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# THE ABBOT BUILDINGS

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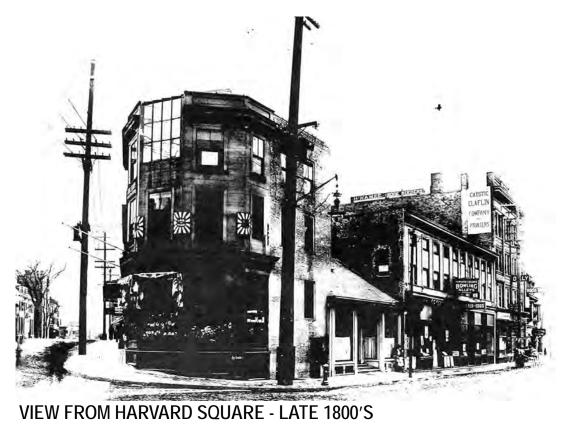








VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE - 1960'S





VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE - 1980'S



VIEW FROM JFK STREET - 1940's



VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE - EARLY 1900'S



VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE - 1950'S



VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE - 1960'S



VIEW FROM BRATTLE STREET - LATE 1800'S



VIEW FROM BRATTLE STREET - 1950'S



VIEW FROM BRATTLE STREET - 1980'S





VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE



VIEW FROM HARVARD SQUARE INTERSECTION



VIEW FROM BRATTLE STREET



VIEW FROM BRATTLE SQUARE



VIEW FROM JFK STREET



VIEW FROM JFK STREET & MT. AUBURN









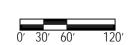






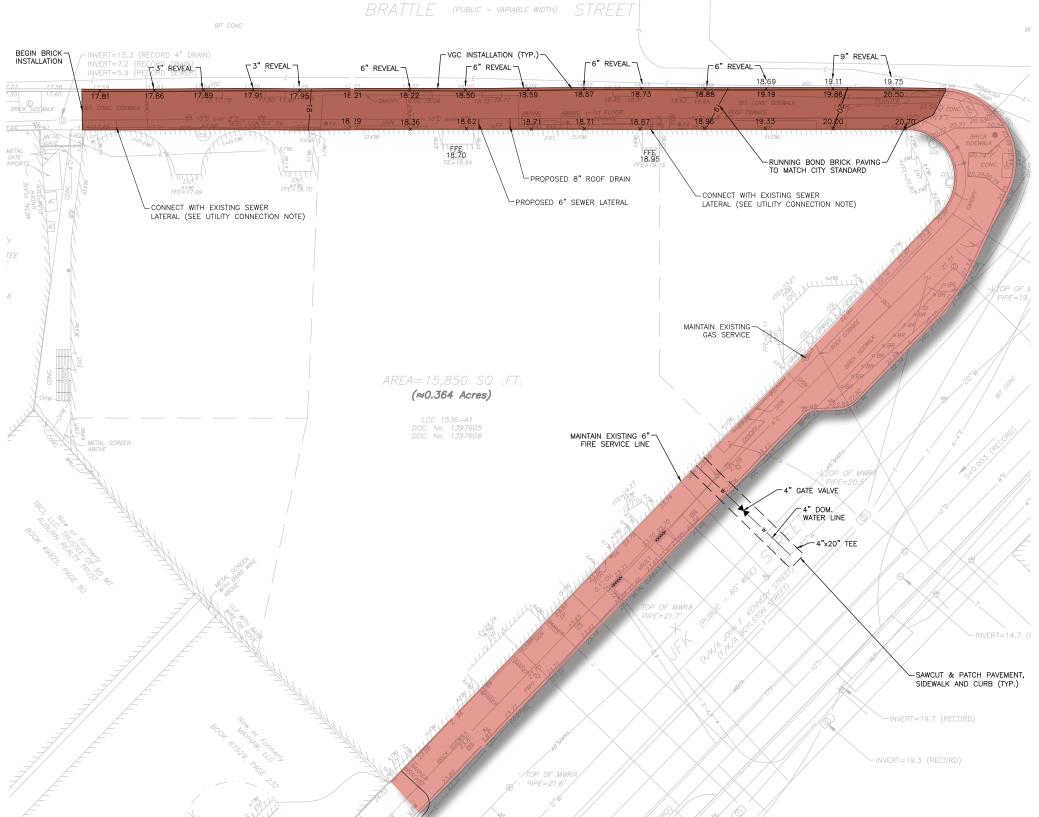














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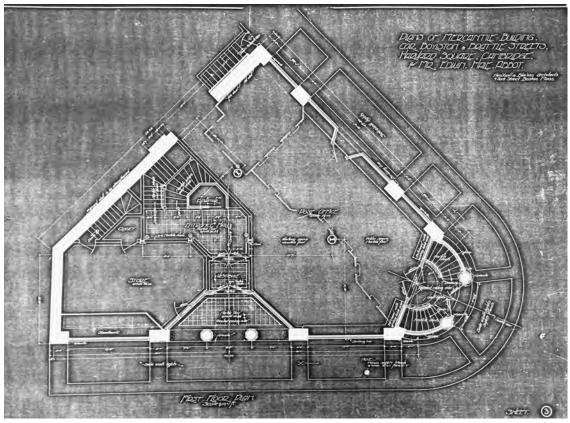


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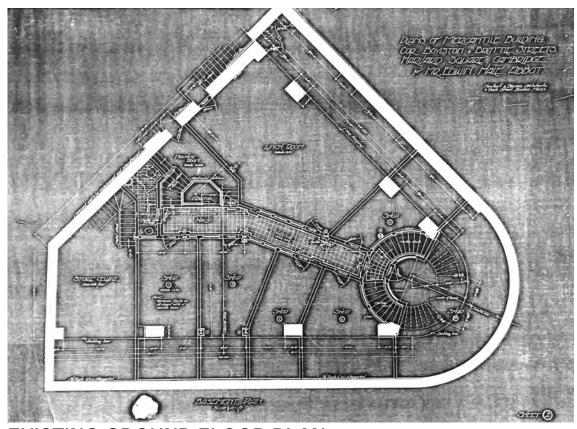
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PROPOSED CIVIL SITE PLAN

