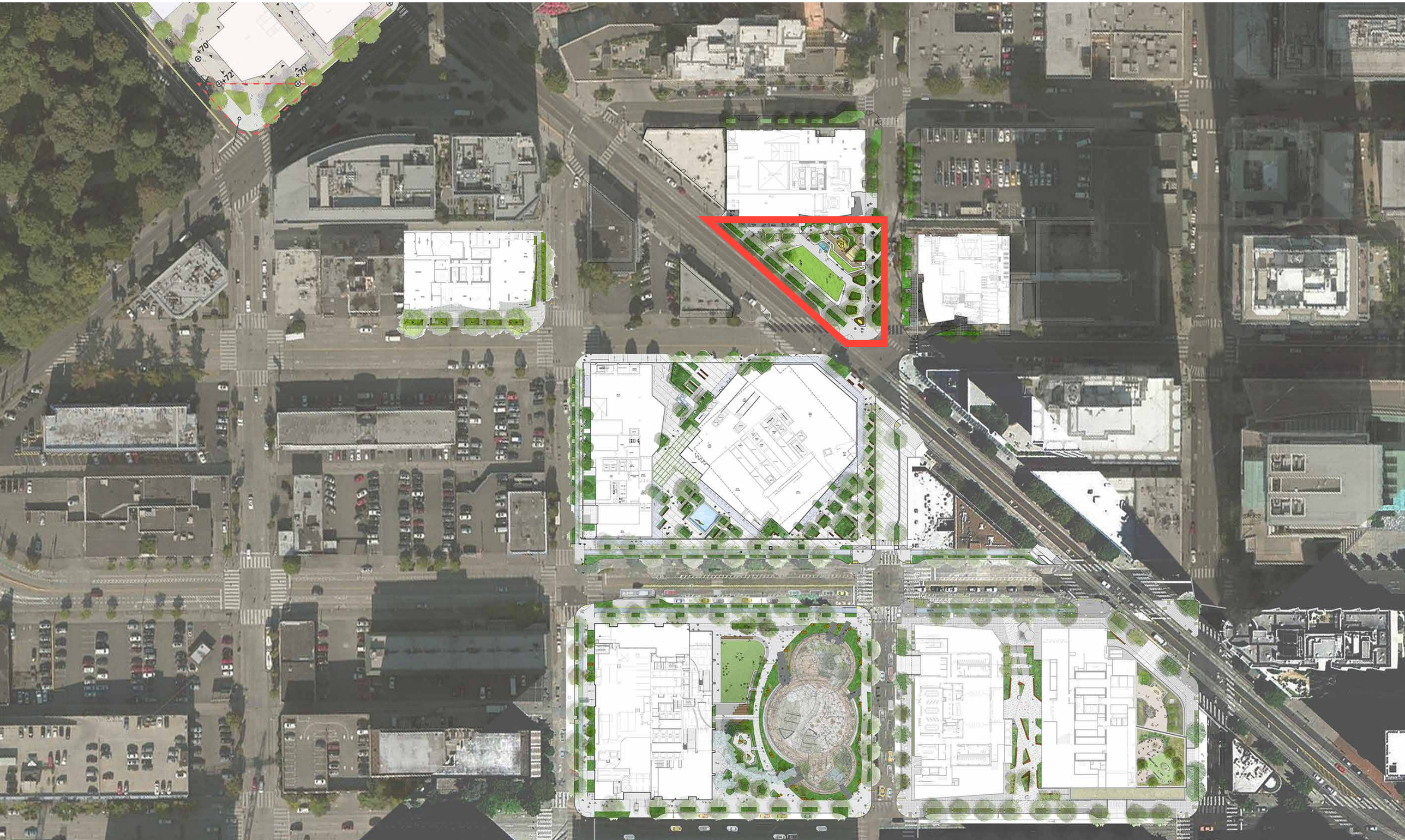
Westlake & Lenora Park

Seattle Design Commission | December 4, 2014



Project Background

Seattle Parks purchased property in December 2008 with intent to vacate alley.

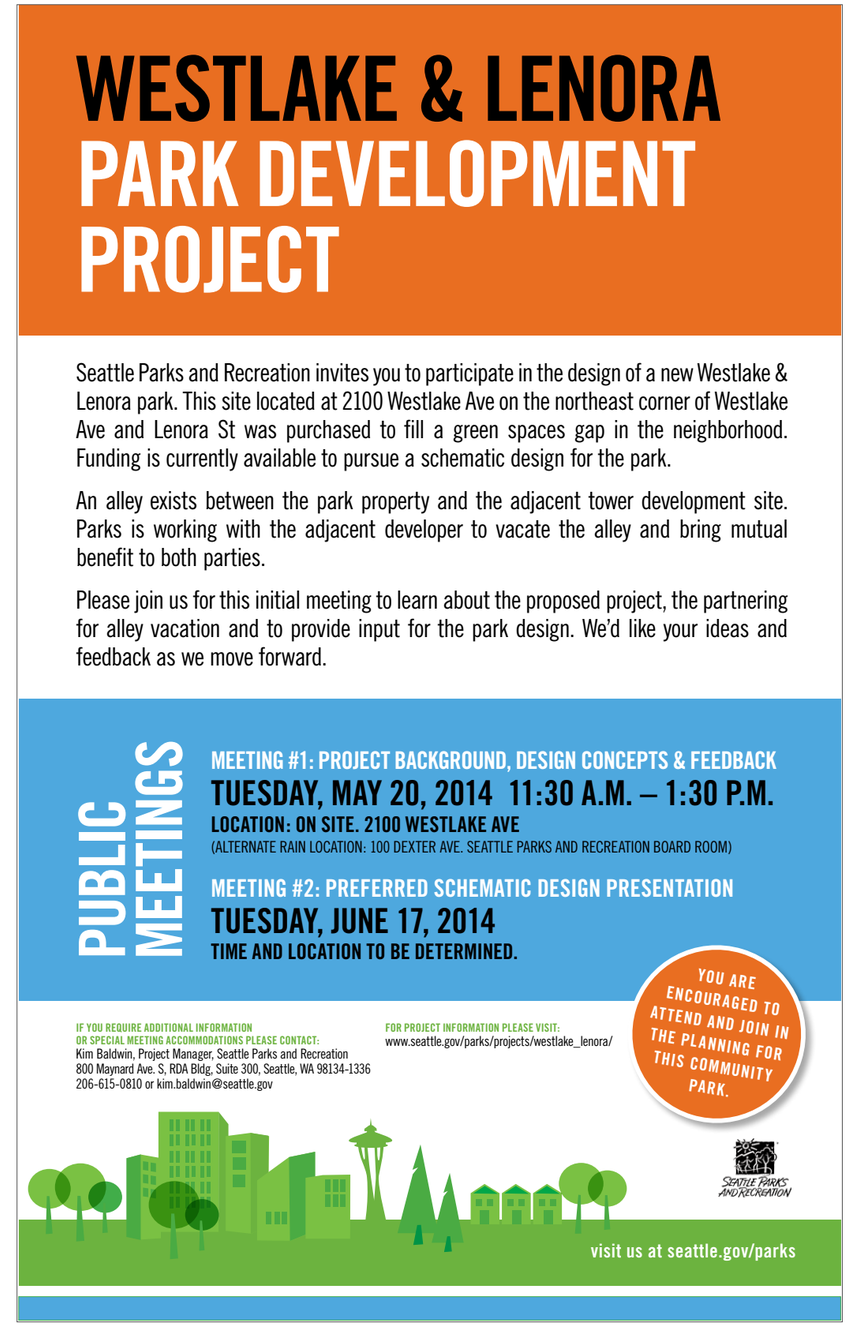
Funding: Seattle Parks District and other TBD sources

Meetings have occurred with the following groups:

- Two Community Meetings held at the site
- Denny Triangle Community Association
- South Lake Union Community Council
- Downtown Seattle Families
- GID Development and Design Team
- Parks Proview
- Seattle Design Commission: Urban Design Merit

Going forward

- Continued alley vacation process
- Design, Documentation and Construction: TBD



WESTLAKE & LENORA
PARK DEVELOPMENT
PROJECT

Seattle Parks and Recreation invites you to participate in the design of a new Westlake & Lenora park. This site located at 2100 Westlake Ave on the northeast corner of Westlake Ave and Lenora St was purchased to fill a green spaces gap in the neighborhood. Funding is currently available to pursue a schematic design for the park.

An alley exists between the park property and the adjacent tower development site. Parks is working with the adjacent developer to vacate the alley and bring mutual benefit to both parties.

Please join us for this initial meeting to learn about the proposed project, the partnering for alley vacation and to provide input for the park design. We'd like your ideas and feedback as we move forward.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MEETING #1: PROJECT BACKGROUND, DESIGN CONCEPTS & FEEDBACK
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014 11:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.
LOCATION: ON SITE. 2100 WESTLAKE AVE
(ALTERNATE RAIN LOCATION: 100 DEXTER AVE. SEATTLE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD ROOM)

MEETING #2: PREFERRED SCHEMATIC DESIGN PRESENTATION
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014
TIME AND LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED.

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND JOIN IN THE PLANNING FOR THIS COMMUNITY PARK.

IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR SPECIAL MEETING ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CONTACT:
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FOR PROJECT INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:
www.seattle.gov/parks/projects/westlake_lenora/

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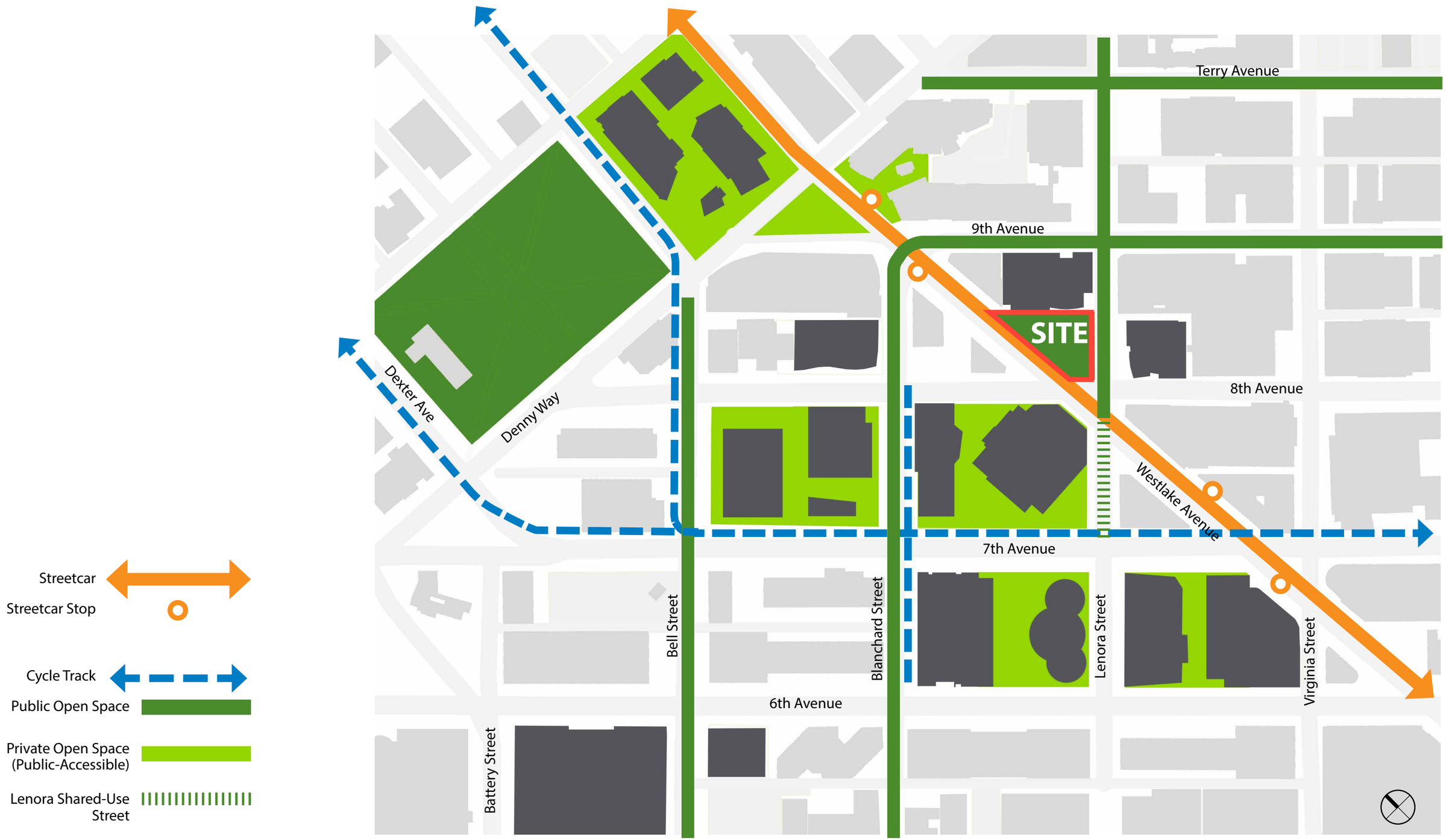

