Kendall Square Initiative

May 6, 2015

Community Meetings

12 to 2 PM: W20-491

6 to 8 PM: Cambridge Marriott



AGENDA

- Recap/Update
- Proposed Designs
- Next Steps

RECAP/UPDATE

ADVANCING KENDALL SQUARE

As a destination:

- Diverse retail significant input
- Inviting and active open spaces
- Compelling gateways and inviting entrances to campus

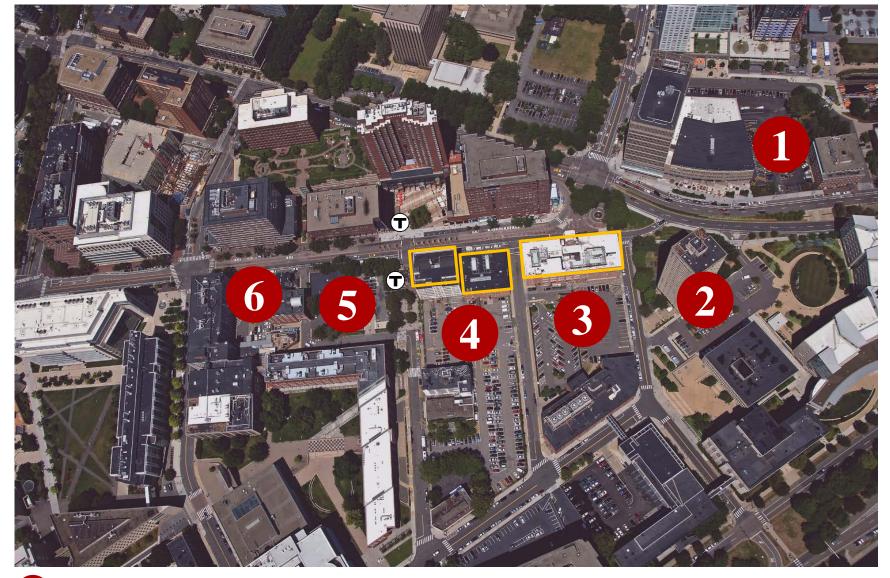
As a residential center:

- Mixed housing (market/affordable/innovation)
- Graduate student housing

As an innovation and academic district:

- Critical space to accelerate MIT's innovation and impact
- Power of proximity academia/industry
- Tackling the world's most challenging problems

TRANSFORMING SIX PARKING LOTS





Retaining Kendall Square's historical roots

EXTENSIVE ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Phase 1 - 2008-2013

• Obtained zoning approvals from City of Cambridge for 1.3 M SF of additional development capacity in Kendall Square following hundreds of meetings, hearings, open houses with stakeholders across the campus and the city.



Zoning Approved April 2013

Phase 2 – 2013-2014

- Led by SAP faculty, urban planning consultant team delivered design concepts for academic and commercial siting, campus gateway, and MIT
- Graduate Housing Working Group issued final report



EXTENSIVE ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Phase 3 – 2014

• SAP faculty developed new alternative schemes, each with different financial, physical, legal, or market trade-offs



Phase 4 – 2014-2015

- Architectural and engineering teams engaged to advance designs of individual buildings and open space
- Preparing to file Article 19 and PUD special permits



COMMUNITY INPUT & ENGAGEMENT

Open Houses on Campus and at One Broadway









KEY ZONING PARAMETERS

Total SF

R&D max: 980,000 SF

Residential min: 240,000 SF

Density

FAR 3.9 across the district

Height

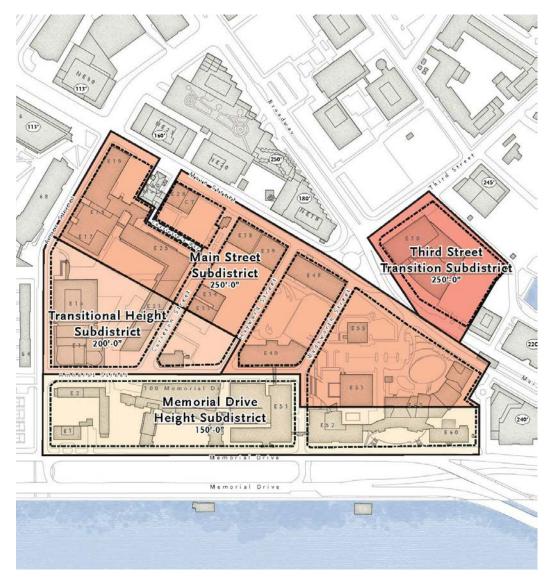
150'-300'

