City of Cambridge Community Development Department

Joint Meeting of Bicycle, Pedestrian, Transit Advisory Committees

January 20, 2021











Meeting Agenda

- 1. Zoom meeting protocols
- 2. Street projects
 - 1. Huron Ave/Glacken Field
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Development Project Review
 - 1. Alewife Park
 - 2. 51 Vassar St MIT
 - 3. 269-301 Vassar St MIT
 - 4. Other Development Project Updates
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Other Updates and Announcements



Committee Member Instructions

- Committee members may speak and show webcam video
 - Use "Raise Hand" button to help manage discussion
 - New location for "Raise Hand" for some users in "Reactions" button
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
- Please stay muted unless speaking
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Public Comment Instructions

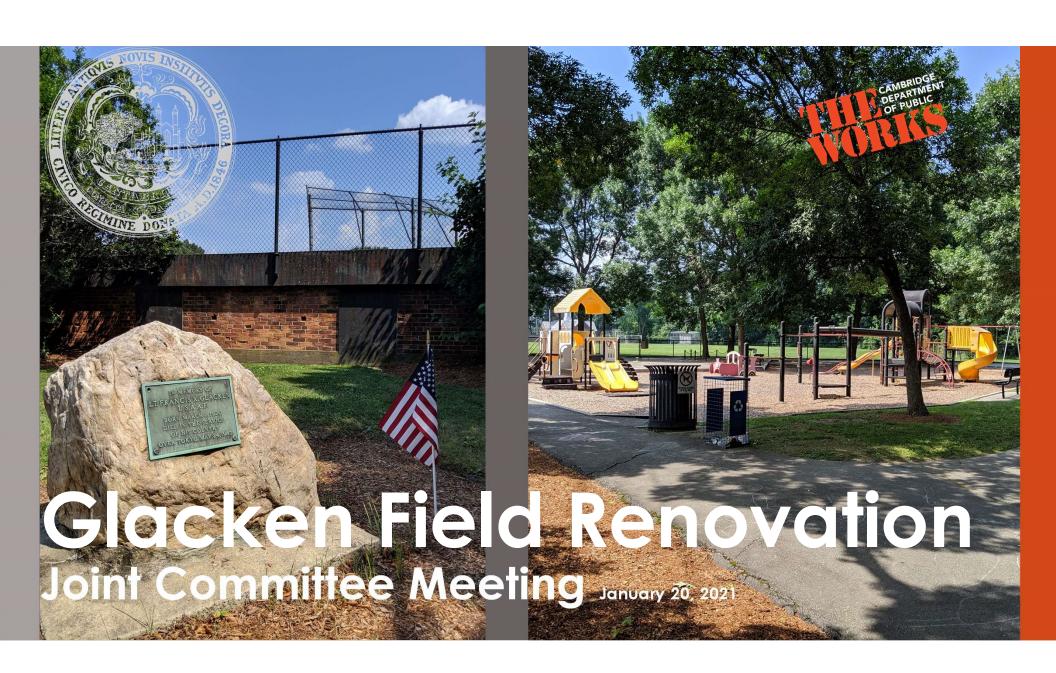
- Members of the public are muted and cannot show webcam video
- Public can write questions or ask for assistance in Q&A window at any time
 - Questions may be submitted at any time and will be addressed as time allows, during discussion/comment periods
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- Please be respectful! Participants will be removed for inappropriate behavior

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Huron Ave/Glacken Field

Kathy Watkins, Dept. of Public Works



Project Overview

GLACKEN FIELD







Project Overview and Schedule

Playing fields, tot-lot, site improvements, slope restoration

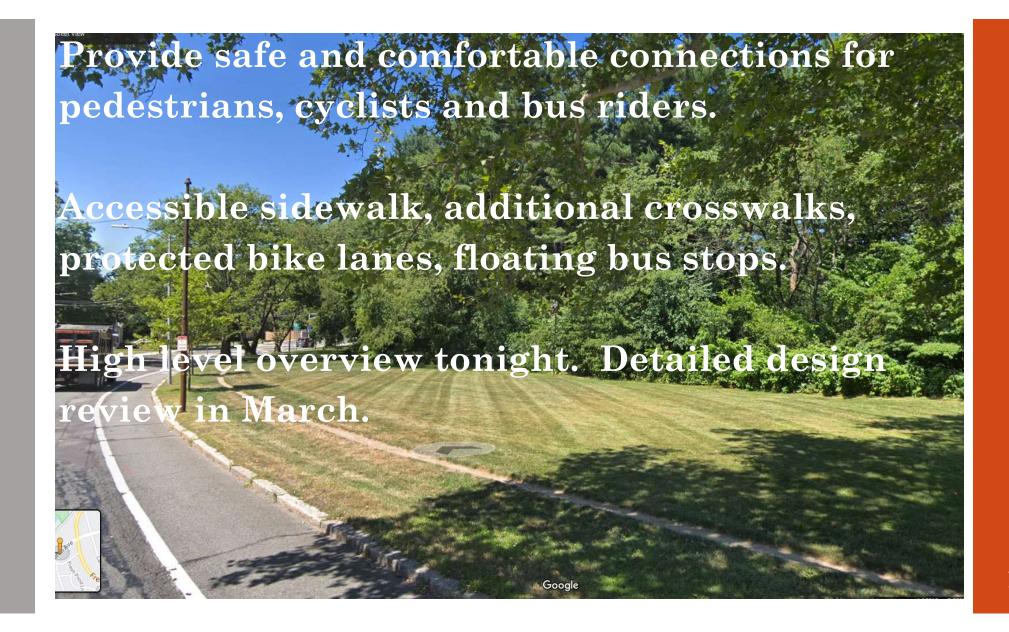
- Construction on-going
- Fields Playable April 30, 2021, subject to weather and COVID
- Project complete fall 2021, subject to weather and COVID

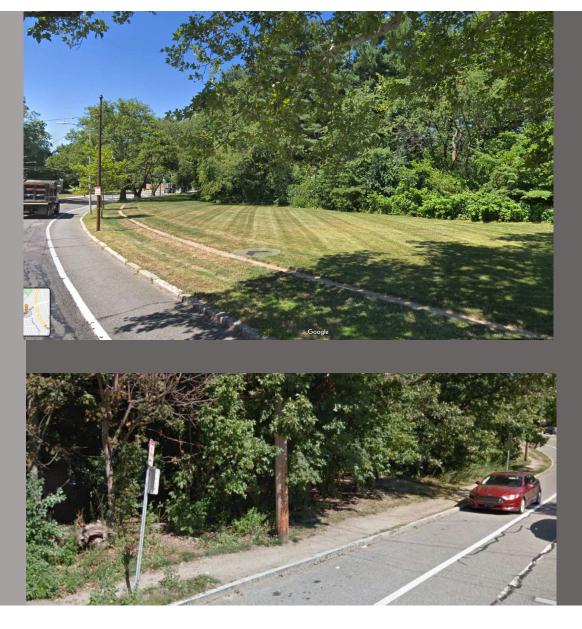
<u>Design Focus</u>: Safe connections for people walking, biking and taking the bus along Huron Ave to access neighborhood, Fresh Pond Reservation and Glacken. Meet ADA and Cycling Ordinance.