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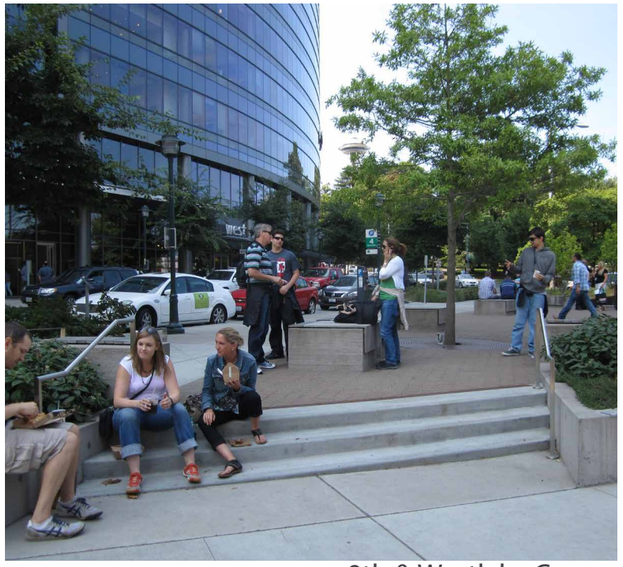
Denny Park


9th & Westlake Corner

2200 Westlake Stairs

Block 89

Terry Avenue Green Street

9th Avenue Green Street

Lenora Shared-Use Street

7th Avenue Cycle Track

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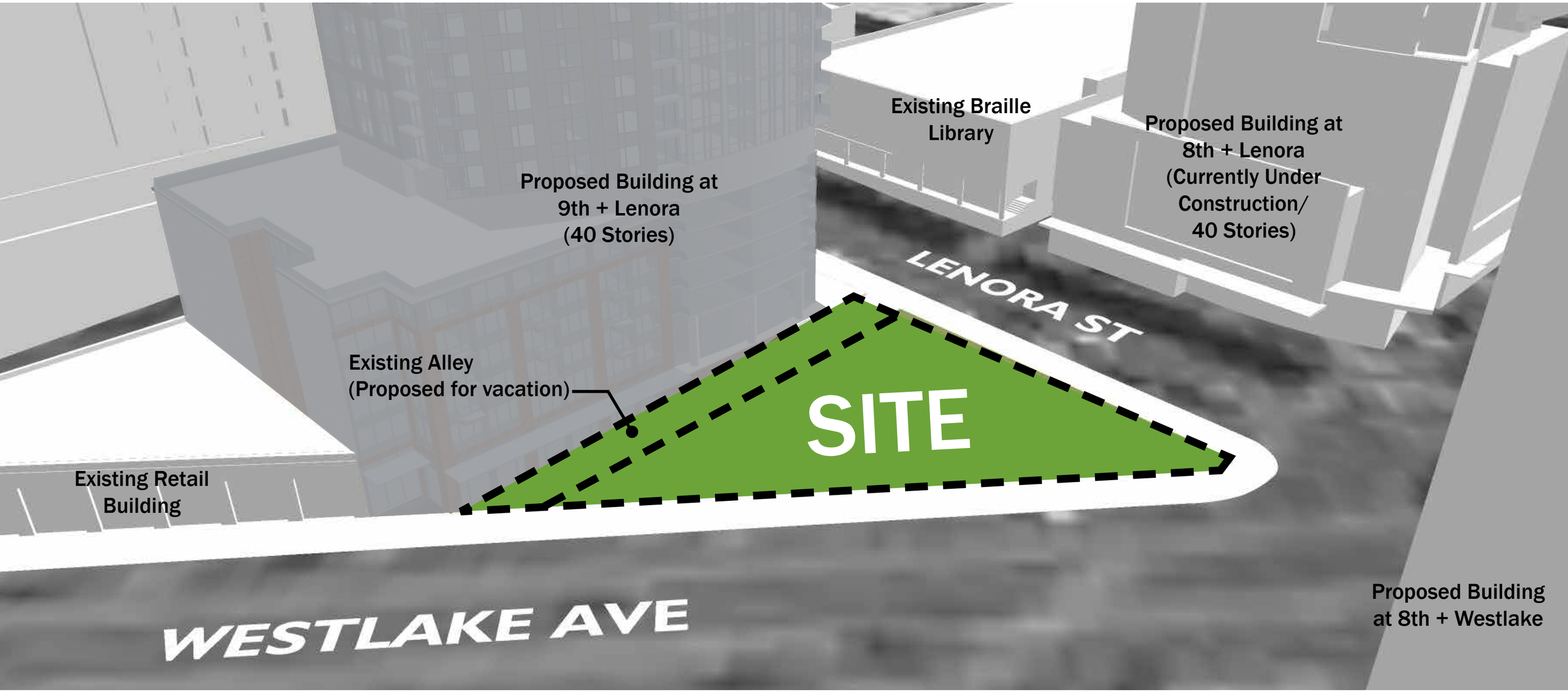
Amazon Rufus 2.0

Existing Site



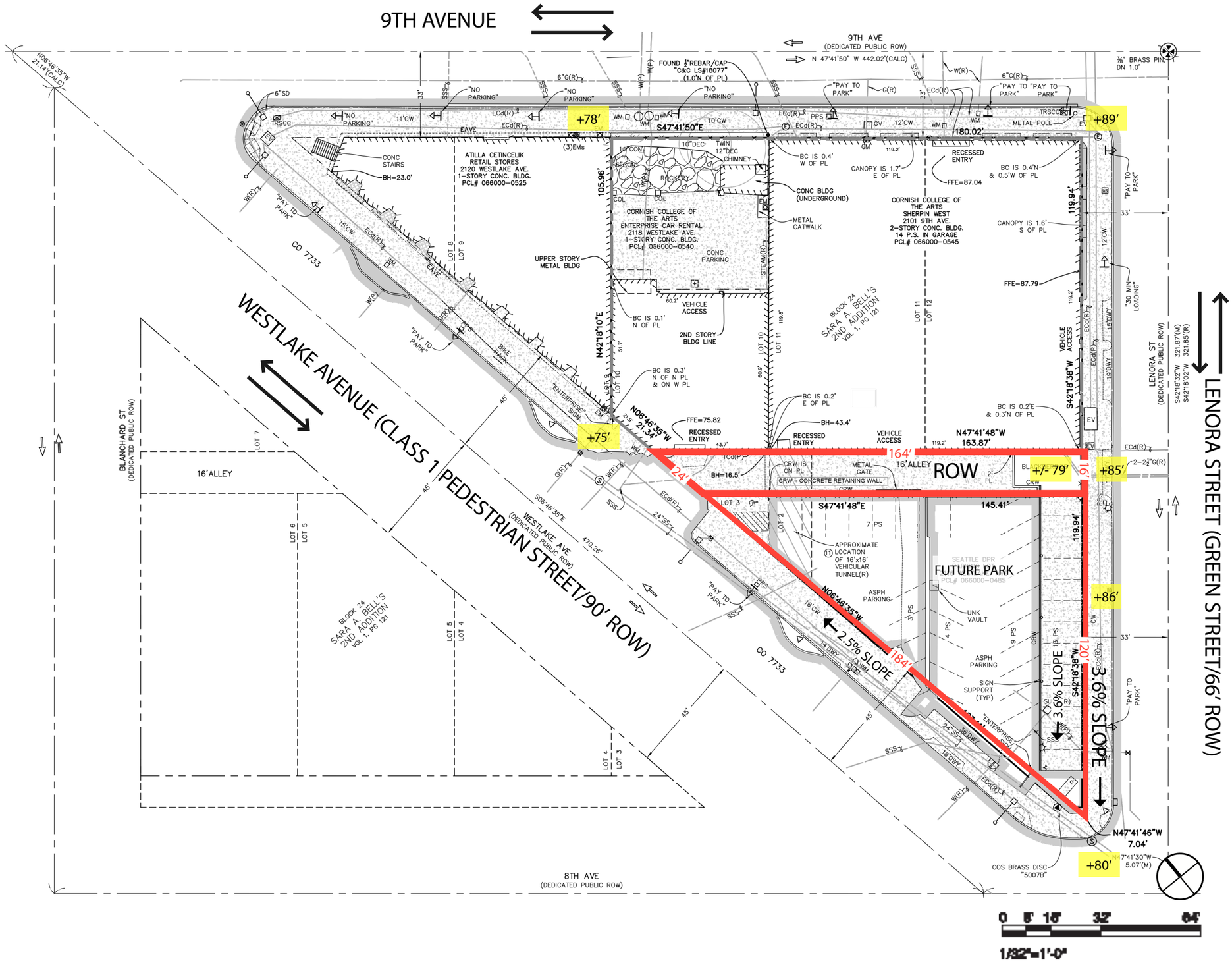
Existing Site

Parcels

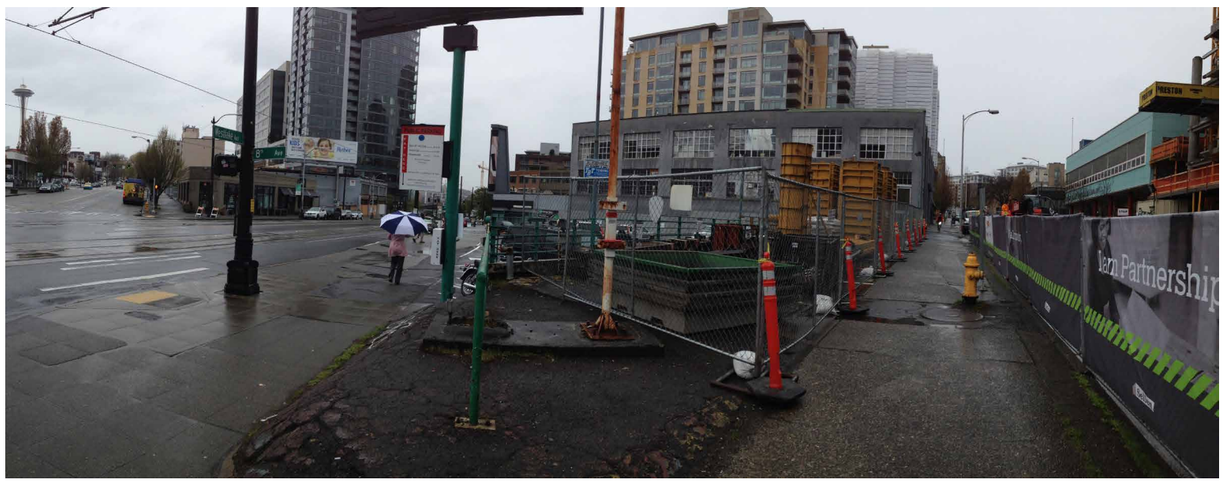
Alley = 2,472 SF

Park = 9,142 SF

Total = 11,616 SF



Existing Site & History



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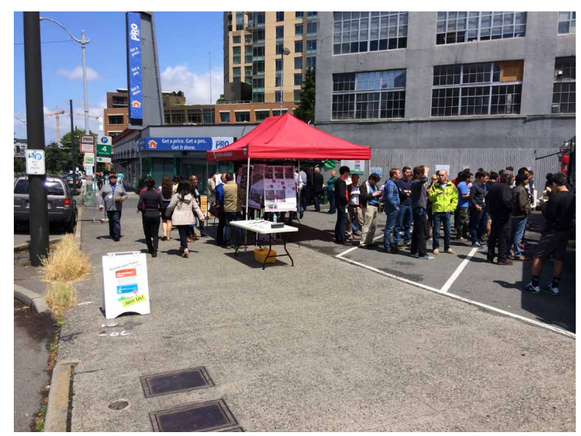

