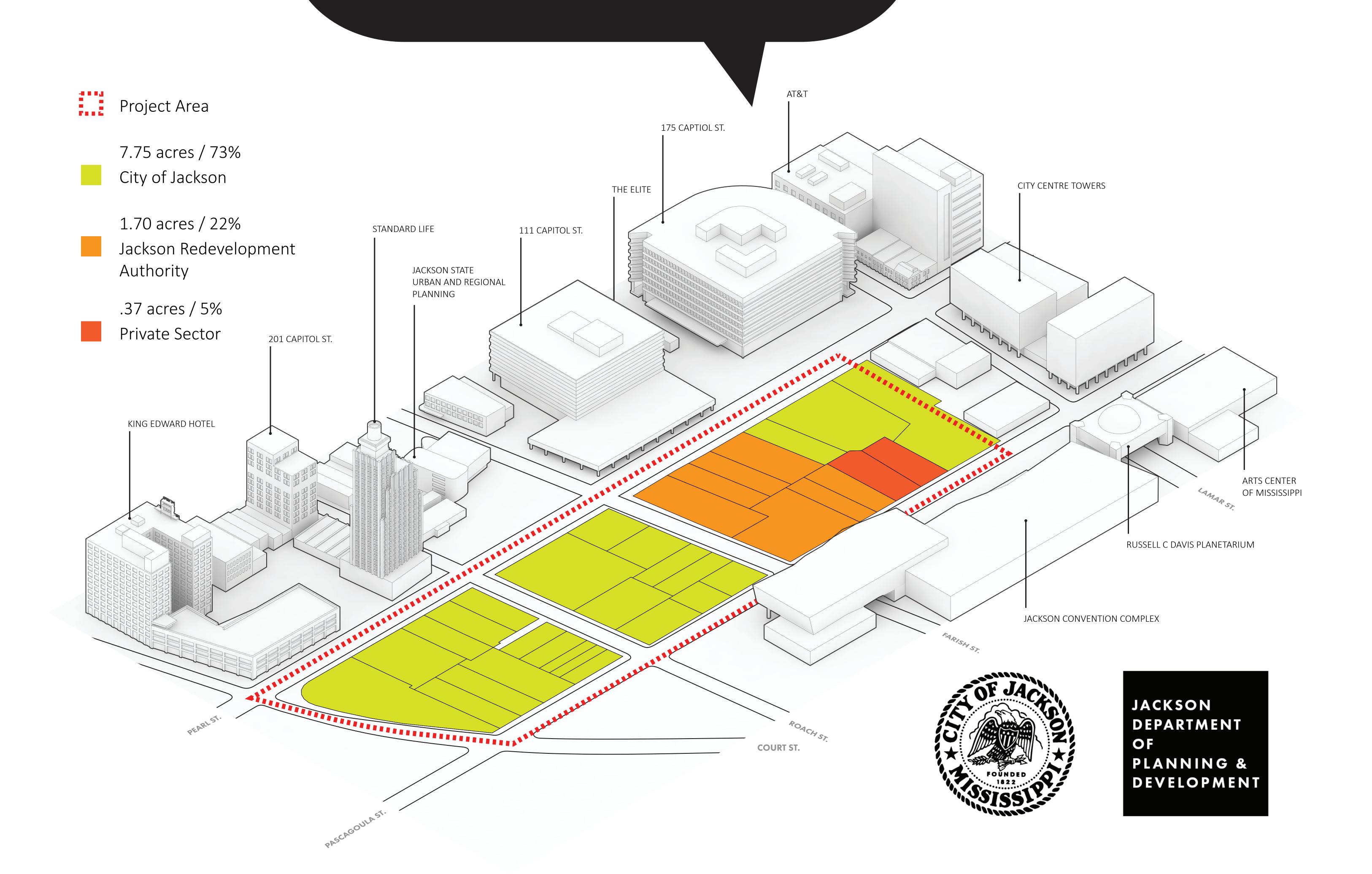
# DOWNTOWN DESIGN DIALOGUE

### JACKSON CONVENTION COMPLEX SITE

SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
THE GALLERY @ JACKSON CONVENTION CENTER
FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
RSVP ON FACEBOOK
@jxnplanning

"What would you like to see downtown?"



### PART I:

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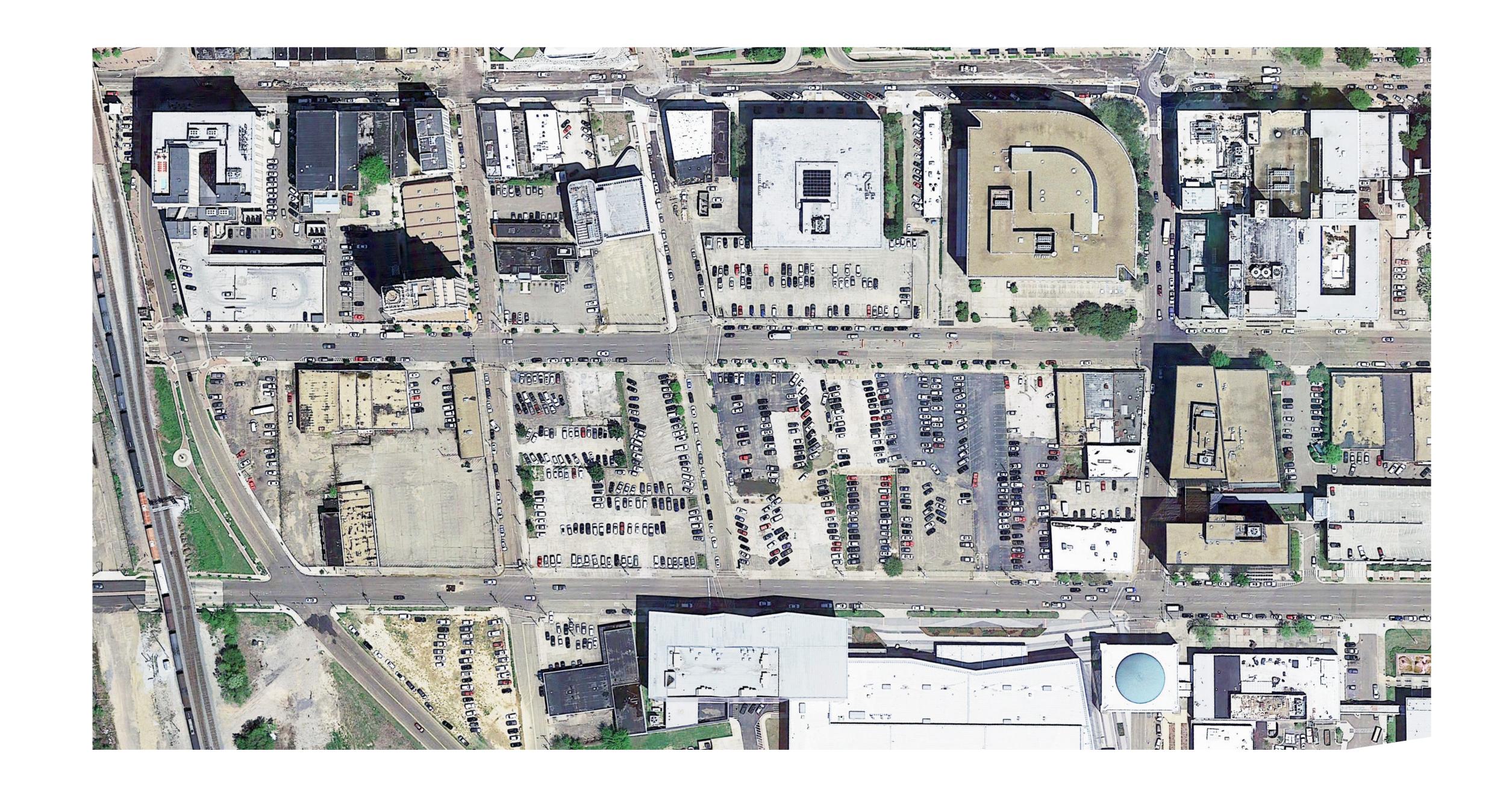
Welcome to our first Downtown Design Dialogue! This event is organized by the Long Range Planning team at the City of Jackson Department of Planning and Development. Other collaborators that contributed to the development of this project include Hunden Strategic Partners, Dale Partners, Jackson Redevelopment Authority, Jackson Convention Complex, Downtown Jackson Partners, and Visit Jackson.

The purpose of the dialogue is to critically engage the public about the future of downtown redevelopment. This dialogue focuses on challenging the standard processes that the Planning Department, developers, and other stakeholders go through when developing a project. This dialogue is about downtown and how a 9 acre undeveloped parcel of land across from the Jackson Convention Complex can completely transform how Jackson's downtown functions. This site presents the opportunity for setting the bar for future projects to think about creative mixed use, human scale open space development, public safety concerns, social and environmental sustainability, and multi-modal transportation design.

This dialogue is also an effort to strengthen the Planning Department's relationship with the public and private sectors. We have several more projects lined up in 2018 that will have similar dialogues.

### D3 sections:

- Part I: Intro Introduction to Site, Context, History
- Part II: Market Analysis Summary of 2018 Downtown Market Analysis
- Part III: Design Long Range Planning Team Design Proposal
- Part IV: Engage Public Planning for Downtown's Future











Brick and mortar commerical buildings on the site start declining as large populations and businesses leave the city of Jackson for the surrounding suburbs

EASTER FLOOD OF 1979 - CLARION LEDGER

Project site and western side of downtown floods during the Easter flood of 1979 causing major damage to commerical businesses on the site

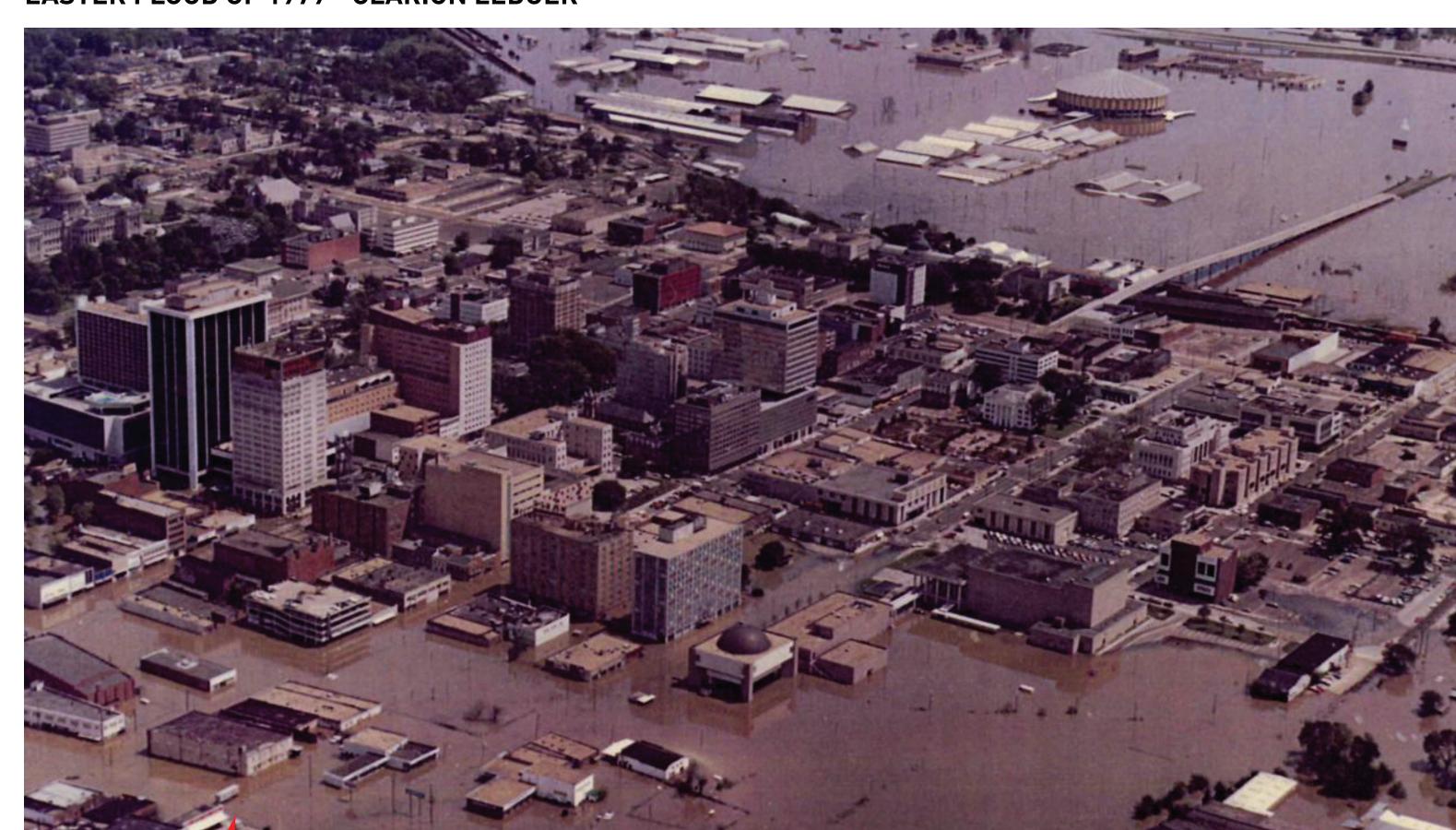
1980 **•** 

1990

2000

2010

The crack and heroin epidemic starts to damage downtown Jackson



PROJECT SITE

JACKSON CONVENTION CENTER CONSTRUCTION



**TelCom Center begins construction** 

Jackson Convention Complex starts construction

RFP sent out to developers for future development of the 9 acre site

SITE RENDERING - DALE PARTNERS



a 108 HUD loan to redevelop the site across from the convention complex, the loan amount is \$7 million

City of Jackson takes out

Majority of project site commerical buildings

are demolished

land across from the convention center site

City of Jackson sells TCI MS developers

TCI MS developers file bankruptcy, Jackson Redevelopment Authority and City of Jackson acquire the land back for \$1 million

Jackson Redevelopment Authority sends out another RFP

City of Jackson hires Hunden Strategic Partners to conduct a downtown market analysis