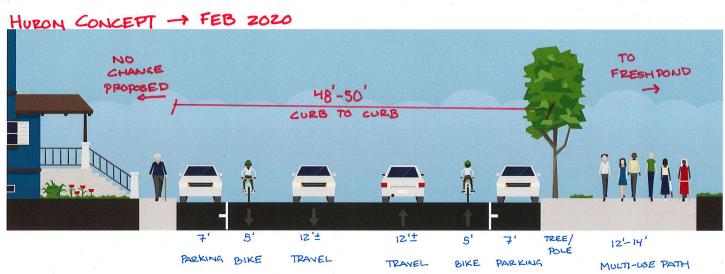












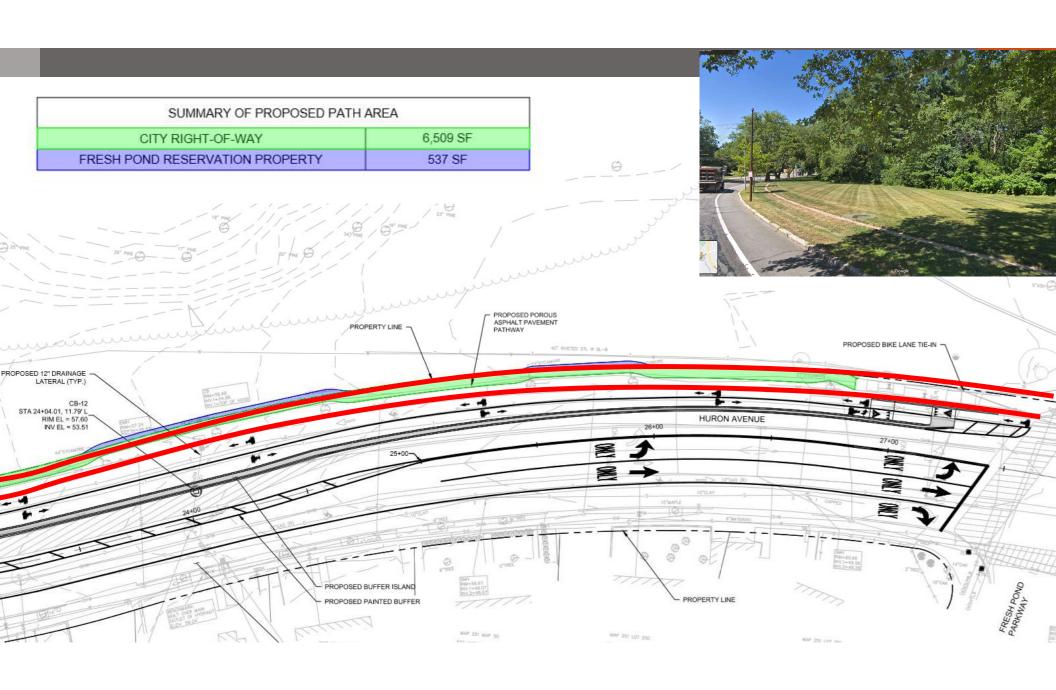






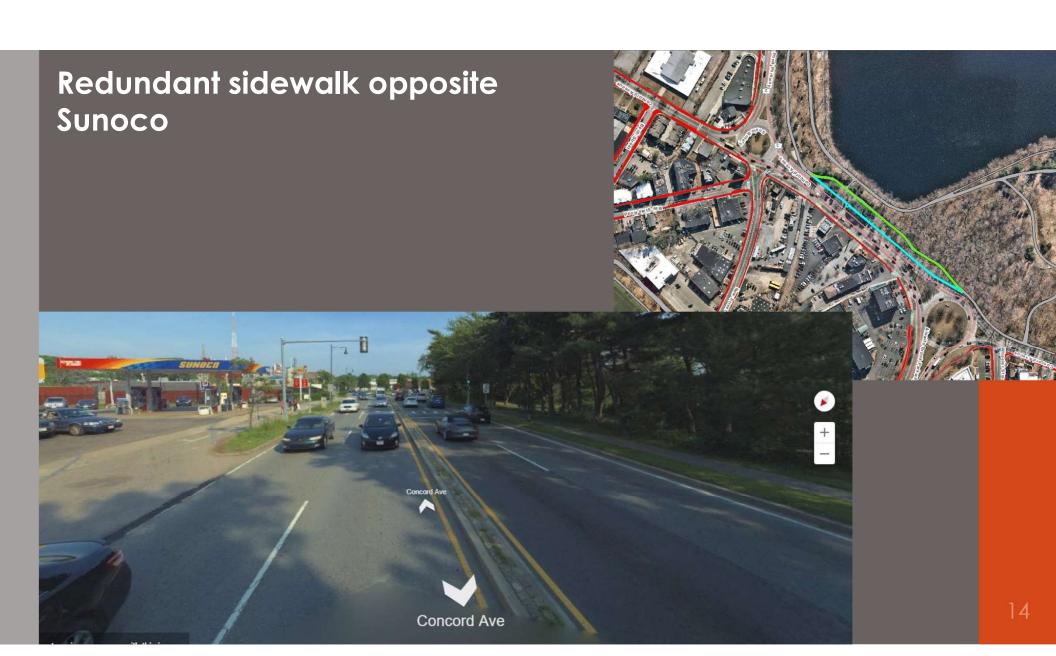
How much of the sidewalk is location in the Reservation?

	SF in Right-of-Way	SF in Reservation	% on Reservation
Assuming all of it on Reservation		7000	100%
Using GIS	4442	2512	36%
Modifying design to shift sidewalk closer to the road and completing accurate property line survey	6509	537	< 8%



Potential offsets for the 550 sf of paving in Reservation and 6,500 in right-of-way

	Square Footage of Depaving
Pine Forest Path Phase 1 Reduce perimeter road width to uniform 12', add 3' of vegetation	Potential for 5,700
Remove redundant sidewalk opposite Sunoco (DCR), with upcoming Path Project	Potential for 2,400