Open Space

15% of land area

Design

Setbacks and general design requirements



ZONING REQUIREMENTS

Housing	240,000 SF minimum – to allow for full commercial build-out
	18% affordable (approximately 50 units)
	8% innovation units
Open Space	15% (of land area)
Retail	75% of ground floor space on Main Street, Broad Canal Way and Broadway
Innovation Space	5% of square footage of total office space in district
Sustainability	LEED Gold-certified
Community Fund	Contribution of \$10 PSF of commercial development totaling approximately \$10M (already paid \$2.5M at approval of zoning)
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OTHER COMMITMENTS

Study of off-road bicycle and pedestrian facilities adjacent to Grand Junction

Committed land on Cherry Street in Area 4 Pathways program to engage residents in union construction jobs

Notifications to be sent to City of Cambridge for all new job opportunities

50% locally based and independent retail

Open Space and Retail Advisory Committee

Community-based organizations contribution (approximately \$4 million; \$1 million already paid)

Provide an additional 5% (of New Office Gross Floor area) of innovation space in or outside PUD-5 district

COMMUNITY BENEFITS SUMMARY

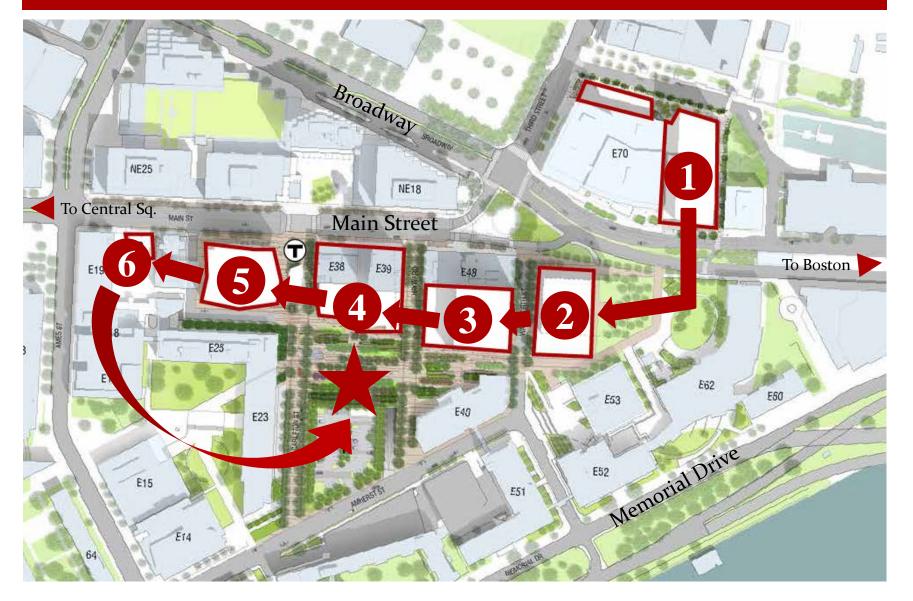
Affordable Units	Approximately 50 units (18%; approximately \$25 million)
Community Fund contribution	Approximately \$10 million
Community-based organizations contribution	Approximately \$4 million
Incentive Zoning Payment	Approximately \$4.3 million
Estimated city taxes	Approximately \$10 million annually
New permanent jobs	2,500
New construction jobs	1,300

INCREASED RESIDENTIAL CAPACITY

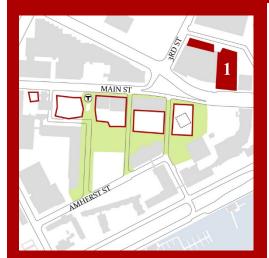
- Mixed-housing development
 - Approximately 50 affordable units
 - Approximately 240 market-rate units
- All-new graduate student housing

PROPOSED DESIGNS

WALKING TOUR



SITE 1: RETAIL, RESIDENTIAL - ONE BROADWAY





Architect: Elkus|Manfredi Architects

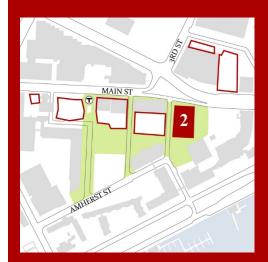


Existing view from Third St towards canal



View from Third St towards canal

SITE 2: RETAIL AND R&D – ACROSS FROM RED CROSS



Current Eastgate tower to remain until new expanded residence is built.