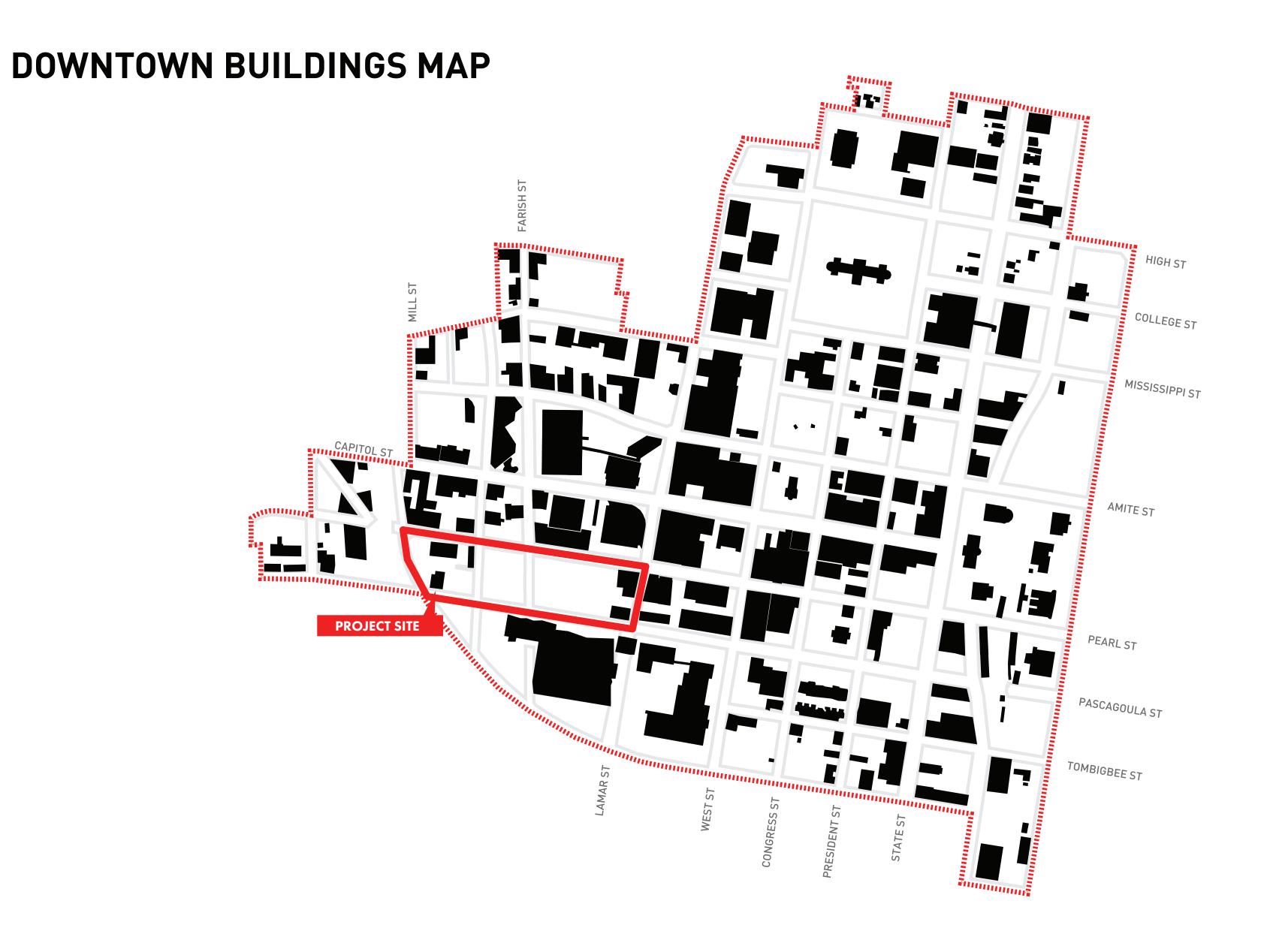
City of Jackson Long Range Planning team creates design proposal and sends a comprehensive package out the public seeking a master developer

Finalize agreements with developers and narrow down phasing, financing, and development strategy and begin development of the site

SITE RENDERING - CITY OF JACKSON PLANNING DEPARTMENT



2020



# There is a lot of infill development opportunities in the downtown area

### 332 acres

in the downtown [BID] business improvement district

24% of downtown land is covered with buildings

65 blocks

17 streets



## Most of downtown is used for parking use

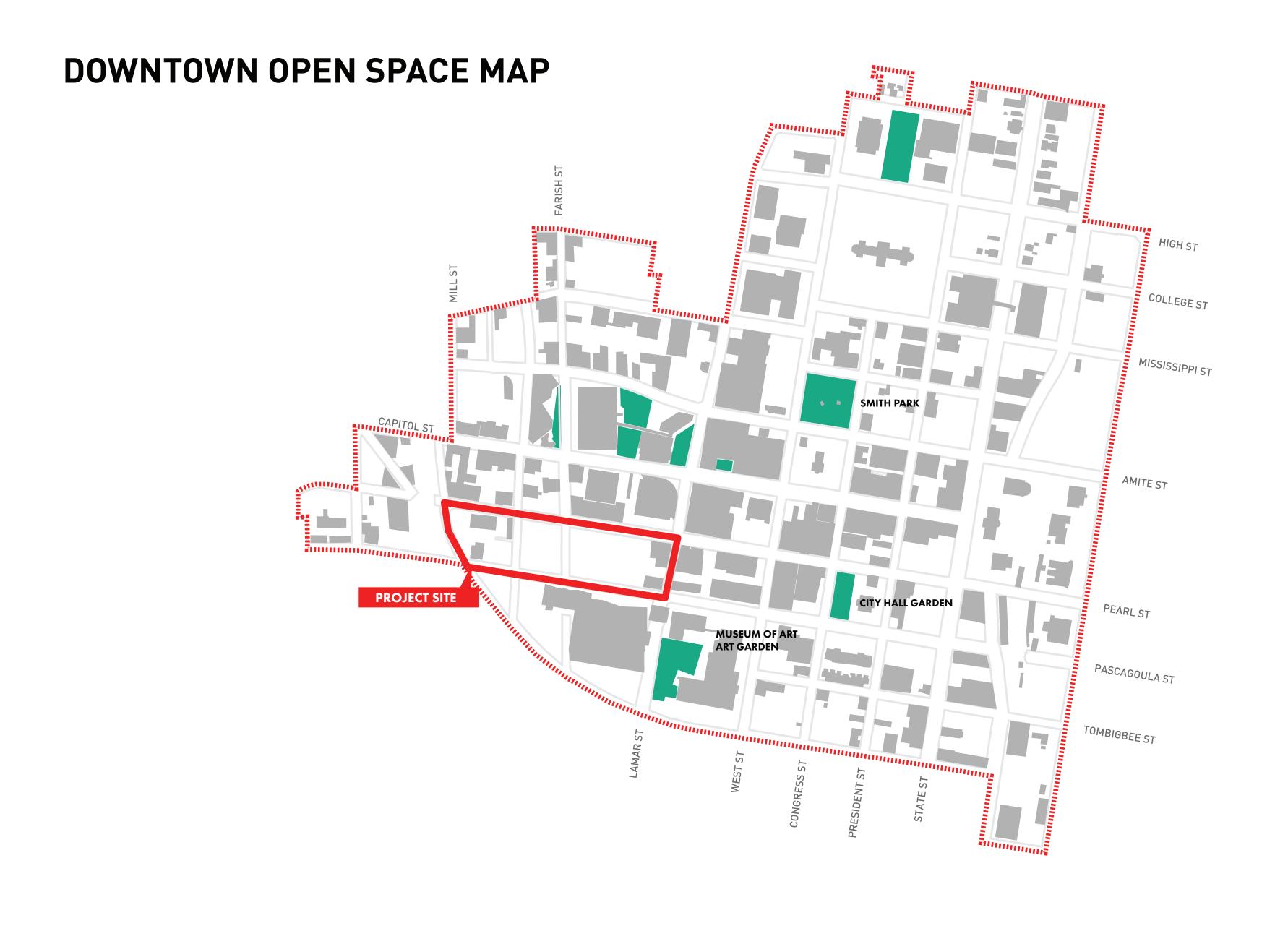
### 87 acres

of parking in the downtown [BID] business improvement district

26% of downtown land is for parking

parking garages 17

onstreet parking 7% parking lots 19%

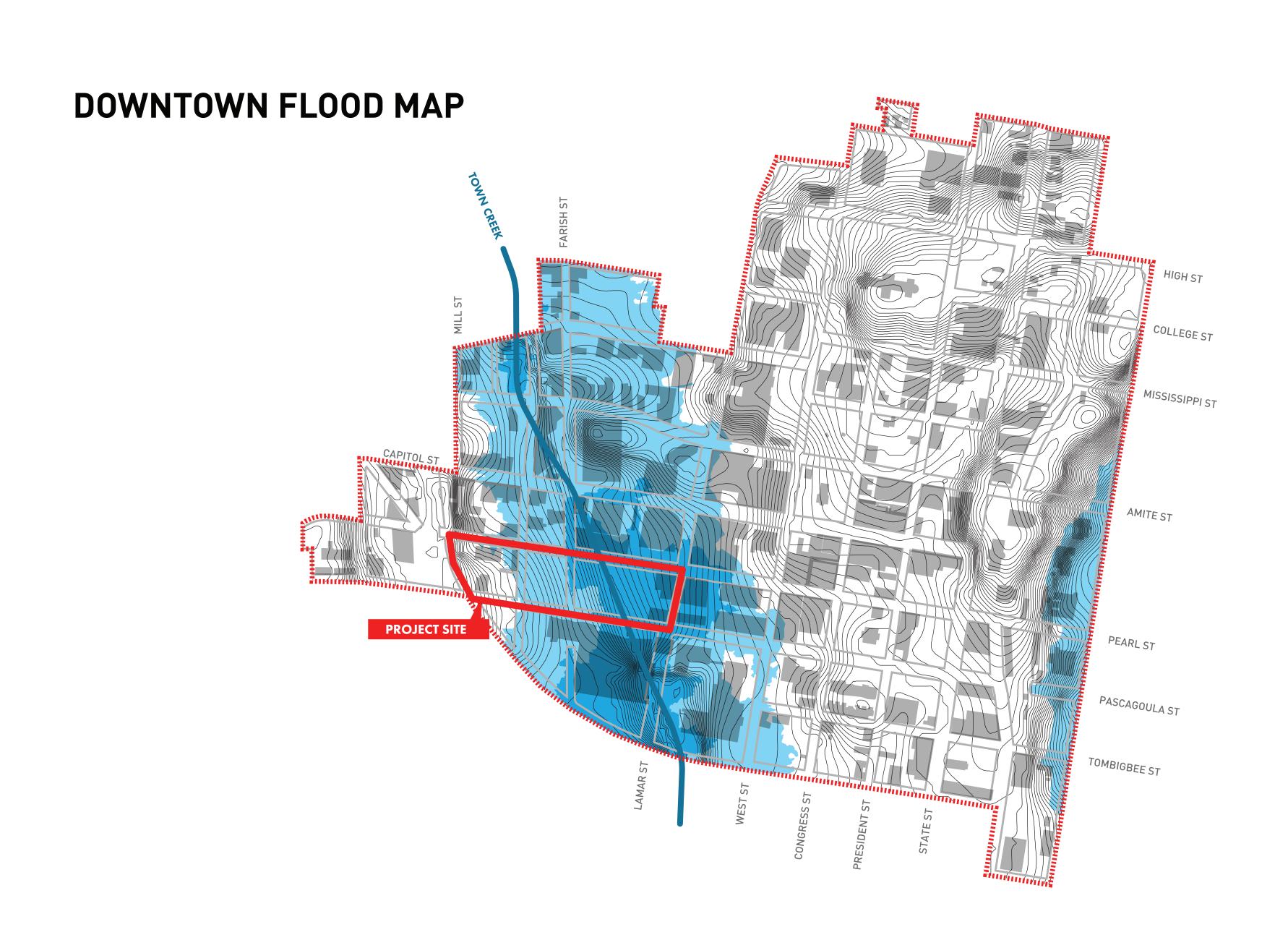


# There is a severe lack of open green space downtown

### 9 acres

of open green space in the downtown [BID] business improvement district

2.7% of downtown land is used as open green space



# The west portion of downtown is in a floodplain

### 129 acres

of floodplain in the downtown [BID] business improvement district

39% of downtown land is in the floodplain

7.2% in high risk flooding area

in less risk flooding area

Town Creek runs underneath the project site

### PART II:

# MARKET ANALYSIS

The City of Jackson Department of Planning and Development engaged Hunden Strategic Partners to conduct a market analysis for the Business Improvement District in Downtown Jackson, Mississippi.

Hunden Strategic Partners was engaged by the City of Jackson's Department of Planning and Development to conduct a thorough market analysis for the Business Improvement District (BID) of Downtown Jackson, Mississippi. The end purpose of the analysis is to determine the highest and best mix of uses for development on the City and JRA-owned land parcels across the street from the Jackson Convention Complex. To answer this overarching question, HSP sought answers to the following throughout this analysis:

- •What is the status of the redevelopment site and what types of development exist there now? What characteristics does the site possess?
- •What economic and demographic trends currently exist within the community. How are these trends impacting the diverse types of real estate uses in the market?
- •What are the historical and current market conditions for each type of major real estate use?
- What do the market conditions imply for future development?
- •What are the recommended uses for development across from the Convention Complex?

HSP's analysis will be two-pronged. The first phase of this analysis will provide the City with a baseline for all types of real estate uses, including key performance and occupancy statistics for properties located within the downtown BID District. The second phase of the analysis will provide the city with recommendations as to what should be developed across from the Convention Complex.

The Executive Summary covered the following topics:

- •Site overview
- Economic, demographic, tourism analysis of Jackson
- Hotel Market Analysis
- Residential Market Analysis
- Office Market Analysis
- Retail and Restaurant Analysis
- Trends in Urban Real Estate Development

### RESIDENTIAL

### **DOWNTOWN RESIDENTIAL MAP**



### Downtown Jackson Multifamily Supply

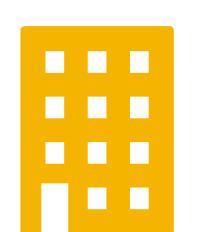
Property	Opened	Units	Occupied	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Sterling Towers	1959	105	85	\$1,013	\$1,419
Standard Life Flats	2010	76	67	\$1,053	\$1,307
King Edward	2009	64	57	\$1,512	\$1,675
Capitol Art Lofts	2017	31	31	\$590	\$661
Electric 308	2005	15	13	\$925	\$1,675
The Plaza Building	2006	14	12	\$1,216	
736 Dickies Lofts		14	10	\$732	
Foundry Lofts		18	18		
Total/Average		337	293	\$1,006	\$1,347





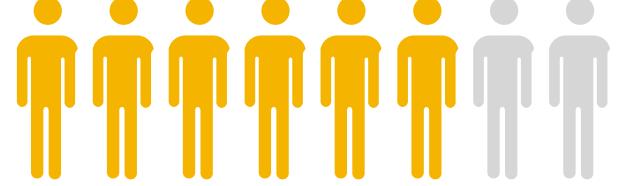






Since 2006 more than 200 multifamily units have been developed, along with more than 20 restaurants and other activities.