Existing Crosswalks

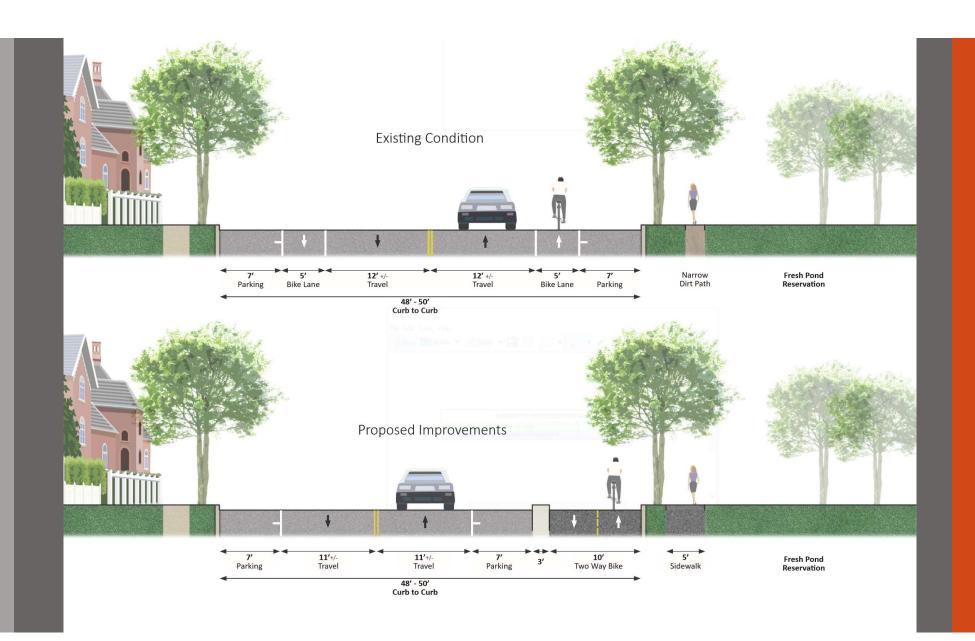


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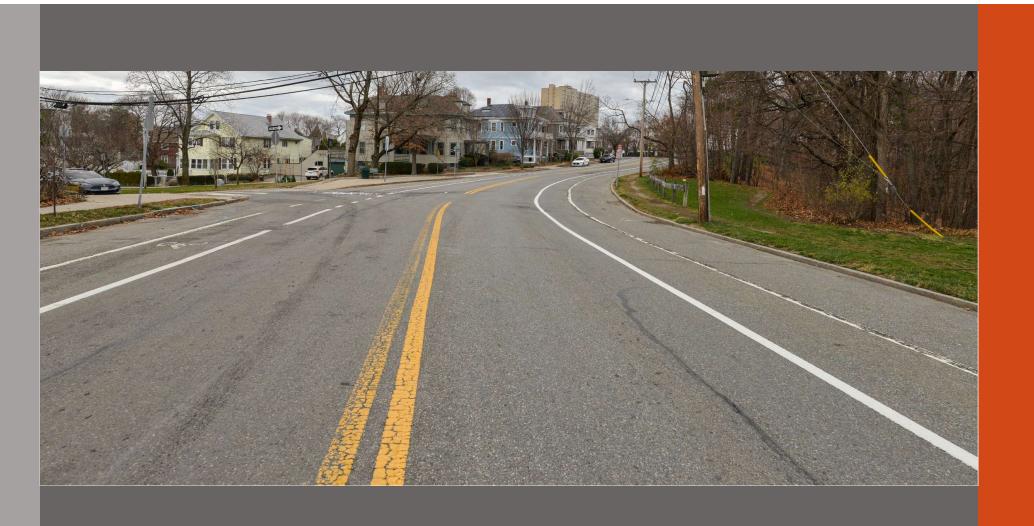
Existing Crosswalks & New Crosswalks













Unanimous Support From Water Board!!

<u>Minimized impact on Reservation</u> and <u>identified potential offsets</u> for increased paving.

- Minimal sidewalk proposed on the Reservation (537 +/- sq ft).
- Sidewalk porous asphalt.
- Water Department will maintain the path for winter use with minimizing chlorides and salt.
- Identified <u>offsets</u> that can be implemented as part of future projects.
- · Work with Water Board, Advisory Board, and staff.
- Worked hard to also minimize the loss of parking. Maintaining 85% of parking (100+/- out of 119+/- spaces).

Community Process

- Water Board, Jan 12th
- Transportation Committees, Jan 20th
- Fresh Pond Advisory Board, Jan 21st
- Community Meeting, February
- Detailed review with Transportation Committees, March 2021



Public comment

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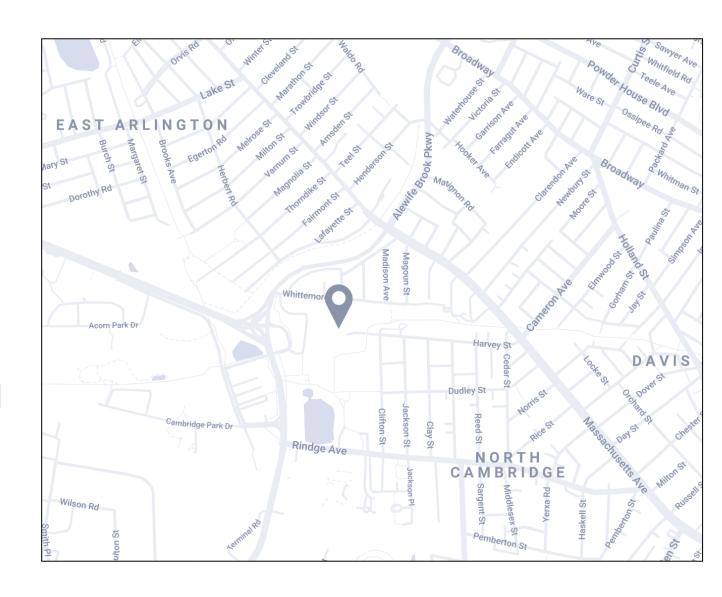


Development Preview: Alewife Park

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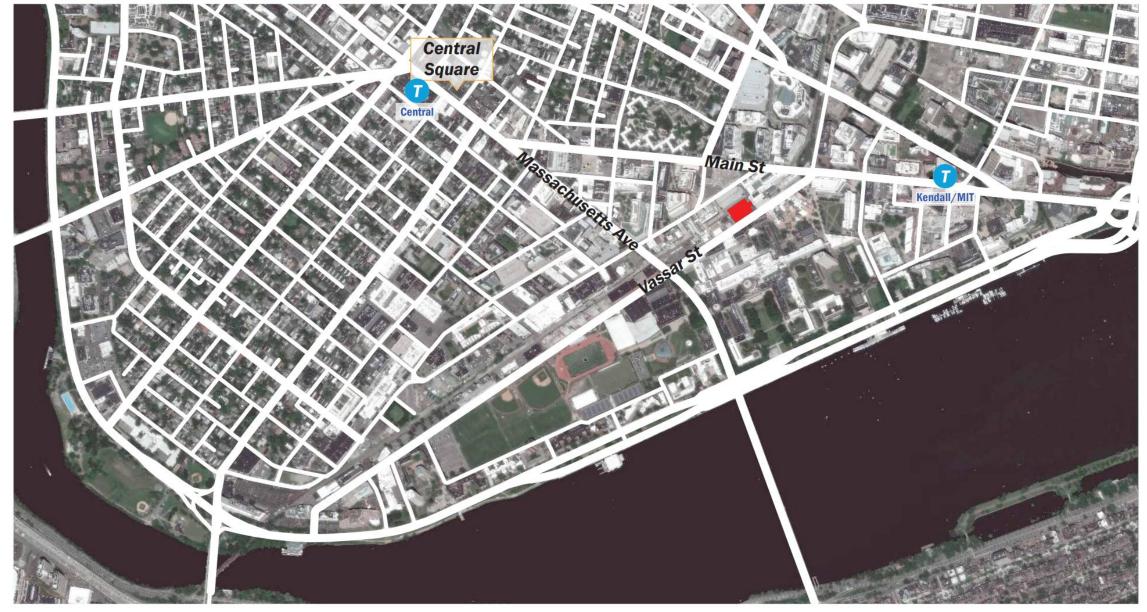
Alewife Park

- 26.5-acre site
- Between Rindge Ave and Whittemore Ave
- Includes Jerry's Pond
- Adjacent to Alewife Station, Linear Path, and Russell Field
- Virtual public meeting tomorrow (January 21) at 6:30 PM





Development Review: 51 Vassar St



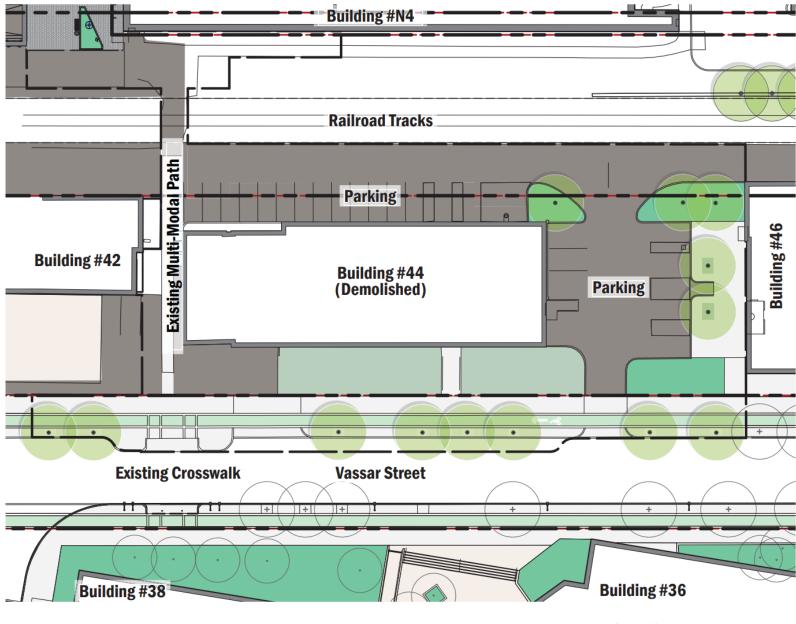
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Project Site

