

MODIFICATIONS OF APPROVED DESIGN REVIEW GRAPHIC MATERIALS DESIGN NARRATIVE

The November 7, 2011 Design Review application to the Cambridge Planning Board described the 75-125 Binney Street project as being comprised of two structures occupying the majority of the block bounded by Binney, Second, Rogers, and Third Streets. A residential building (270 Third Street) is planned to occupy the remaining parcel on the western edge of the block. ARIAD Pharmaceuticals, a tenant at the project, has requested that the design for the space between the two structures be modified to become an inviting, four-season winter garden, in order to create a lively and engaging indoor gathering space and pedestrian connection area and to better integrate and connect Binney Street to the south, Rogers Street Park to the north, and the buildings at 75 and 125 Binney Street to the east and west.

The winter garden is envisioned as a vibrant, open, day-lit space that serves as the primary gathering space for the two buildings, and that encourages public use and access during business hours. Its enclosure is proposed as a glass structure with a five-story glazed curtain wall on both the Binney Street and the Rogers Street sides, and a fully glazed skylight. The highly transparent enclosure and delicate structure retain the visual connection between Binney Street and Rogers Street Park, and will invite pedestrian activity as a connection and access point within the PUD.

The winter garden is envisioned to be a major hub of activity between the two structures and the new Rogers Street Park. The enclosure will also allow for the connector space to include features and amenities which were not contemplated in the original Design Review submission for the 75/125 Binney project, including a café area and restrooms, the latter of which shall be open and accessible to the public from 7:00 a.m. to dusk. The four formerly enclosed bridges between the two buildings have been modified to become open walkways with glass guardrails, increasing the transparency of the space and the buildings on both sides of it. The majority of meeting spaces in the 75 and 125 Binney buildings have been located adjacent to the winter garden, open to the 5-story space, enlivening it through active collaboration and interaction. The winter garden is planned to be a rich, exciting space that provides a variety of gathering opportunities for the occupants of both buildings and for the community generally.

The winter garden floor is paved with the same stone as the adjacent outdoor spaces to maintain the sense of being an "outdoor" environment, linking the outdoor spaces on Binney and Rogers Streets. Portions of the floor area are recessed planting beds landscaped with low plantings. A number of climbing vine structures are proposed to bring a sense of the landscape to the higher spaces, growing from the planting beds up structured cable-net tubes that are anchored between the floor and the roof structure.

The winter garden complements two landscaped outdoor spaces planned as part of the 75-125 Binney Street project: the plaza facing Rogers Street Park, and the through-block connector on its west side, between 270 Third Street and 125 Binney Street. The space offers the community a unique, year-round opportunity to utilize a beautiful, landscaped, urban space with ample tables and seating. The glass enclosed space has high-tech solar control and is conditioned with HVAC systems which will be very attractive to the community when the weather is not conducive to being outdoors. A café that will welcome the public is planned to occupy a prominent space adjacent to the winter garden, facing Rogers Street Park. In addition, as noted above, public restrooms have been located just across the winter garden from the café on the Rogers Street side, also facing the park. The restrooms can be accessed from both the winter garden and directly from the outside.