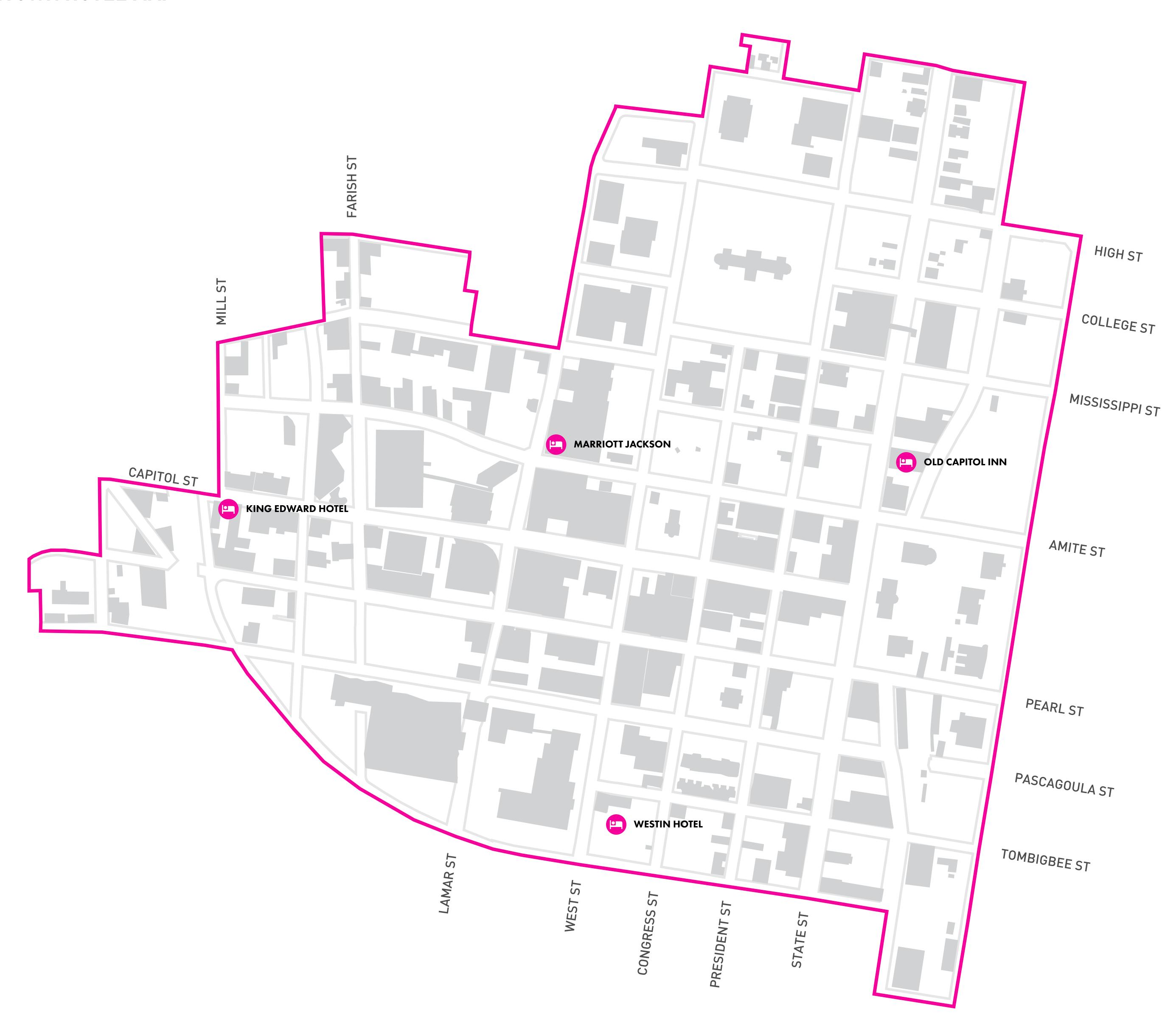






### HOTEL

### **DOWNTOWN HOTEL MAP**



### Downtown Jackson Hotels

Property	Opened	Rooms	Distance	Chain Scale
The Westin	2017	203	0.2	Upper Upscale
Hilton Garden Inn	2009	186	0.3	Upscale
Marriot	1975	303	0.3	Upper Upscale
Comfort Inn	1999	53	1.1	Upper Midscale
Hampton Inn & Suites	1996	111	1.2	Upper Midscale
Holiday Inn Express	1989	108	1.2	Upper Midscale
Best Western Plus	2001	61	1.2	Upper Midscale
Red Roof Inn	1985	116	1.3	Economy
Total/Average		1141	.85	

Westin

Marriot



### Hotel Occupancy Comparison 2017

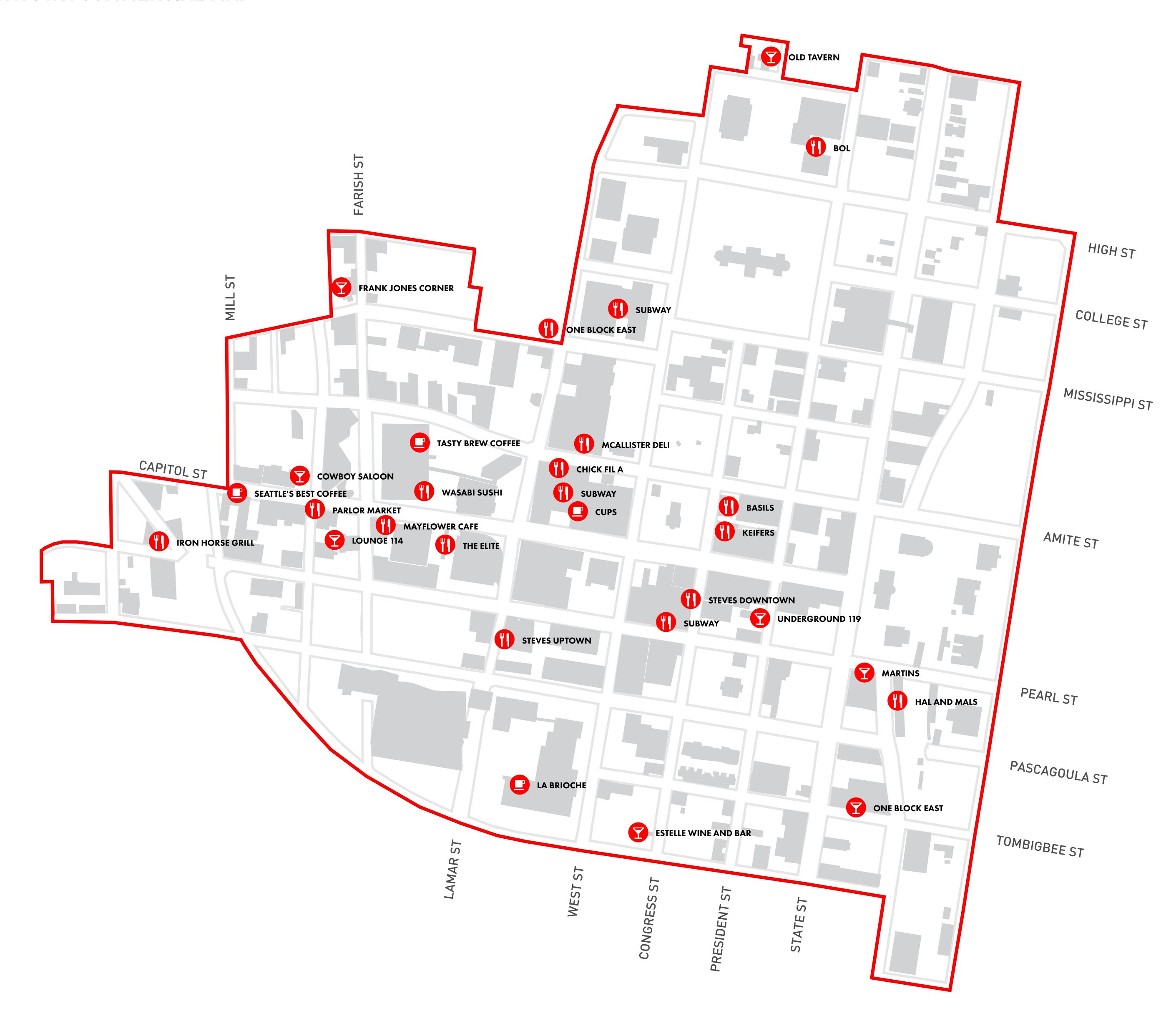
70% Occupancy / \$110 Avg. Daily Rate Hilton

68% Occupancy / \$150 Avg. Daily Rate

41-46% Occupancy / \$105-\$110 Avg. Daily Rate

### COMMERCIAL

### **DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL MAP**



### Downtown Jackson Restaurant Supply

### Name

Parlor Market **Estelle Wine Bar & Bistro** Iron Horse Grill Mayflower Café Sugar's Place Wasabi Sushi & Bar **Elite Restaurant** Hal and Mal's Old Capitol Inn Steve's Uptown Café & Bakery **Keifer's Downtown** Taste of the Island McAlister's Deli Bol Basil's Steve's Downtown Deli Tasty Brew La Brioche Patisserie Subway Subway Chick Fil A Underground 119 Lounge 114 F. Jones Corner Martin's Restaurant & Lounge One Block East

### Type

Lunch & Dinner Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Lunch & Dinner Lunch & Dinner Lunch Only Lunch & Dinner Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Lunch & Dinner Lunch Only Breakfast & Lunch Lunch Only Lunch Only Breakfast & Lunch Breakfast & Lunch Lunch Only Lunch Only Breakfast & Lunch Breakfast & Lunch Lunch & Dinner Lunch & Dinner Late Night Bar / Club Lunch & Late Night Bar Club Late Night Bar / Club Lunch & Late Night Bar Club Late Night Bar / Club

### Quality

Fine Dining Fine Dining Casual Dining Fast Casual Fast Food / Quick Serve Fast Food / Quick Serve Bar/Lounge/Club Bar / Lounge / Club Bar / Lounge / Club Bar / Lounge / Club Bar/Lounge/Club













# **72% Independent**

retailers offered Downtown

# Demand High demand for Downtown grocery stores and more restaurants

### Downtown Jackson Retail Supply

### Name

J.McMichael Gallery
Sugar Rays
Fashion Corner
Downtown Snack Shop
Capitol Copy & Imaging
FedEx Office Ship Center
Pioneer Credit Company
State Bank & Trust Company
Trustmark Bank
OmniBank
Regions

### Type

Art Gallery
Candy Store
Clothing
Convenience Store
Copy & Print
Copy, Print, Shipping
Financial Services
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### Name

Wells Fargo
Green Floral Inc.
Thimblepress
Carter Jewelers
Chuck Campbell's Jewelers
Office Environments
Micro Printing & Blueprint
Kirkland Hair
Sam's Shoe Shine
Down Range Sporting Goods

### Type

Financial Services
Florist
Gift Shop/Art Prints
Jeweler
Jeweler
Office Supplies
Printing
Professional Services
Professional Services
Sporting Goods

### OFFICE

### **DOWNTOWN OFFICE MAP**



### Major Downtown Jackson Office Supply

Property	Avg. Lease Rate	Total SF	Occupied SF	Vacancy	<b>Type</b>
Regions Plaza	\$15-\$18	336,000	268,800	20%	Class B
Trustmark National Bank	n/a	264,000	264,000	0%	Class B
One Jackson Place	\$18-\$20	219,000	201,480	8%	Class A
Capital Towers	\$15-\$18	213,000	172,773	19%	Class B
The Pinnacle at Jackson Place	\$23-\$25	189,000	162,540	14%	Class A
111 E Capitol	\$16-\$17	187,000	168,300	10%	Class B
City Centre - South	\$13-\$15	135,000	33,750	75%	Class B
City Centre - North	\$14-\$16	135,000	74,250	45%	Class B
Electric Building	\$18-\$20	106,000	103,880	2%	Class B
Heritage Building	\$15-\$19	95,000	61,750	35%	Class B
Emporium Building	n/a	62,600	62,600	0%	_
200 N Congress Building	\$14-\$16	37,500	37,500	0%	_
201 Capitol	\$10-\$11	32,000	22,400	30%	Class B
Regions Bank Building*		161,000		100%	_
Landmark Building*		345,000		100%	_
Total/Average	\$16.64	2,517,400	1,634,023	35%	_