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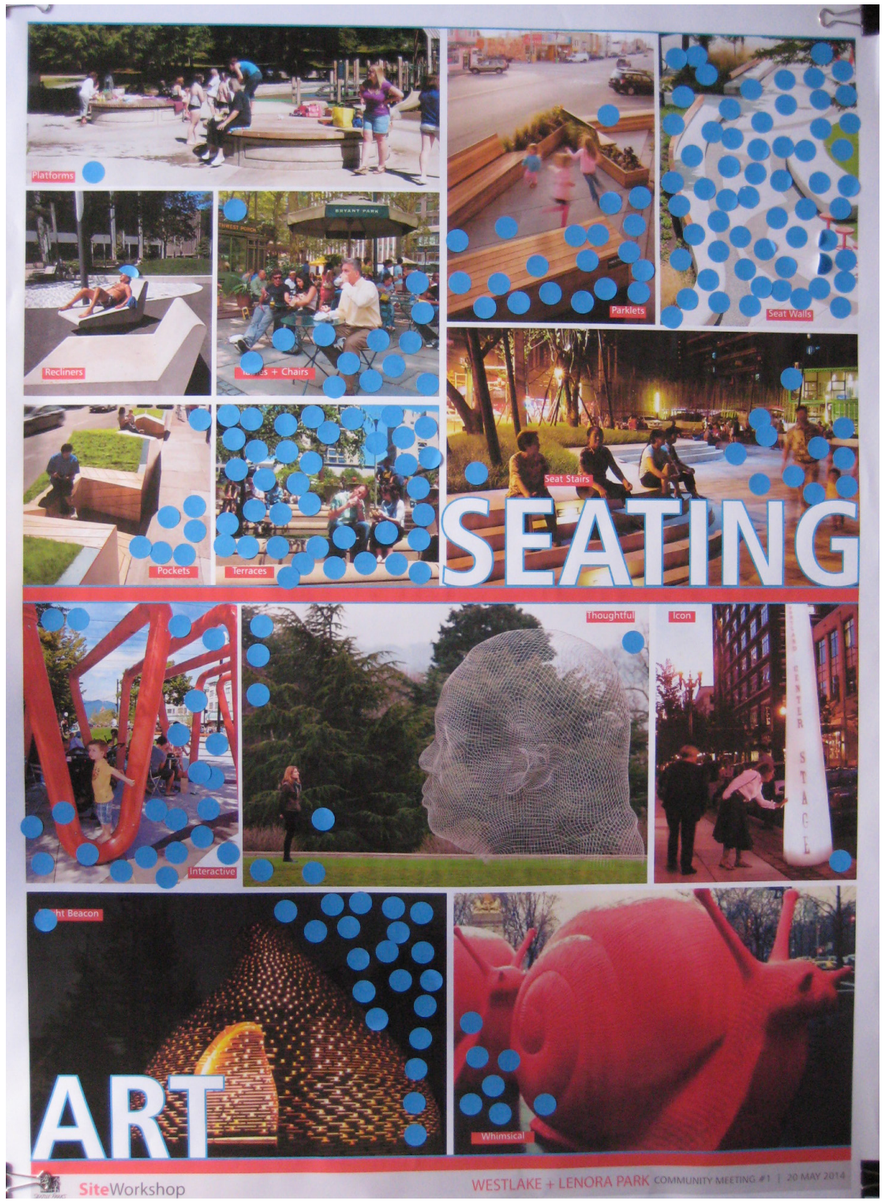

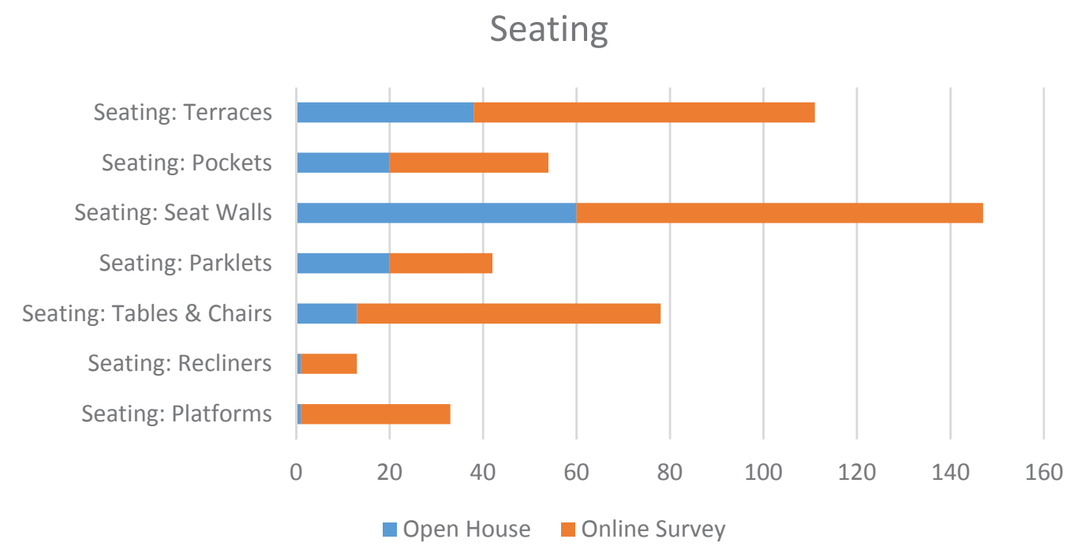

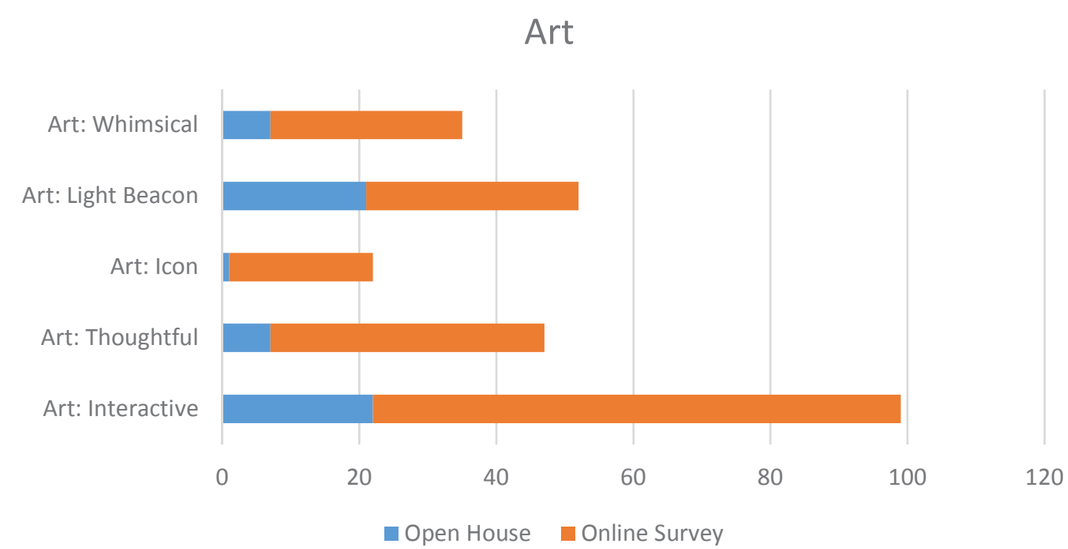

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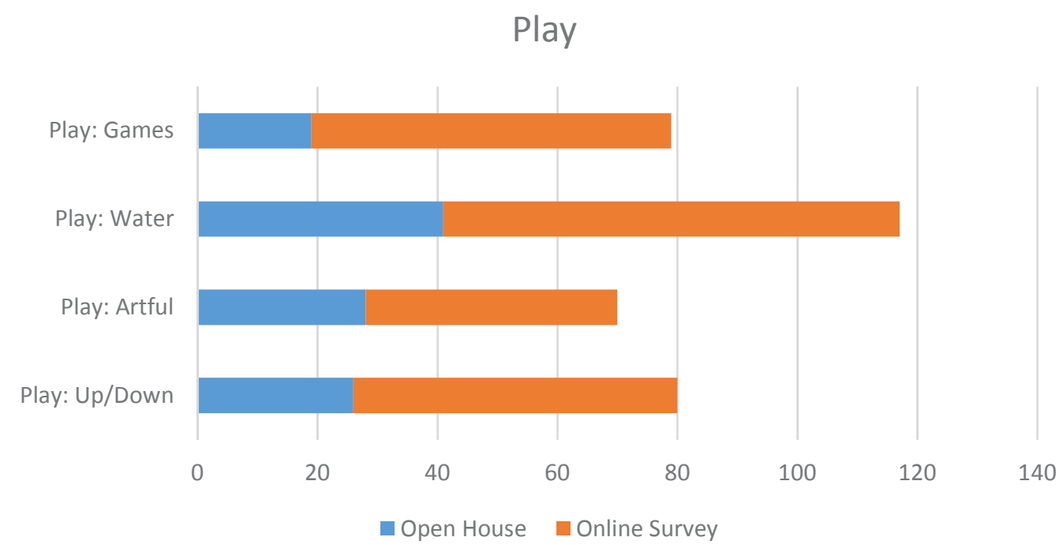