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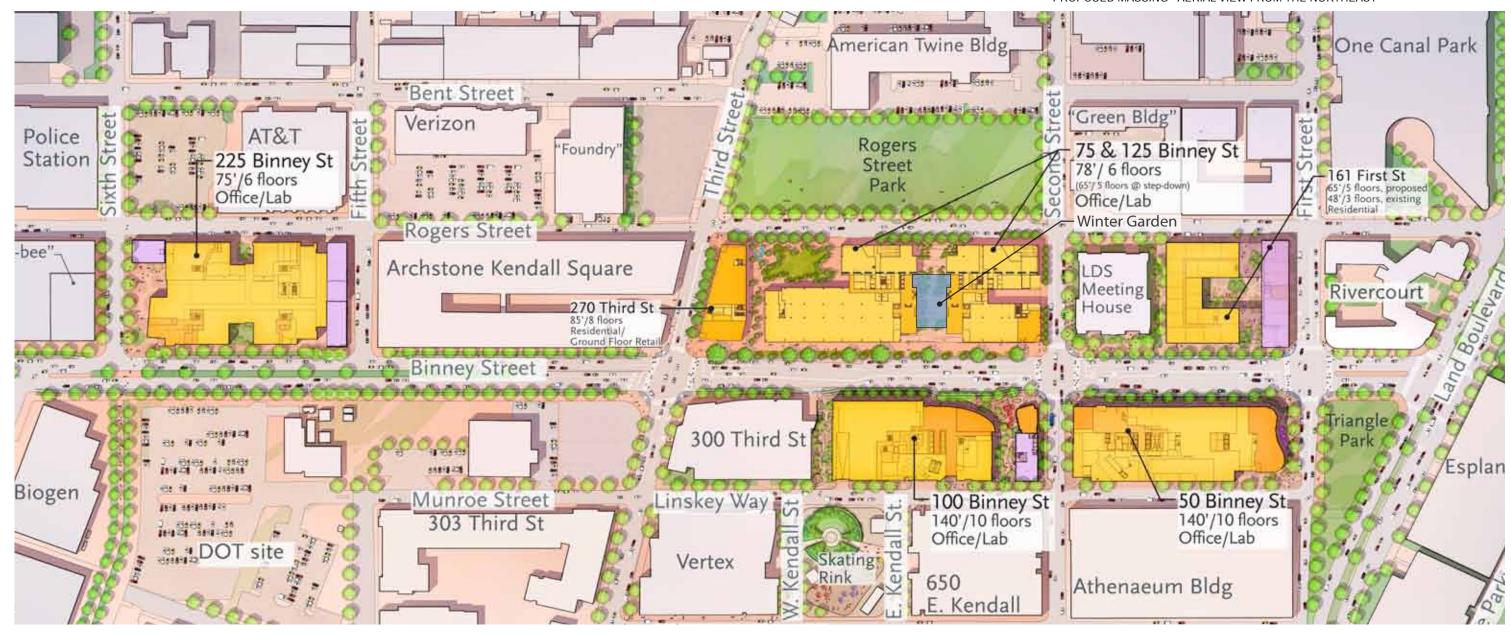
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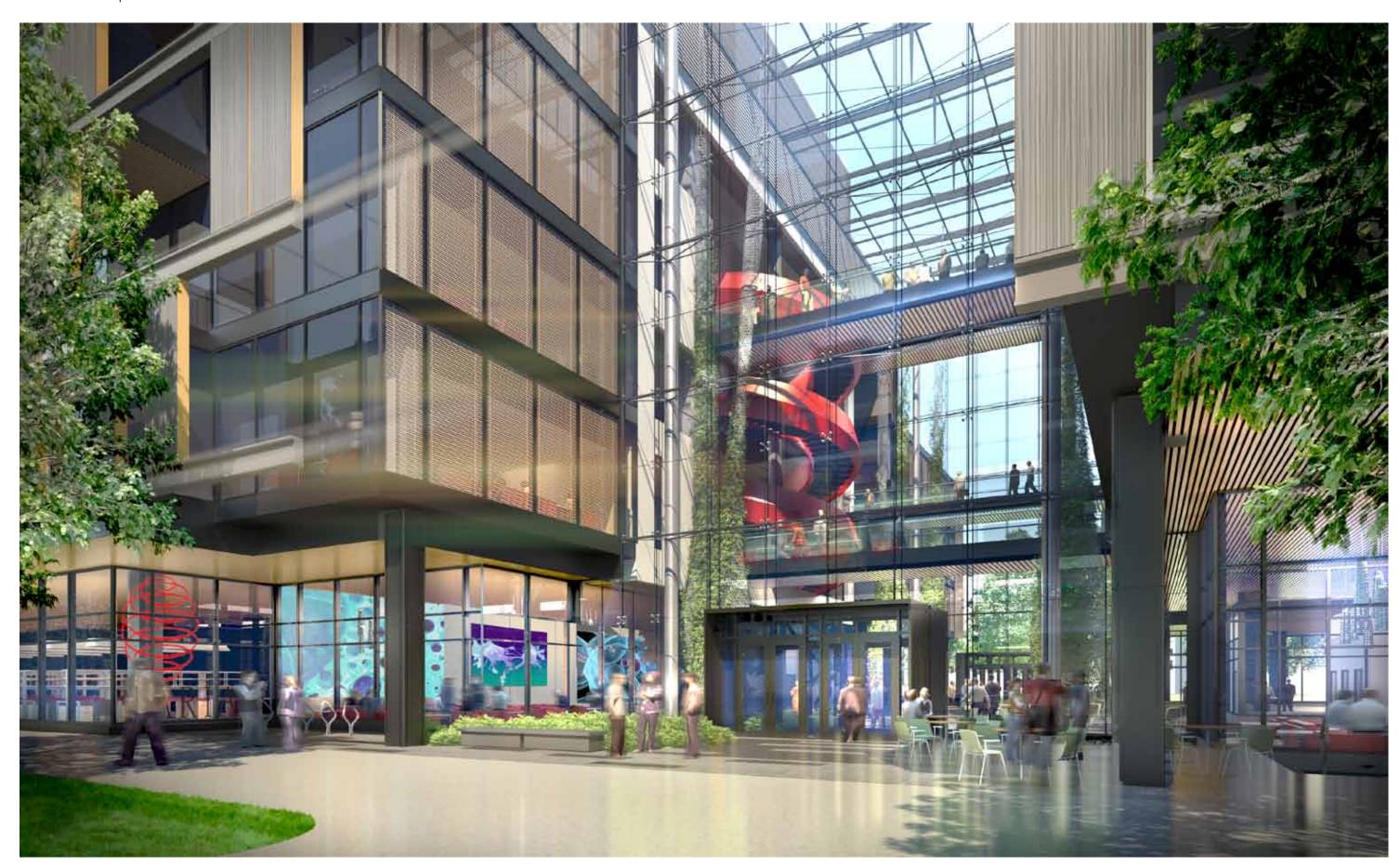
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PROPOSED MASSING - AERIAL VIEW FROM THE NORTHEAST









