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### **Statement of Development Objectives**

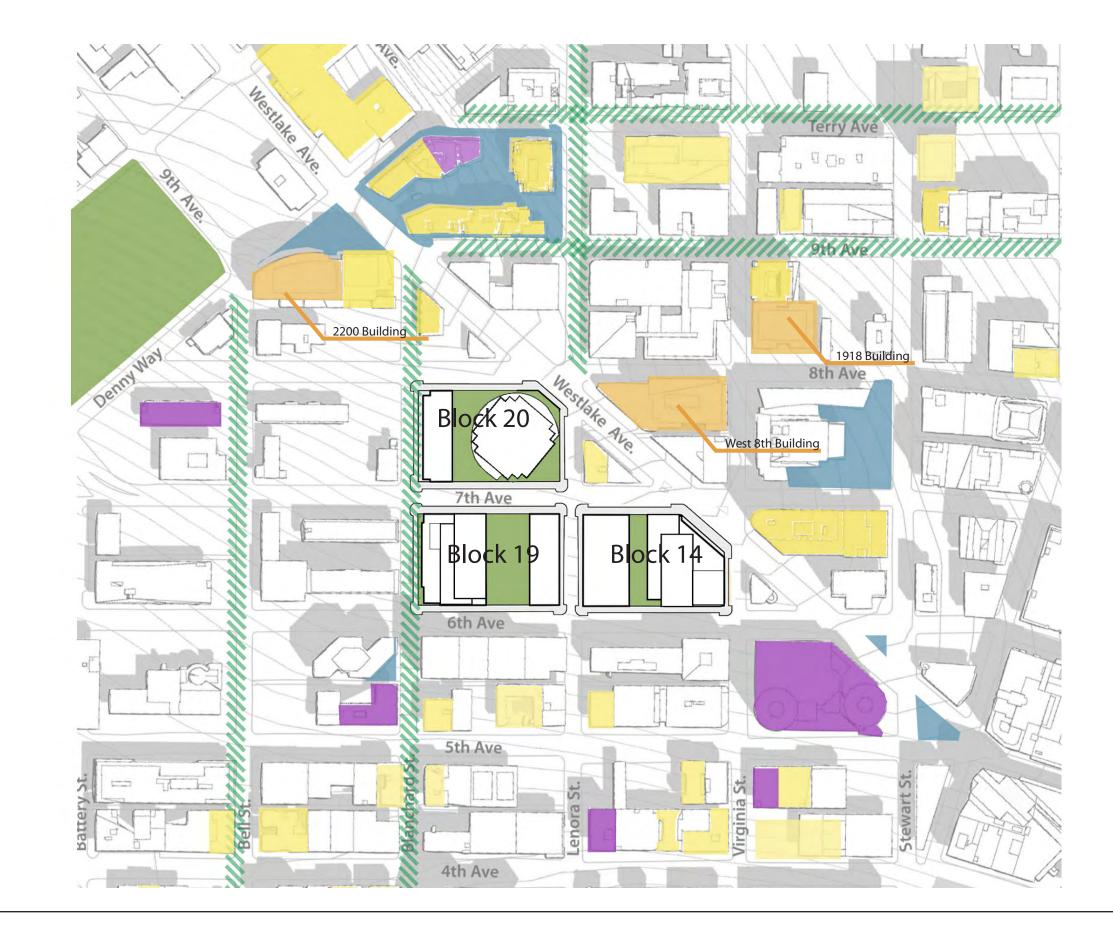
The proposal is to apply for a Master use Permit with a Planned Community Development (PCD) component to design and construct office buildings on 3 blocks in the Denny Triangle Urban Village. A PCD is being pursued because of the intention to phase development of multiple city blocks over time. The development is anticipated to occur in three phases corresponding to each of the three blocks. Phase One will consist of approximately 1,074,996 GSF (utilizing 1,017,576 FAR) of above-grade construction, including a single highrise office building, accessory retail and exempt mechanical space. Phase One will also include a multi-use meeting facility, accessory to the office use, that will seat up to 2,000 people and up to 6 levels of underground parking accommodating up to 1,074 automobiles. Phases Two and Three will follow with 1,152,969 GSF (1,091,384 FAR) and 1,131,228 GSF (1,070,804 FAR) office towers respectively. Like Phase One, Phases Two and Three will include some accessory retail and up to 6 levels of underground parking with up to 1,152 stalls in Phase Two and 1,131 stalls in Phase Three.

Downtown Streetscape & Open Space
Pioneer Square to South Lake Union



## **Downtown Streetscape & Open Space** Scale Comparison





## **Neighborhood Context With Future** "Pipeline" Projects Under Permit



### 202 Westlake Avenue North

7 story office building 19,996 sqft of retail 114, 004 sqft of office



### 975 John Street

7 story residential building 145 residential units

**Future Park** 



### The Martin, 2105 5th Avenue

24 story residential building 188 residential units

### 2116 4th Avenue

40 story residential building 2,743 sqft of retail 365 residential units



**Existing Amazon Buildings** 

Residential

Park Space

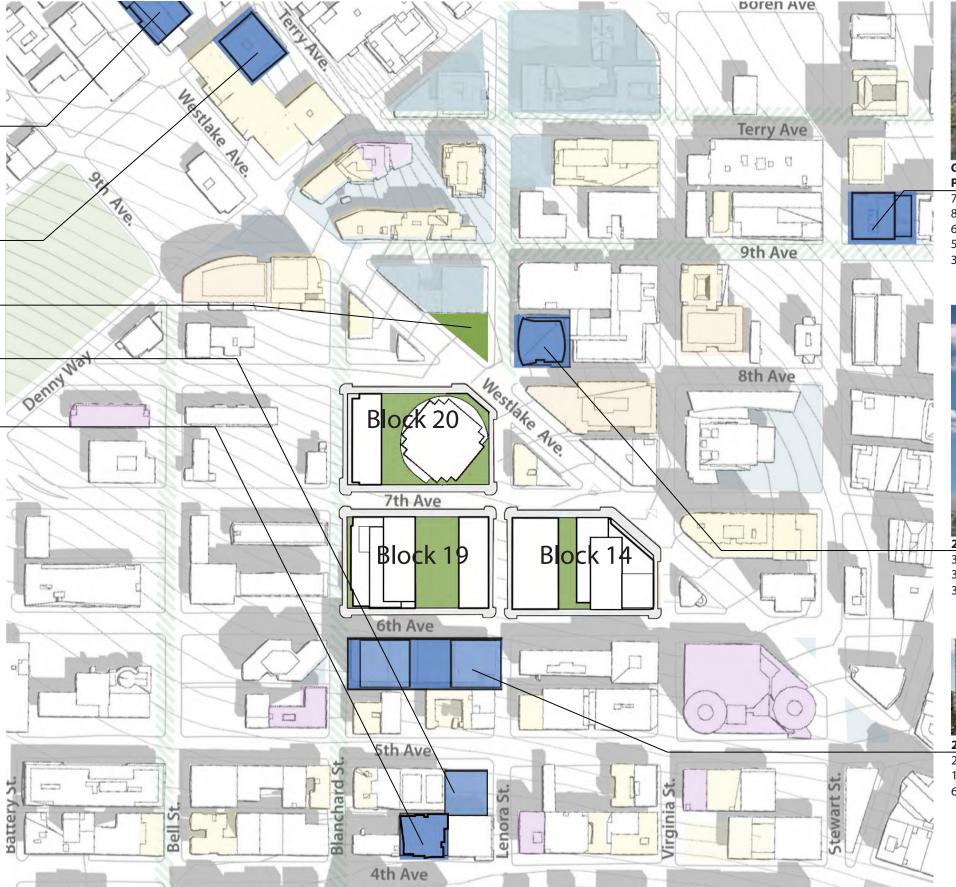
Hospitality

Public Plaza

//// Green Street

Project Under Permit or In Construction

Future Cornish Development





**Gethsemane Redevelopment** Project

7 story addition to existing church 8,510 sqft of church 6,970 sqft of human services 50 low income residential units 380 residential units