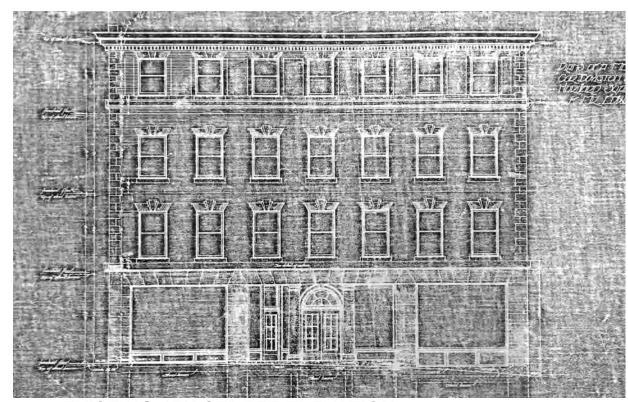




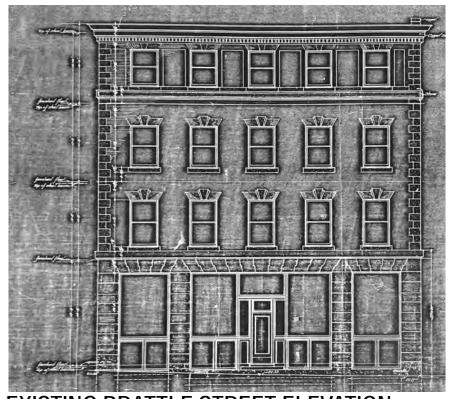
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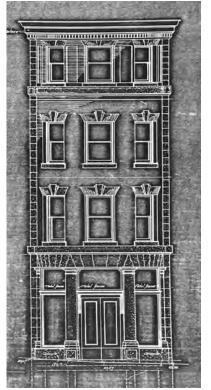
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**EXISTING JFK STREET ELEVATION** 



**EXISTING BRATTLE STREET ELEVATION** 

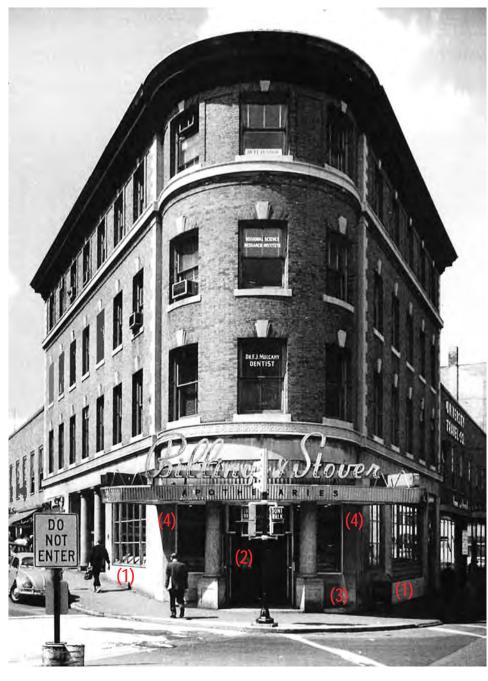


**EXISTING END ELEVATION** 



#### **NOTED FEATURES:**

- (1) WINDOW OPENINGS EXTEND TO GRANITE BASE
- (2) CURVED GLASS STOREFRONT AT ENTRANCE, SIDES, AND TRANSOM
- (3) GRANITE CURBES AT ENTRANCE SIDES
- (4) LIMESTONE PILASTERS AT RETURNS (STILL EXTANT AT JFK ENTRANCE)



#### **NOTED CHANGES**

- (1) LIMESTONE INFILLS AT WINDOW OPENINGS
- (2) OPENING RECONFIGURED IN 1948. FLAT WALL AND DOOR RECESSED IN **CURVED FACADE**
- (3) GRANITE CURBS REMOVED
- (4) LIMESTONE INFILL PIERS FLANKING NEW ENTRANCE COVER PILASTERS

#### **Abbot Building**

Built in 1908 Newhall & Blevins – architects L. D. Willcutt & Sons Company – builder

Alterations to curved entrance in 1948:

- Removed granite curbs
- Installed flat entrance door and sidelights
- Added limestone infill below first floor window openings on JFK and Brattle Streets
- Added limestone infill in front of pilasters
- Upper floor elevations remain intact

#### 18-24 Brattle Street

Built in 1894

Extensive fire in 1922 requires rebuilding the façade

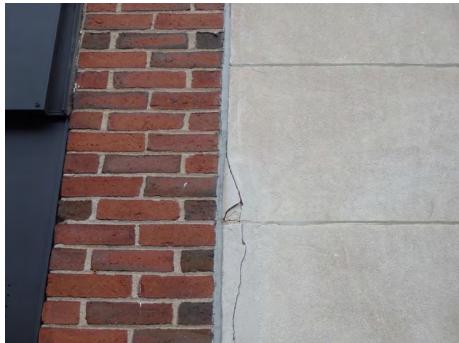
- Newhall & Blevins architects for 1922 work
- Becomes the Abbot Mercantile Building
- Storefronts at street level changed over time
- Upper floor elevations remain intact







TYPICAL LIMESTONE AND BRICK SOILING



CRACK IN LIMESTONE TO BE REPAIRED WITH PINS AND GROUT



FERROUS ANCHORS, CONDUITS, AND ATTACHMENTS TO BE REMOVED AND RESULTING HOLES PATCHED



WOOD WINDOW FRAMES TO BE RESTORED. WOOD WINDOW SASH TO BE REPLACED TO MATCH ORIGINAL PROFILES AND CONFIGURATION.