ZONING DIAGRAMGROSS FLOOR AREA



NOTE: Complies with Cambridge Zoning Ordinance #1340, Article 2.0 Definitions.

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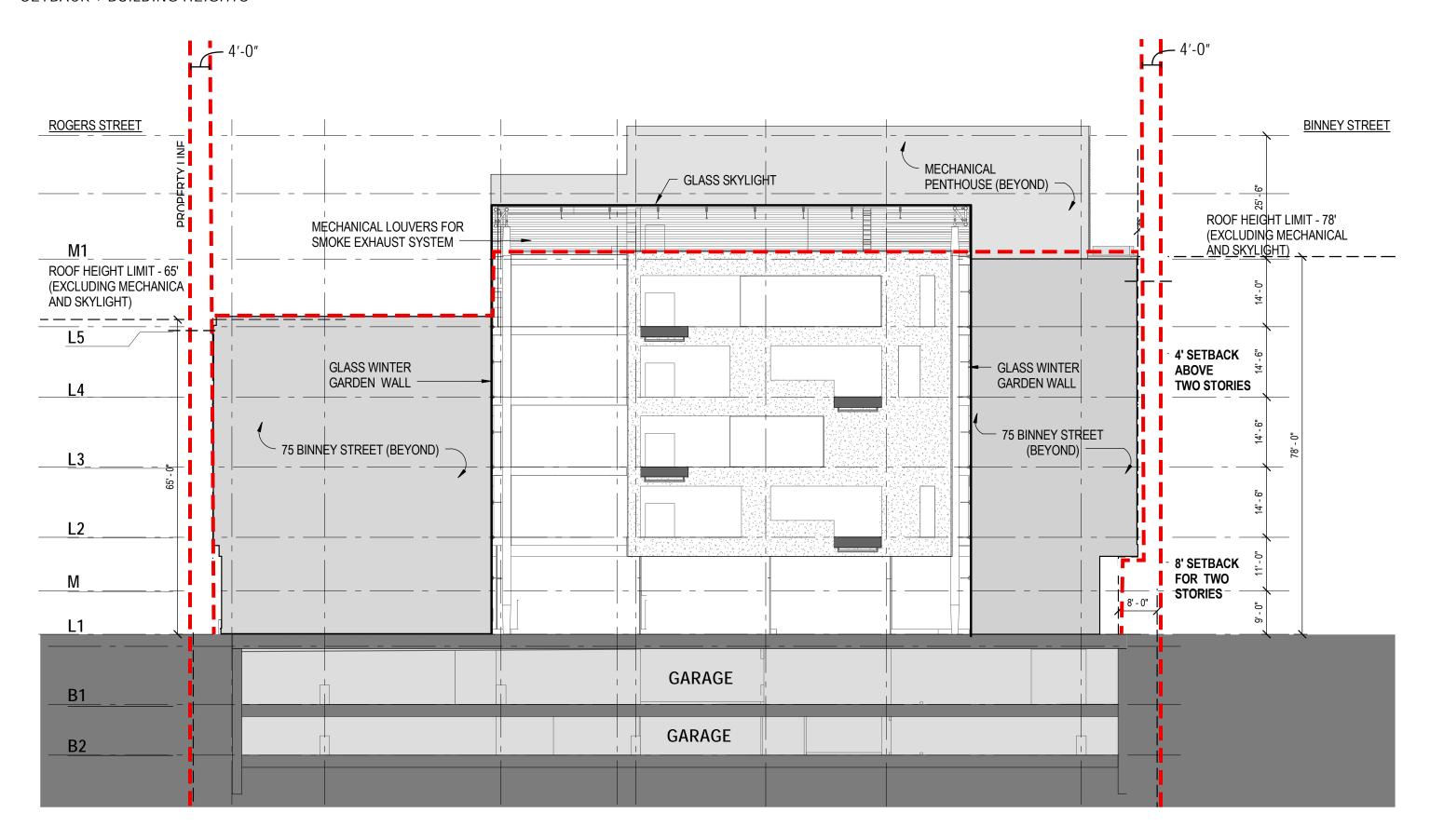
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75 Binney Street