39 story residential building 3,507 sqft of retail 380 residential units



2121 6th Avenue

24 story residential building 12,185 sqft of retail 654 residential units

## **Neighborhood Context**

**Streets & Open Spaces** 



Denny Way & Westlake Ave Plaza



Whole Foods/Pan Pacific





Federal Courthouse





Terry Avenue



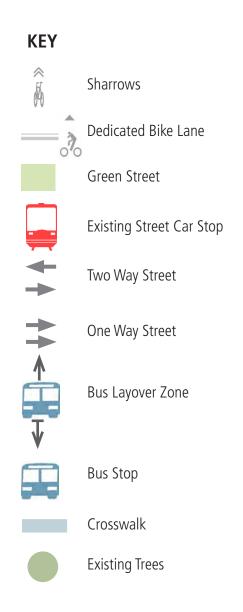
Boren Avenue & Republican Street

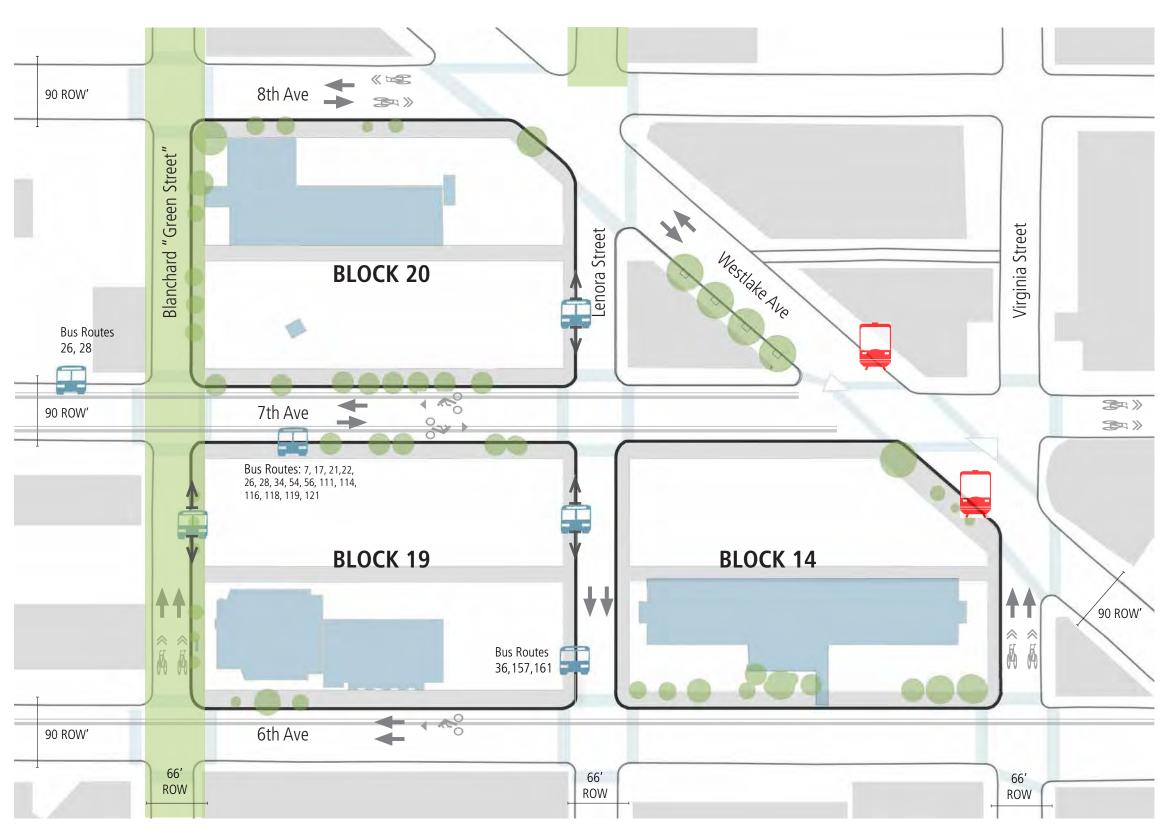


Westlake Ave at South Lake Union

### **Neighborhood Context**

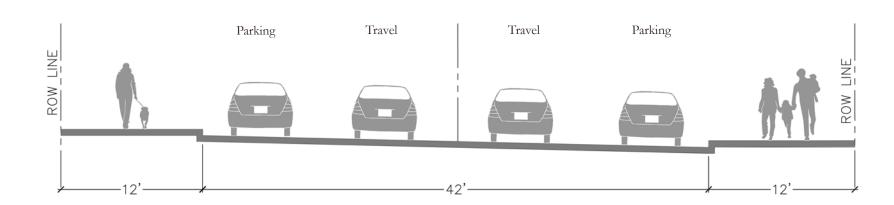
**Existing Streets** 



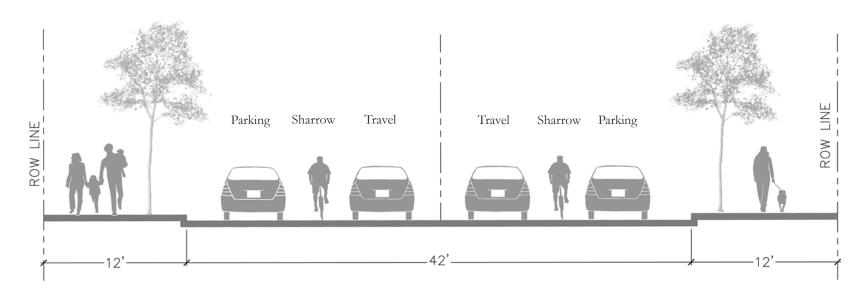


### **Streetscape & Open Space**

Existing Streets: Lenora St. & Blanchard St.



Lenora Street: 66' ROW



**Blanchard Street: 66' ROW** 



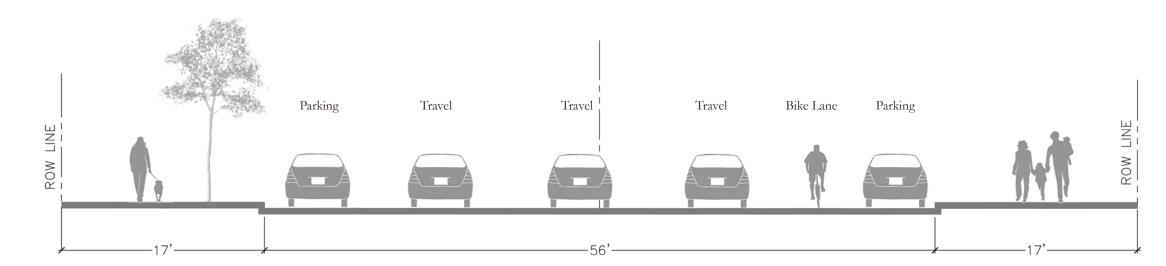
Lenora St. @ Block 14 & 19



Blanchard St. @ Block 19

### **Streetscape & Open Space**

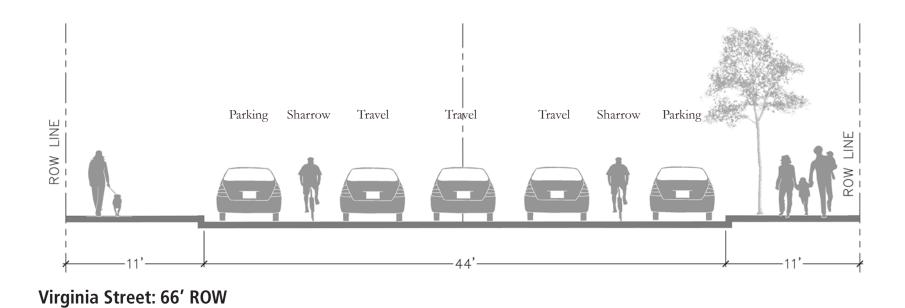
**Existing Streets: 6th Ave. & Virginia St.** 