Transit Station

Figure #1.1 Site Context

MIT Stephen A. Schwarzman College of Computing Cambridge, Massachusetts



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Line of Work

Property Line

Vegetation / Landscape

Figure #1.3a Existing Conditions Plan

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Figure #1.4b

Existing Conditions Site Photos Building #44

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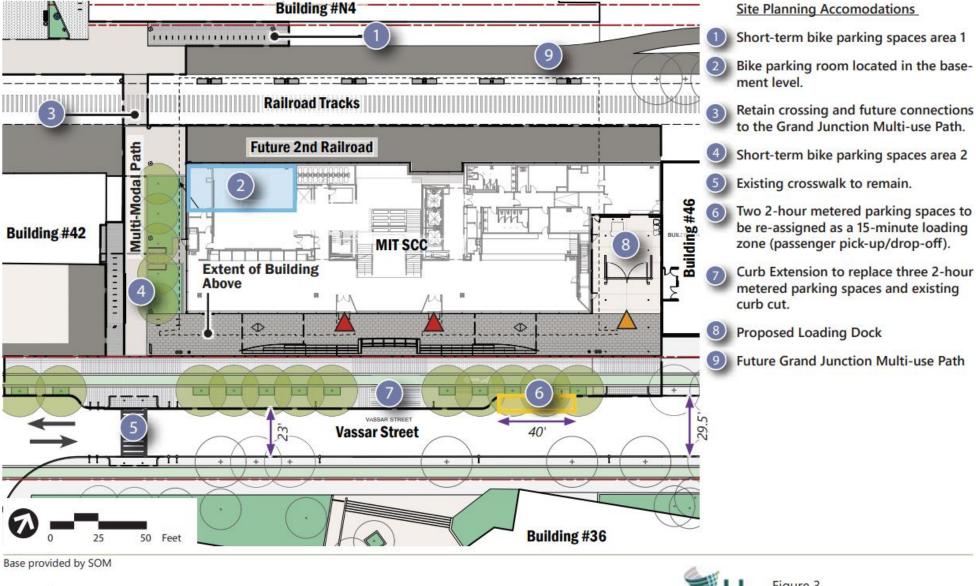
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Existing Conditions Site Photos Muti-modal Paths

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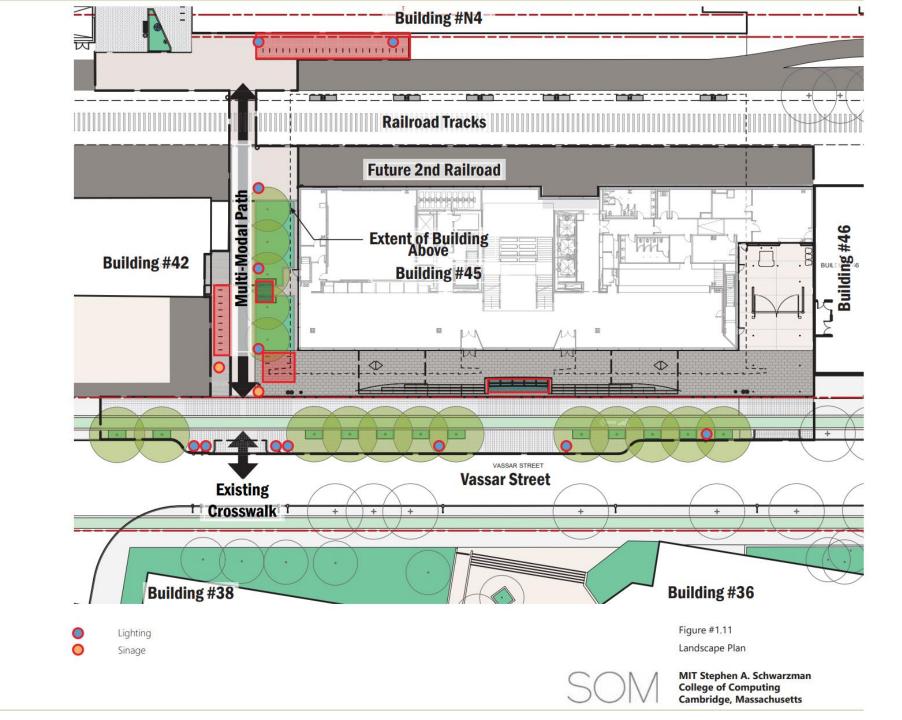


Loading Dock

Property Line
Line of Work



Figure 3 Site Plan

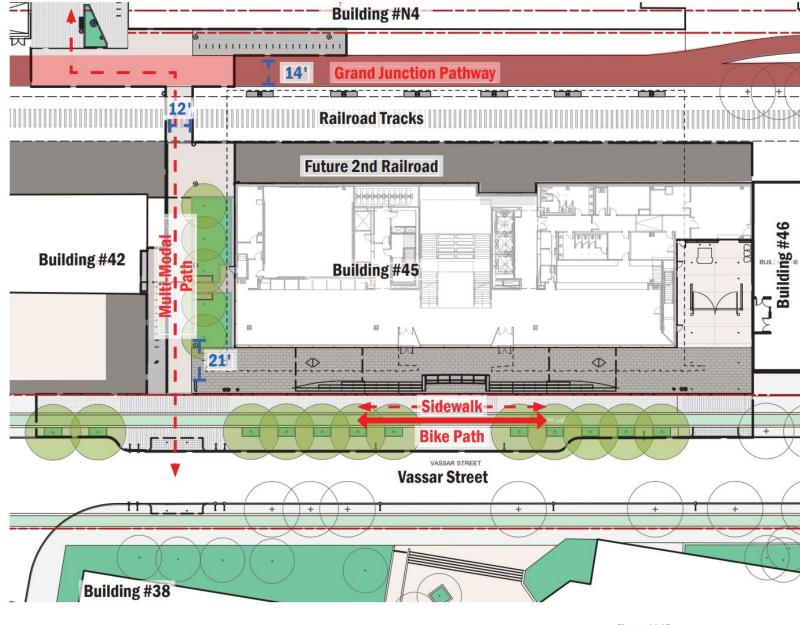


Line of Work

Property Line

Bike Parking Seating

Vegetation / Landscape



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Figure #1.13
Site Circulation Plan