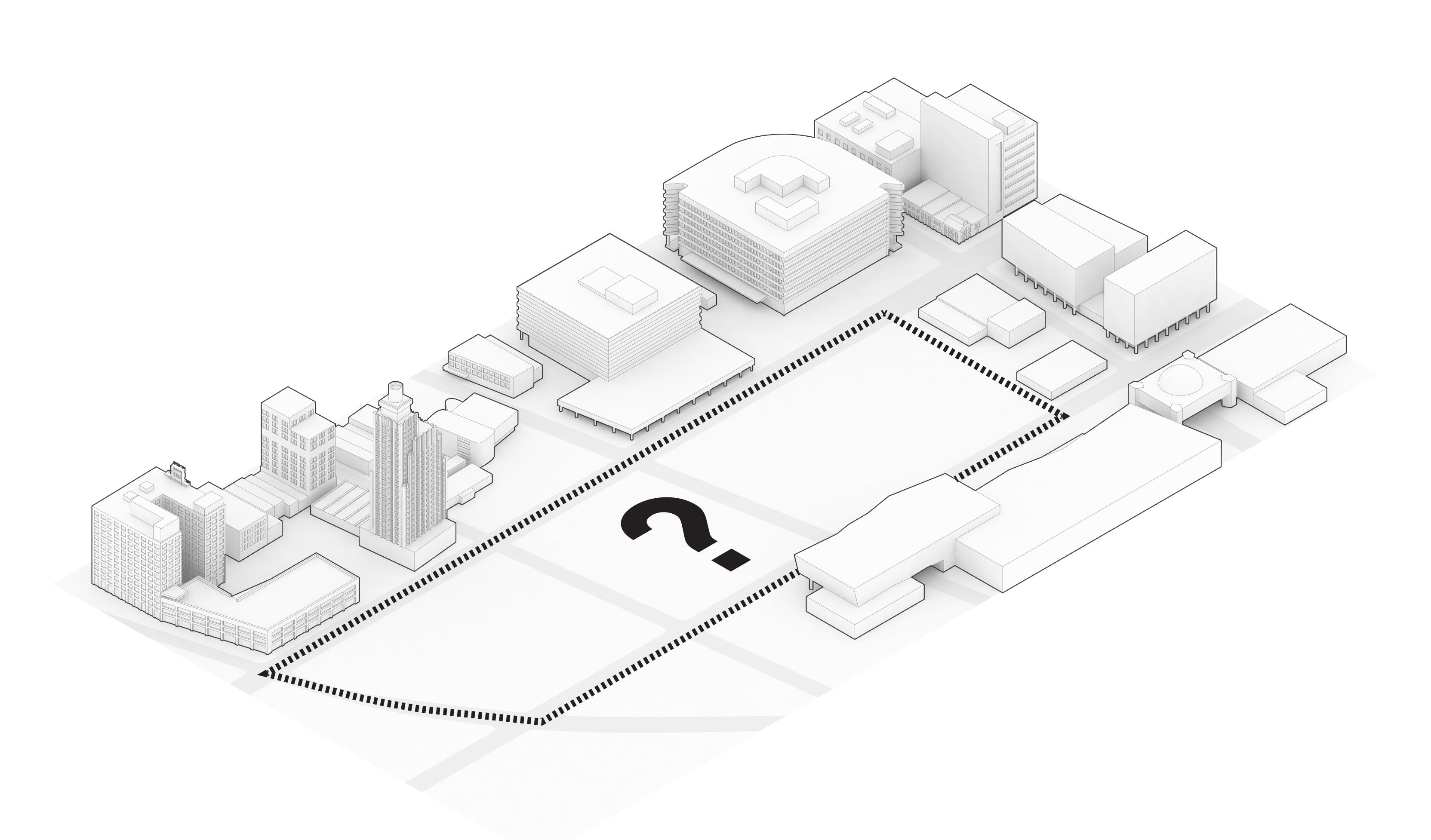


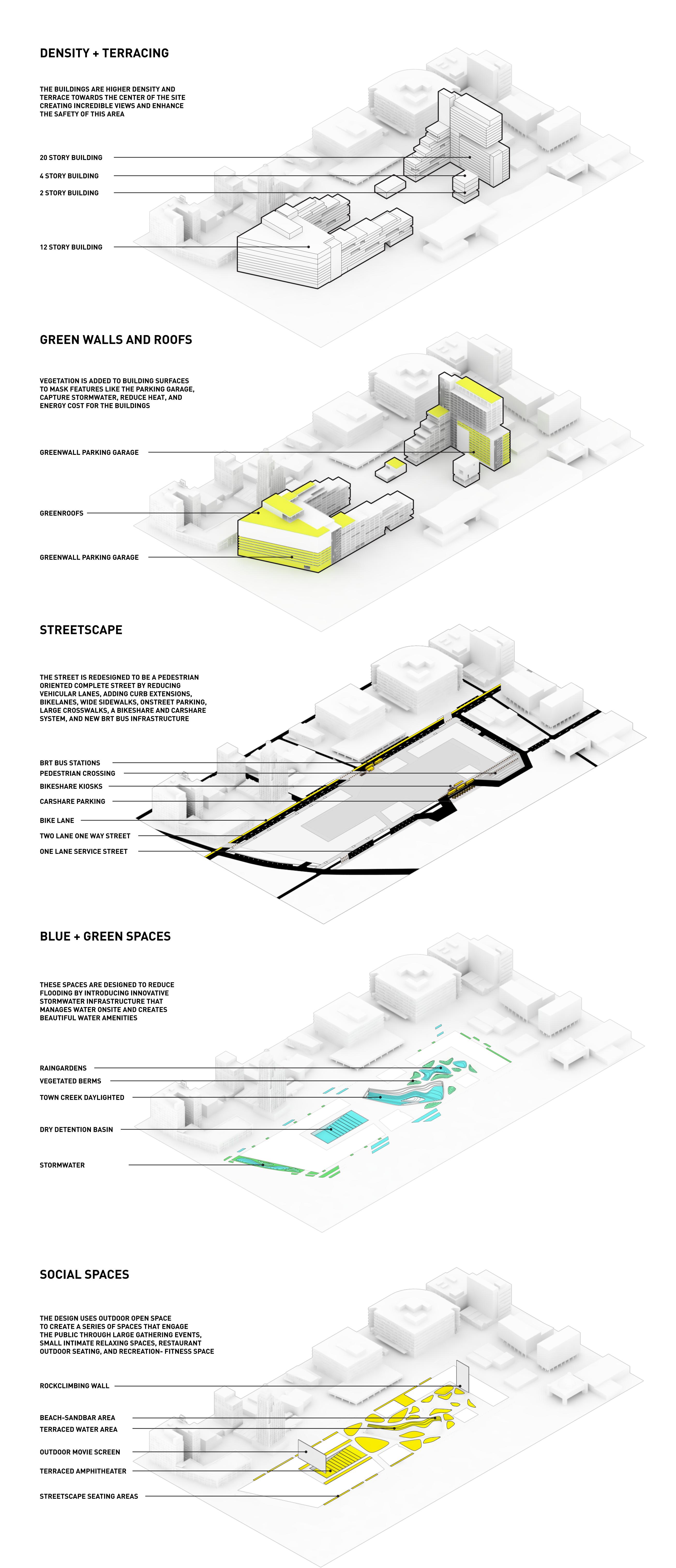


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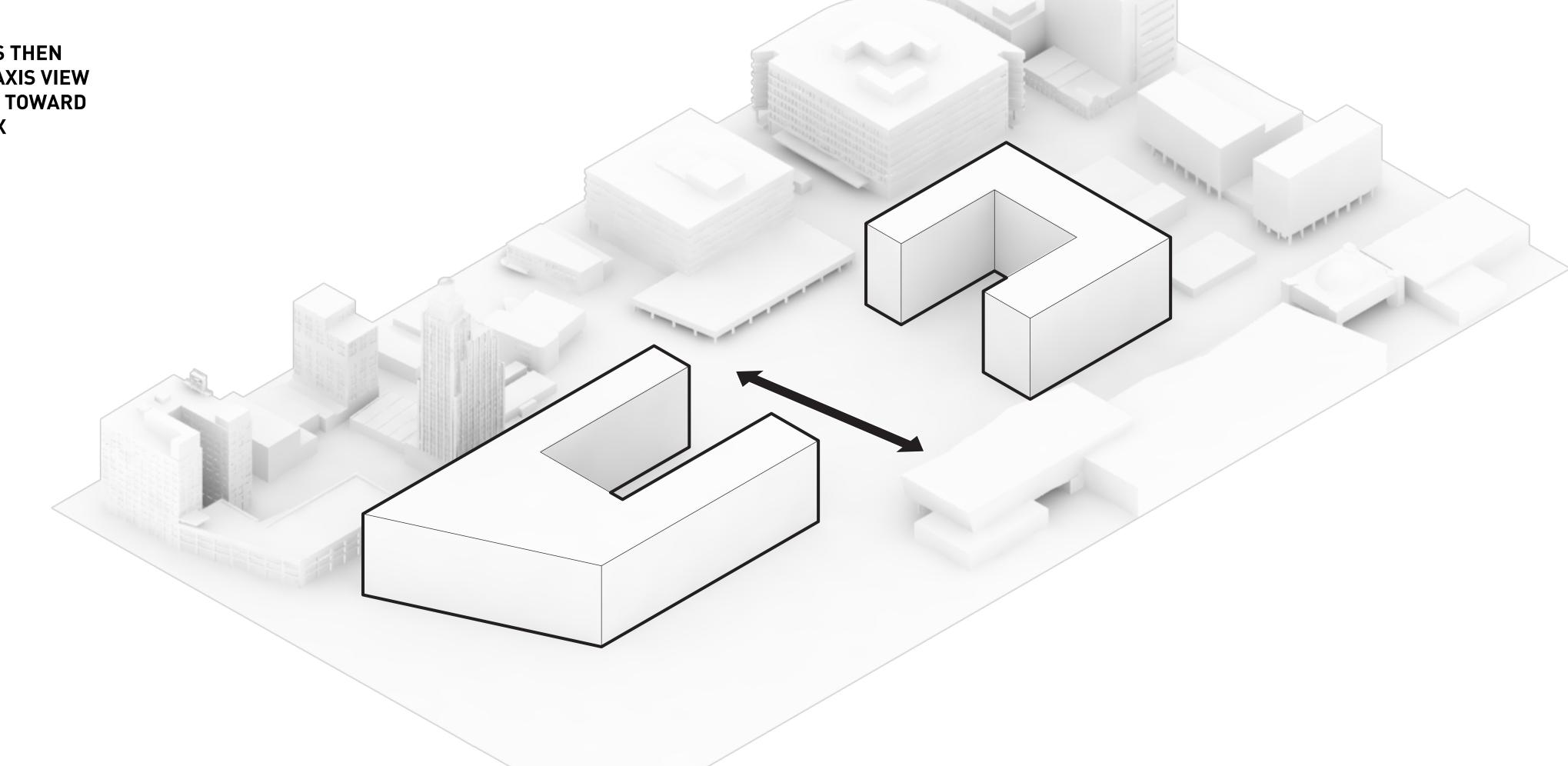
# DESIGN

Our Long Range Planning team at the City of Jackson Department of Planning and Development has created a proposed site design for the 9 acre site across from the Jackson Convention Complex. Our team chose to focus on this project because of the major opportunity it has to transform downtown and act as a catalyst for future economic development in the downtown area. For several months our team has been engaging the public about what they would like to see downtown through social media platforms. We collected the responses and integrated the public's ideas into the design to reflect our values as a city. This proposal uses innovative strategies for incorporating open space, public safety concerns, multi-modal transportation design, human scale oriented design, social and environmental sustainability into a high density mixed use development. We organize the design ideas by showcasing our process, programming, phasing, and costs. This design is meant to explain our expectations for developers. We will send a request for proposal in August 2018 to seek master developers to help develop the site.





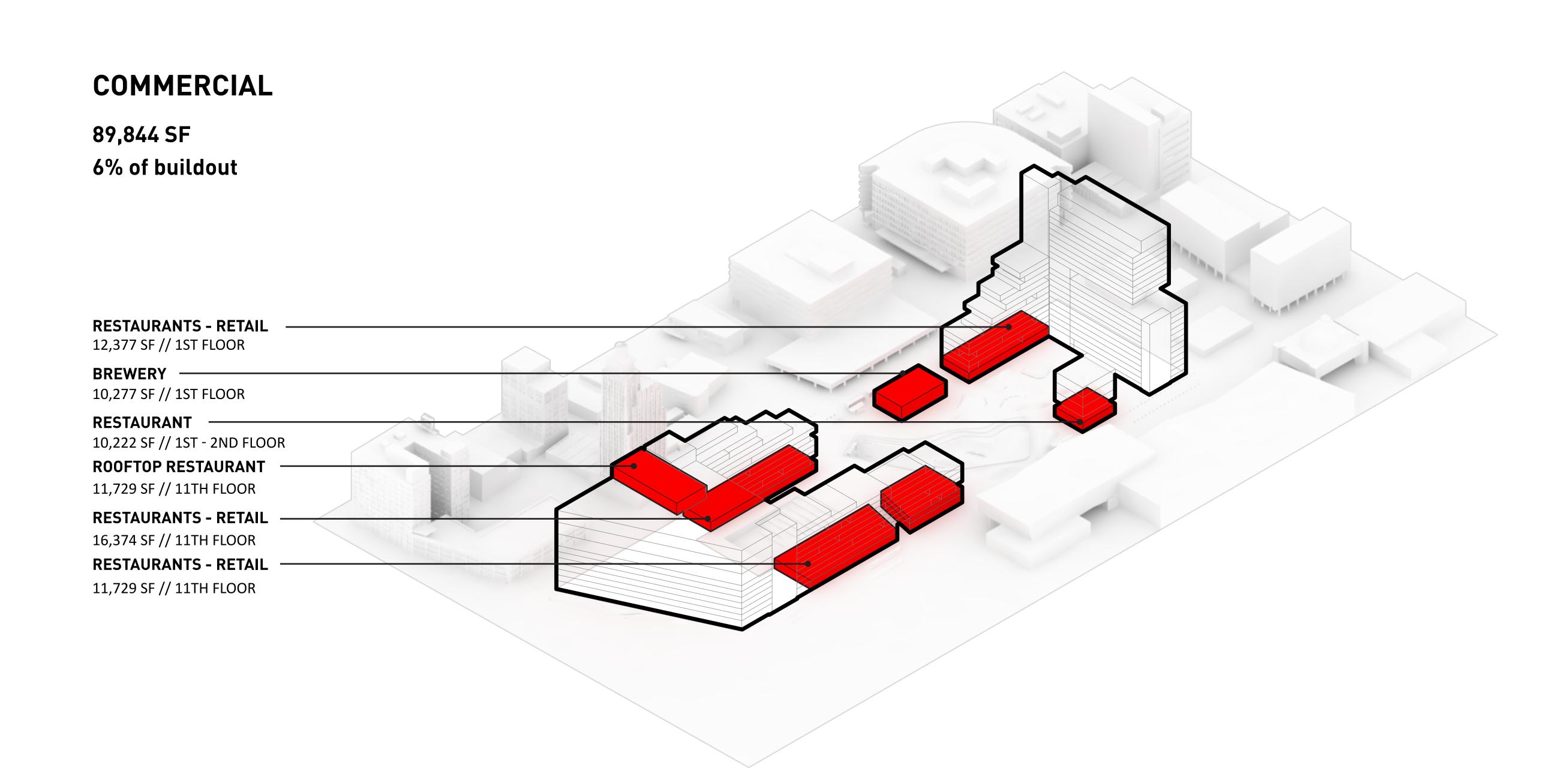
# **BUILDING** START BY IMAGINING A **BUILDING THAT COVERS THE FULL SITE AREA OPEN SPACE** ADD OPEN SPACE TO THE **CENTER PART OF THE SITE SUBTRACTION** SUBTRACT THE OPEN SPACE FROM THE BUILDING CREATING A BUILDING WALL AROUND THE PERIMETER OF THE SITE CENTRALIZE THE CENTER OF THE SITE IS THEN **CUT OPEN TO PROVIDE AN AXIS VIEW DOWN FARISH STREET AND TOWARD** THE CONVENTION COMPLEX