PREVIOUS LIMESTONE PATCHES TO BE REMOVED AND NEW PATCHES INSTALLED TO MATCH SURROUNDING STONE



OPEN JOINTS AT LIMESTONE BELT COURSE. COPPER CORNICE TO BE INSPECTED



**EXISTING JFK STREET ELEVATION** 

#### General Restoration Notes for Abbot Building and 18-24 Brattle Street:

- Carefully remove all limestone infill panels installed after the original construction.
- Clean brick and limestone using gentlest means possible to remove atmospheric soiling and
- Repoint all open brick and limestone mortar joints. Use mortar that matches existing in color, texture and composition.
- Remove all ferrous anchors, conduits and attachments. Patch resulting holes in brick and limestone with cementitious patching material (<1" diameter); or Dutchman (>1" diameter).
- Replace any cracked brick with new brick matching existing in color, texture and composition.
- Repair cracks in limestone with stainless steel pins and patching material.
- Remove all previous limestone patches that are failing, or do not match surrounding in color or texture. Patch resulting voids with cementitious patching material (<1" diameter); or Dutchman (>1" diameter).
- Furnish and install new wood windows to match historic profiles.
- Restore existing wood frames and trim.



**EXISTING BRATTLE STREET ELEVATION** 

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PROTECT EXISTING POLISHED GRANITE

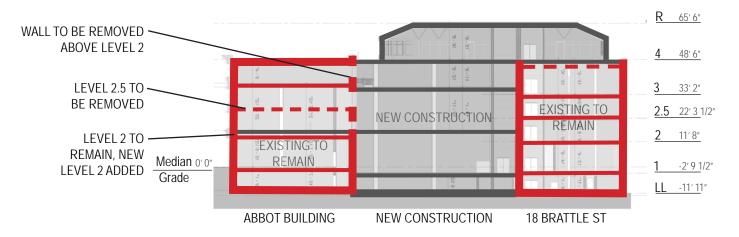
REMOVE SIGN TO EXPOSE LIMESTONE

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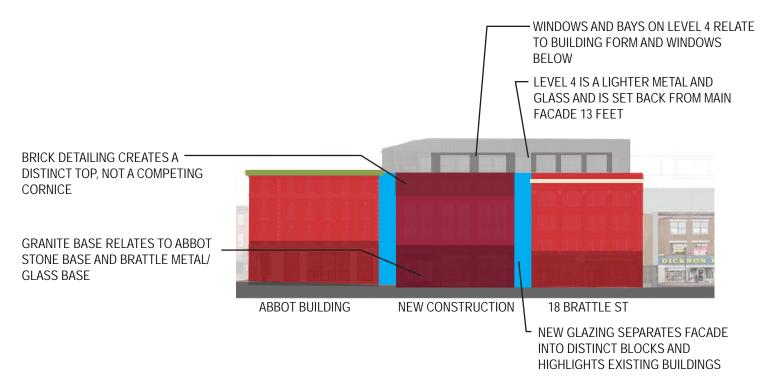
REMOVE LIMESTONE INFILL

COLUMNS

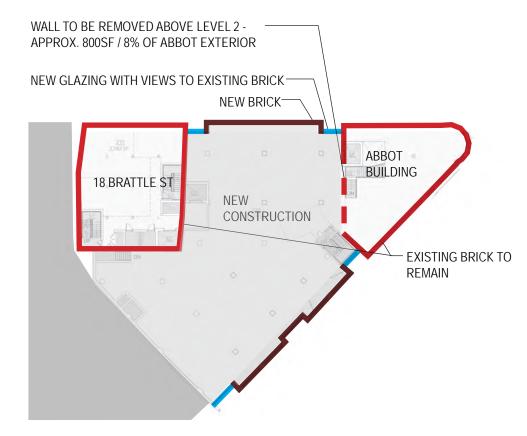
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### **EXISTING AND NEW CONSTRUCTION**