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6th Ave @ Block 14

6th Ave: 90' ROW

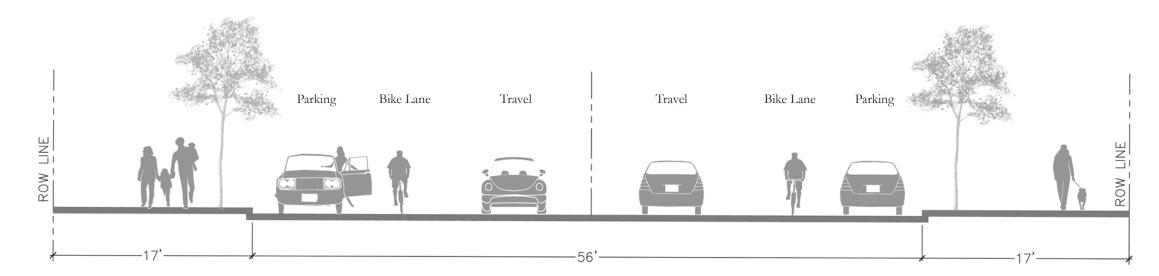




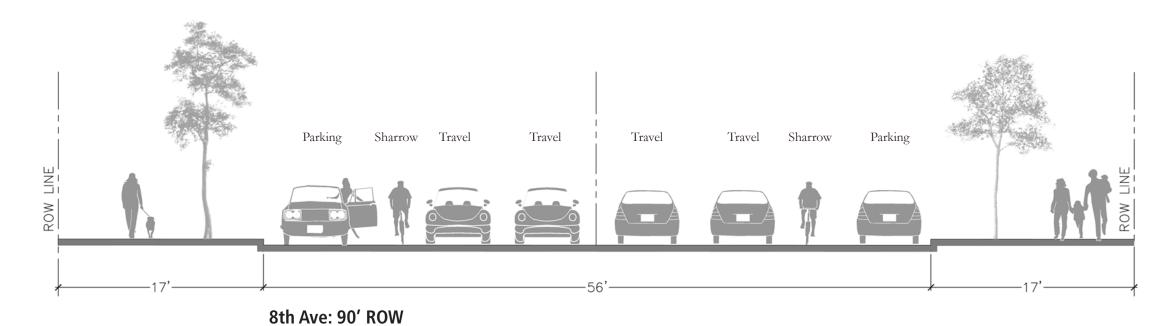
Virginia St @ Block 14

### **Streetscape & Open Space**

Existing Streets: 7th Ave. & 8th Ave.