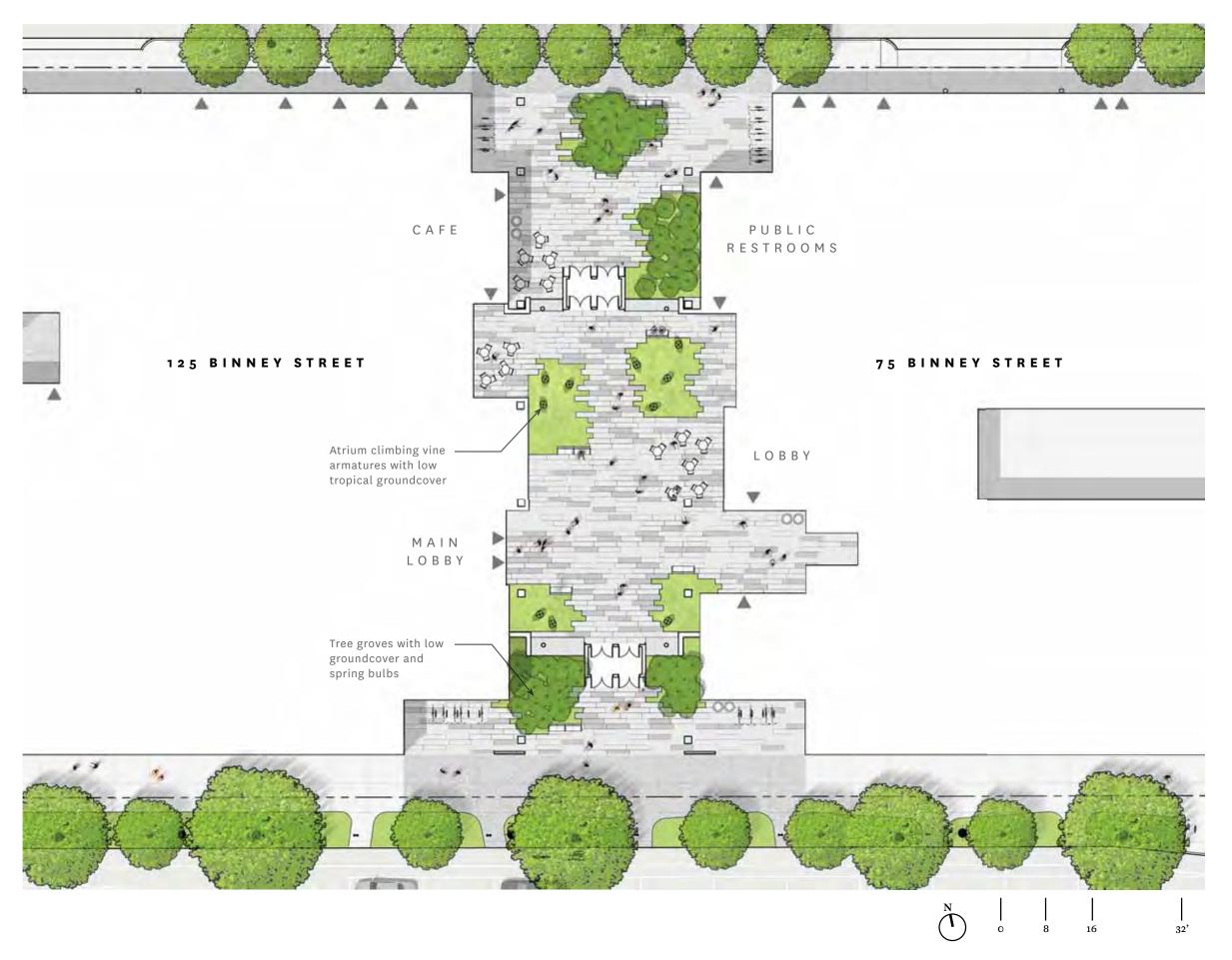
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