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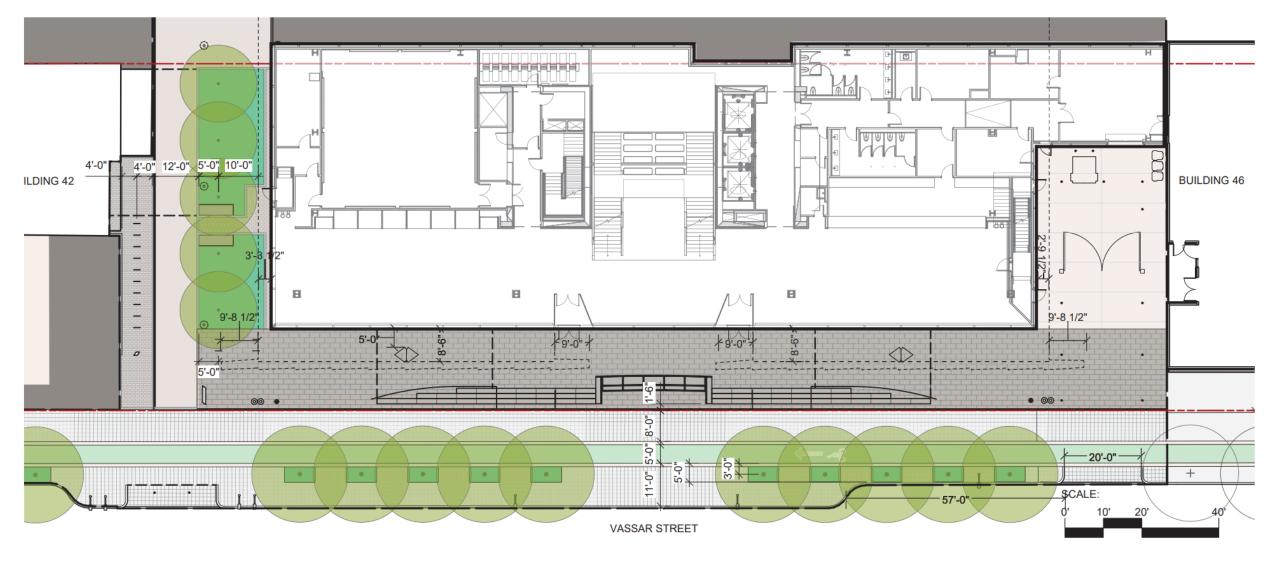
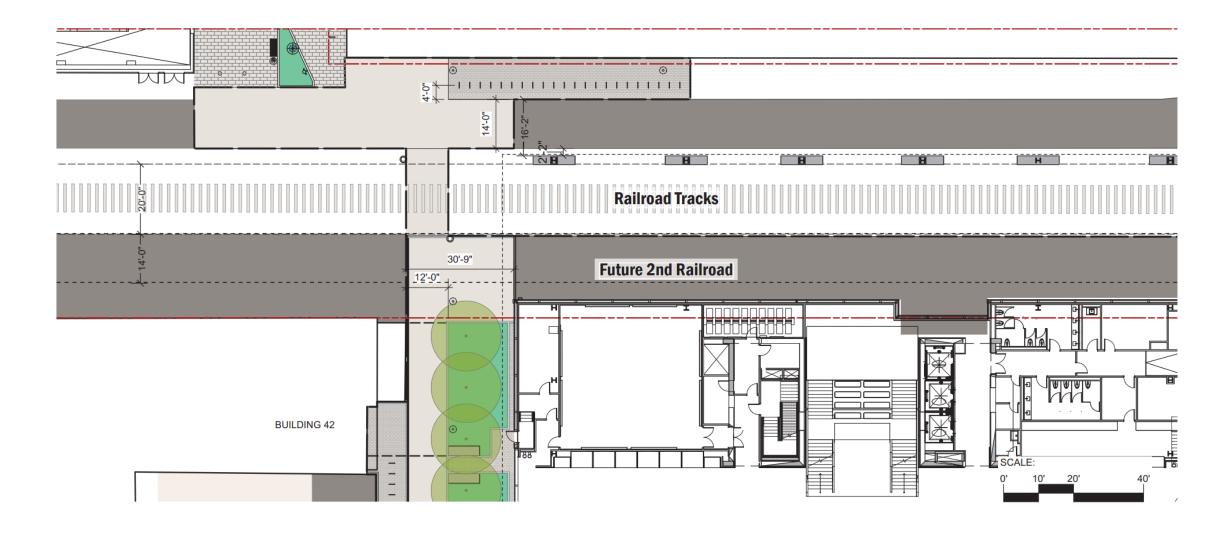




Figure #1.12a Enlarged Plan - Vassar Street

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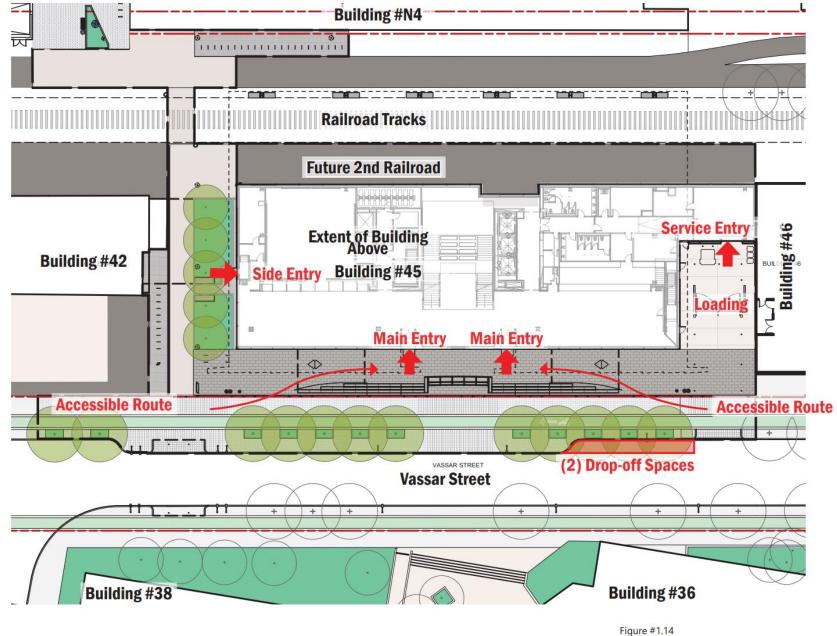
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Figure #1.12b Enlarged Plan - Grand Junction Pathway





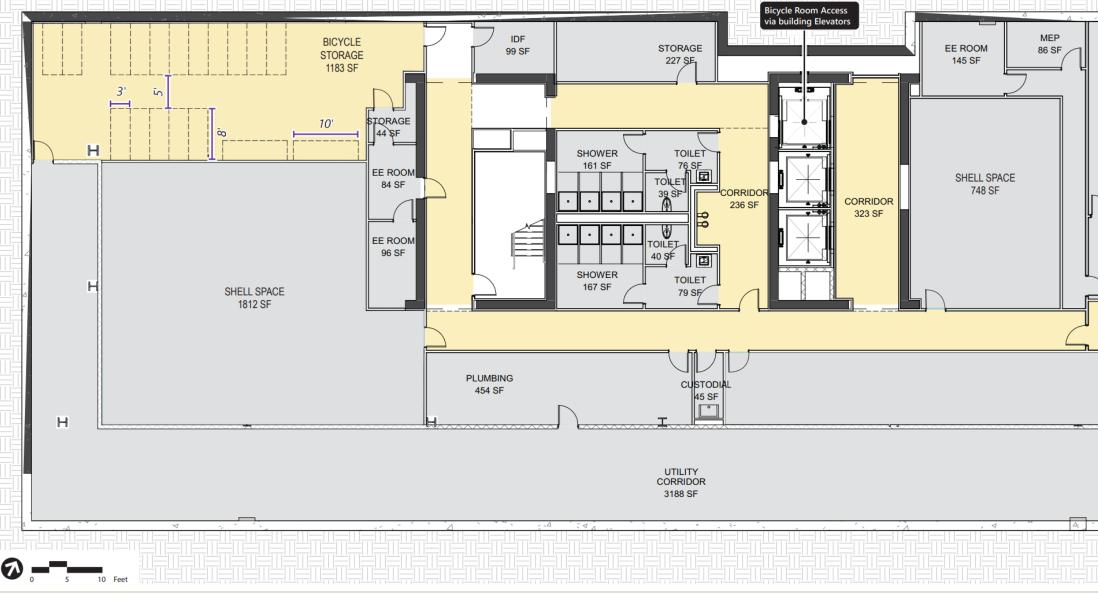
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Figure #1.14 Building Access