7th Ave @ Block 19 & 20



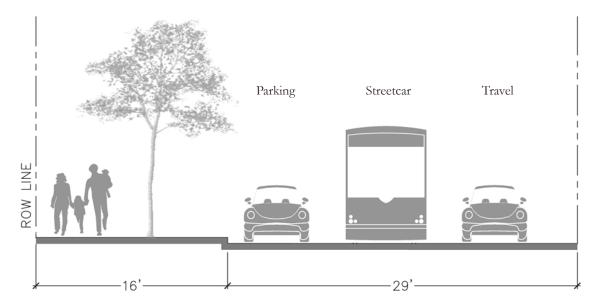


8th Ave @ Block 20

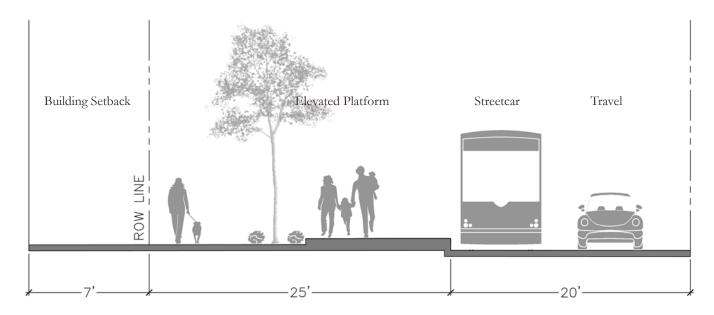
7th Ave: 90' ROW

### **Streetscape & Open Space**

**Existing Streets: Westlake Ave.** 



Westlake Ave: 45' to centerline



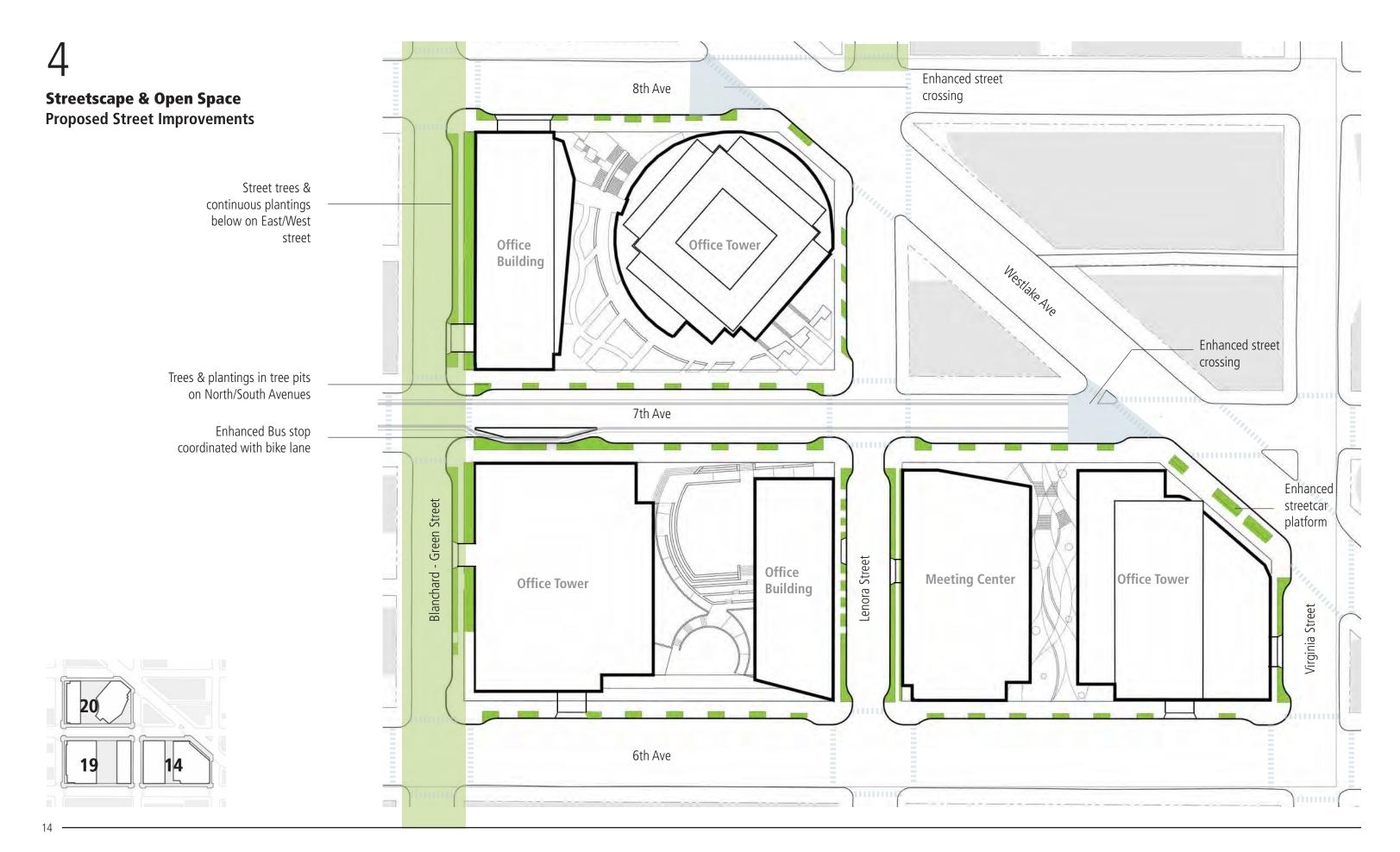
Westlake Ave: 45' to centerline



Westlake (between 8th and Lenora) @ Block 20



Westlake (between 7th and Virginia) @ Block 14



## **Streetscape & Open Space Examples of Recently Completed Streets**



7th Ave



7th Ave at the Federal Courthouse



Stewart Street



Westlake Ave & Denny Ave



Westlake Ave - South Lake Union



Westlake Ave at Whole Foods



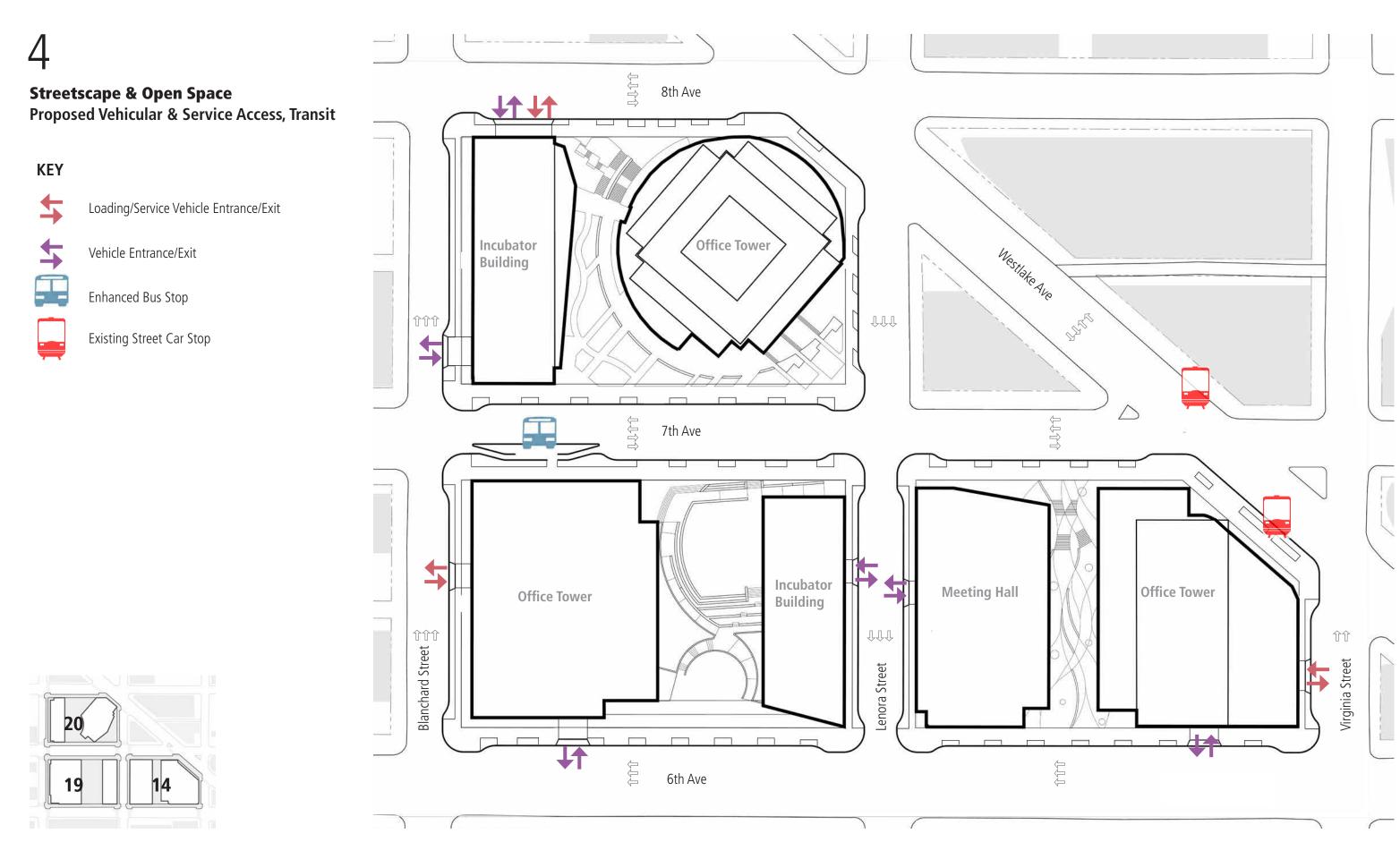
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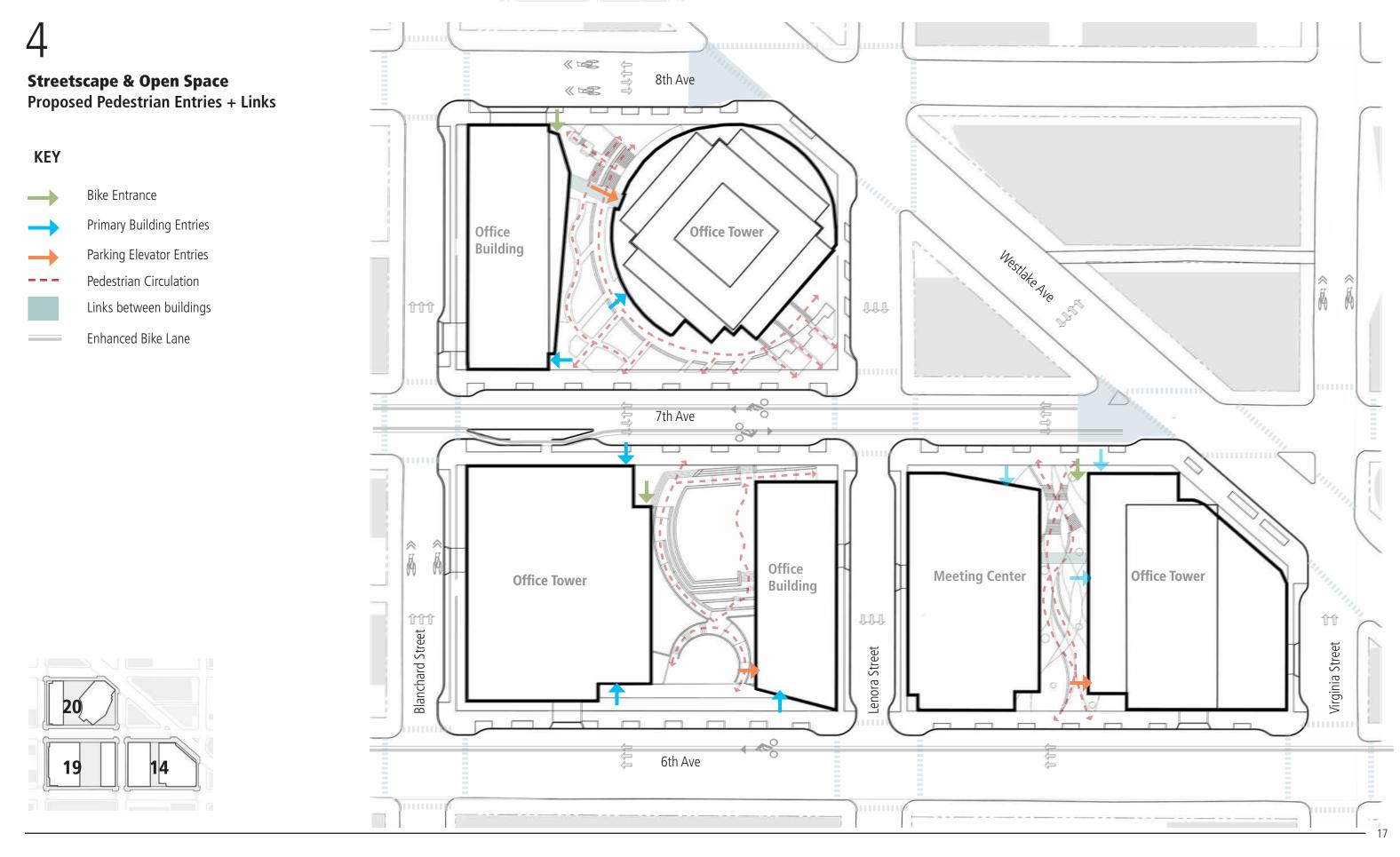