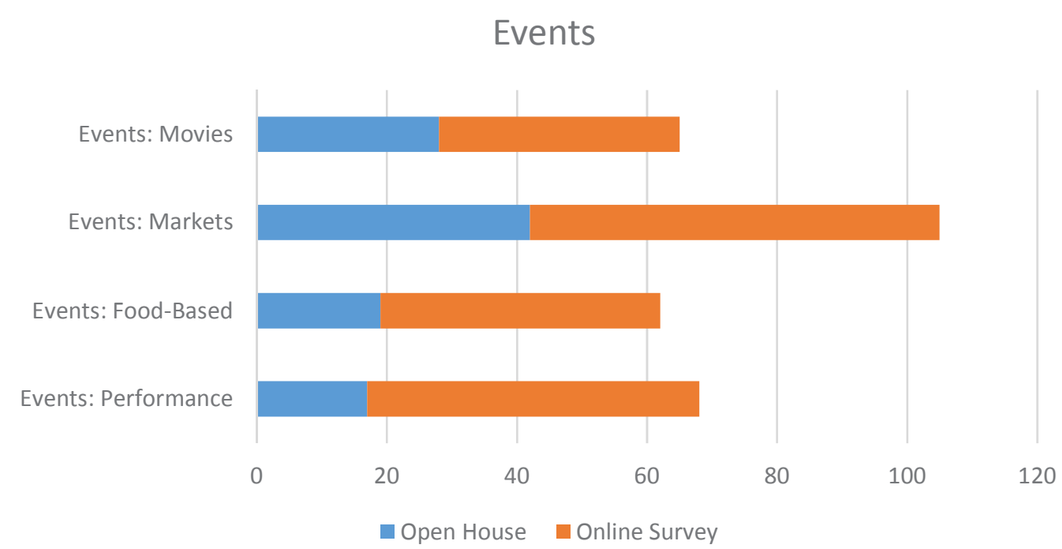

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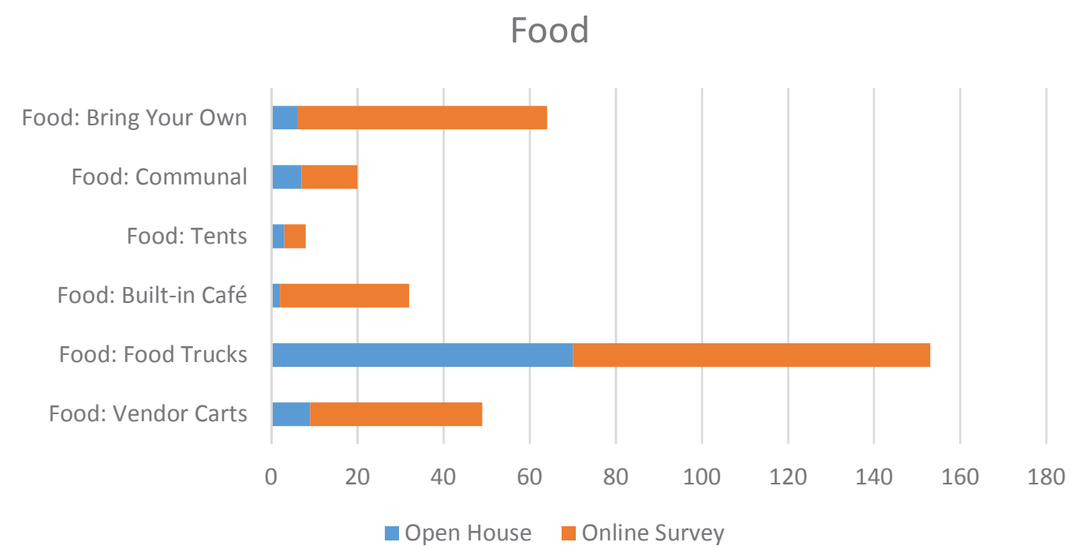

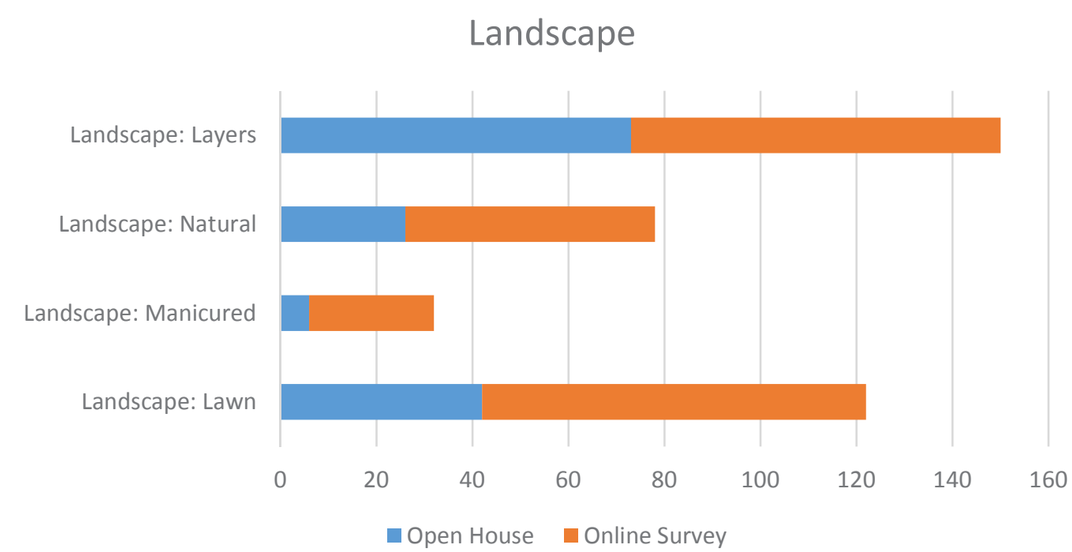

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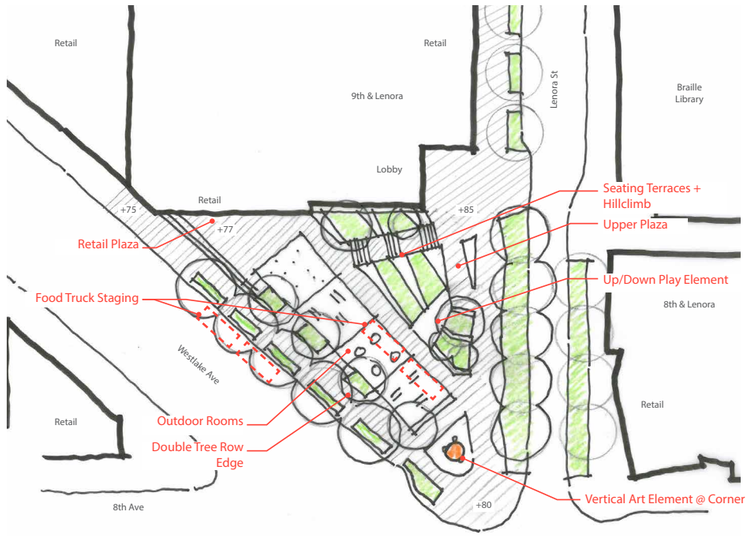

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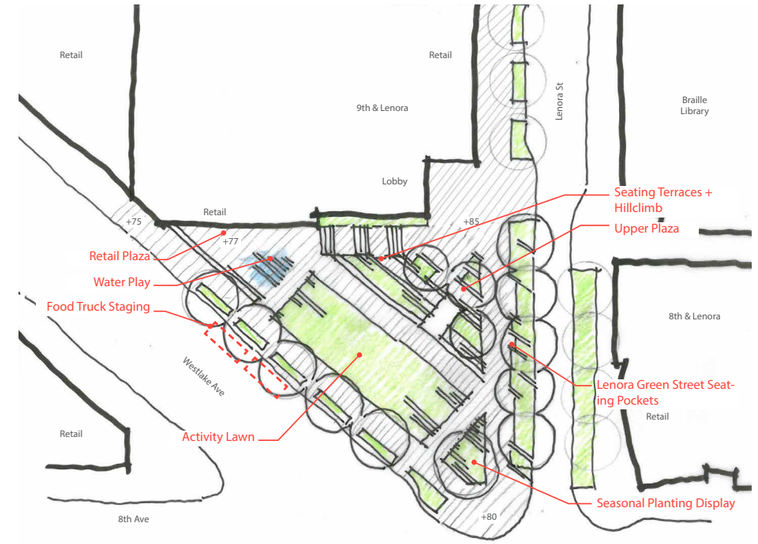
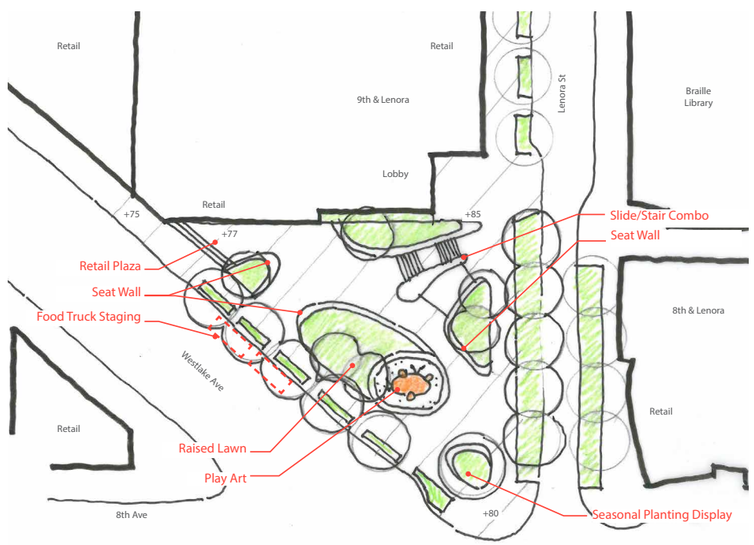


OFF-SET



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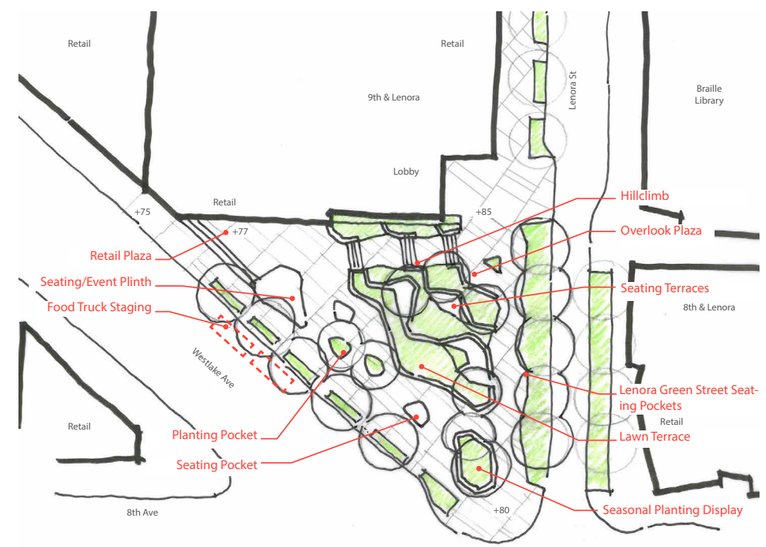

FREE-FORM

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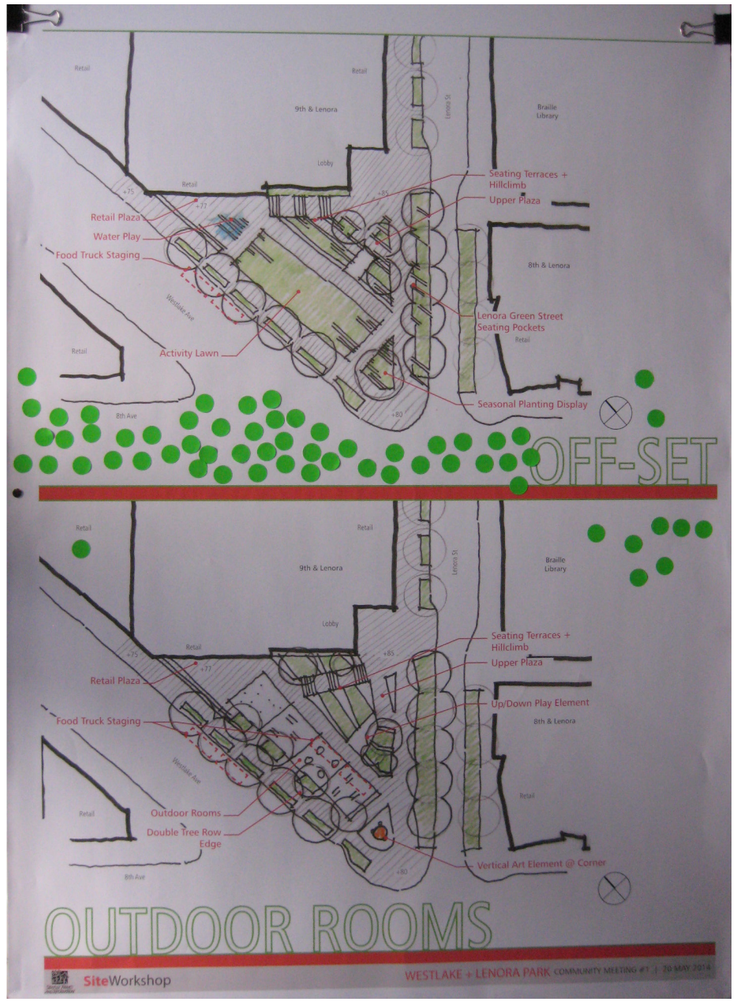

