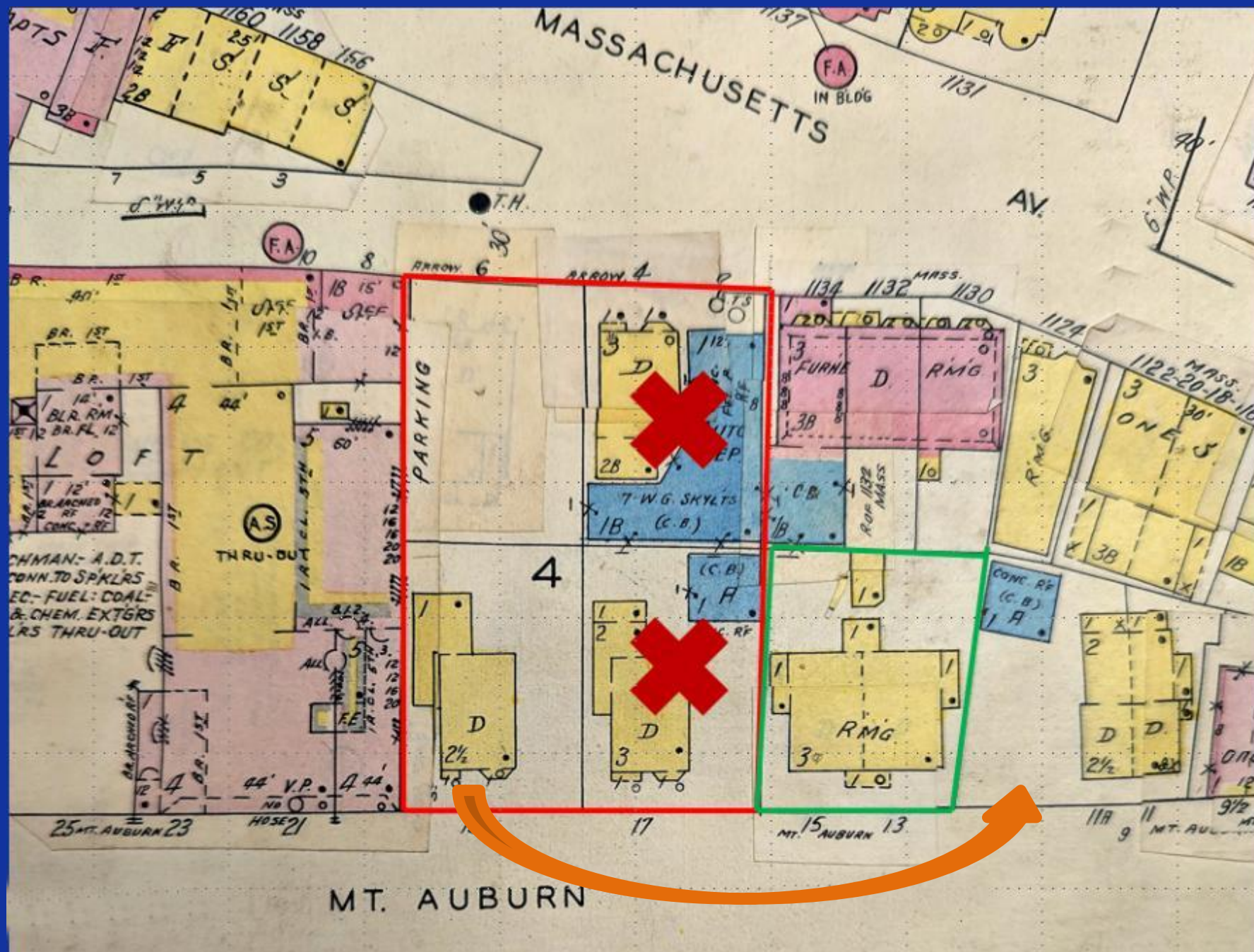
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Graham Good Architects, Inc.