Terry Ave - South Lake Union



Boren Ave







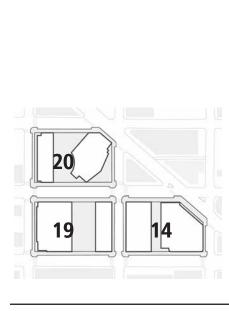


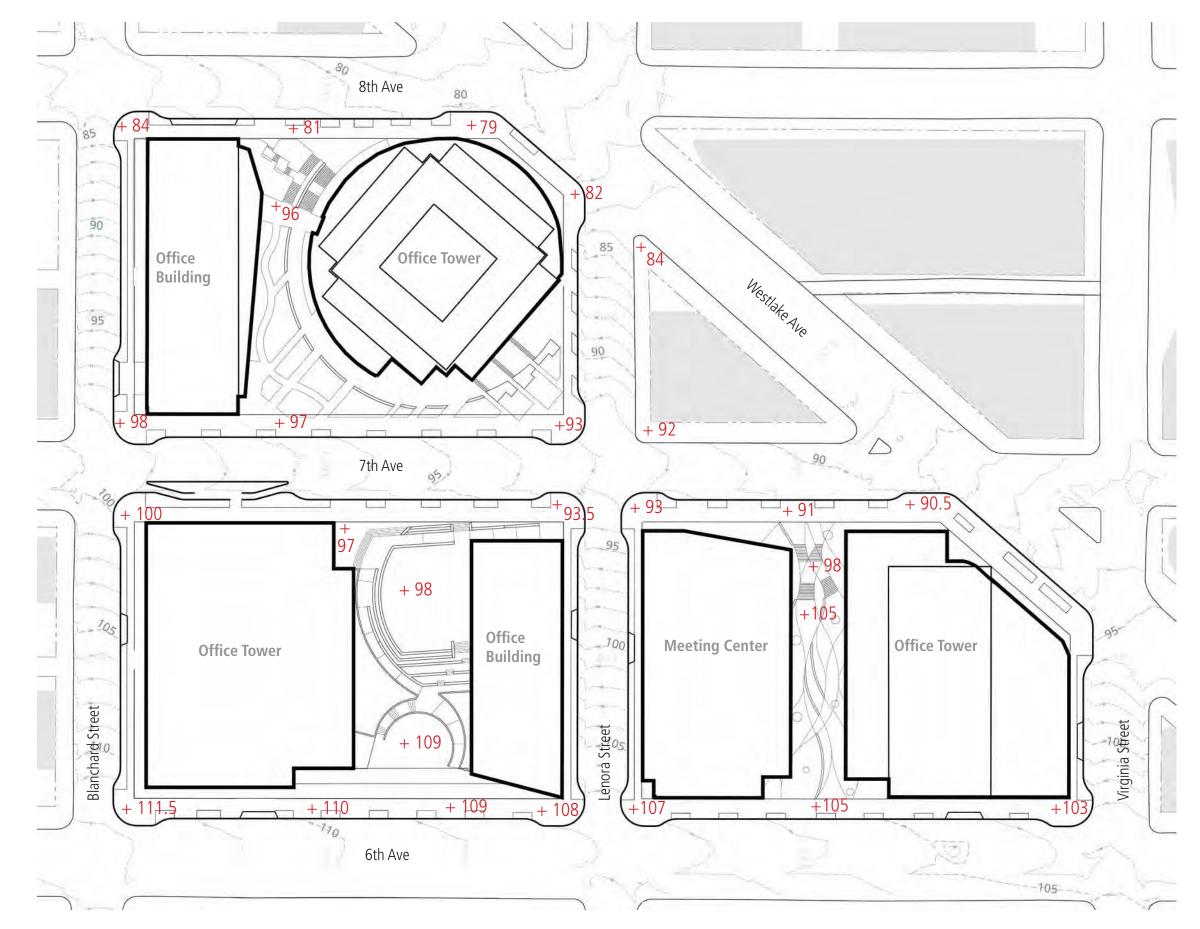
## **Streetscape & Open Space** Existing Topography