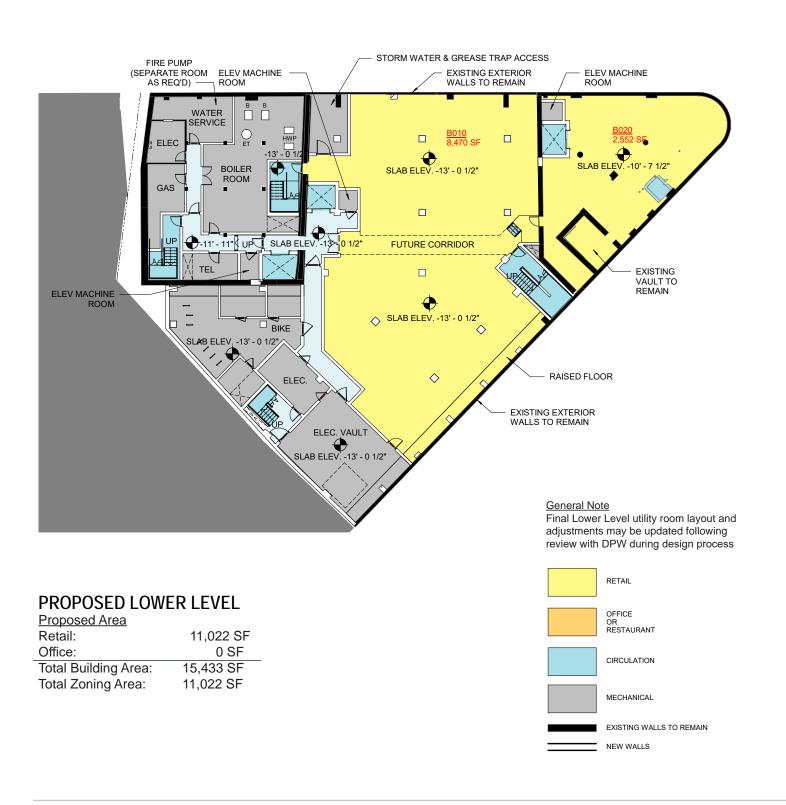


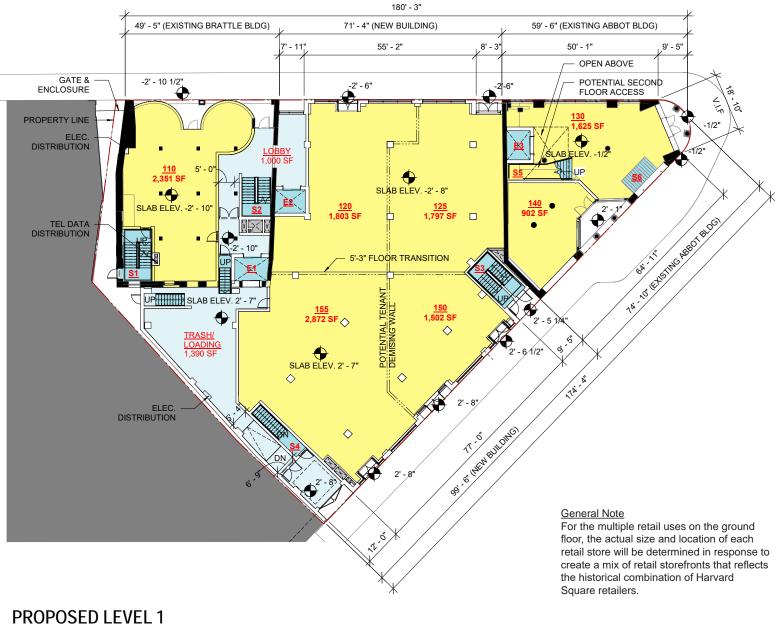
## **DESIGN CONCEPT: DISTINCT BUILDING BLOCKS**



**DESIGN CONCEPT: HIGHLIGHT EXISTING BUILDINGS** 







**Proposed Area** 

12,206 SF Retail: 3,036 SF Office: **Total Building Area:** 15,242 SF Total Zoning Area: 15,061 SF

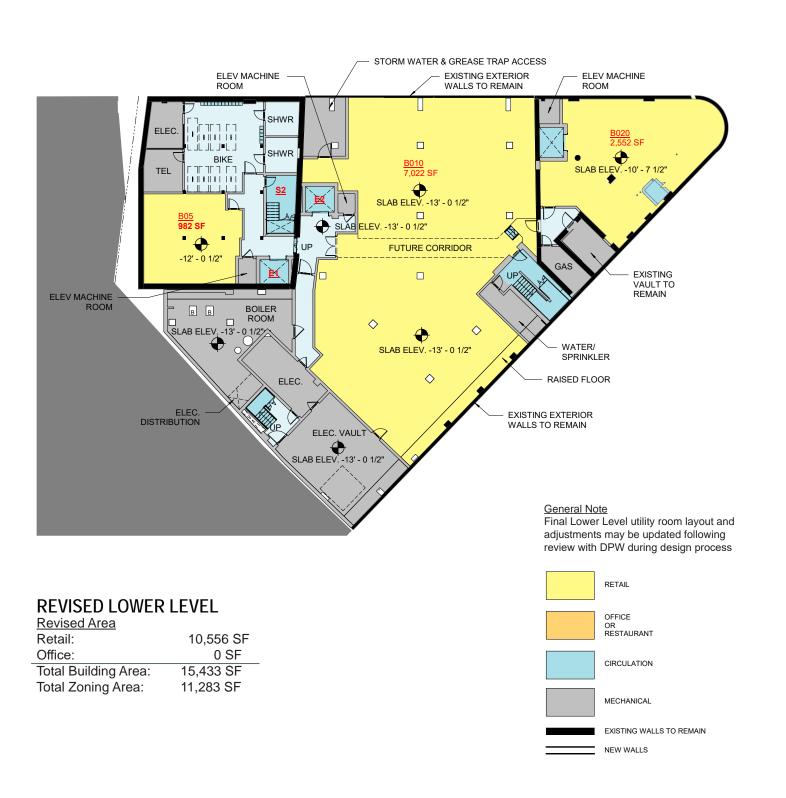






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Retail:

15,325 SF 0 SF Office: 15,325 SF

Total Building Area: **Total Zoning Area:** 15,293 SF



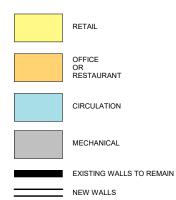




### PROPOSED LEVEL 2

Proposed Area Retail:

11,942 SF 3,296 SF 15,238 SF Office: Total Building Area: Total Zoning Area: 15,003 SF

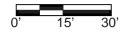




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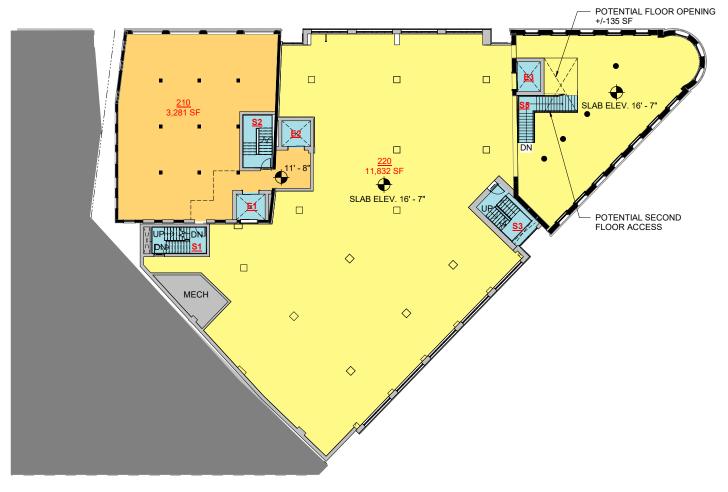
PROPOSED FLOOR PLANS