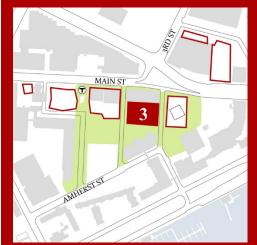


Existing view from Red Cross building down Main Street



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SITE 3: RETAIL AND R&D – 238 MAIN STREET





Architect: Perkins+Will

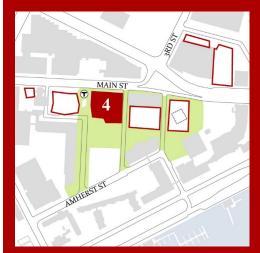


Existing view looking down Third St toward Main St



Looking down Third St toward Main St

SITE 4: GRAD HOUSING, MIT PRESS, DAYCARE, RETAIL





Architect: NADAAA and Perkins+Will

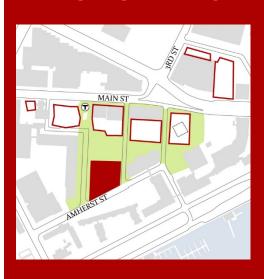


Existing view looking south from the Marriott Hotel plaza



View looking south from the Marriott Hotel plaza

FUTURE ACADEMIC SPACE



- 800,000 SF of academic capacity preserved through re-zoning
- Test fits confirm site compatibility
 with future uses for academic
 research

SITE 5: MIT MUSEUM, RETAIL, R&D – 314 MAIN ST.





Architect: Weiss/Manfredi

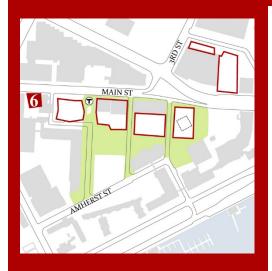


Existing view from the parking lot



View from the new open space

SITE 6: RETAIL/OFFICE TO COMPLETE STREETSCAPE





Existing view looking west from Clover across Main Street





View looking west from Clover across Main Street

ENLIVENED RETAIL

Retail consultant: Graffito SP



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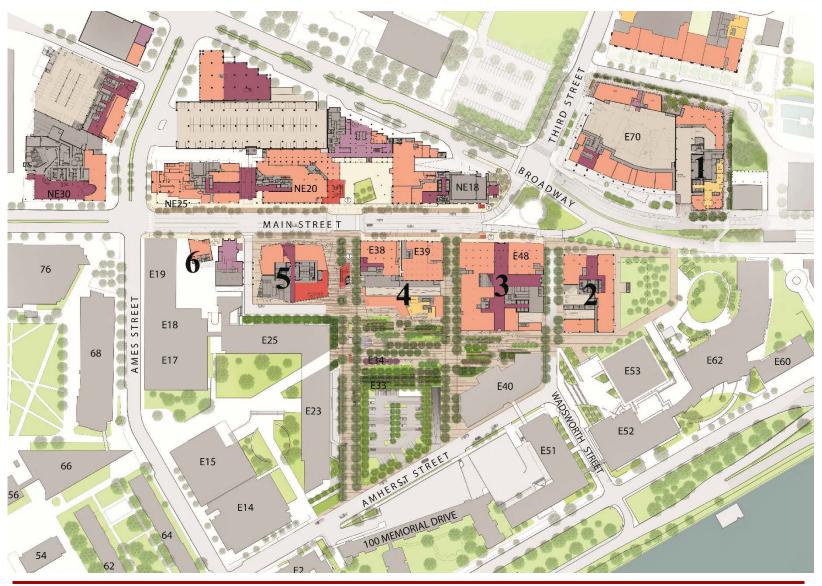
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ACTIVATING MAIN STREET



Existing view from looking east down Main Street



View from looking east down Main Street

Landscape Architects: Hargreaves Associates and Landworks Studio





View from new open space towards Site 4 (graduate student housing) and Site 5 (MIT Museum)



View looking down to new open space from Site 5 (MIT Museum)













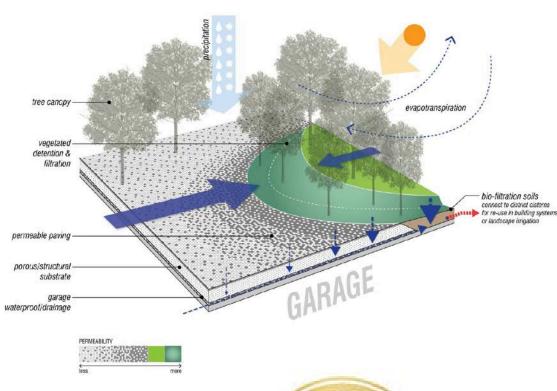






BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

- Enhancing Open Space
- Embracing Sustainability
- Managing + Conserving Water
- Reducing Energy + Emissions
- Managing Material Content
- Connecting Social Sustainability + Community





REVIEW

- An exciting opportunity to advance Kendall Square for MIT and the Cambridge community
- An extensive engagement process with input from all stakeholders
- A dynamic plan with housing, retail, academic space,
 R&D space, and significant open space for everyone

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Additional Outreach
- 2. Continued design refinements incorporating feedback
- 3. Special Permit
- 4. Comments and Thoughts

CREATING A SENSE OF PLACE FOR THE COMMUNITY





SITE PLAN