1986



Sanborn Map Co.
1960



Sanborn Map Co.
1960



19 Mt. Auburn Street, October 26, 1988



11 Mt. Auburn Street, October 26, 1998



11 Mt. Auburn Street, November 6, 1988



9 and 11 Mt. Auburn Street, September 11, 1991



2009

James Thayer and Appleton Hubbard houses (1844 and 1862 9 and 11 Mt. Auburn Street



Owner:

Michael Driscoll
Mt. Auburn MLD LLC

Architect:

Adam Glassman
GCD Architects

Contractor:

David Paul
Benjamin William Construction Group

Engineer:

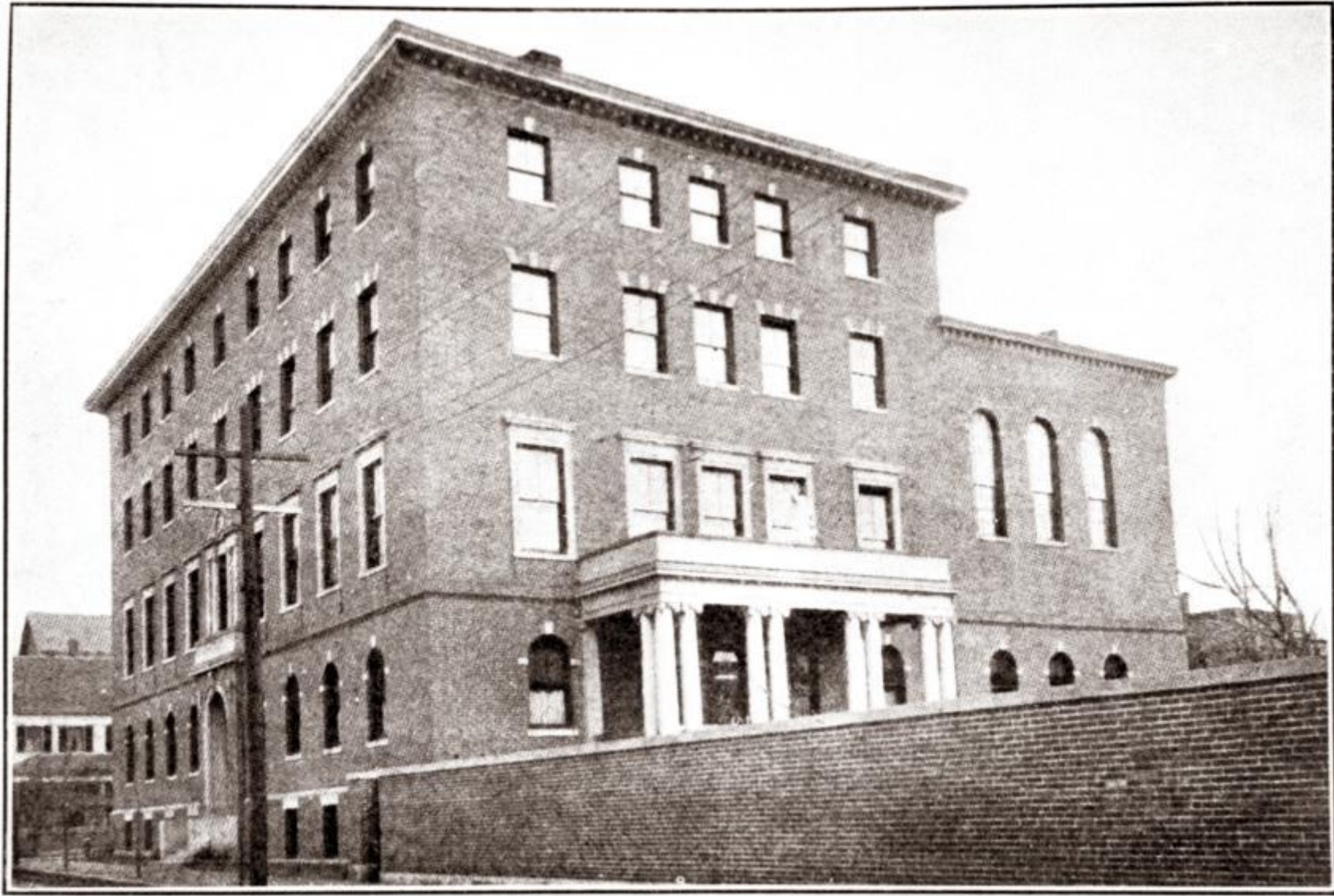
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TLH Consulting, Inc.