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Retail:	2,336 SF
Office:	3,296 SF
Total Building Area:	5,632 SF
Total Zoning Area:	5,580 SF





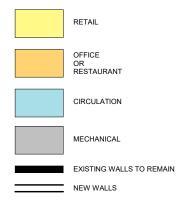




#### **REVISED LEVEL 2**

Revised Area

Retail: 12,043 SF 3,281 SF 15,324 SF Office: Total Building Area: 15,113 SF Total Zoning Area:





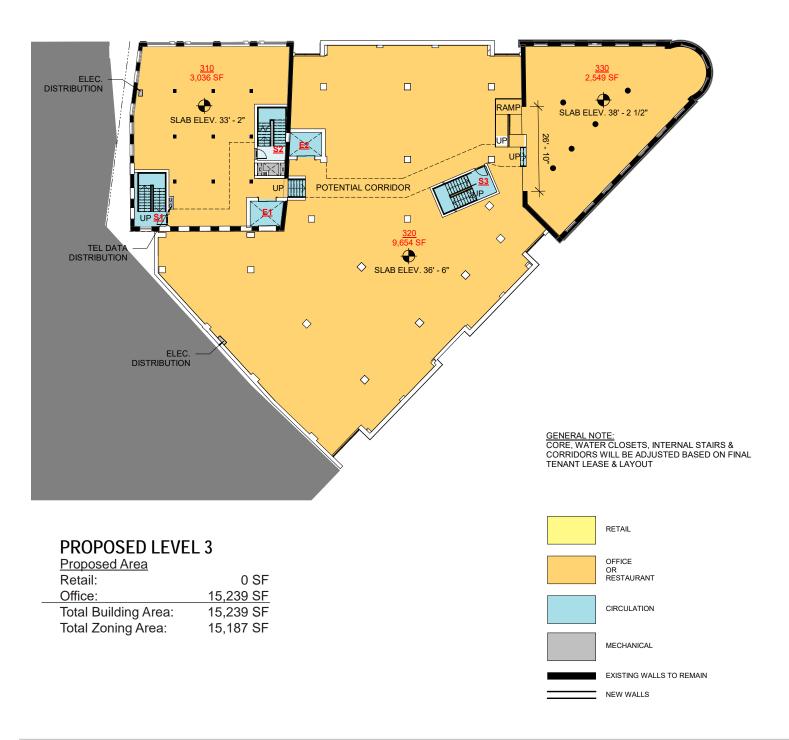
#### **REVISED LEVEL 2.5**

Revised Area

Retail: 2,345 SF 3,281 SF Office: 5,626 SF Total Building Area: Total Zoning Area: 5,609 SF









#### PROPOSED LEVEL 4

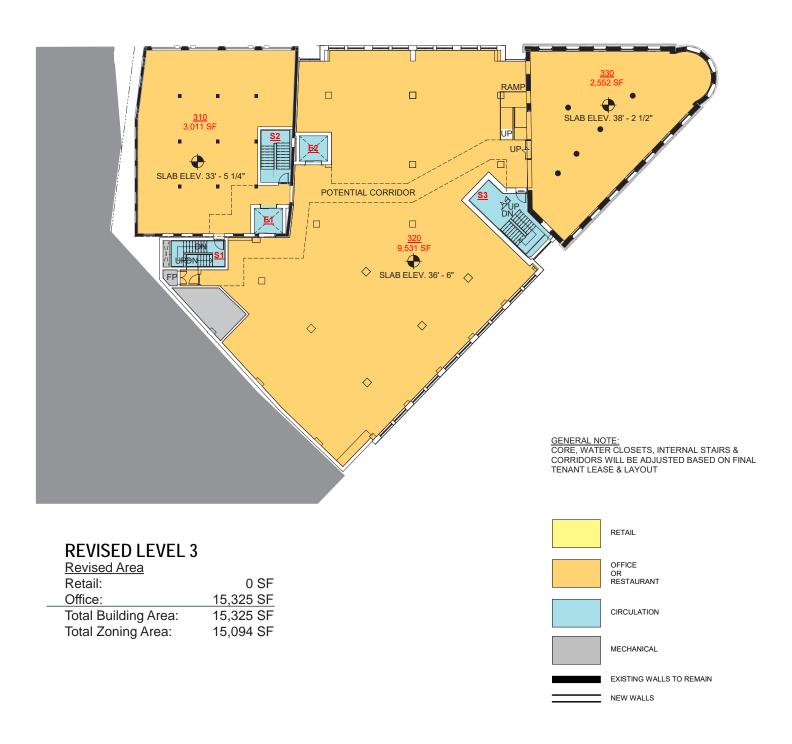
Proposed Area

0 SF Retail: 9,074 SF Office: Total Building Area:

9,893 SF (Includes 873 SF of roof deck) Total Zoning Area:







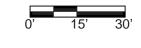


#### **REVISED LEVEL 4**

Revised Area

Retail: 0 SF 8,923 SF Office: Total Building Area: 8,923 SF

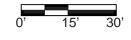
Total Zoning Area: 10,495 SF (Includes 1,662 SF of roof deck)







PROPOSED ROOF PLAN

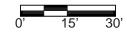






**REVISED ROOF PLAN** 

**REVISED FLOOR PLANS** 







**EXISTING BRATTLE ST. ELEVATION** 



**EXISTING JFK ST ELEVATION** 







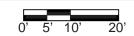
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Granite is a better fit with the context