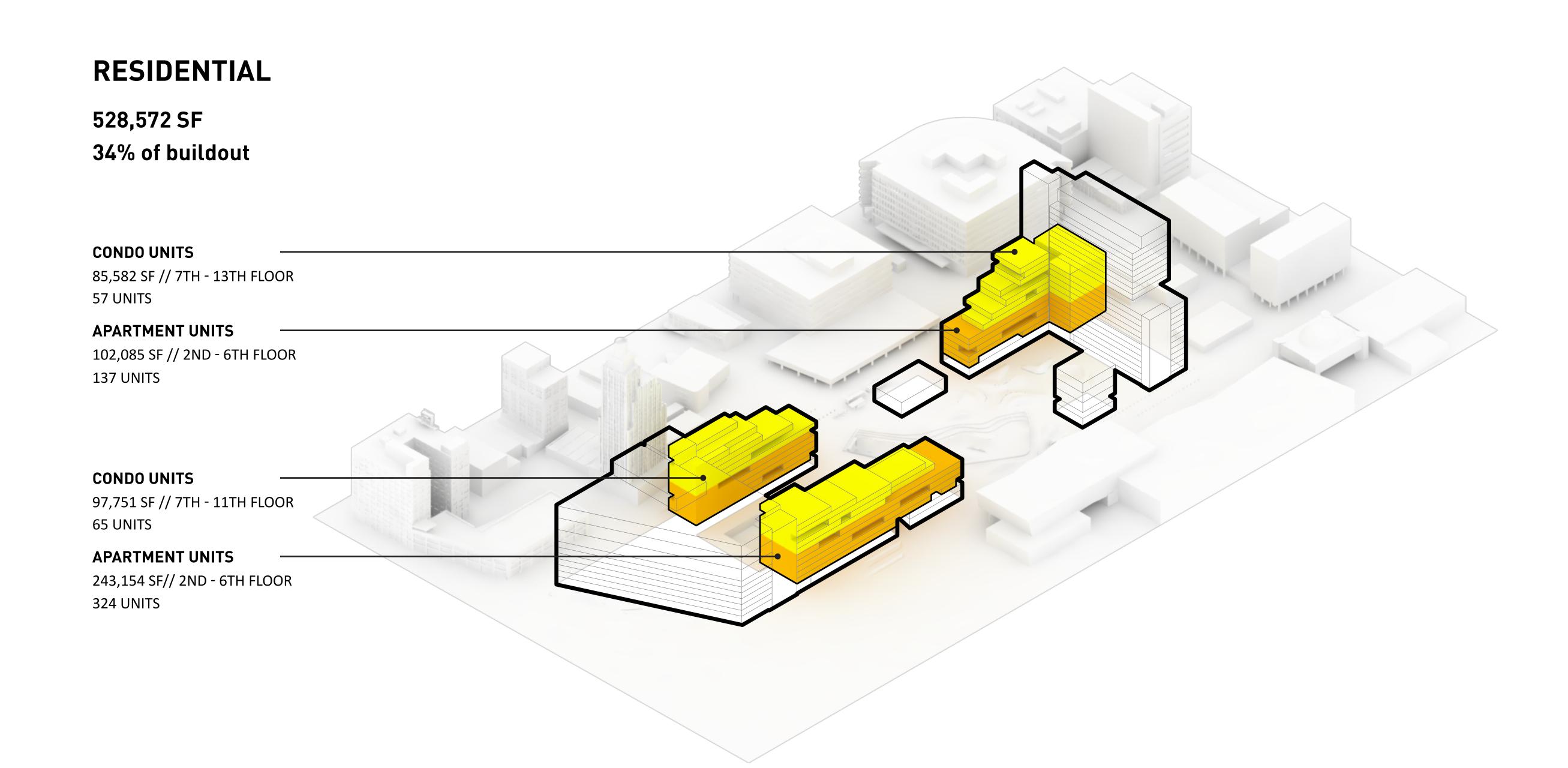


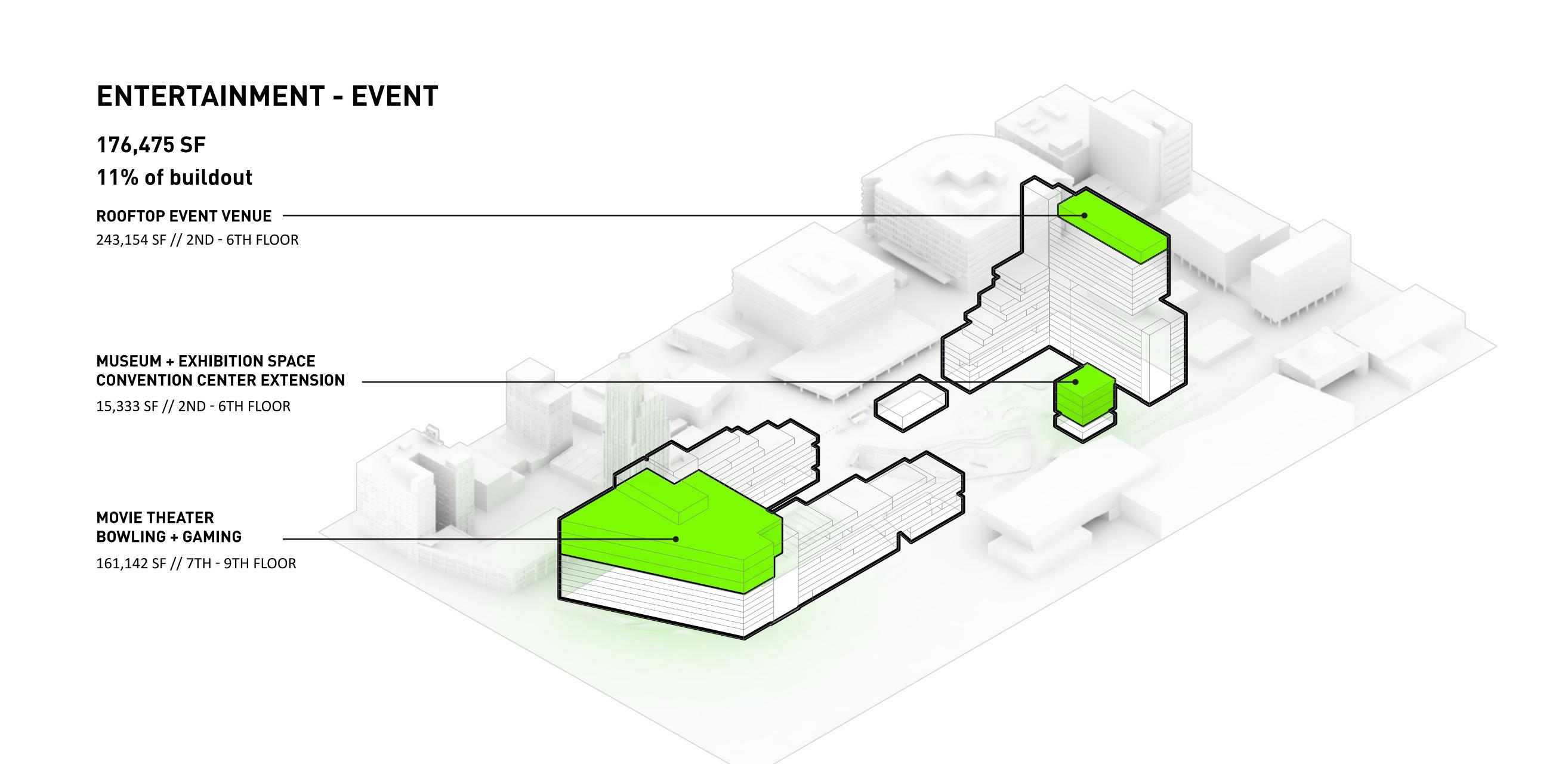
### **CIRCULATION**

THE BUILDINGS ARE THEN SPLIT UP TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO MOVE ACROSS THE SITE

# HIGH DENSITY - MIXED USE 6% COMMERCIAL RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS RESIDENTIAL CONDOS 11% ENTERTAINMENT-EVENT 3% OFFICE 11% HOTEL 35% PARKING - CIRCULATION