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Figure 3a Bicycle Storage Room Plan



Figure #1.9a South Building Elevation



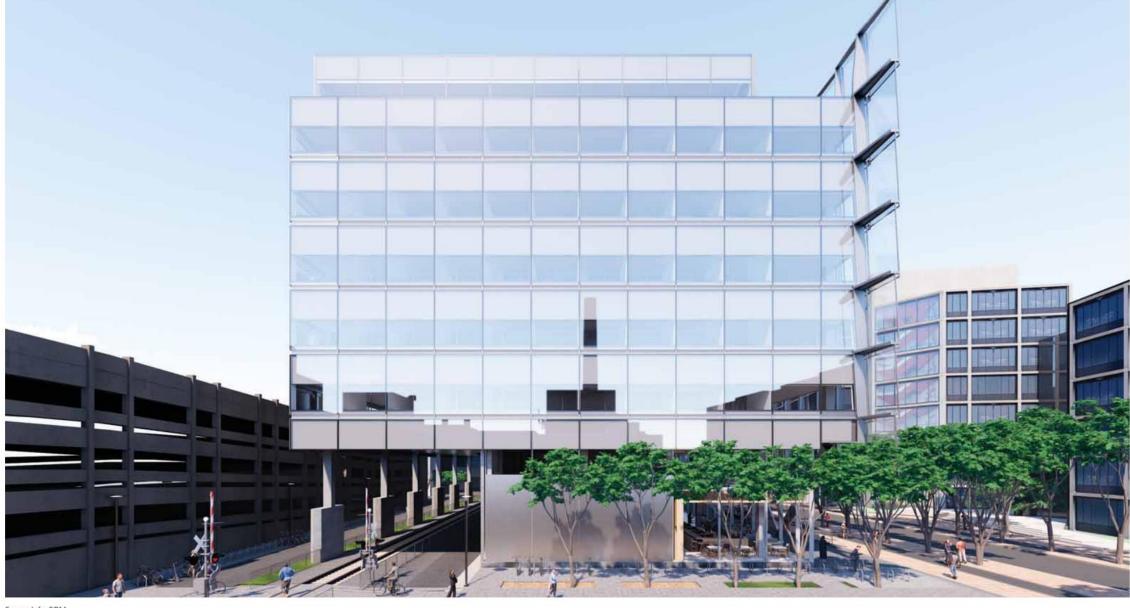


Figure #1.9b West Building Elevations

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Figure #1.9c North Building Elevation





Figure #1.10c

Project Renderings & Perspectives West Approach



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Figure #1.10d Project Renderings & Perspectives Grand Junction Pathway

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Figure #1.10f Project Renderings & Perspectives West Entry