PROPOSED ELEVATIONS



BRATTLE BUILDING



Median Grade

R 65′ 6″

48′ 6″

3 33′ 2″

2.5 22' 3 1/2"

2 11'8"

0′ 0″ -2' 9 1/2"



BRATTLE ST. ELEVATION (01.30.2018 PROPOSAL)



BRATTLE ST. ELEVATION (REVISED)

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**REVISED ELEVATIONS** 







JFK ST. ELEVATION (HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROPOSAL)



JFK ST. ELEVATION (CURRENT PROPOSAL)

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PROPOSED ELEVATIONS







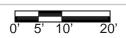
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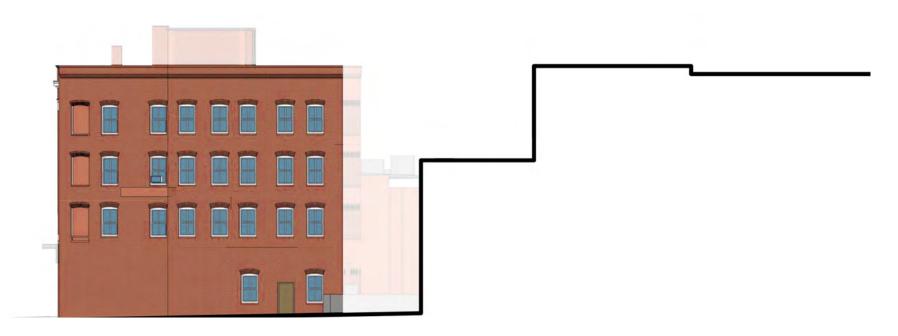
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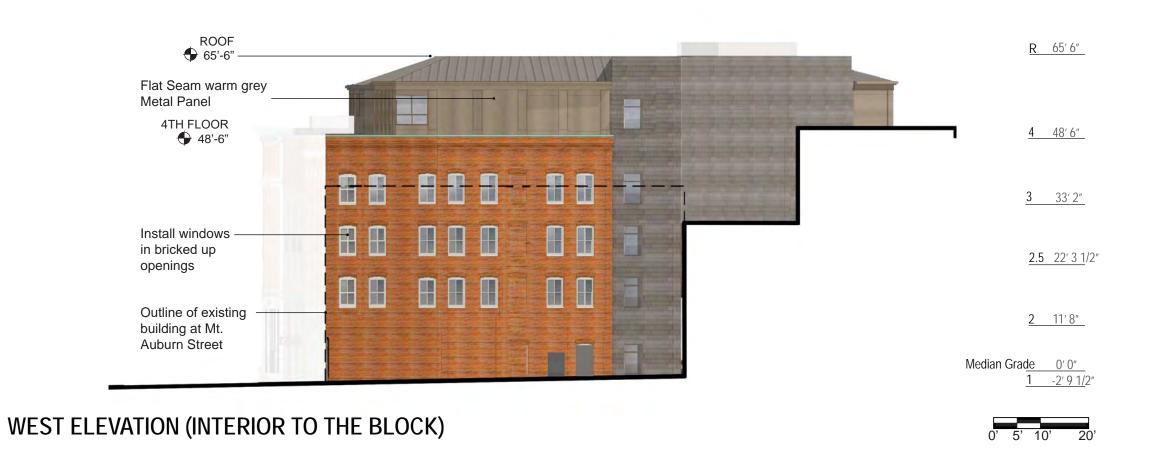
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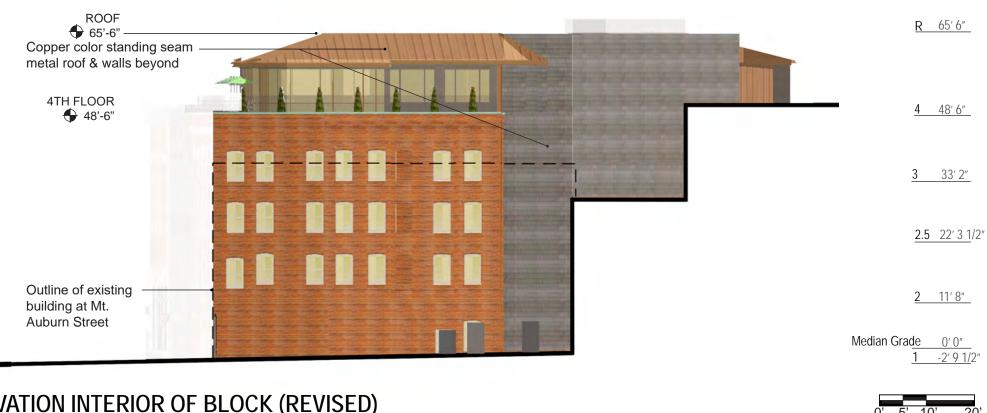


### **EXISTING BRATTLE ST. REAR ELEVATION**





# WEST ELEVATION (01.30.2018 PROPOSAL)



WEST ELEVATION INTERIOR OF BLOCK (REVISED)