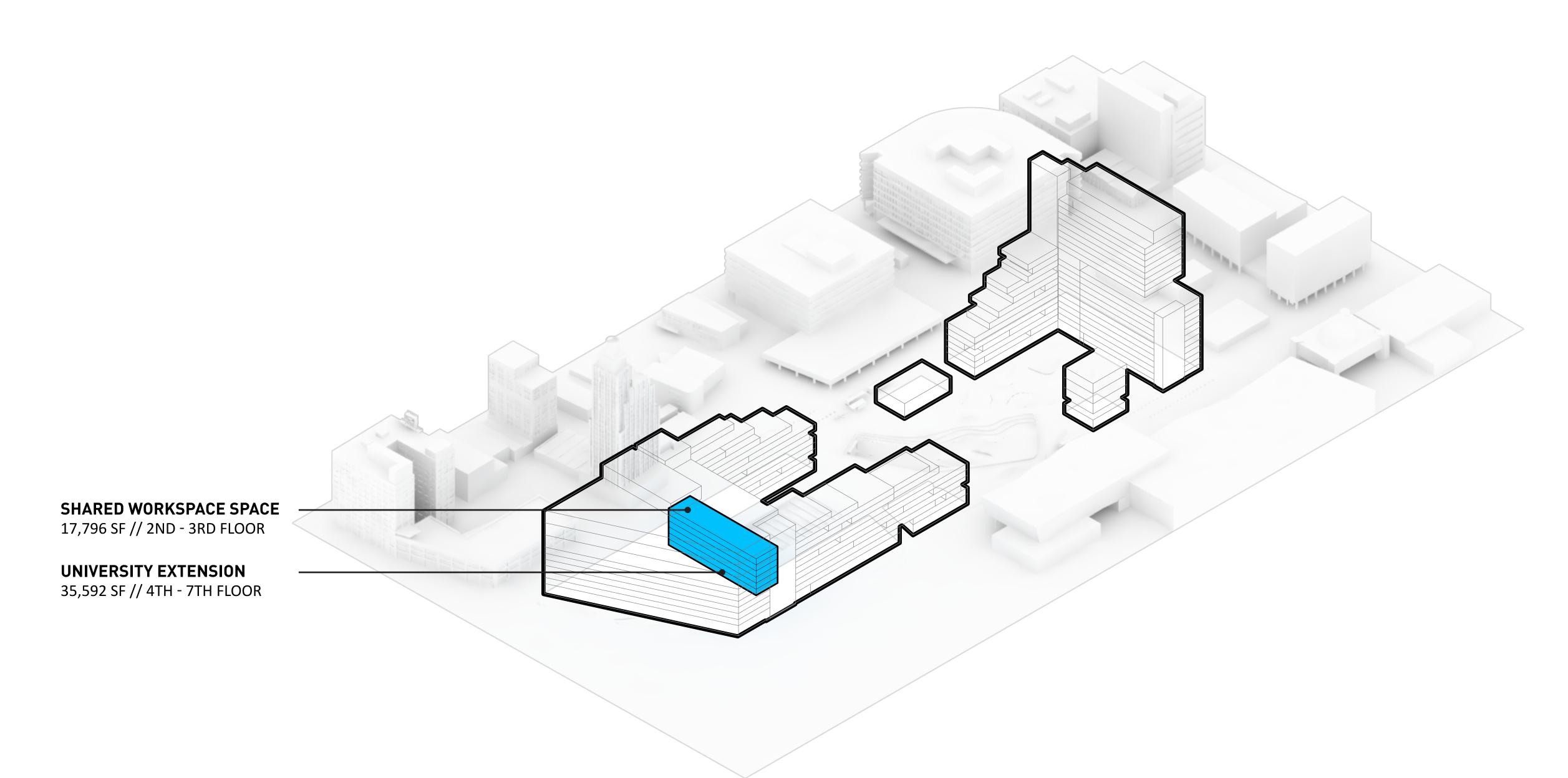


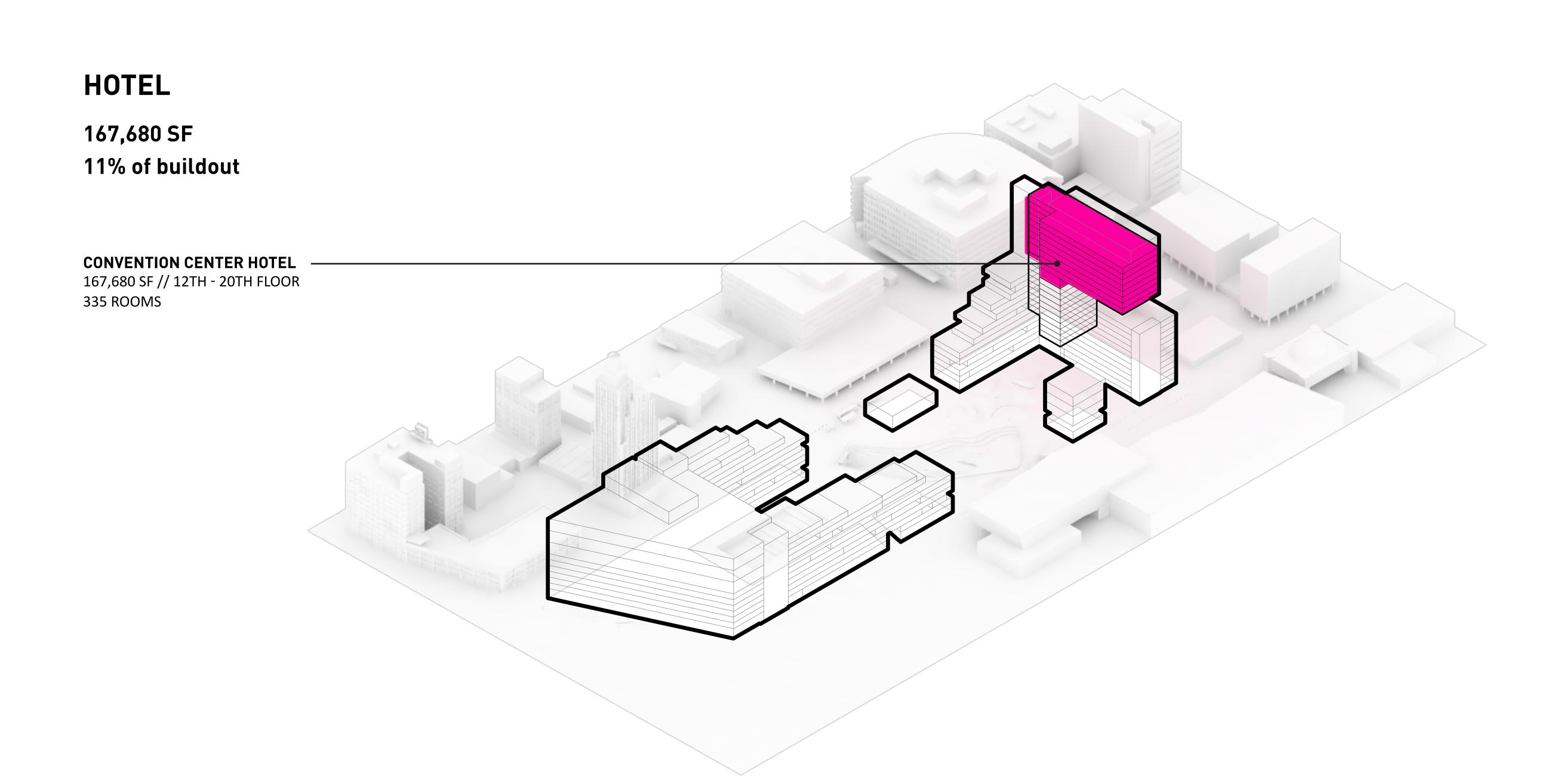


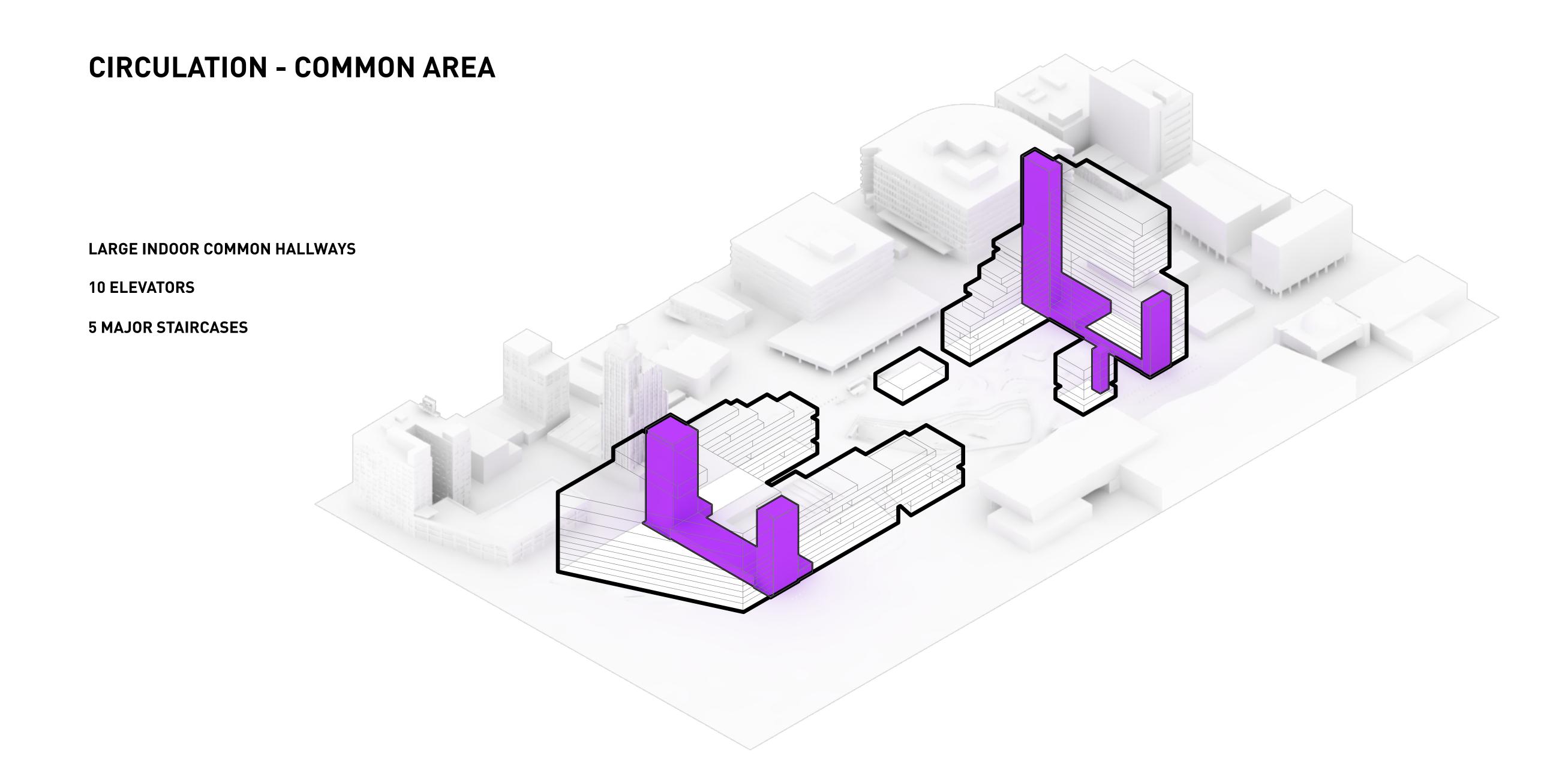


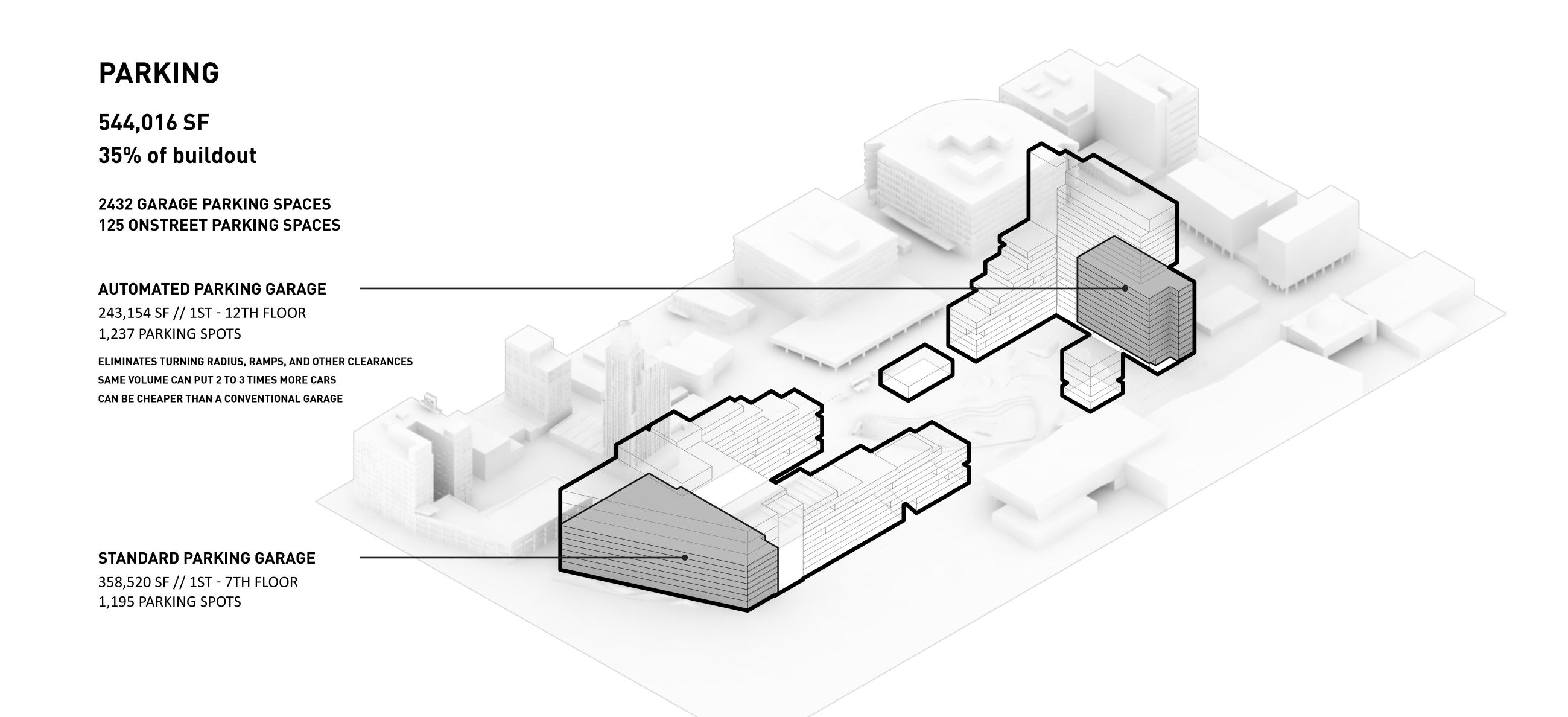
### OFFICE

53,388 SF 3% of buildout







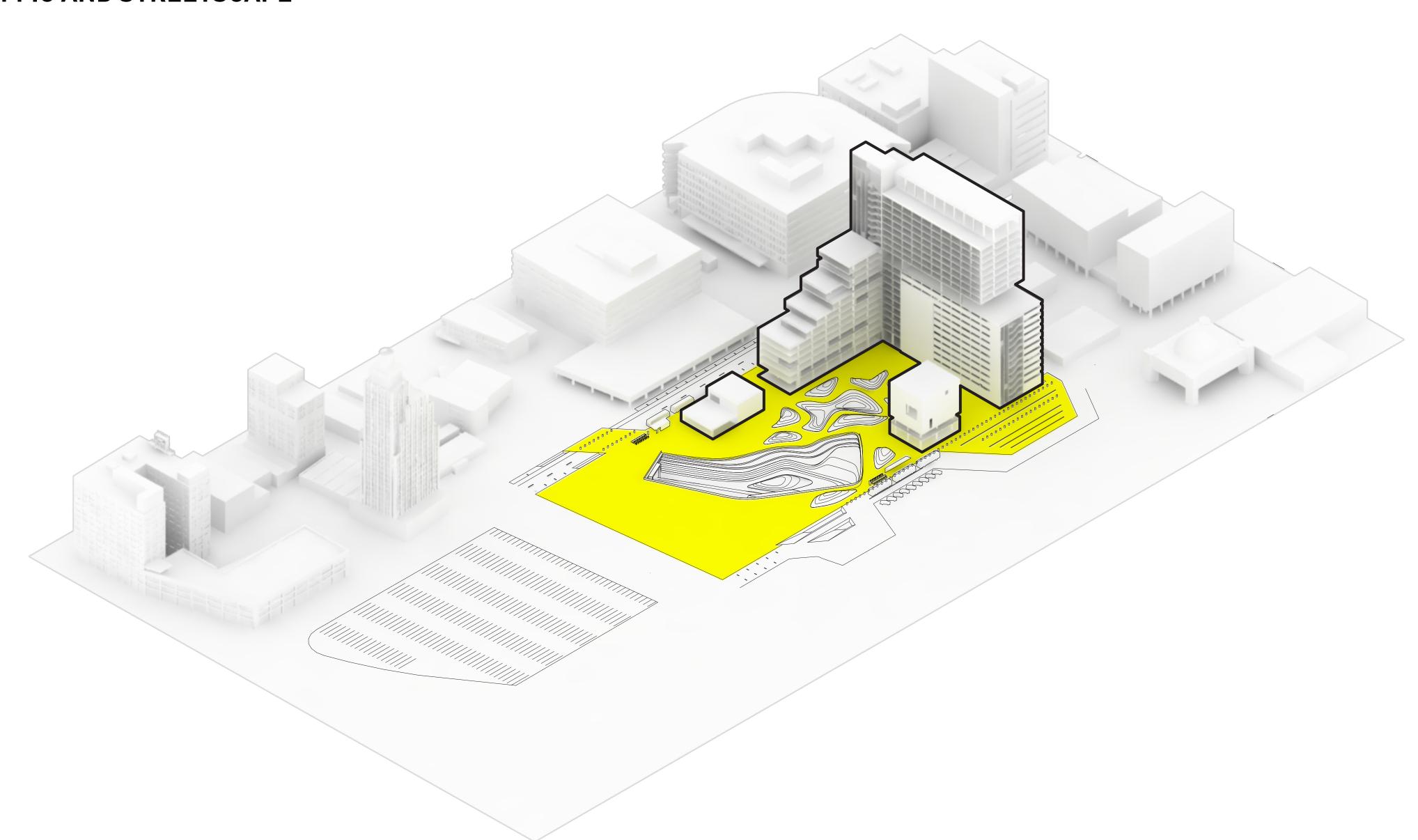


### PHASE 01

- + DEMOLISH EXISTING BUILDINGS
- + REFORM SURFACE PARKING
- + BUILD BUILDING A
- + BUILD FENCED GRASS EVENT LAWN
- + NEW BUS STOPS AND BIKESHARE SYSTEM
  + REMOVE STREET RUNNING THROUGH SITE

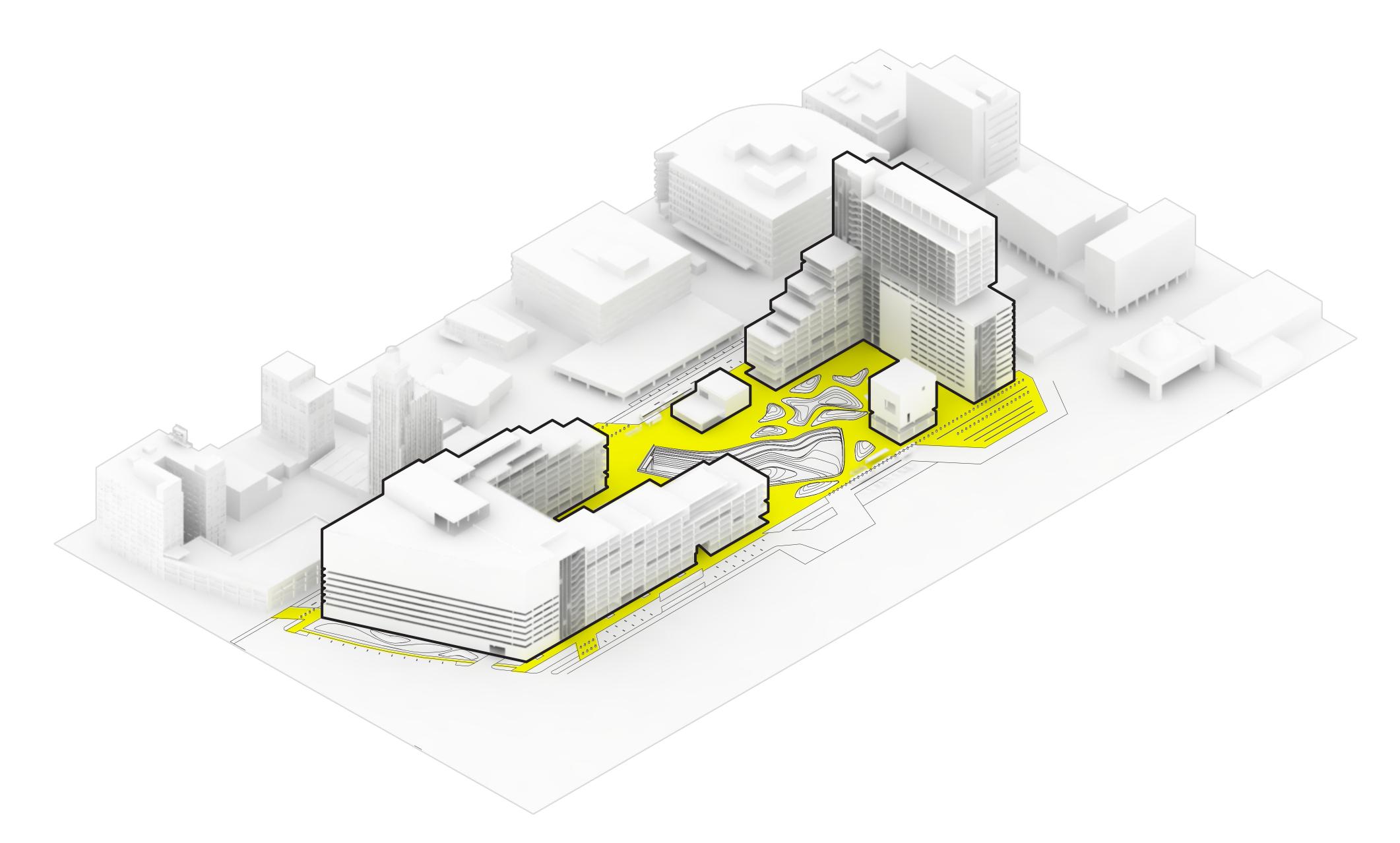
### PHASE 02

- + BUILD BUILDING B,C,D
- + BUILD PUBLIC SPACE INFRASTRUCTURE
- + REORGANIZE TRAFFIC AND STREETSCAPE



### PHASE 03

- + CLOSE OFF ROACH STREET
- + BUILD BUILDING E
- + REORGANIZE TRAFFIC AND STREETSCAPE



# MASTER PLAN 15 H99999 PEARL ST PASCAGOULLAST NAME OF THE PLAN PASCAGOULLAST PASCAGOULLAST PASCAGOULLAST PASCAGOULLAST PASCAGOULLAST

### \$315,181,483 in development costs

### 1,559,975 SF of new building and public space

### BUILDING A 2 STORY BUILDING

## Sirewery/Distillery   6,851 SF		Land Area	Area	1	Cos	st/SF	Exte	ended \$			
3,426 SF   10,277 SF   \$285.00 \$ 2,928,945	Commercial										
Total   Site Development   0.16 'A'   6,851 SF   10.00   68,510   Fee Type   Fee Type   Total   5,000   68,510   Fee Type   153,623   AS   76,000   Fee Type   Total   5,000   Fee Type   Total   5,000   Fee Type   Total   5,000   Fee Type   Total   5,000   Fee Type   Fee Ty	Brewery/Distillery			· ·			\$	1,952,535			
Site Development   0.16 'A'   6,851 SF   10.00   68,510   P/Conc   15,000							\$	976,410			
Site Development Landscape/Hardscape       0.16 'A'       6,851 SF \$ 10.00 \$ 68,510 \$ 75,000 \$ BS \$ 209,4 \$ 153,623 \$ AS \$ 76,5 \$ 75,000 \$ ST 154 \$ 300,4 \$ ST 154 \$ 300,4 \$ ST 154 \$ 300,4 \$ ST 154				10,277 SF		\$285.00	\$	2,928,945			
Landscape/Hardscape Design Contingency  \$ 75,000									Fee Type		
Design Contingency \$ 153,623 AS \$ 76,76,75	-	0.16 'A'	1	6,851 SF	\$	10.00		•	P/Conc	\$ 15,000	
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BUILDING B 13 STORY BUILDING    by others   Reimbursables   \$ 4,4     FF&E Fees   \$     \$ 305,4     \$	Design Contingency						\$	153,623	AS	\$ 76,383	
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BUILDING B 13 STORY BUILDING									FF&E Fees	\$ <del>-</del>	
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Land Area Area Cost/SF Extended \$		Land Area	Area	1	Cos	st/SF	Exte	ended \$			

	Land Area	Are	a	Cos	t/SF	Ext	ended \$			
Commercial										
Restaurant			12,377 SF	\$	275.00	\$	3,403,675			
Residential										
Condos			61,885 SF	\$	205.00	\$	12,686,425			
Rentals			45,381 SF	\$	205.00	\$	9,303,105			
			119,643 SF		\$212.24	\$	25,393,205			
								Fee Type		
Site Development	0.28 'A'		12,377 SF	\$	10.00	\$	123,770	P/Conc	\$ 75,000	
Landscape/Hardscape						\$	550,000	BS	\$ 1,512,028	5.
Design Contingency						\$	1,303,349	AS	\$ 213,981	0.
		\$	27,370,324	\$	228.77			Total	\$ 1,801,009	6.
FF&E							by others	Reimbursables	\$ 30,250	0.
								FF&E Fees	\$ -	7.
		\$	228.77			\$	27,370,324		\$ 1,831,259	6.