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Figure #1.10h

Project Renderings & Perspectives Vassar Street Frontage

Development Review: 269-301 Vassar St

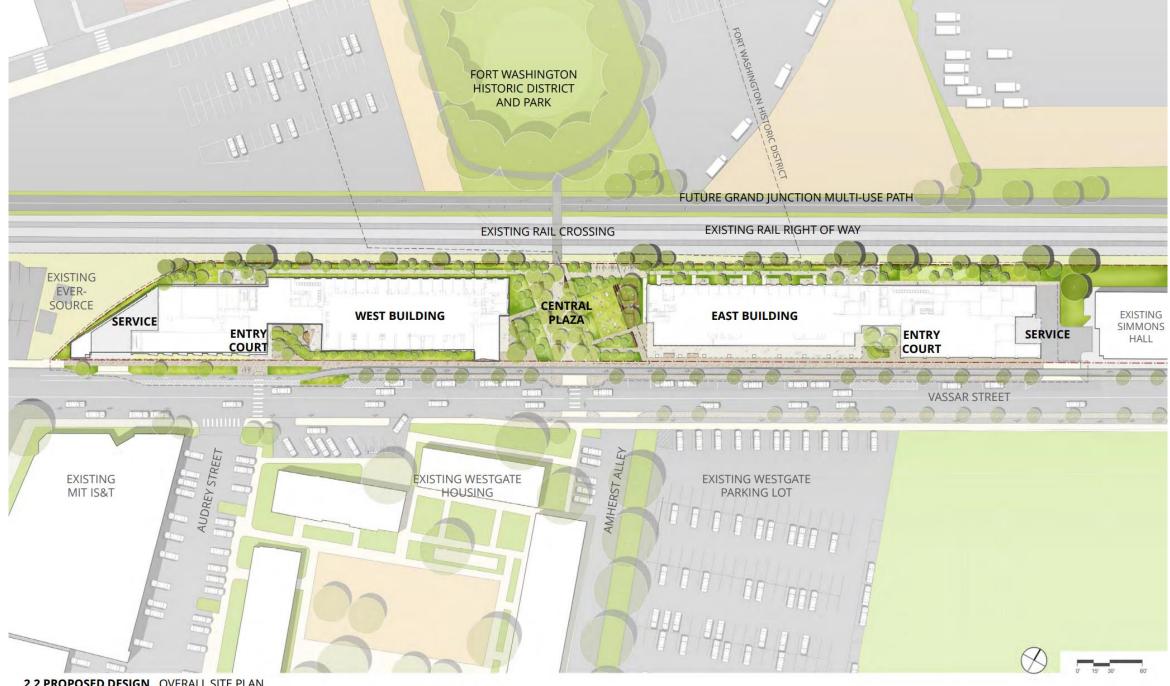


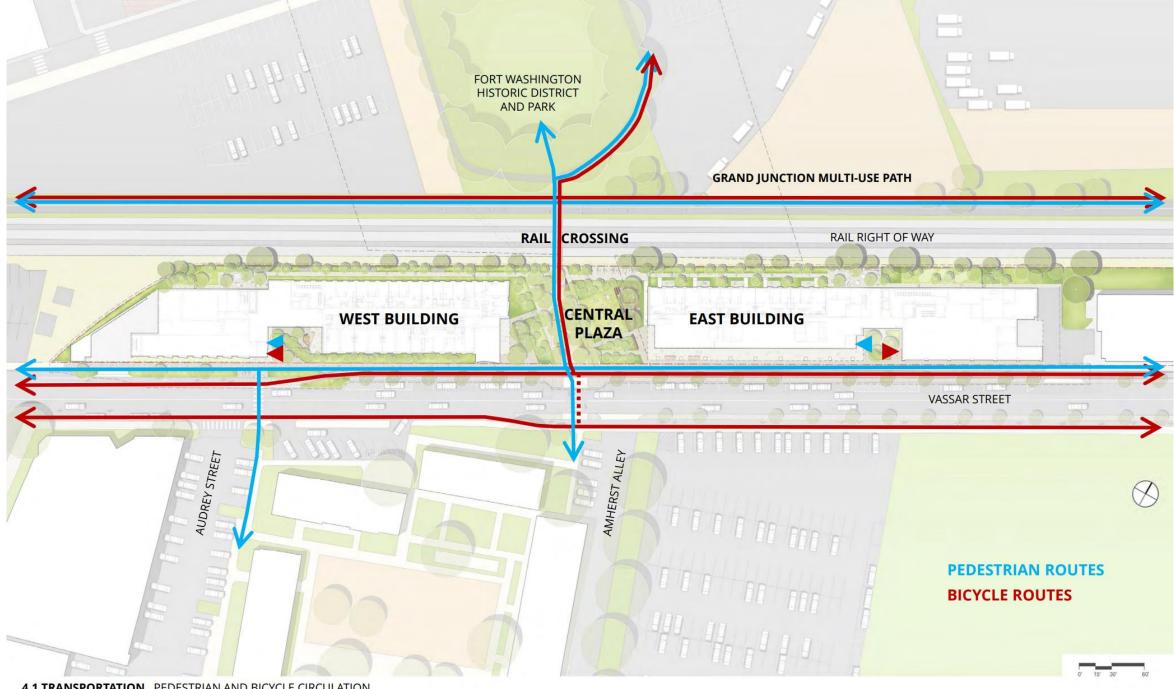
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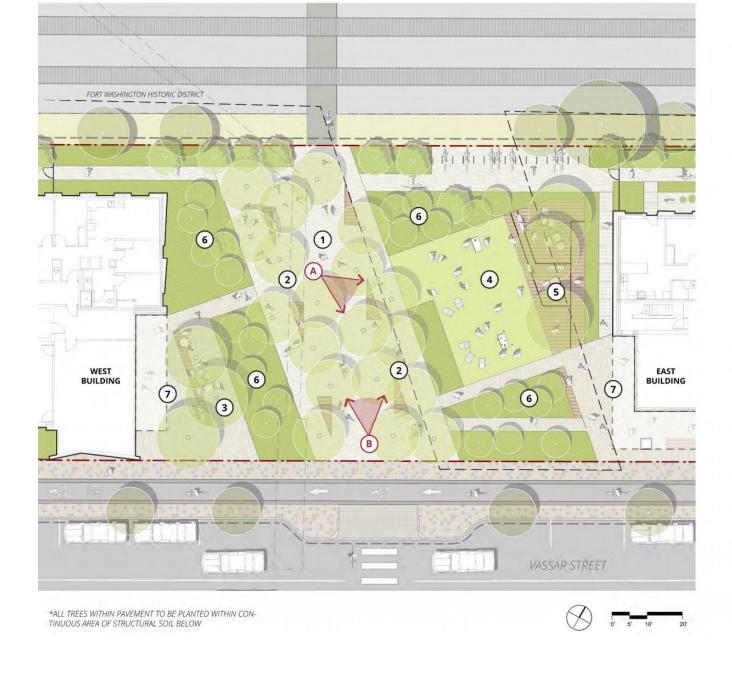