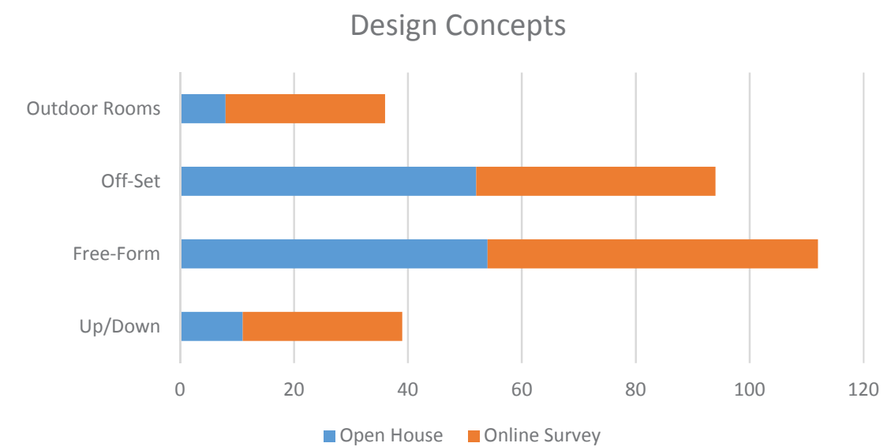

Design Statement + Program

Westlake & Lenora Park leverages a leftover triangle of real estate with good aspect and public access, reaching beyond the property line to create an urban room in the midst of the rapidly developing high-rise neighborhood of the Denny Triangle.

The park design responds directly to the anticipated open space needs of this evolving downtown neighborhood without overlaying a distinct thematic narrative. It is anticipated that the park will gain this unique identity based on the strength of individual icons such as art, play, events, and strength of connection to surroundings.

The park design creates a flexible urban open space for residents, workers, and visitors to the neighborhood. The park will:

- Provide abundant **seating** opportunities integrated into the site topography
- Integrate non-traditional, integrated **play** opportunities
- Integrate **art** as fundamental space-defining element(s)
- Maintain a level, open **lawn** area for passive activities and events
- Incorporate infrastructure to support community **events** and programming
- Utilize **planting** to define space and create a sense of green respite

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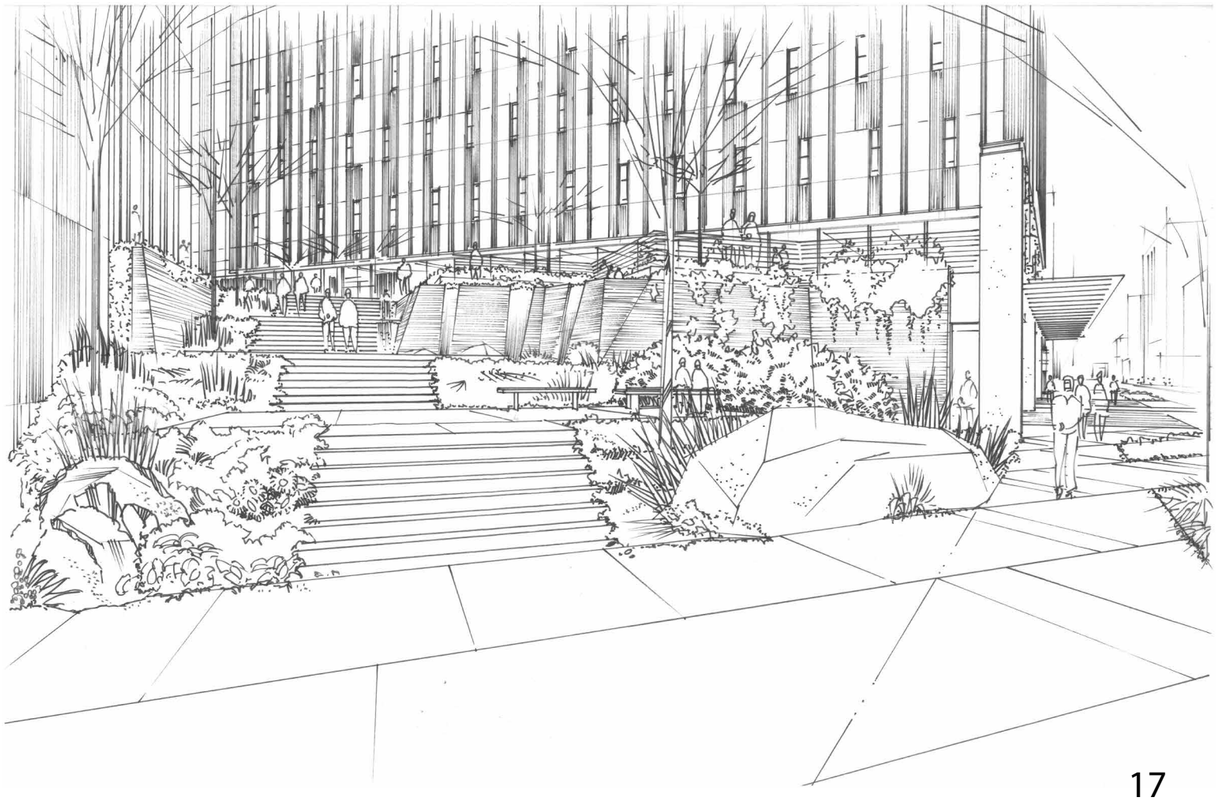