### BUILDING C 18 STORY BUILDING

	Land Area	Area	9	Cos	t/SF	Ext	ended \$		
Hotel									
Hotel /Residential			226,613 SF	\$	211.62	\$	47,956,428		
Hotel Event			21,467 SF	\$	-	\$	-		
Parking									
Parking Garage	_		185,496 SF	\$	65.00	\$	12,057,240		
			433,576 SF		\$138.42	\$	60,013,668		
								Fee Type	
Site Development	0.92 'A'		40,255 SF	\$	10.00	\$	402,550	P/Conc	\$
Landscape/Hardscape						\$	350,000	BS	\$ 2
Design Contingency						\$	3,038,311	AS	\$
		\$	63,804,529	\$	147.16			Total	\$ 3
FF&E		-	. ,	·		\$	7,500,000	Reimbursables	\$
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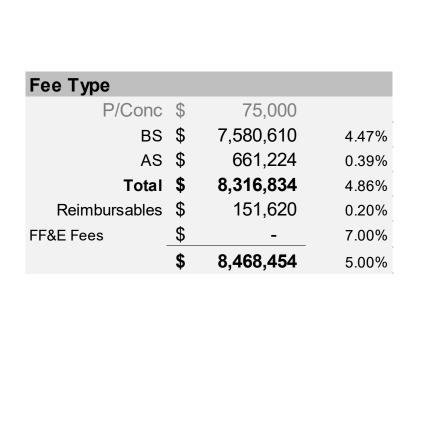
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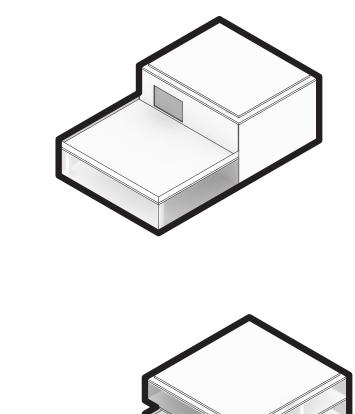
	Land Area	Area		Cos	t/SF	Exte	ended \$
Commercial							
Restaurant			10,222 SF	\$	275.00	\$	2,811,050
Entertainment/Event							
Movie Theater			15,333 SF	\$	195.00	\$	2,989,935
			25,555 SF		\$227.00	\$	5,800,985
Site Development Landscape/Hardscape	0.12 'A	•	5,111 SF	\$	10.00	\$ \$	51,110 100,000
Design Contingency		\$	6,249,700	\$	244.56	\$	297,605
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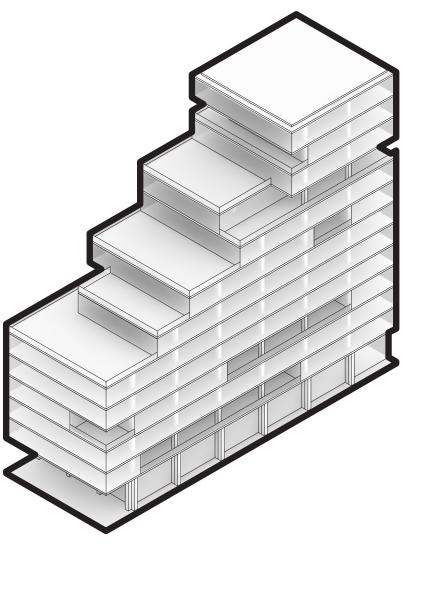
,050			
,935	Fee Type		
,985	P/Conc	\$ 25,000	
	BS	\$ 386,742	6.19%
,110	AS	\$ 144,970	2.32%
,000	Total	\$ 556,712	8.51%
,605	Reimbursables	\$ 50,000	0.80%
	FF&E Fees	\$ -	7.00%
ners		\$ 606,712	9.71%

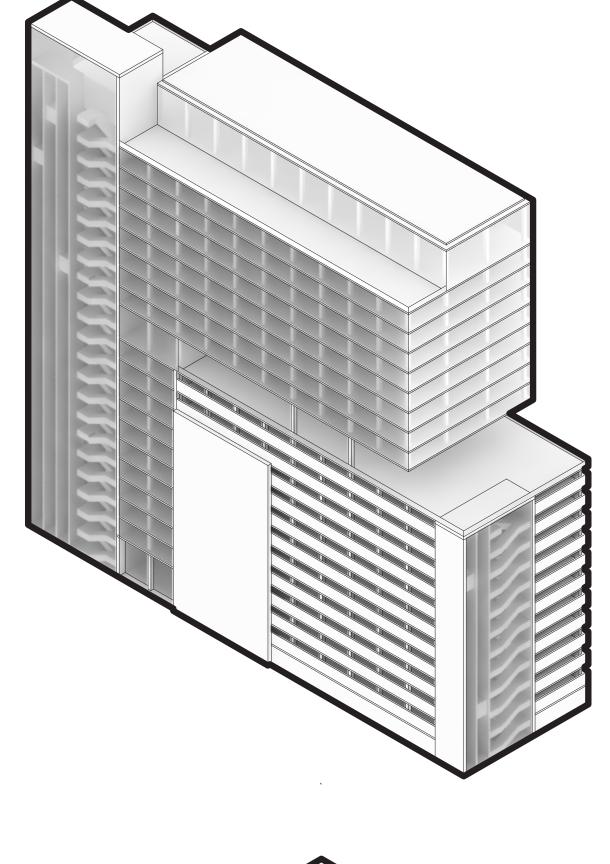
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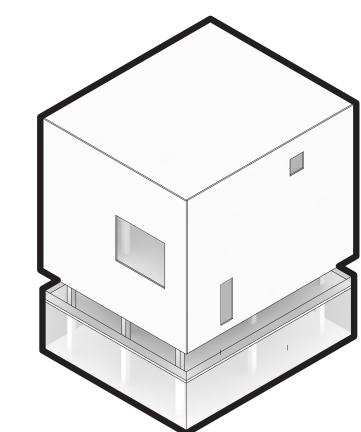
	Land Area	Ar	ea	Cos	st/SF	Ex	rtended \$
Commercial							
Restaurant			45,239 SF	\$	275.00	\$	12,440,725
Rooftop Bar			11,729 SF	\$	350.00	\$	4,105,150
Office							
Shared WS			17,796 SF	\$	185.00	\$	3,292,260
Univer WE			35,592 SF	\$	185.00	\$	6,584,520
Residential							
Condos			97,750 SF	\$	205.00	\$	20,038,750
Rentals			243,155 SF	\$	205.00	\$	49,846,775
Entertainment/Event							
Movie Theater			161,142 SF	\$	250.00	\$	40,285,500
Parking							
Parking Garage			358,521 SF	\$	65.00	\$	23,303,865
			970,924 SF		\$164.69	\$	159,897,545
Site Development	2.55 'A'		111,041 SF	\$	10.00	\$	1,110,410
Landscape/Hardscape						\$	450,000
Design Contingency						\$	8,072,898
		\$	169,530,853	\$	174.61		
FF&E							by others
		\$	174.61			\$	169,530,853

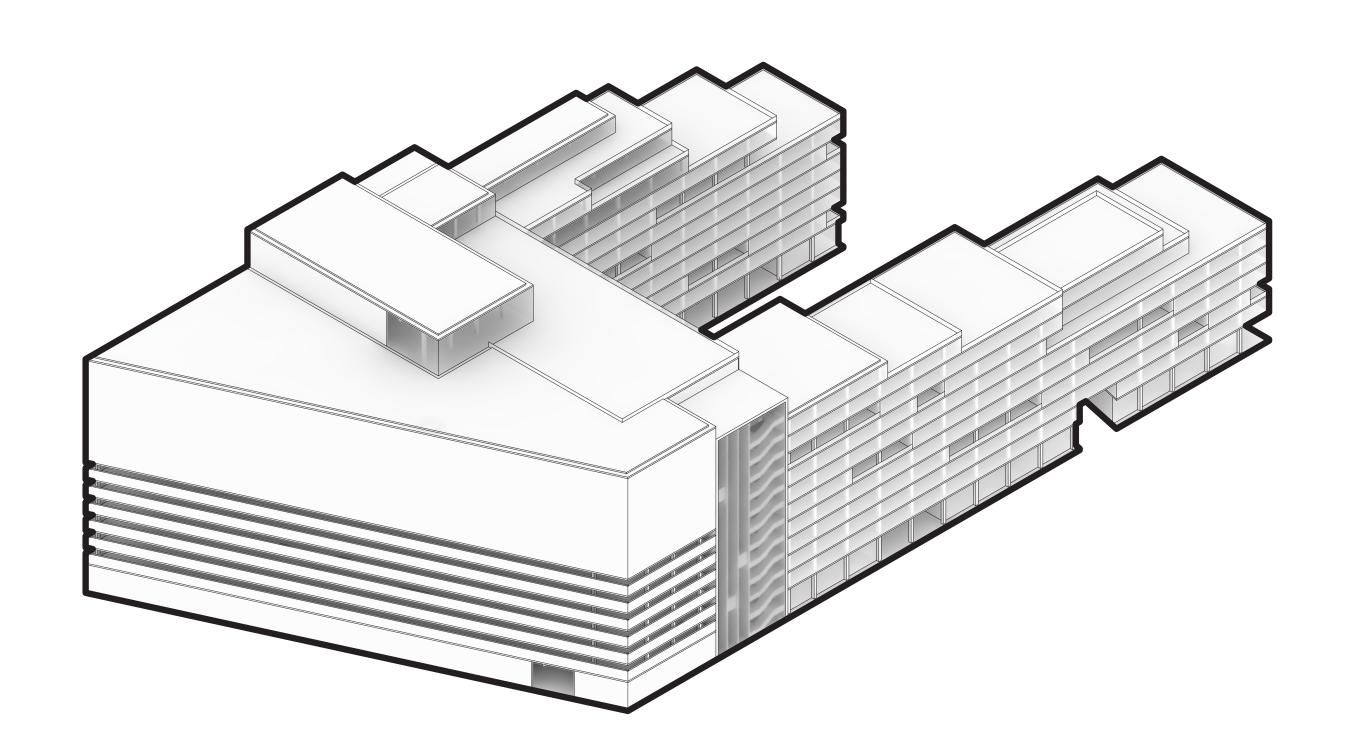


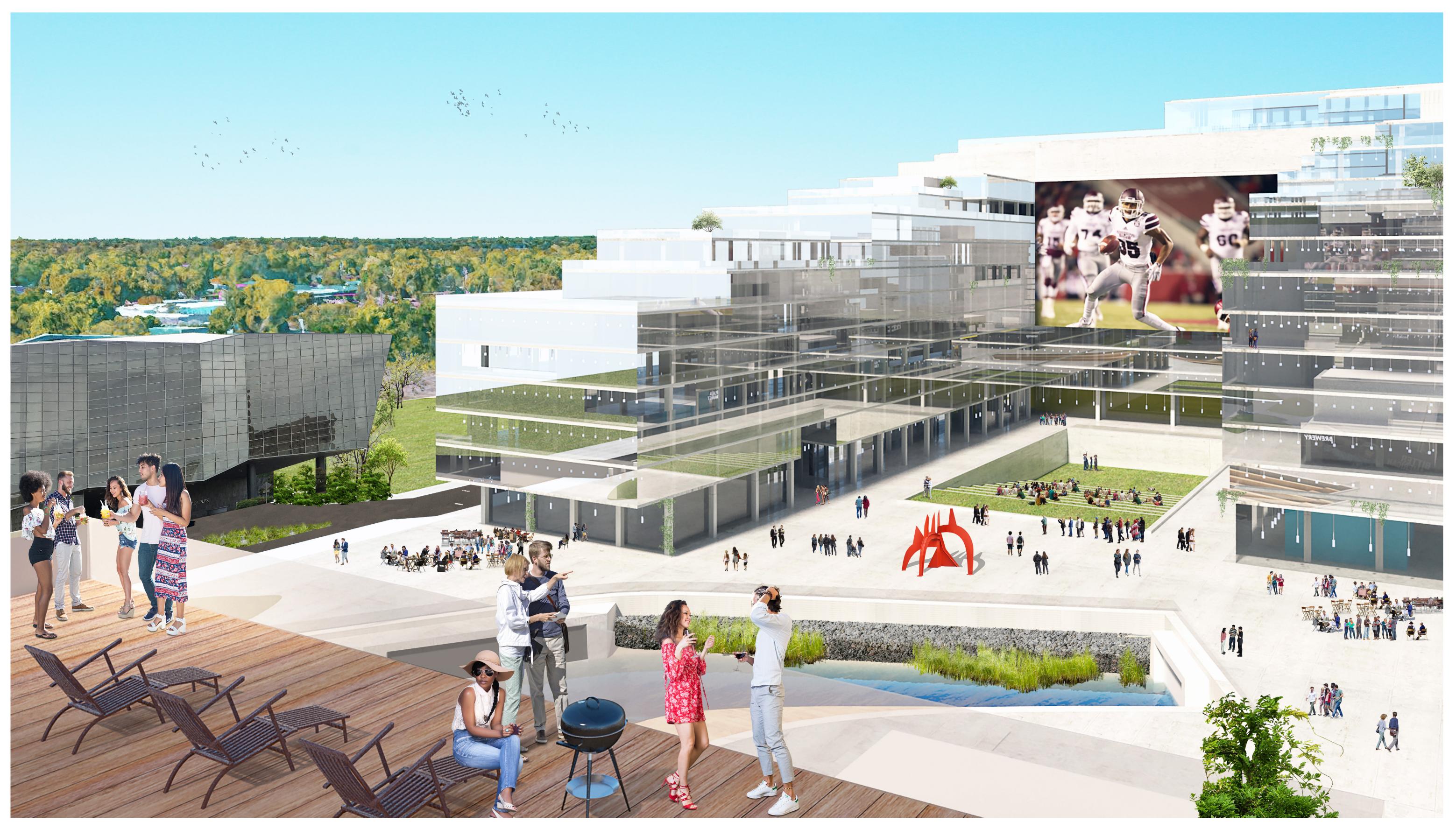






















### **PART IV**

## ENGAGE

In this section of the dialogue we prompt the question, "What do you want to see downtown?" encourages the public to offer recommendations through a system we have created.