1.4 EXISTING CONDITIONS SITE PHOTOS





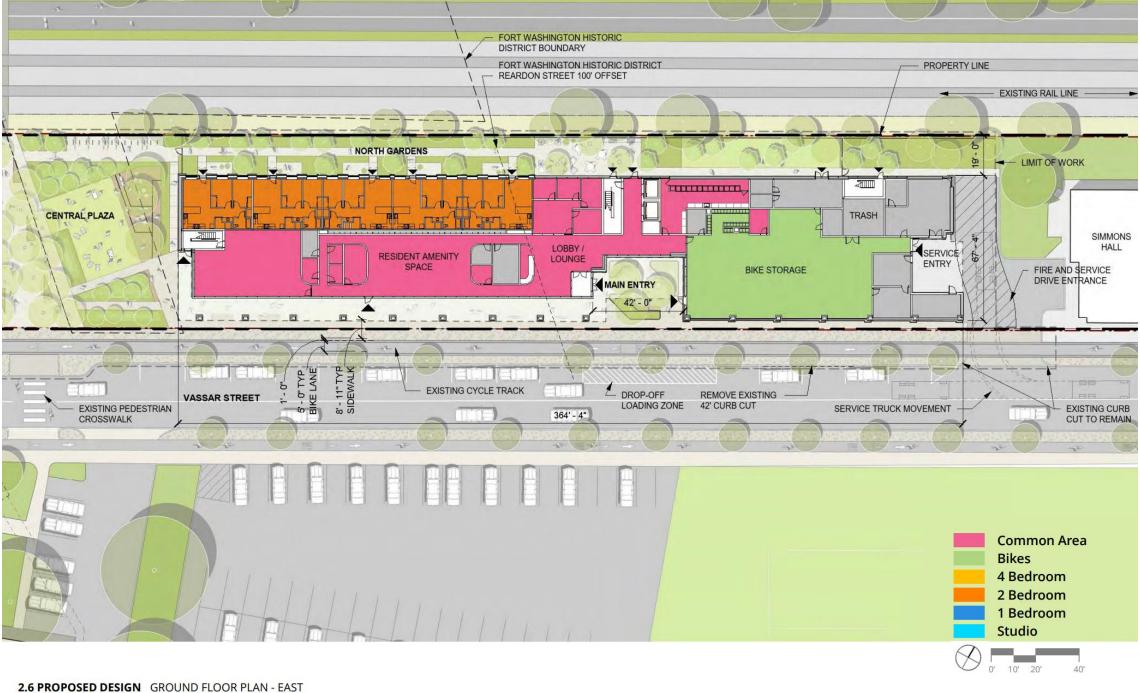


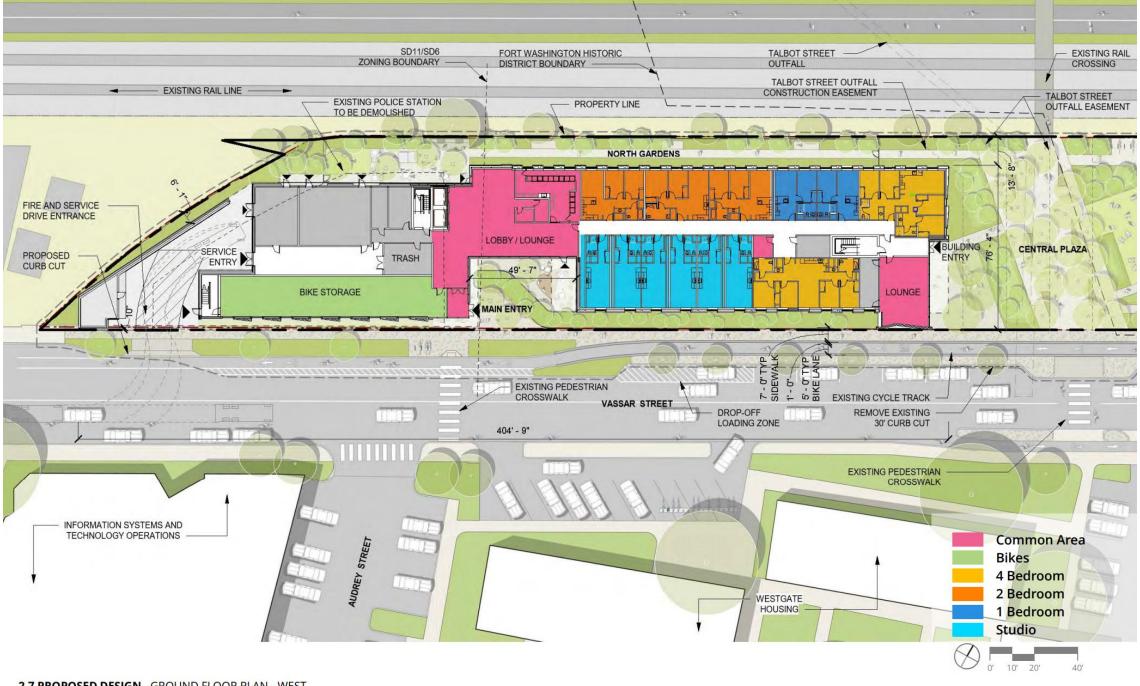


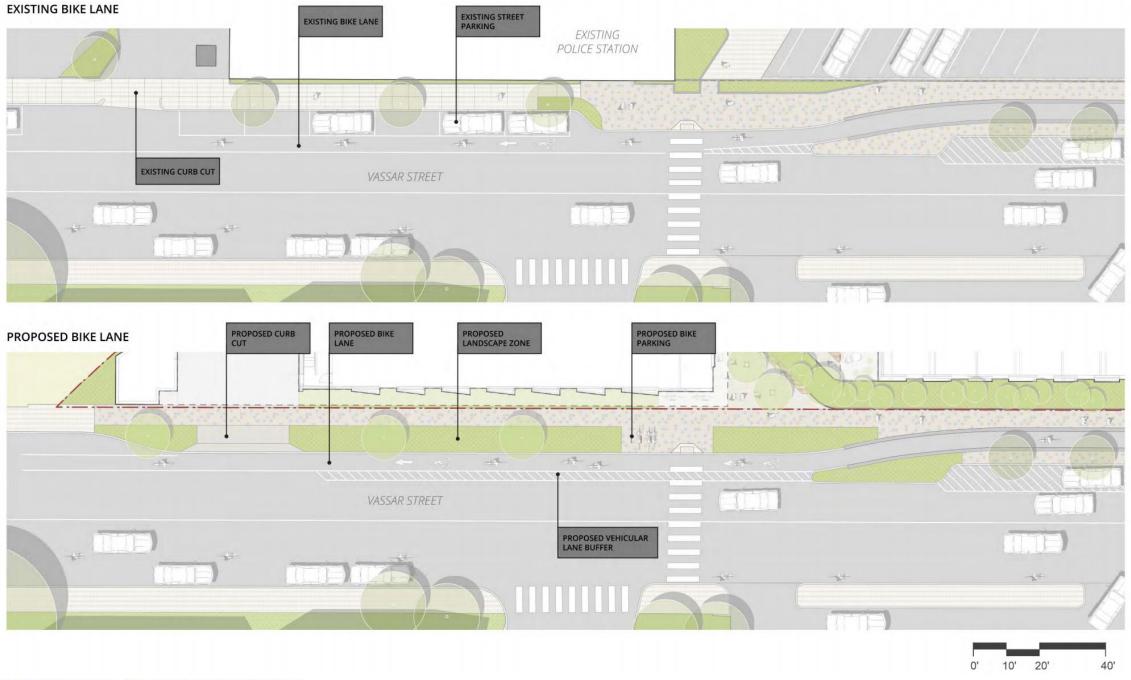


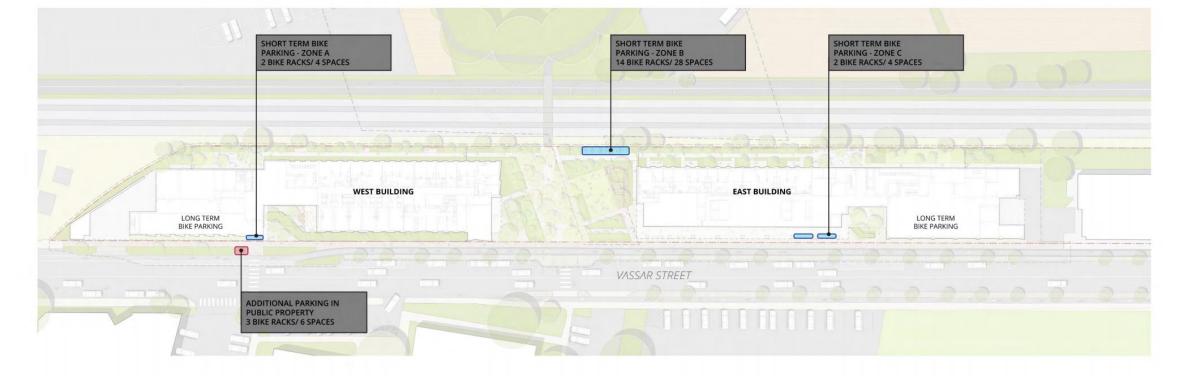
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- 7 ENTRY PLAZA

4 LAWN

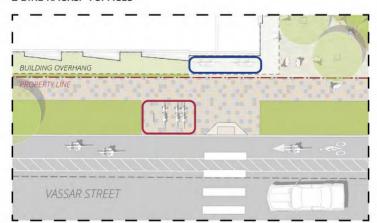




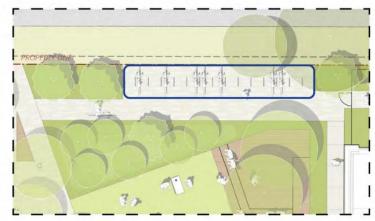




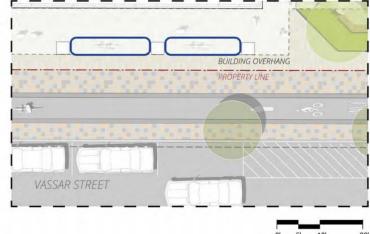
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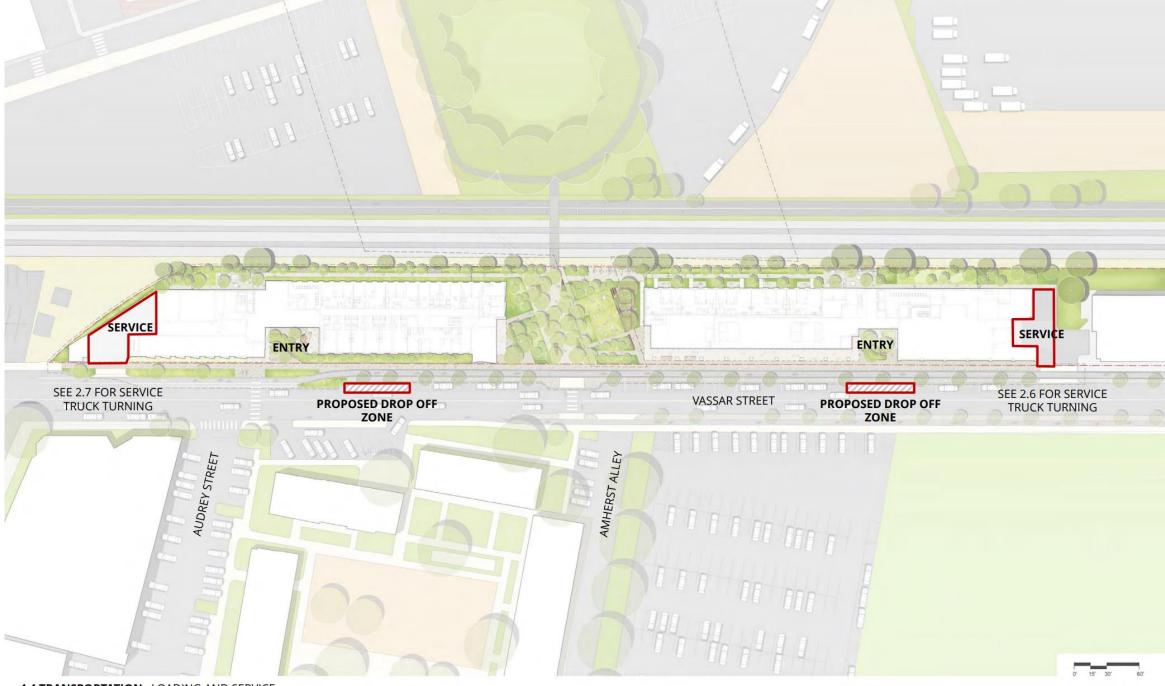


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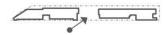
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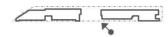


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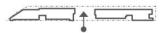
















Other Development Project Reviews

Public comment

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Other Announcements

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