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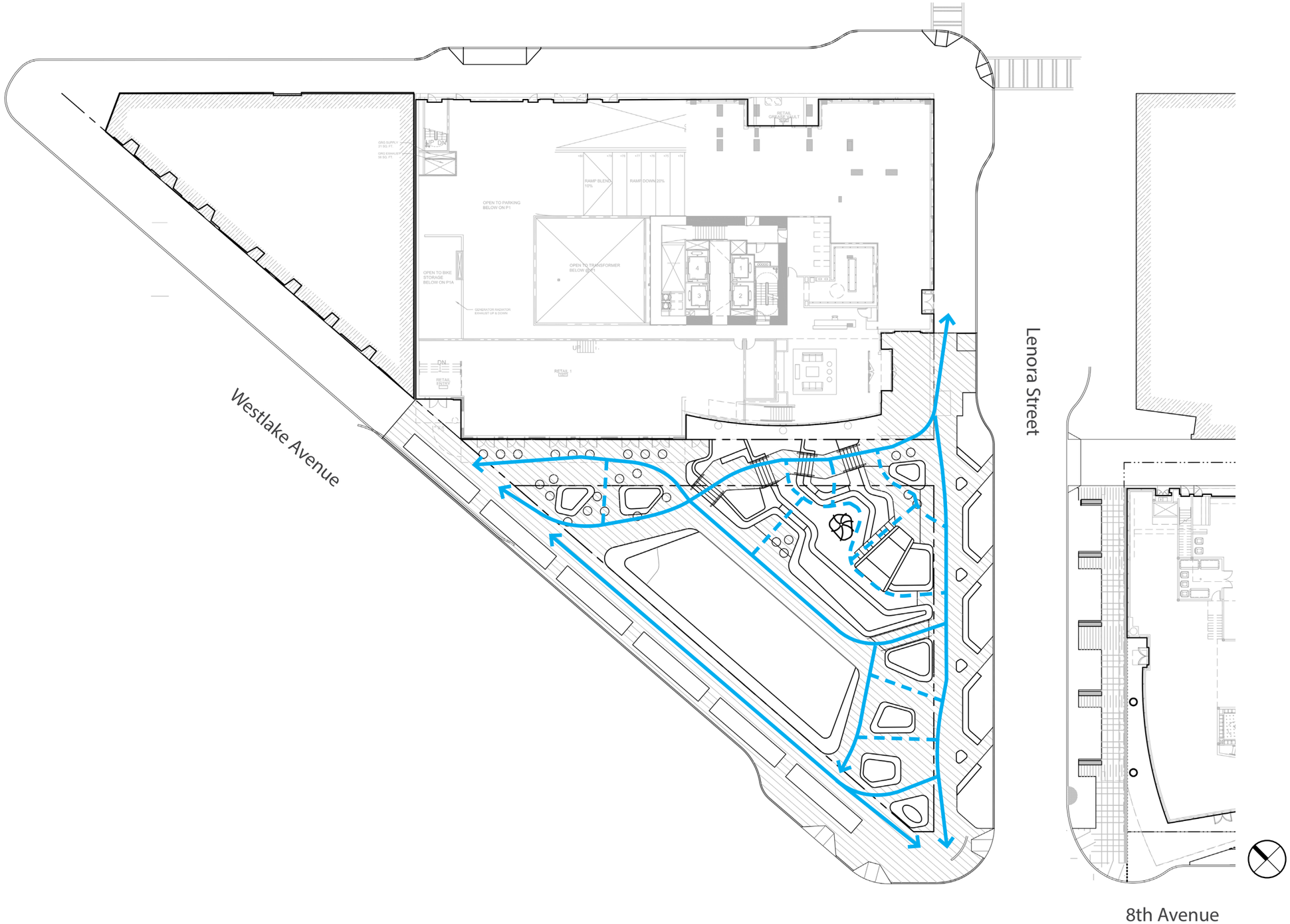
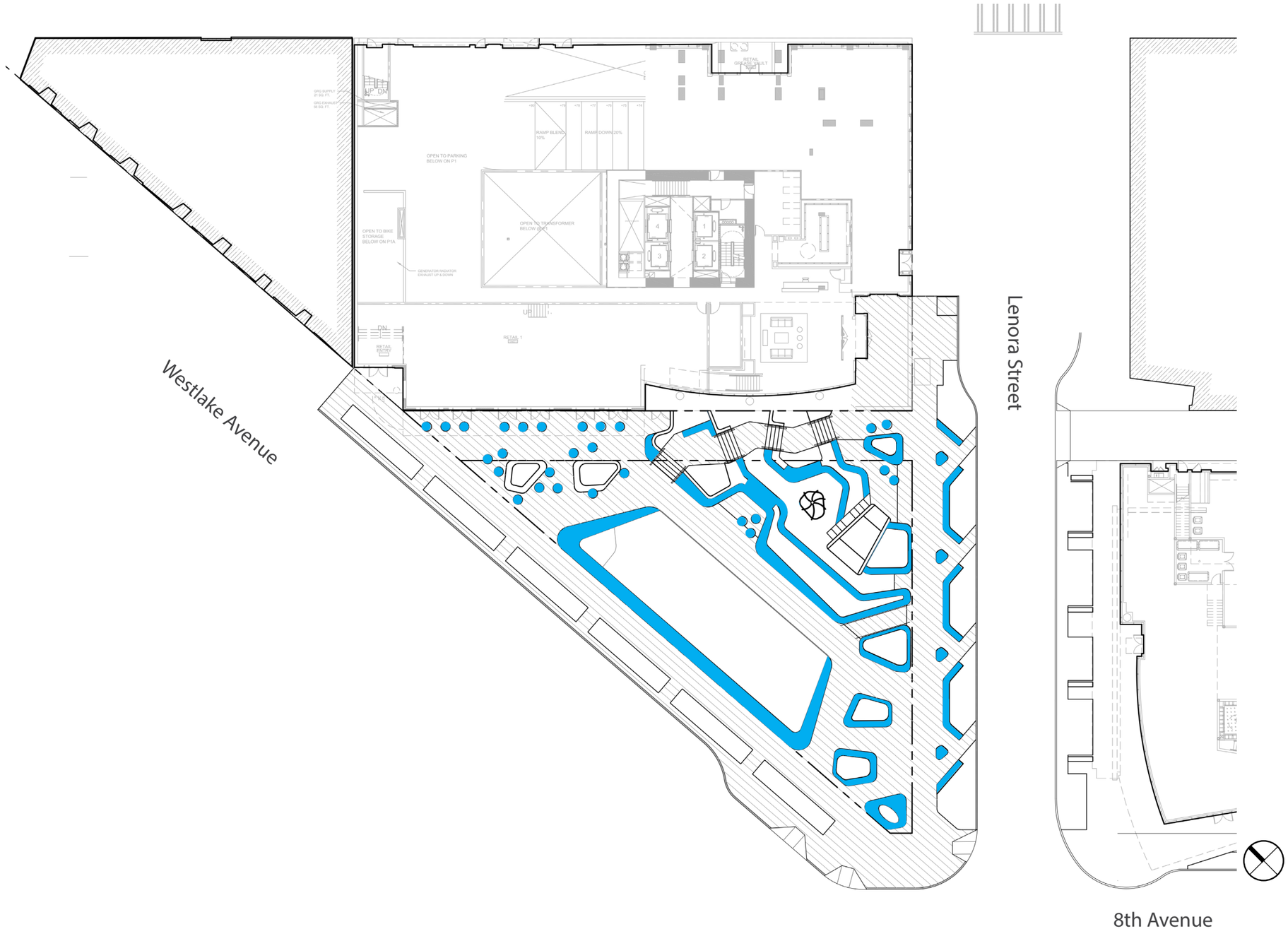
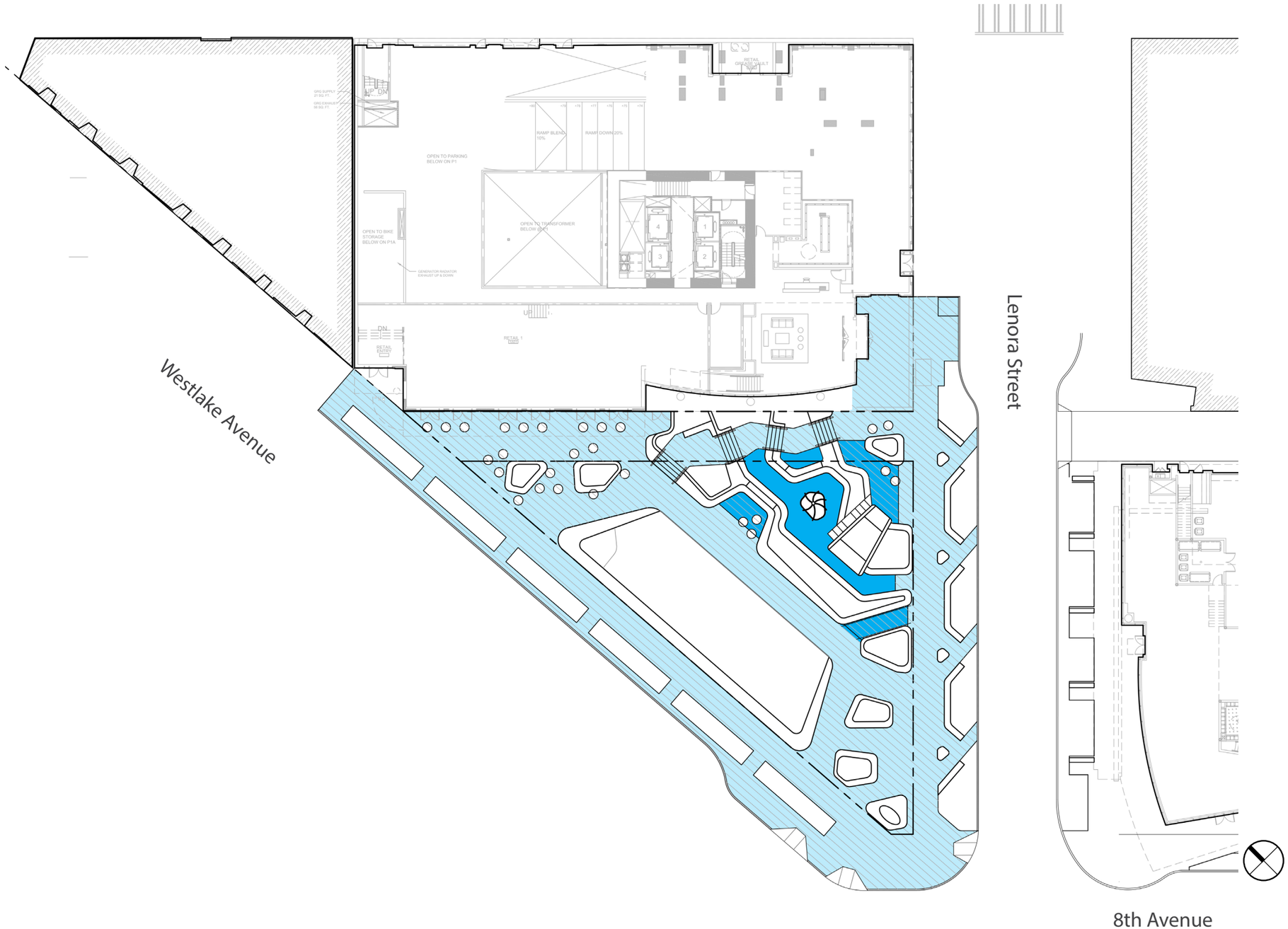
Circulation