Mount Auburn MLD, LLC

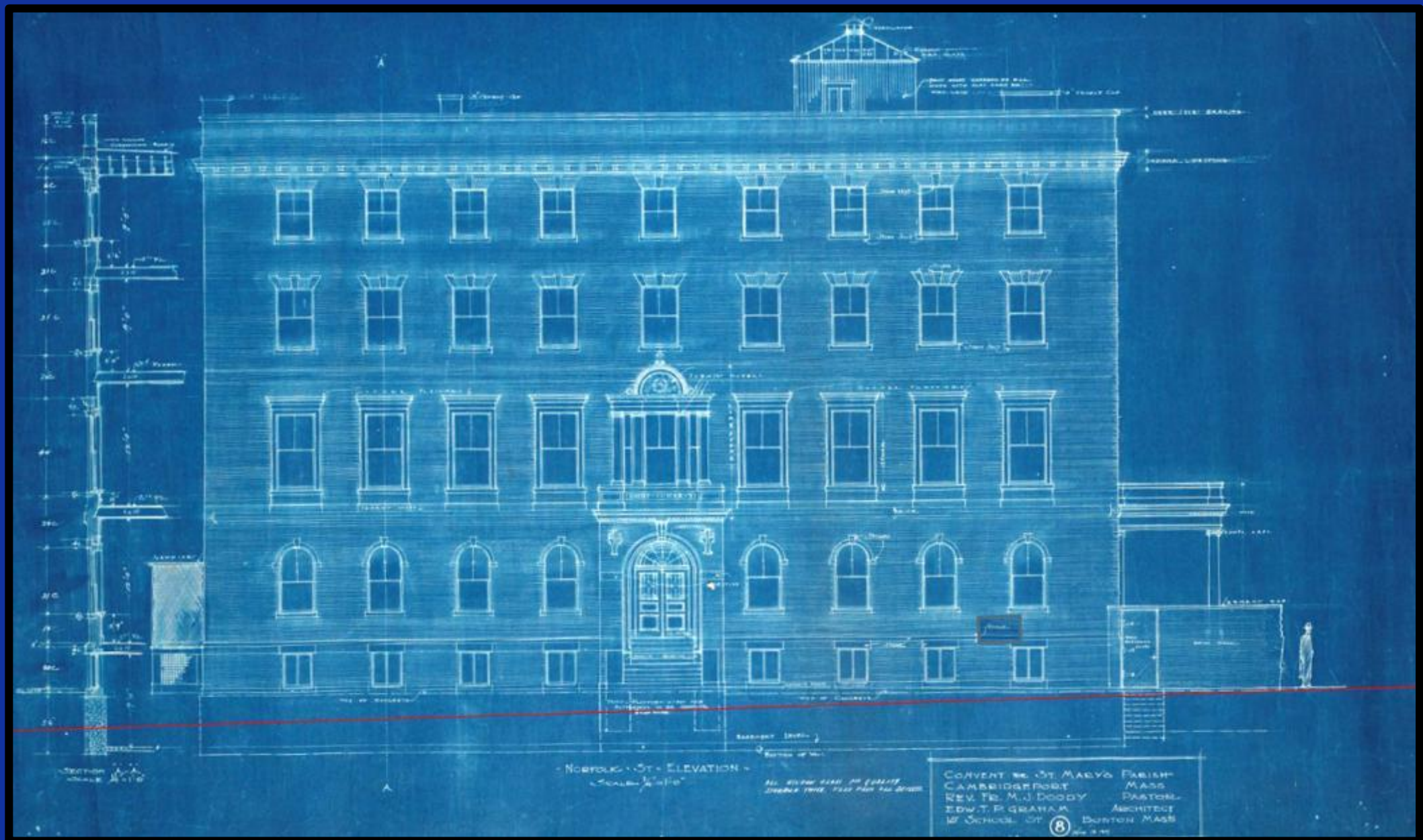
St. Mary's Convent - Dan's Place (1907), 116 Norfolk Street



Cambridge Housing Authority



CONVENT OF NOTRE DAME—1908



Convent at St. Mary's Parish, Edward T. P. Graham, architect



St. Mary's Parish campus, ca. 1935



1984

















St. Mary's Convent - Dan's Place (1907), 116 Norfolk Street



Owner:

Clara Fraden, Margaret Moran
Cambridge Housing Authority

Architect:

Lori Cowles, Gary Brock
HMFH Architects

Construction:

Andrew Kantorski
Colantonio Inc.