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**REVISED ELEVATIONS** 







Slate Roof w/Windows Copper 6th Floor w/ Windows Grey Metal Penthouse

Upper Floor Materials in Harvard Square



Preservation Guide

# New Glass with Existing Masonry wall is featured through the glazing Existing Masonry



Map of Harvard Square









Examples of brick details





Detail in Brick



Existing metalwork details on Massachusetts Avenue



Proposed metalwork is inspired by shape of the Abbot Building

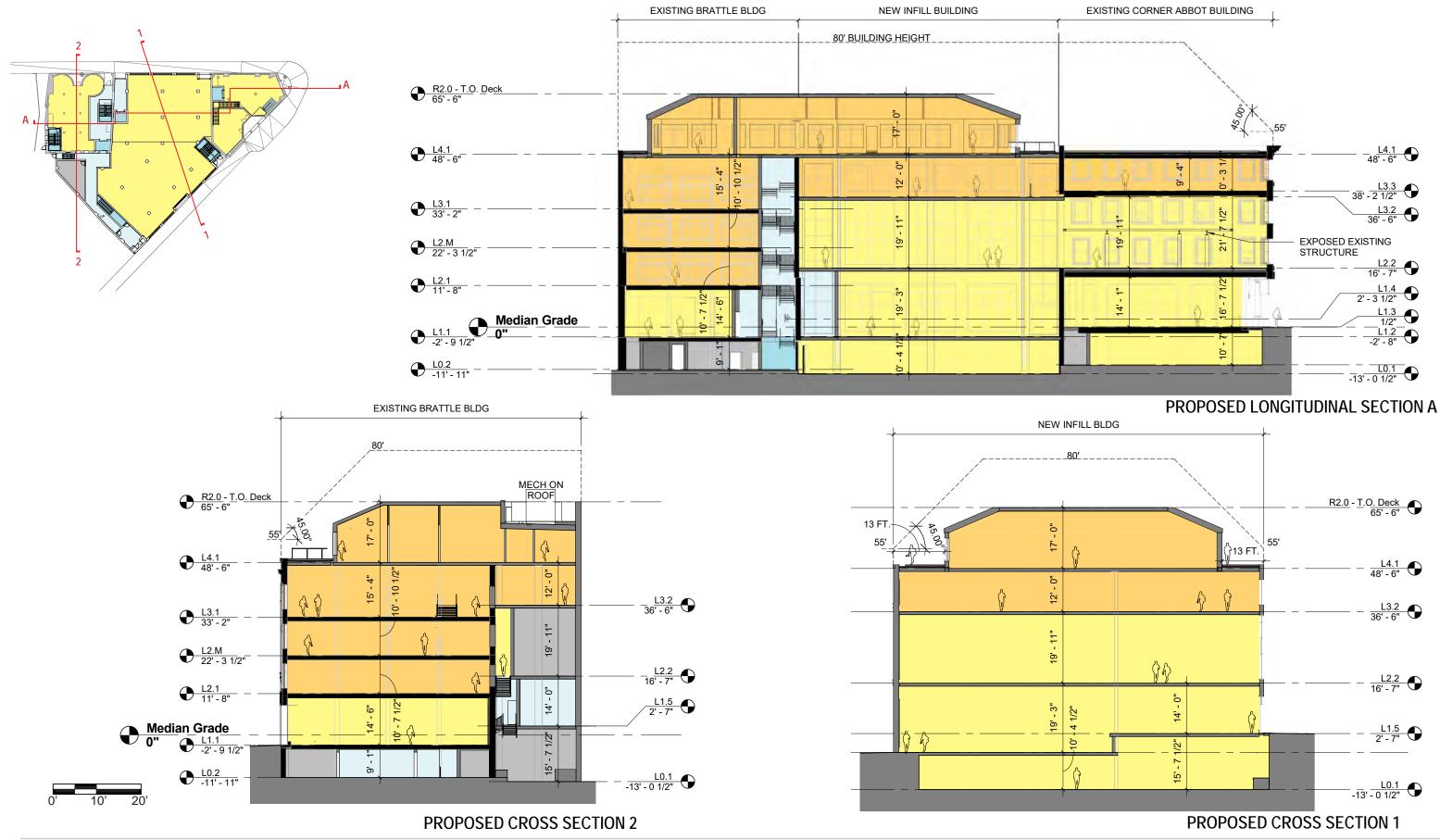
## **Metalwork Details**





**Granite Base** 



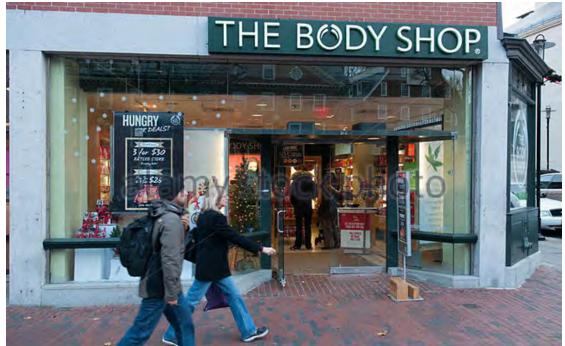


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RETAIL STOREFRONT PRECEDENTS