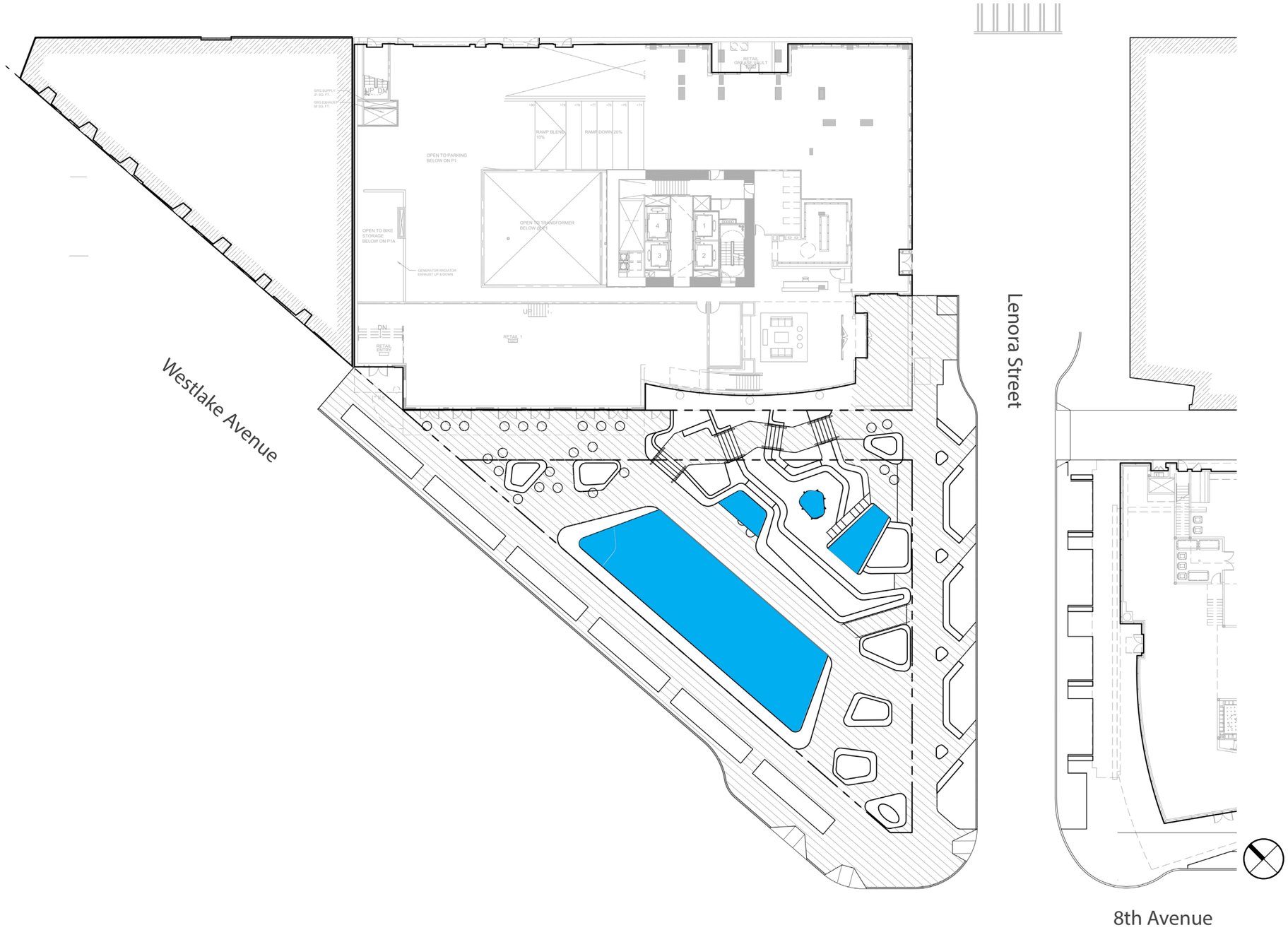
Seating



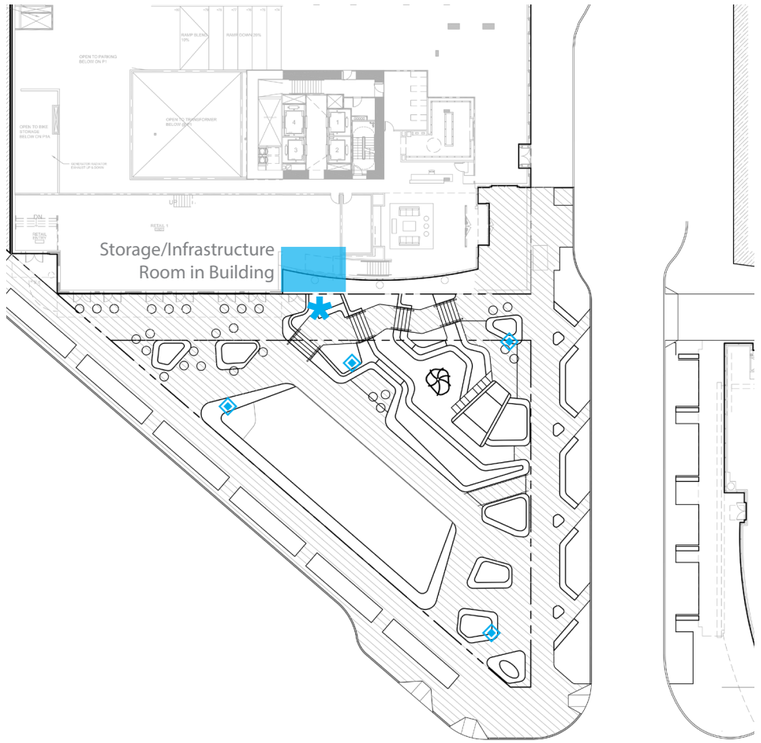
Surfaces



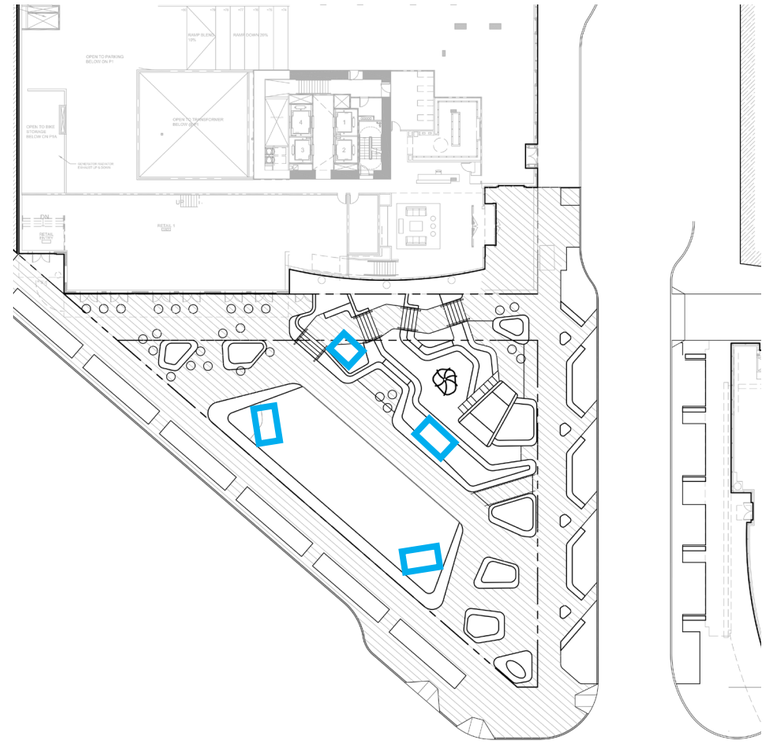
Play



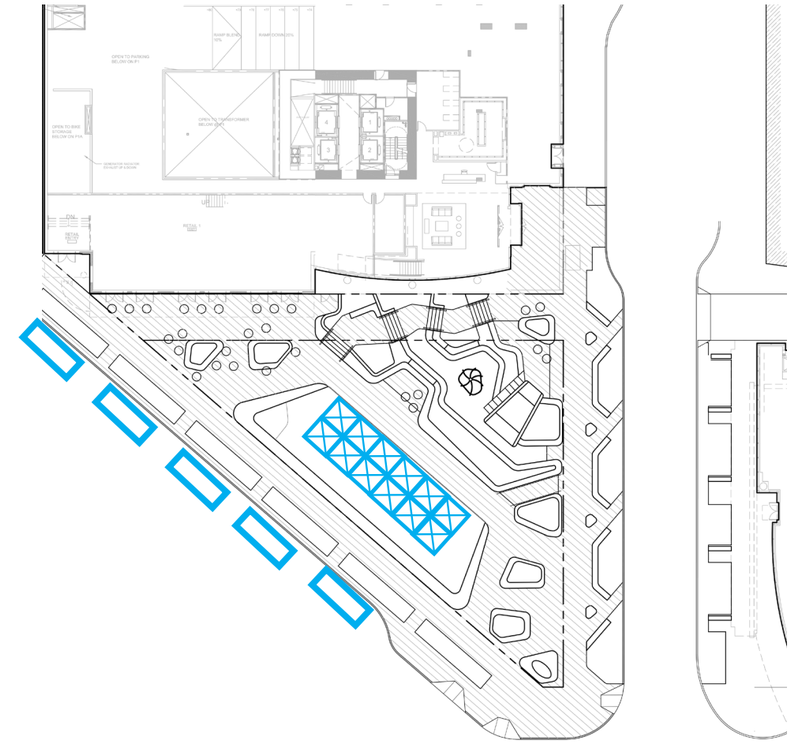
Events



Infrastructure

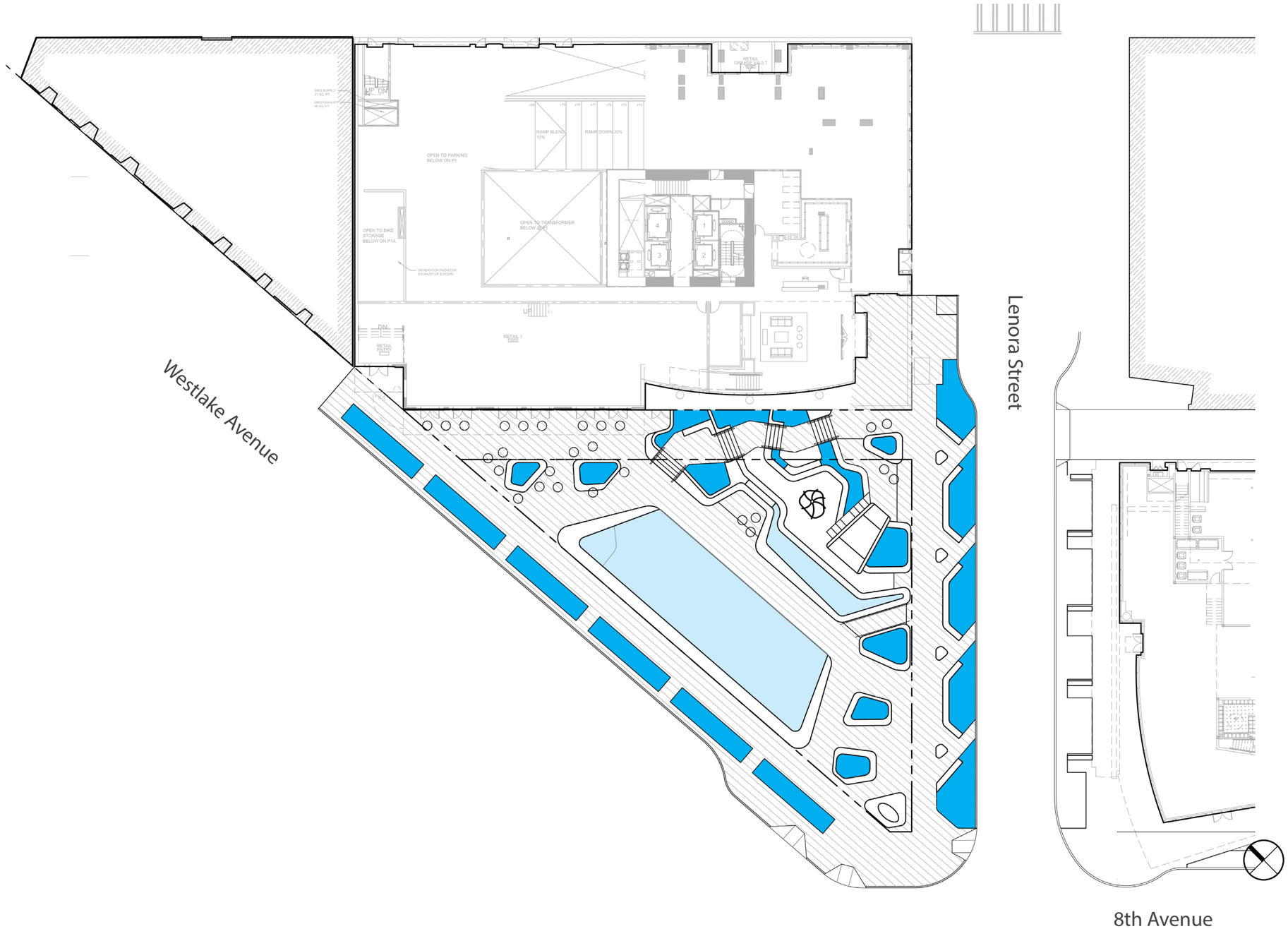


Performance Scenario



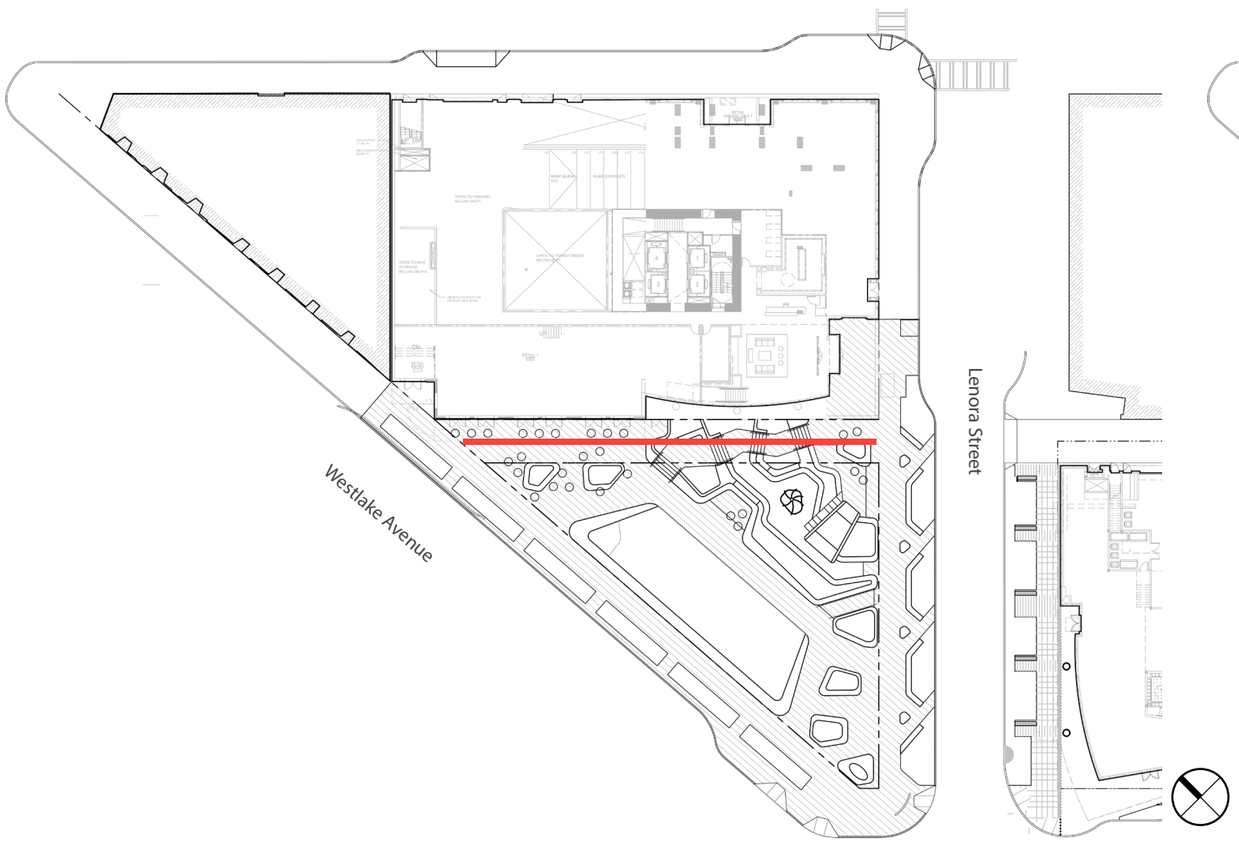
Market/Festival Scenario