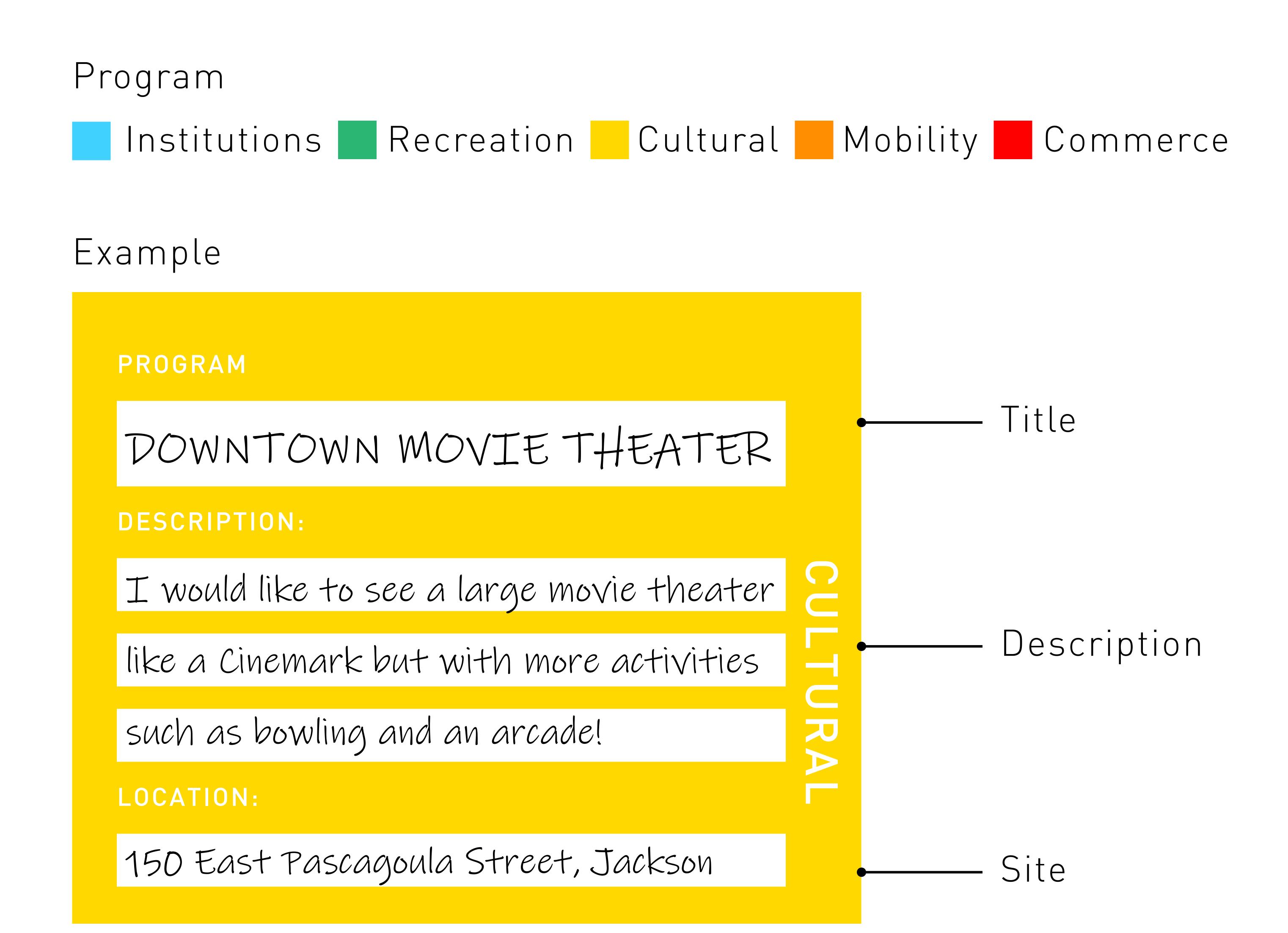
### What is Program?

The word program is commonly used by architects and planners to describe the type of use or function a space has.

For this excersise we have created several different programmatic categories to choose from: Institutions, Recreation, Cultural, Mobility, and Commerce. These categories will allow you to imagine how you would like to see the future of downtown evolve and take on new types of spaces.

### Instructions:

- 1. Pick a card, grab two pins, a marker, and string
- 2. Fill out the card with a title, description, and location
- 3. Pin the card to the panel
- 4. Grab your other pin and place it at the location of your program
- 5. Tie the string between the two points



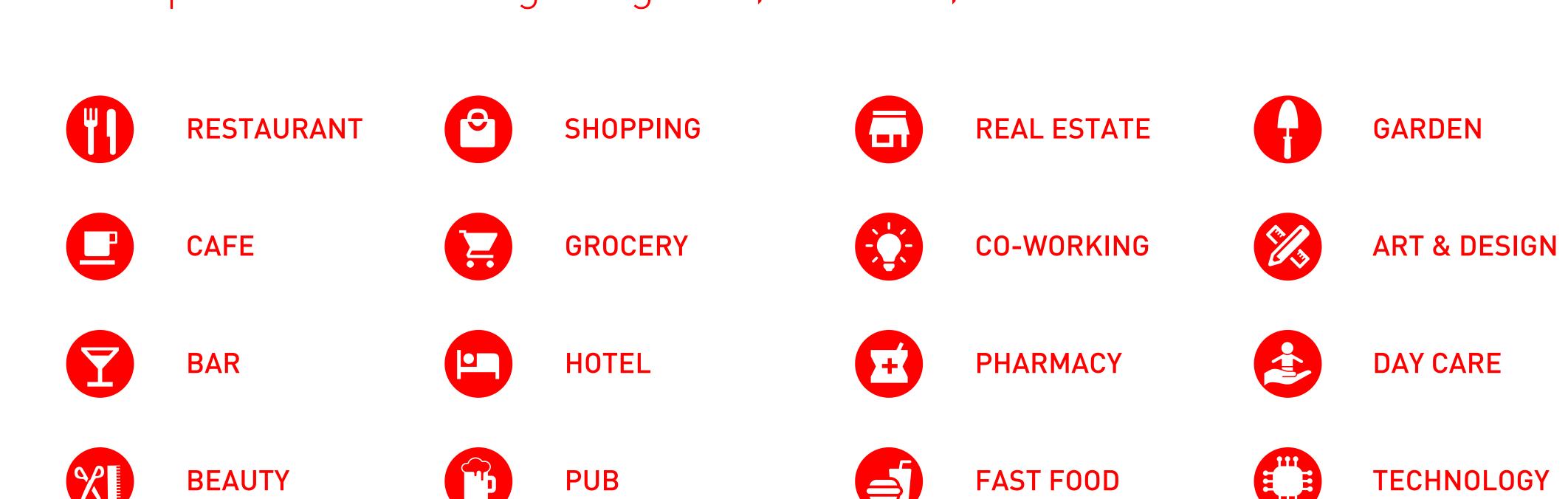




### PROGRAMING

### COMMERCE

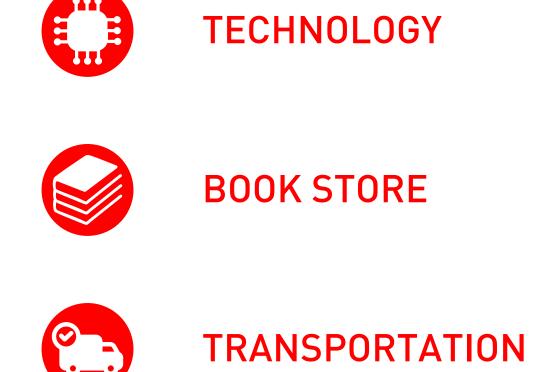
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UTILITY

CLEANERS

**HARDWARE** 

**MECHANIC** 

AGRICULTURE

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**FINANCE** 

MASSAGE

PEST CONTROL

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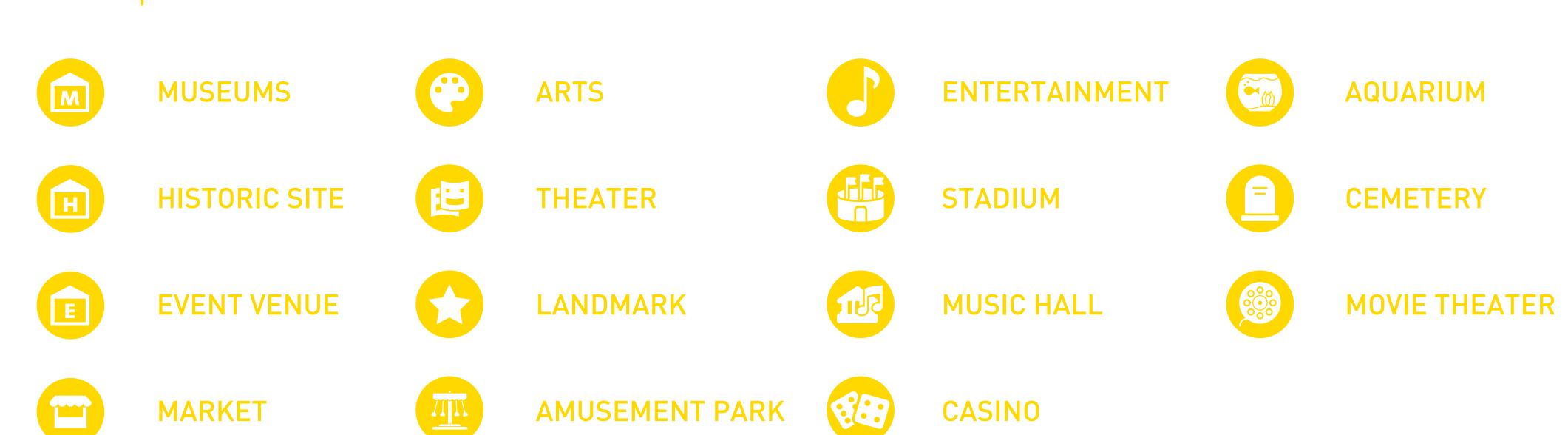
OFFICE

Description: a significant practice, relationship, or organization in a society or culture



### CULTURAL

Description: the arts and other manifestations of human achievement



### MOBILITY

Description: the movement of people in a population from place to place using various transportation modes

\$	PEDESTRIAN		CAR / CARSHARE		BIKE / BIKESHARE	 BRIDGE		ELECTRIC SCOOTER
	BUS	P	PARKING		RV	MONORAIL	7 g	CHARGING STATION
	TRAIN		GAS STATION		AIRPORT	FERRY	56	TRACTOR
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<b>5</b>	MOTORCYCLE		GONDOLA		CABLE CAR	CAMPER		

### RECREATION

Description: an activity, event or service performed for enjoyment or relaxation

A	PARKS		BEACHES	3	FITNESS		BOWLING	**	FRISBEE		KAYAKING
	FORESTS	'N	TRAILS		OVERLOOK	8	CLIMBING		SKATING		SAILING
	WETLANDS		SPORTS	attacker.	BASEBALL		HOCKEY		HORSEBACK		SWIMMING
	GARDENING		HUNTING		BASKETBALL	8	BILLIARDS	4	DANCING		KARAOKE
	CAMPING		ARCHERY	A.R.	FOOTBALL		SOCCER	S	HIKING	4 A	PLAYGROUND
	FISHING		WATER SKI		VOLLEYBALL		GOLF	P	TENNIS		

### FEEDBACK

### **VIA SOCIAL MEDIA**

"A public Wi-Fi 'area' or figure out how to make Smith park WiFi accessible."

"A 2-5 block bona fide shopping district, complete with stores, restaurants, movie theatre, recreation and resort status (like Bourbon Street) where the party don't stop. And traffic cameras on every corner"

"A vibrant downtown shopping, dining experience that's pedestrian-friendly, includes lovely green spaces, safe parking, and roads that aren't in disrepair."

"Shopping more restaurants, movie theater and a stage theater to bring all the big plays and shows"

"I would love to see a recreation center. A free place where our senior citizens can go get involved . Watching TV together, knitting. quiting cards, bingo, pool tournament. And it could be a good place for teenager to get off the street."

"An amusement park will be good such as six flags, etc. for family fun and most definitely a movie theater."

"A all access youth center, computers, library, entertainment room, etc"

"It would be nice to see a Dave & Busters, or Main Event Entertainment downtown."

"So much potential for this area to showcase the best aspects of Mississippi!"

"An awesome state of the art multimedia family entertainment facility with the much needed skate park included..filled with eateries, shops & stores, arcade, bowling alley, movie theatre and special event area for meetings and workshops"

"The Mississippi Delta is the birthplace of America's music and I believe that the Capitol city of this state should have a venue to where people can have a good time right here in our city. Jackson is centrally located on two major thoroughfares, they are I-55 and I-20. 55 is basically people traveling to New Orleans or Memphis, and 20 is basically people traveling to Dallas or Atlanta. All I am saying that my city has an untapped gold mine if progressive minds and people can come together and have a entertainment district in the Capitol city of Mississippi."

"A giant high rise public parking garage connecting to the convention center, a giant supermarket with a pharmacy, . Really, a downtown mall."

"I strongly favor a no car zone 100% walkable 'square' type design like in knoxville tn...with a sign entrance that says something like 'the Deluxe square' That way you can a lot of shops, boutiques, restaurants, etc right there instead of having to cross a million sidewalks and 5 streets just to get from point a to point b. There should be an adjacent parking lot...that way you can get in and get out"

"1. A true festival park like Knoxville's World's Fair Park. Minus the sunsphere. It has an amphitheater, a separate programable festival lawn that is used for soccer and picnics when there isn't a concert, splashpad for little kids, etc. This could be a year-round draw for downtown, it could be booked alot like the Levitt Shell for free shows or with a paid series like Live at the Garden or once a year like Jubilee Jam. It could be used for outdoor convention space. No matter what, it is a beautiful entrance to the convention center and mentally shortens the distance between Capitol Street and Pascagoula. It has tie-ins with Thalia Mara and the Museum. Costs would be minimal and you may not have to reinforce the culvert running beneath the site. A few years ago I would have made this #2 behind residential development but a communal meeting place for all of Jackson and visitors is pretty important. Success would depend on management.

2. I would try to put together a serious residential development deal (again, and again, and again). There is enough room for 300 to 500 units in relatively inexpensive wood framed buildings, 3 to 5 stories tall, no elevator, surface parking hidden behind buildings. Ground floor is designed as live/work space with outward facing doors that could be leased to businesses or residents as the market dictates. Would be very cool to create a new neighborhood with minimul effort. I think it would lease immediately."

"Need an additional park with a water fountain and a public space area..possibly with neon effects..it can just simply serve as a small neat attraction for visitors. Either that or a little commons area with the little sprinklers for kids...if people can just pass through jackson and see kids playing in water it'll give the impression that ah...it's not that bad. One of Jackson's biggest issues is the perception that it's very dangerous. that needs to be alleviated..those things in my opinion would encourage people to get out and just walk around"

"Would love to see a cool parking solution that hides cars and has awesome green space elevated, that connects to the convention center at the second floor level. To have great outdoor events. And maybe a real amphitheater at one end. Shops and small businesses at ground level facade, like galleries..."

"I'd like to see something like Railroad Park in Birmingham. Obviously would be a lot smaller, but we need more greenspaces downtown and spaces for large events."

"Whatever we do, needs a way to cut the heat. It's our greatest road block to more outdoor movement. Fourth Street Live in Louisville seems to have done a good job of design, they are still lower temps. I think what ever built could create outdoor space but must manufacture a lower temp with air movement. Heavier green space with a target to transitioning the day crowd into an earlier evening crowd. We currently go from 17,000 during the day to less than 500 at night in that district. That is tough for any night time business to make it."

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