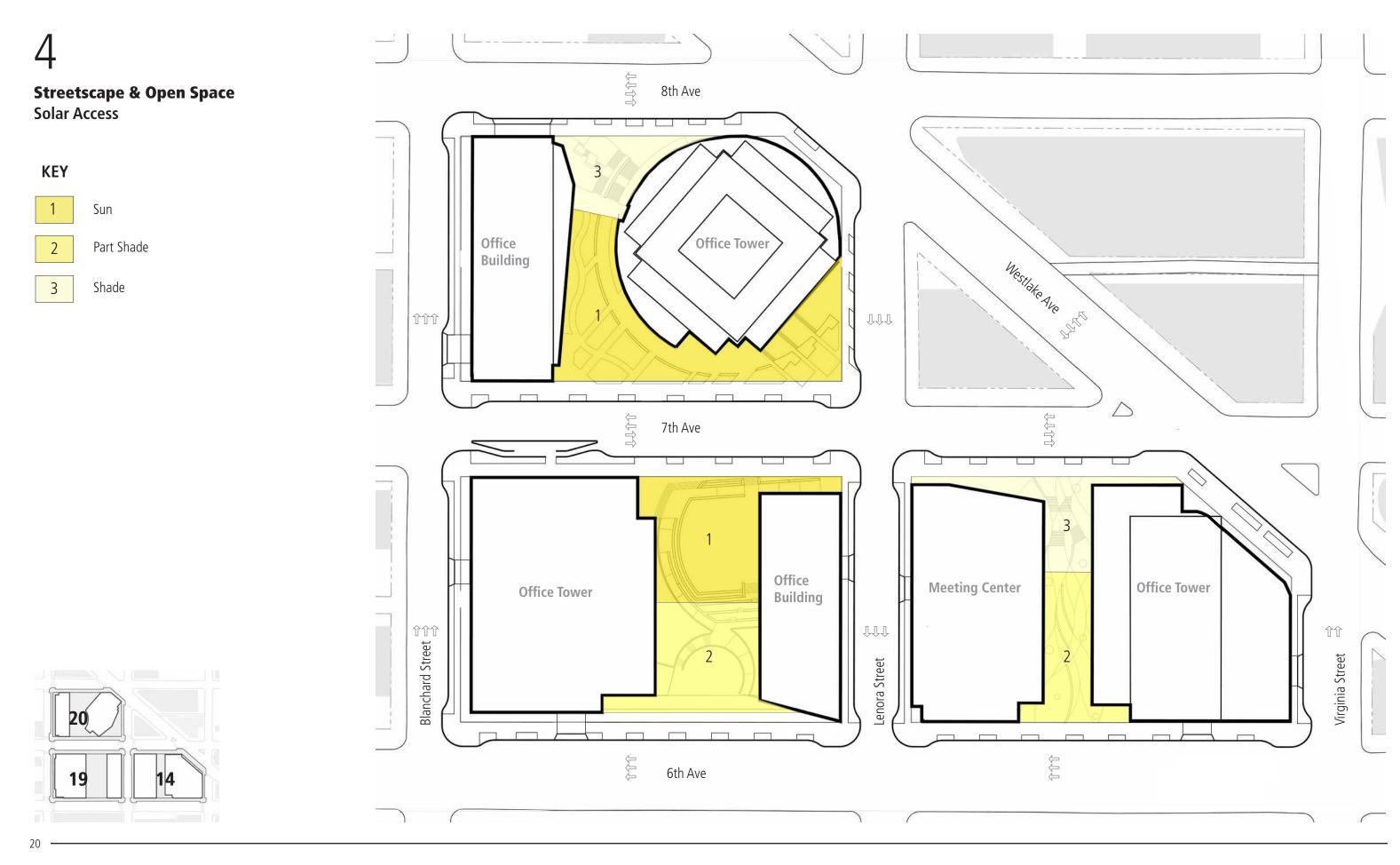
### **KEY**

+ 84 Spot elevations

1' Contours



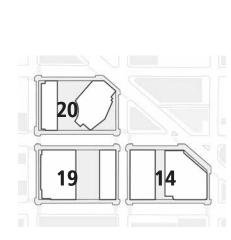




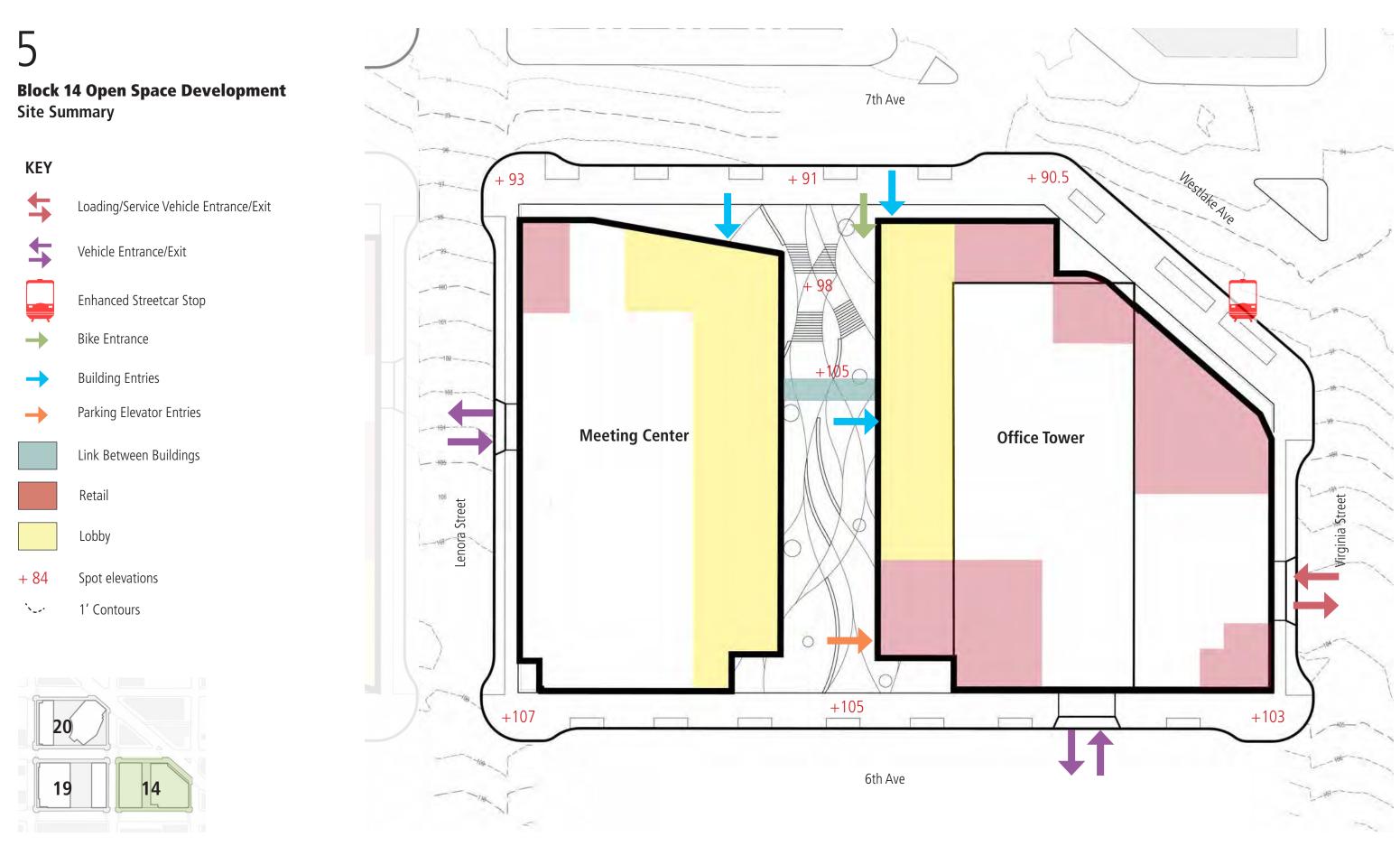
## **Open Space Development Proposed Concepts**

## **Open Space Goals**

- Create diverse range of open spaces
- Differentiate character of open spaces on each block
- Maximize use of sunny locations
- Maximize public access
- Strengthen pedestrian/bike experience on 7<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Maximize opportunities for street tree plantings and furnishings







### **Block 14 Open Space Development** The Gallery

## gal•ler•y [gal-uh-ree]

- 1. a dynamic protected space evoking a feeling of potential and exploration used to view art in various forms
- 2. encourages both passage and a place to pause
- 3. focus on human scale to promote return visits and a sense of place





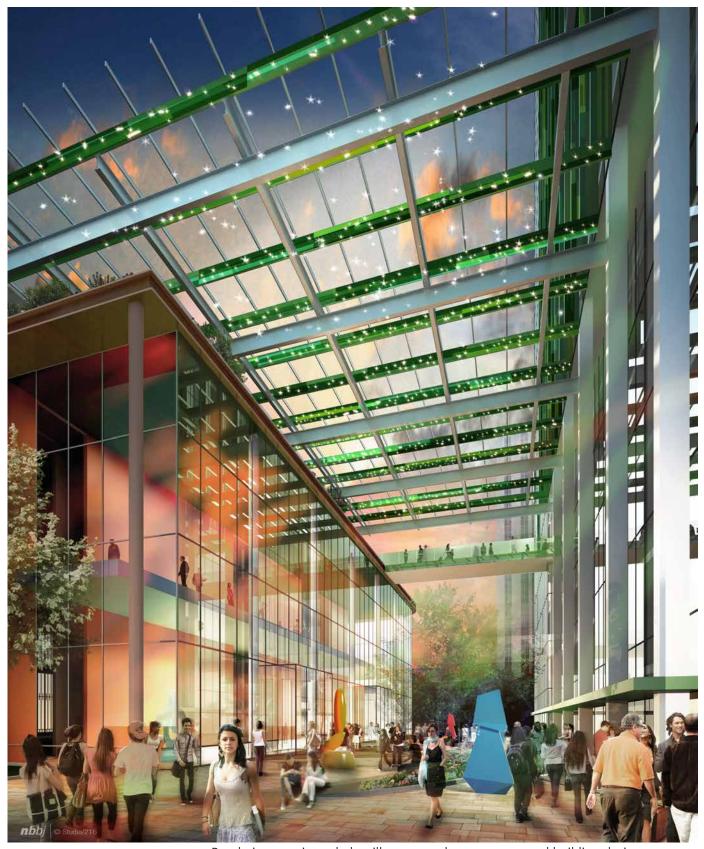
**Streetscape & Open Space**Proposed Improvements: Block 14 Sketches