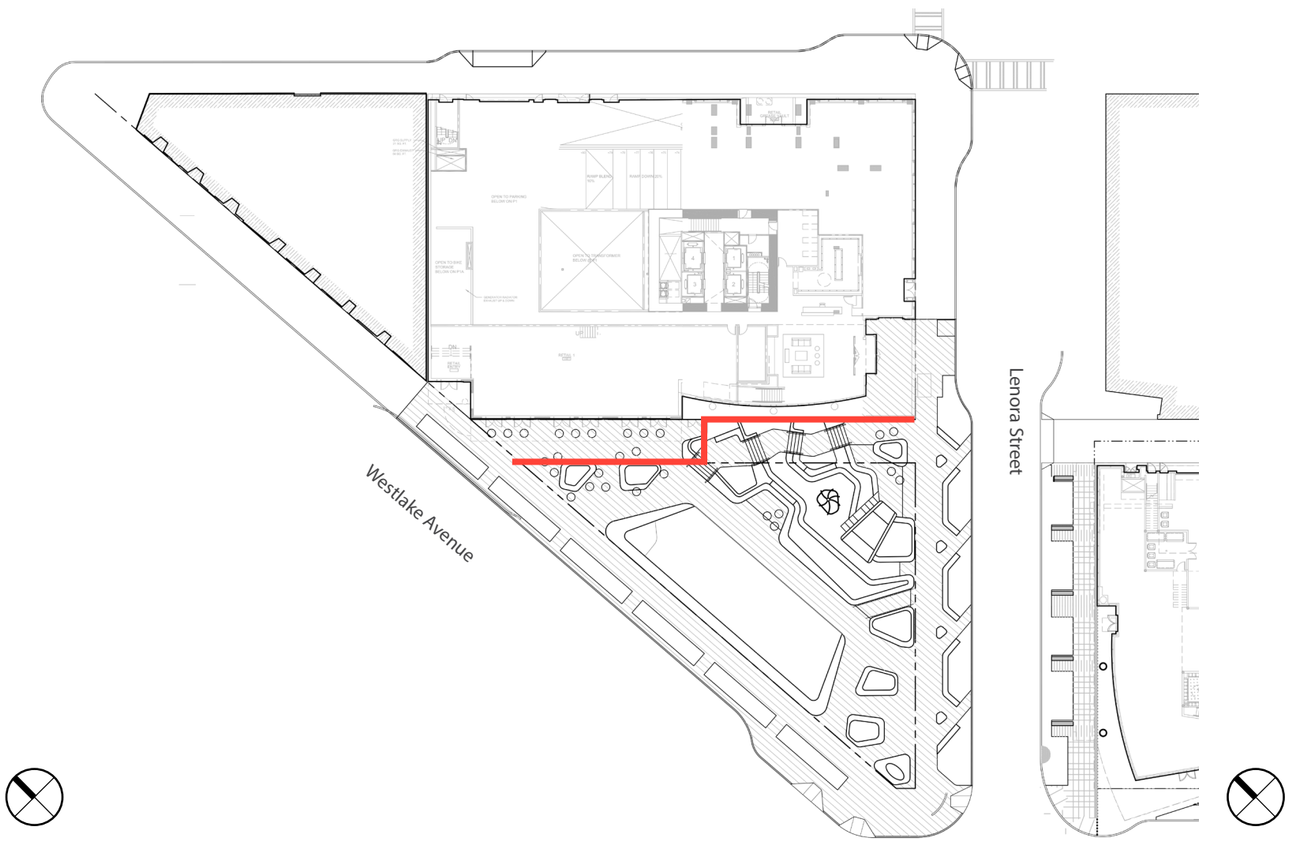
Planting



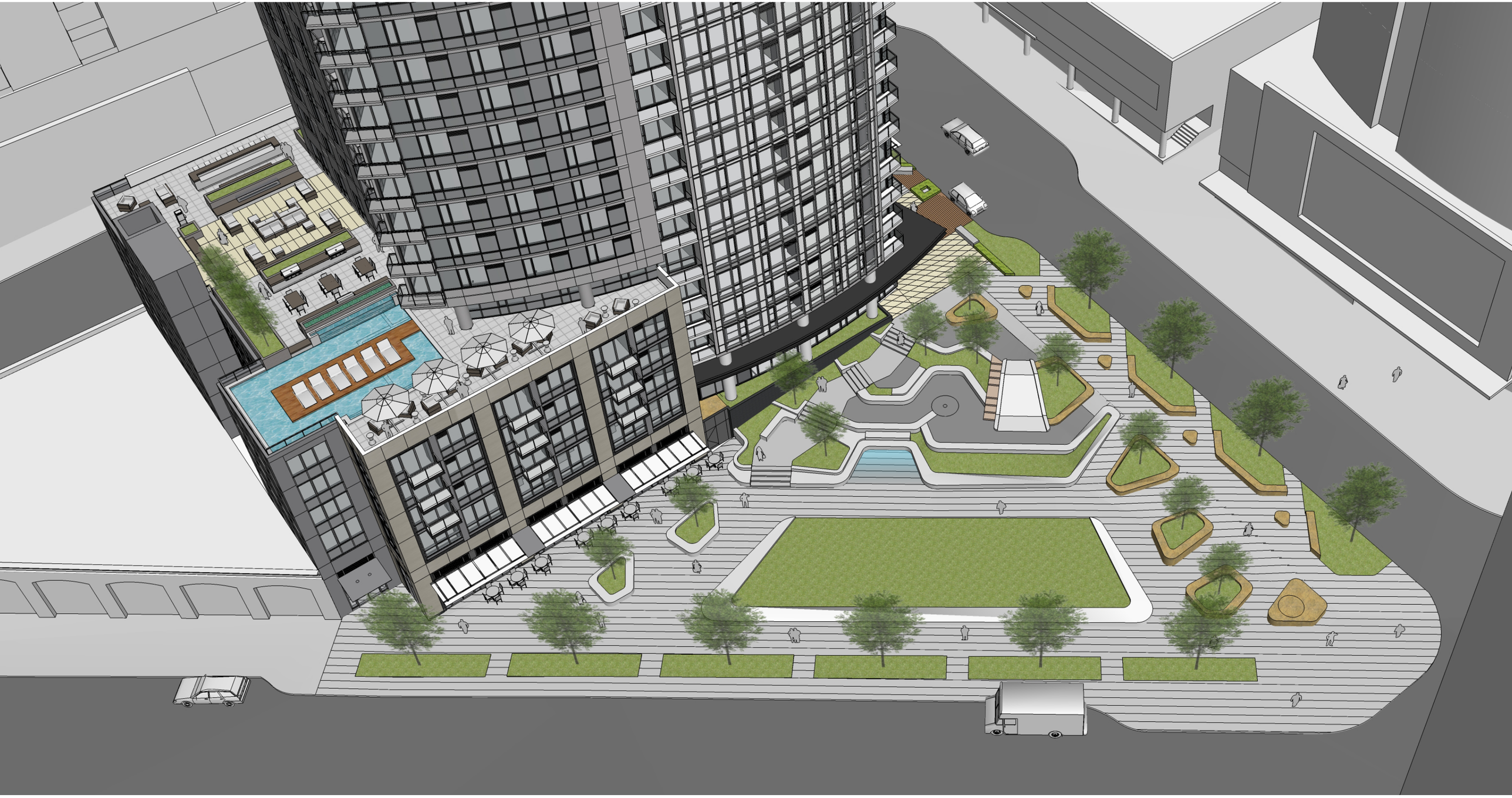
Art Opportunities

Potential Alley Vacation Scenarios





Birdseye View



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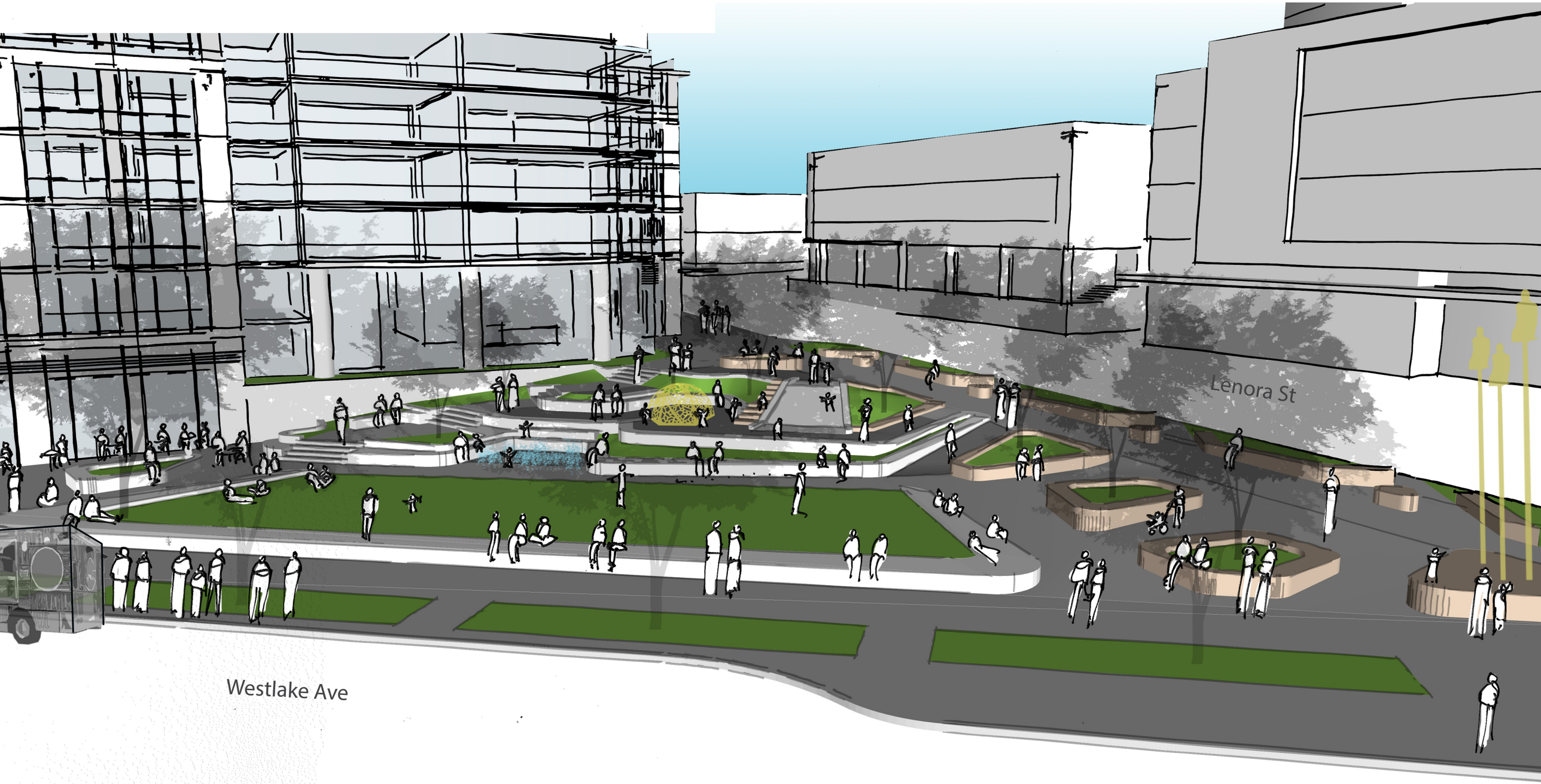
View looking East



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