Civil Engineering:

David Scharlacken, Steve Garvin
Samiotes Consultants, Inc.

Structural Engineering:

Jennifer McClaine
Richmons So Engineers

Envelope Consultants:

David de Sola
3ive LLC

Sustainability Consultant

Spencer Gorman
New Ecology

Landscape Architect:

Tamar Zimmerman, Deneen Crosby
Crosby Schlessinger Smallridge

Accessibility Consultant

Josh Safdie
Kessler McGuinness & Associates

Cambridge Housing Authority

Engineering Sciences Laboratory (1964), 58 Oxford Street

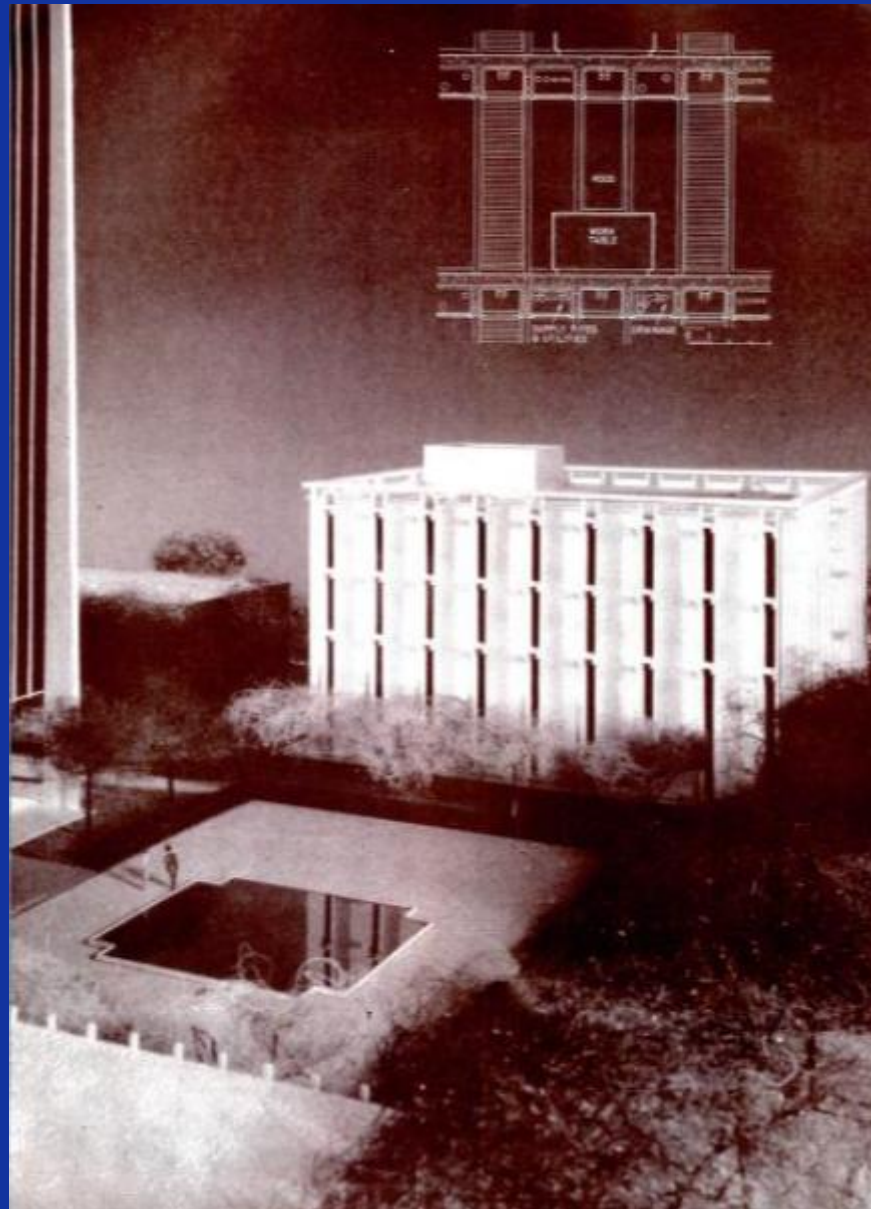


Harvard University



1965





Architectural Record, July 19

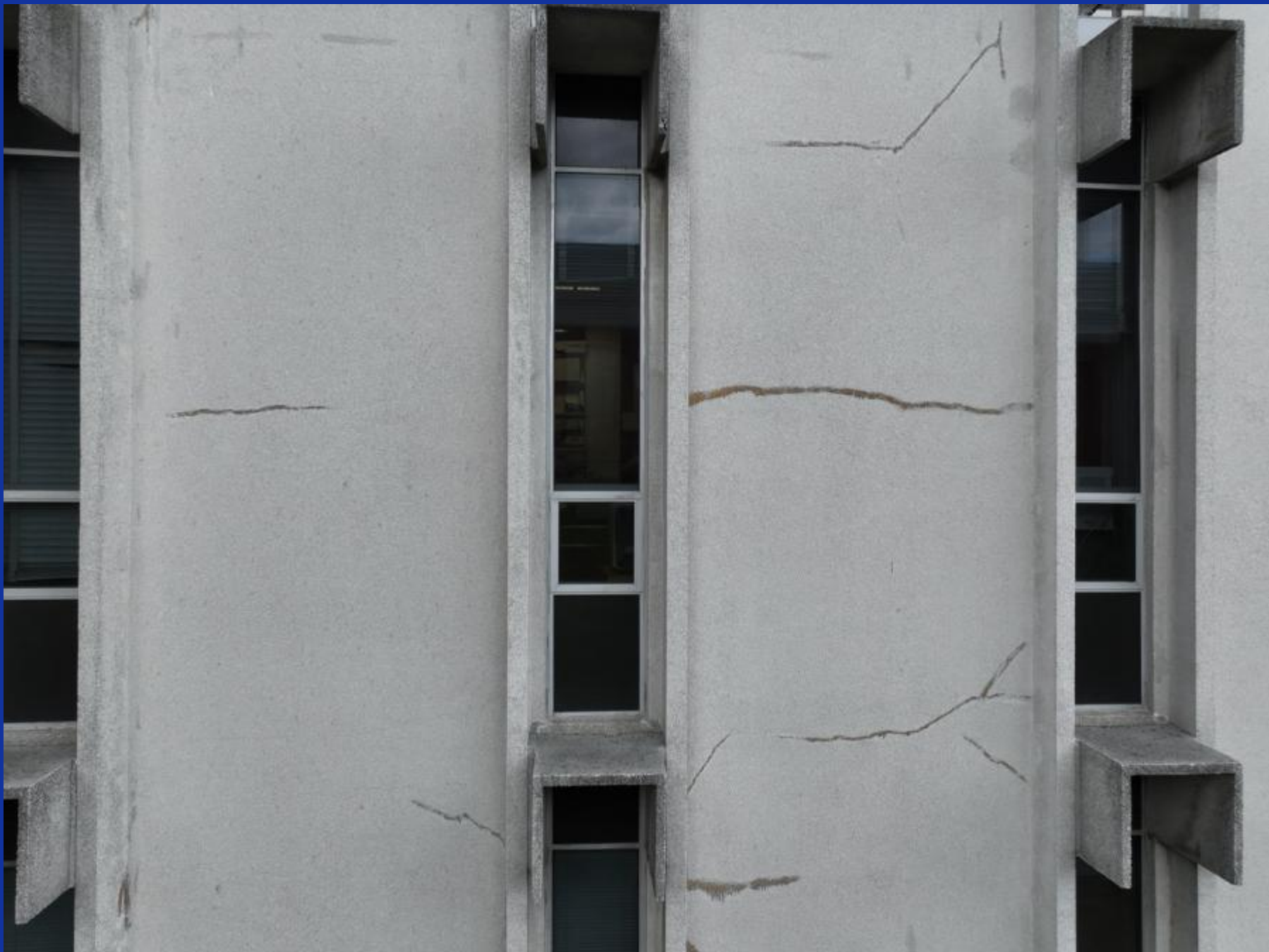




William James Hall
(1963, Minoru Yamasaki, architect)



World Trade Center (1966-1975,
Minouru Yamasaki, Architect)













Engineering Sciences Laboratory (1964), 58 Oxford Street



Owner:

President and Fellows of Harvard College

Project Team:

Pamela Choi Redfern, Petra Beunderman,
Adam Gillis, Kevin Kennedy
Harvard University

Campus Planning and
Environmental Health & Safety:

Chris McIntyre, Jeremy Letendre, Diane Gray, Giles
Moore, Sneha Kathi, Mike Guarino, Kevin Bonanno
Harvard University

Architects:

Philip Chen, Ed Rice, Sydney Burt, Alex Krippner,
Richard Paniera, Meghann McMahon, John Turnbull
Annum Architects, Inc.