POTENTIAL STOREFRONTS WITH INDIVIDUAL EXPRESSION FIT INTO BUILDING FRAMEWORK



**EXISTING PERSPECTIVE FROM HARVARD SQUARE** 



**EXISTING PERSPECTIVE FROM BRATTLE SQUARE** 



**EXISTING PERSPECTIVE FROM HARVARD SQUARE** 



**EXISTING PERSPECTIVE FROM JFK STREET** 



HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROPOSAL





PROPOSED PERSPECTIVE FROM HARVARD SQUARE

Architecture Planning Interiors



**EXISTING PHOTOGRAPH** 







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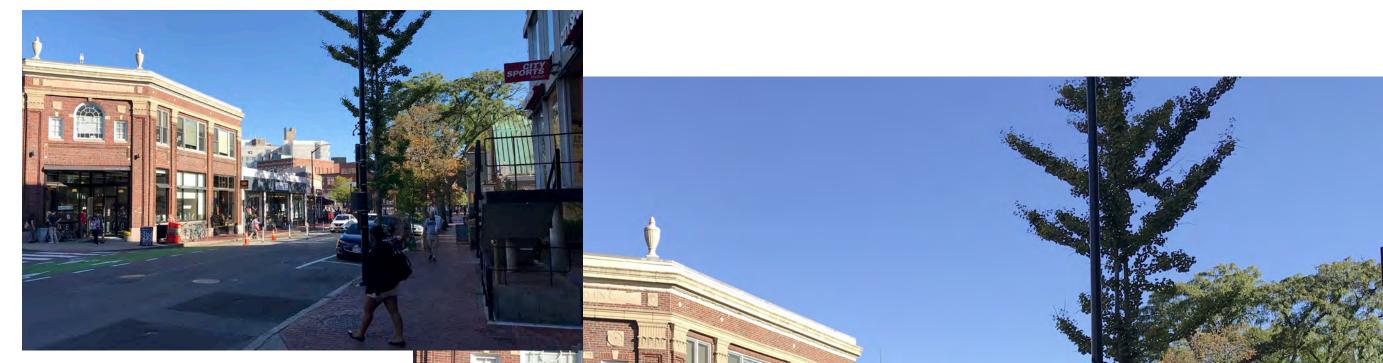


# **EXISTING PHOTOGRAPH**





PROPOSED PERSPECTIVE FROM JFK STREET



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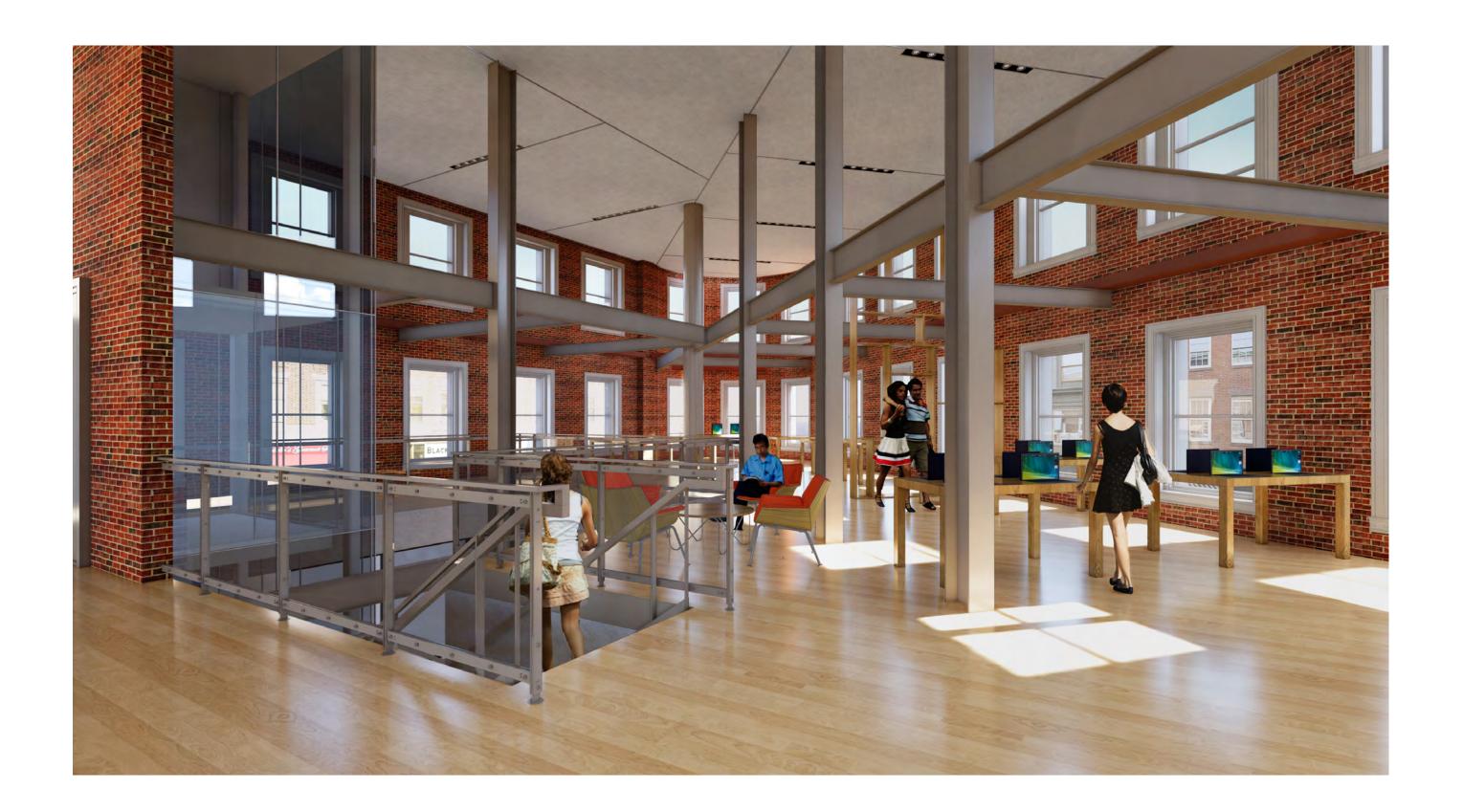




# **EXISTING PHOTOGRAPH**



















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**SHADOW STUDY: JUNE 21ST** 

Additional shadow cast by proposed addition

Shadow cast by existing building.



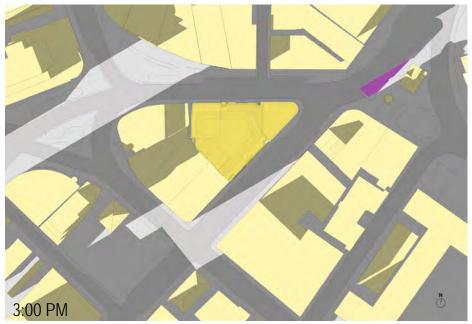




SHADOW STUDY: SEPTEMBER 21ST







SHADOW STUDY: DECEMBER 21ST

Additional shadow cast by proposed addition

Shadow cast by existing building.