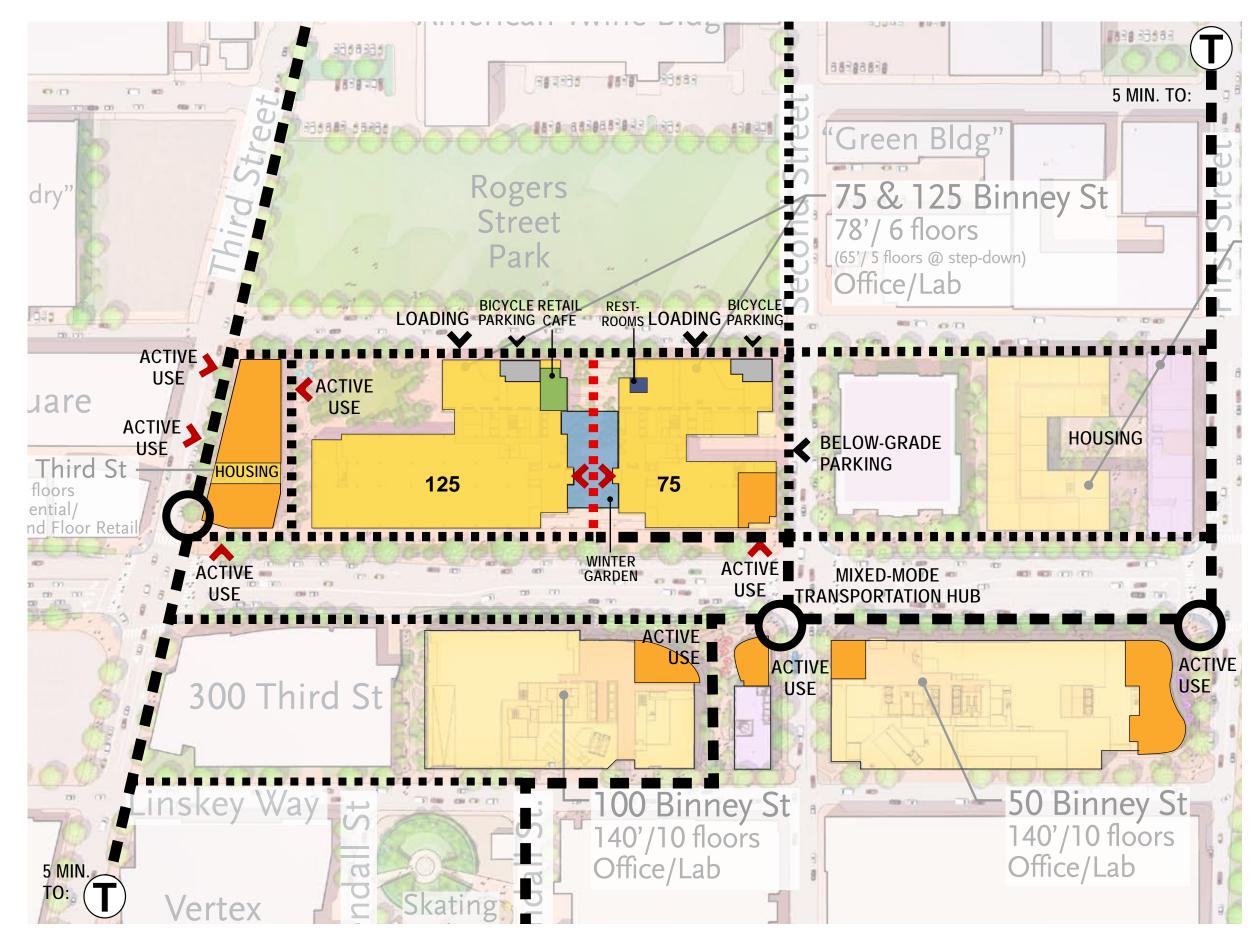
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