Construction:

Justine Orlando, Greg Williamson,
Anthony Santos, Frankie Plummer
Bond Building Construction, Inc.
PJ Spillane Company, Inc.

Masonry Subcontractor:

Structural and Envelope
Engineer:

Matthew Bronski, Ellen Laase,
Michael Tecci, Julia Hogrogian
Simpson Gumpertz & Heger

Consulting OPM:

Karl Neubauer
Leggat McCall Properties

Harvard University

Samuel Ashburner House (1866), 26 Trowbridge Street



Real Colegio Complutense, Madrid











Samuel Ashburner House (1866), 26 Trowbridge Street



Owners:

Real Colegio Complutense Inc.

Building Envelope Study:

Gale Associates, Inc.,
via Harvard Real Estate

Project Manager:

Travis Lefebvre & Nicholas Derby
CREF

Contractor

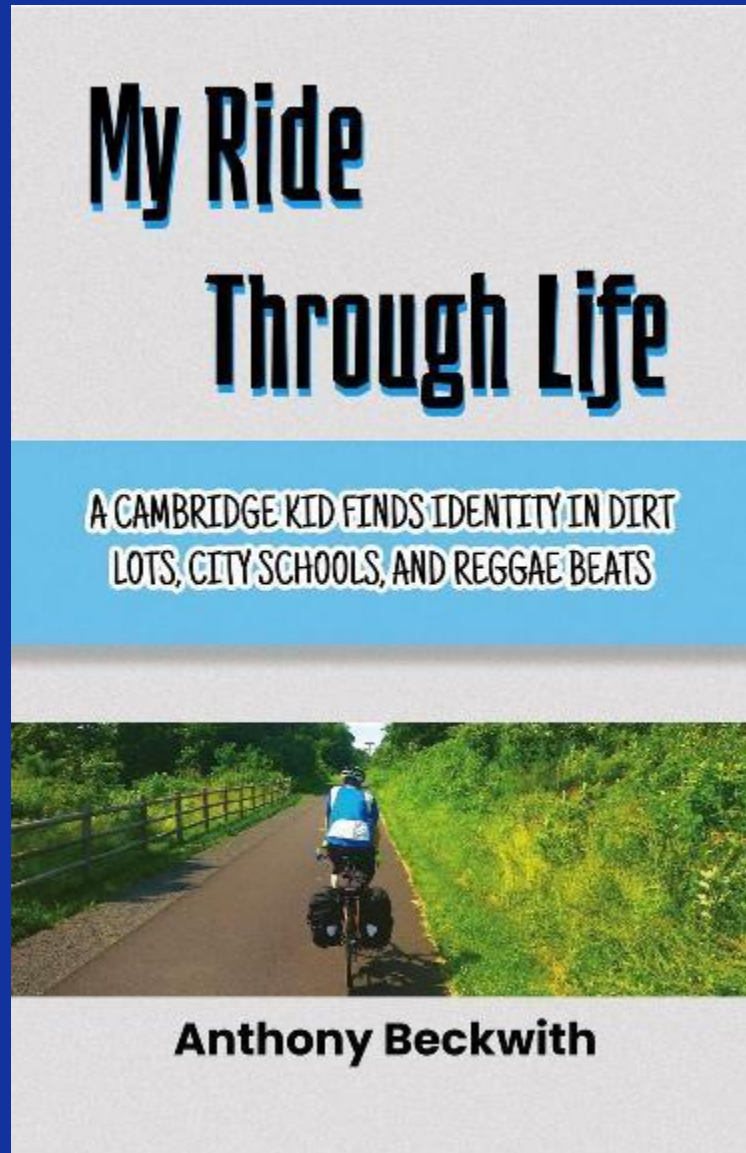
Santimaw Contracting
The Follet Company (roofing)

Real Colegio Complutense, Madrid

Special Recognition:

CHC Staff and Volunteers

Anthony Beckwith



Kathleen Fox



Kit Rawlins



Presentation of Awards



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