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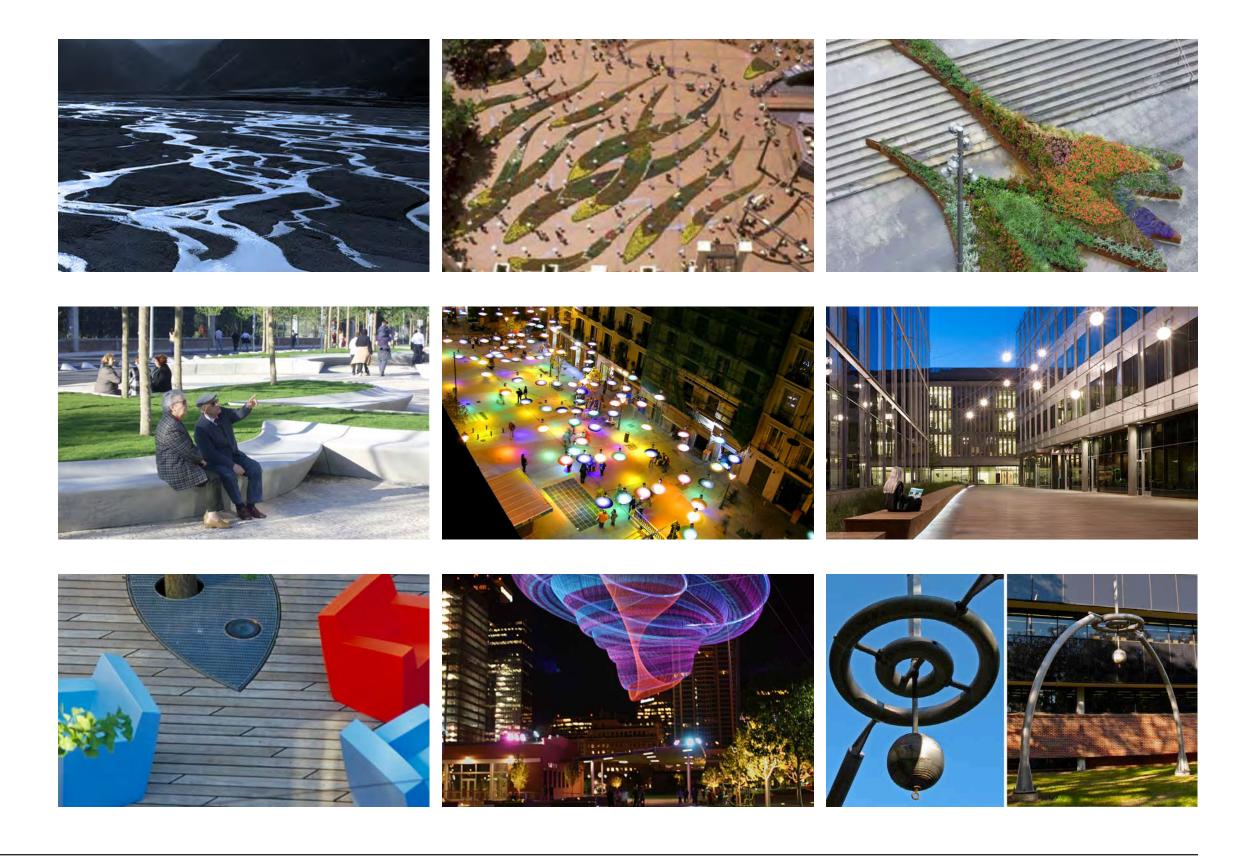
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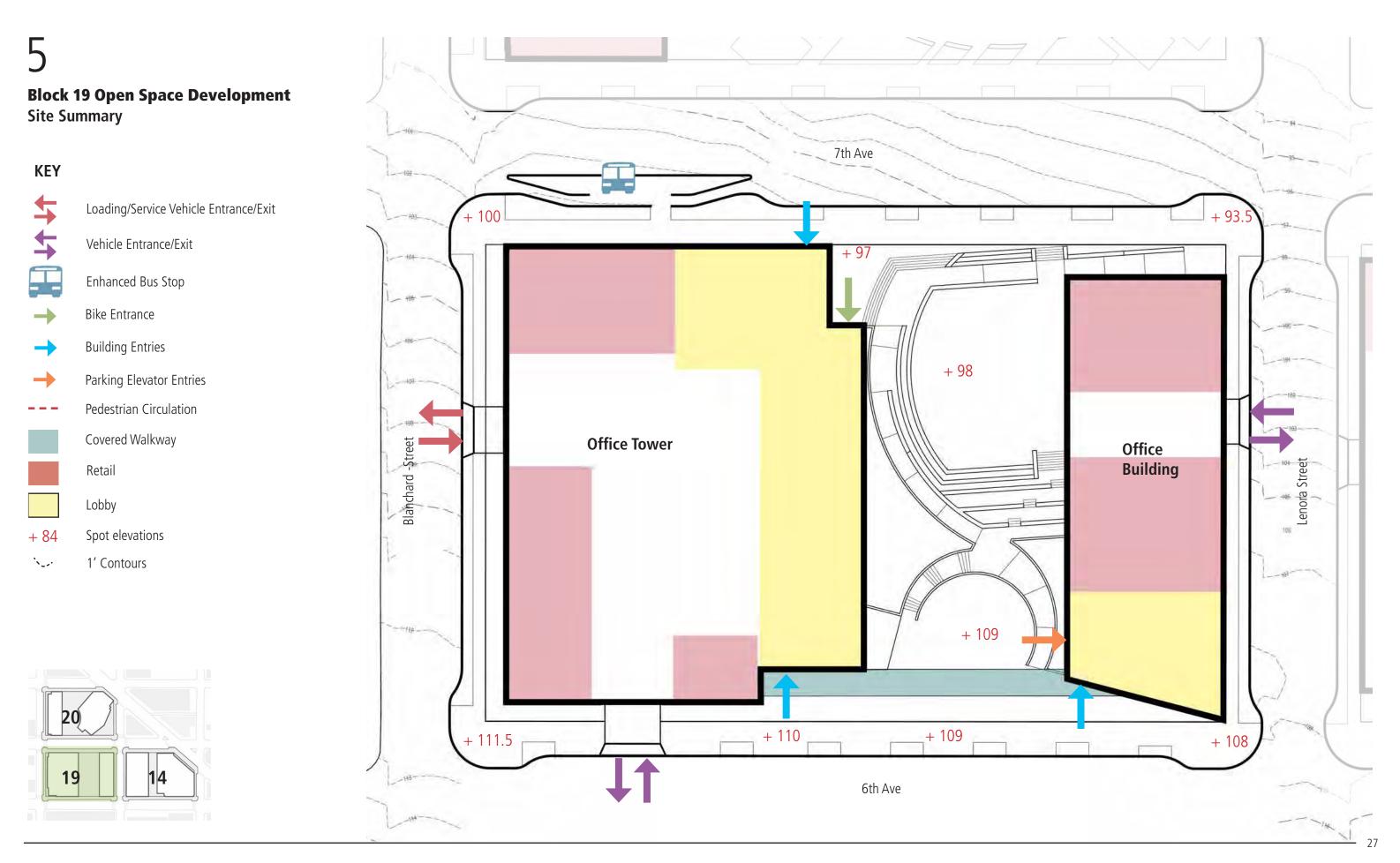
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Block 14 Open Space Development
Inspirational Images

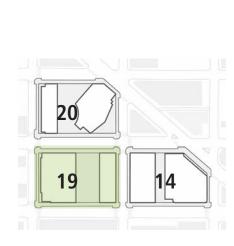




## **Block 19 Open Space Development**The Park

## park [pahrk]

- 1. space to gather and enjoy the outdoors
- 2. a place to play, observe, watch, move, rest, run, and walk
- 3. designed to be flexible, resilient and dynamic





**Streetscape & Open Space**Proposed Improvements: Block 19 Sketches



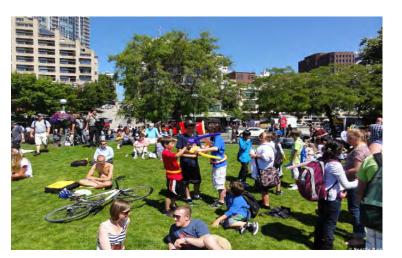
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## **Block 19 Open Space Development**Inspirational Images



















# **Block 20 Open Space Development**Site Summary

**KEY** 

**\$** 

Loading/Service Vehicle Entrance/Exit

**\$** 

Vehicle Entrance/Exit

**—** 

Bike Entrance
Building Entries

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Parking Elevator Entries

Links between buildings

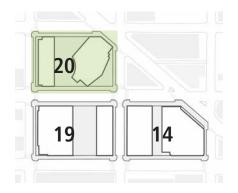
Retail

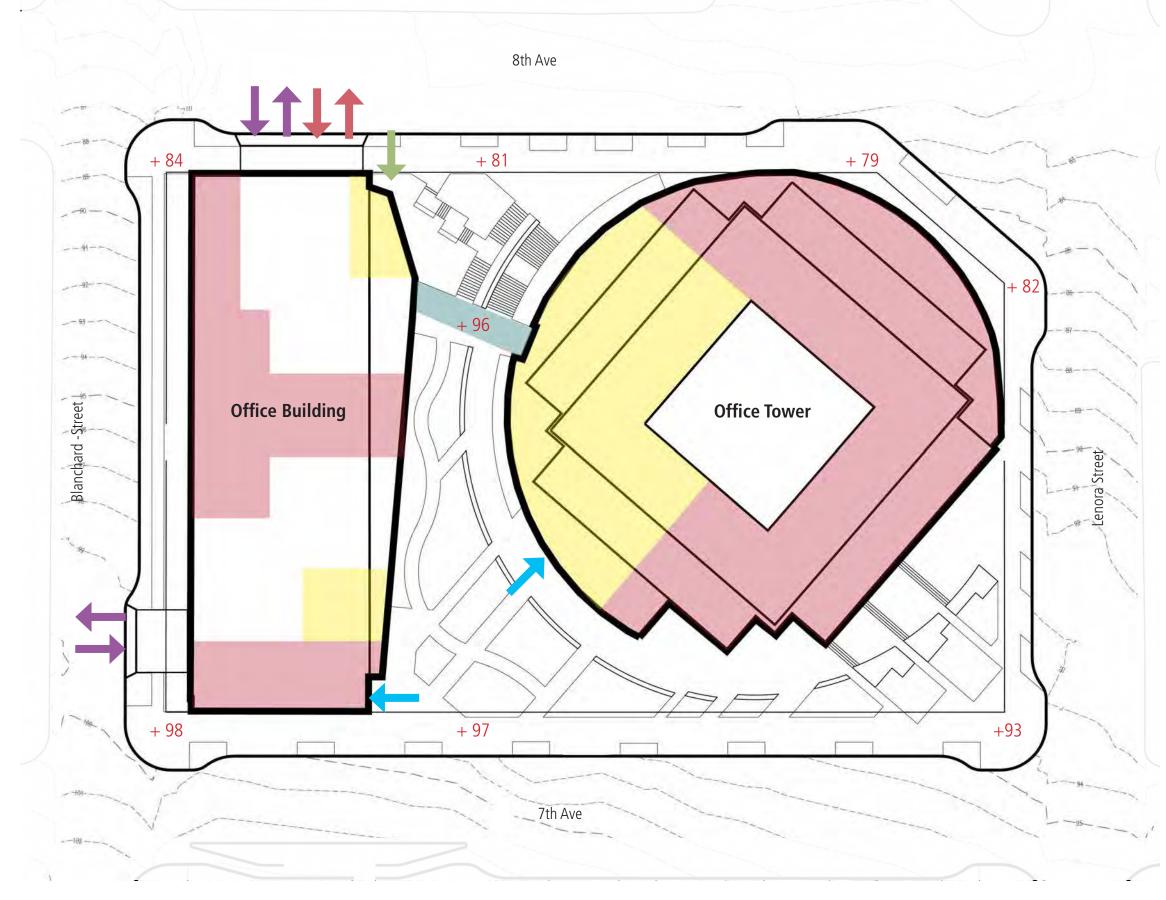
Lobby

+ 84 Spot elevations

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1' Contours

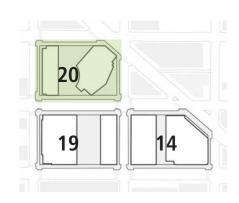


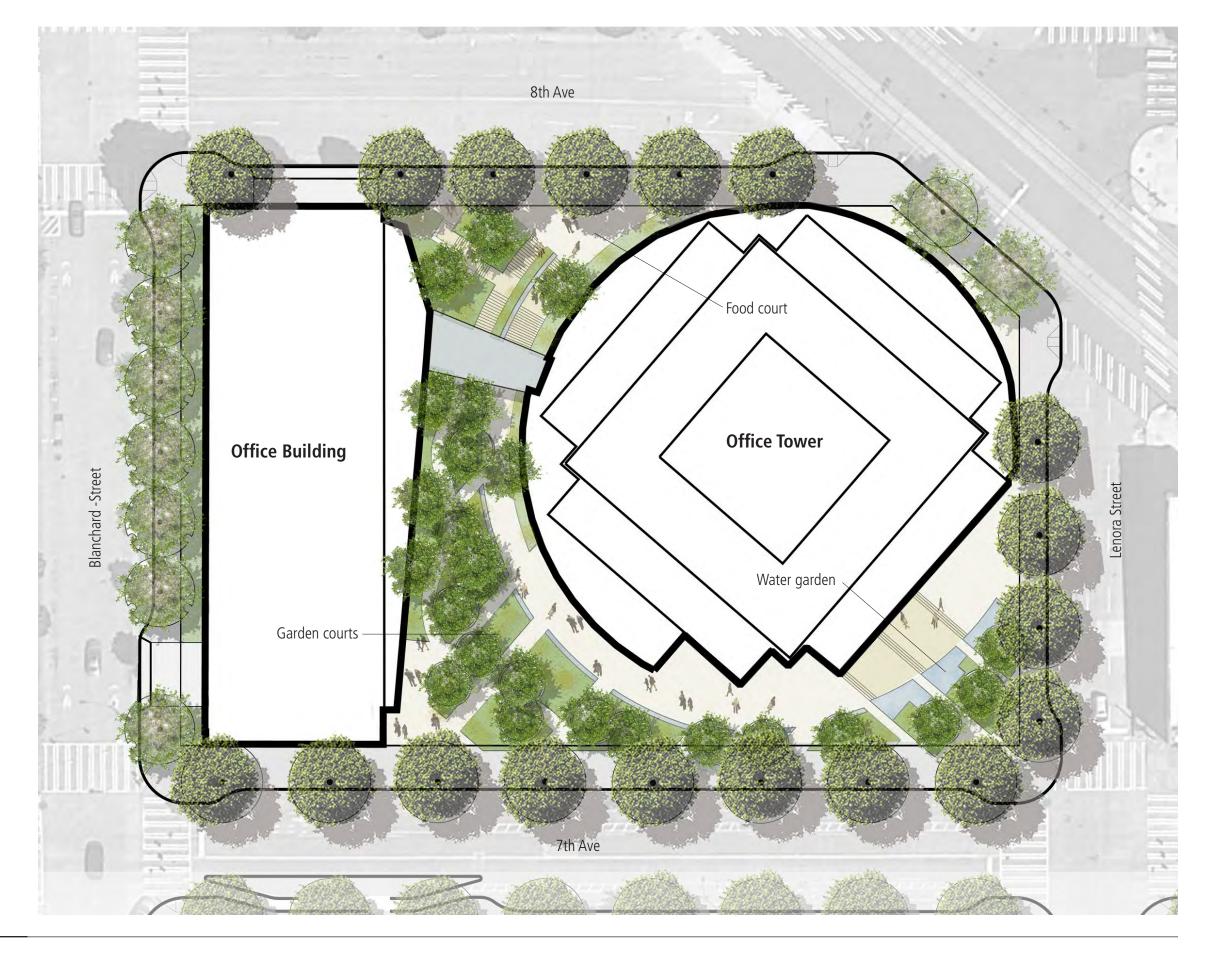


## **Block 20 Open Space Development** The Garden

## gar•den [gahr-dn]

- 1. a place to connect with nature
- 2. rich in plant life
- 3. promotes gathering and a sense of community



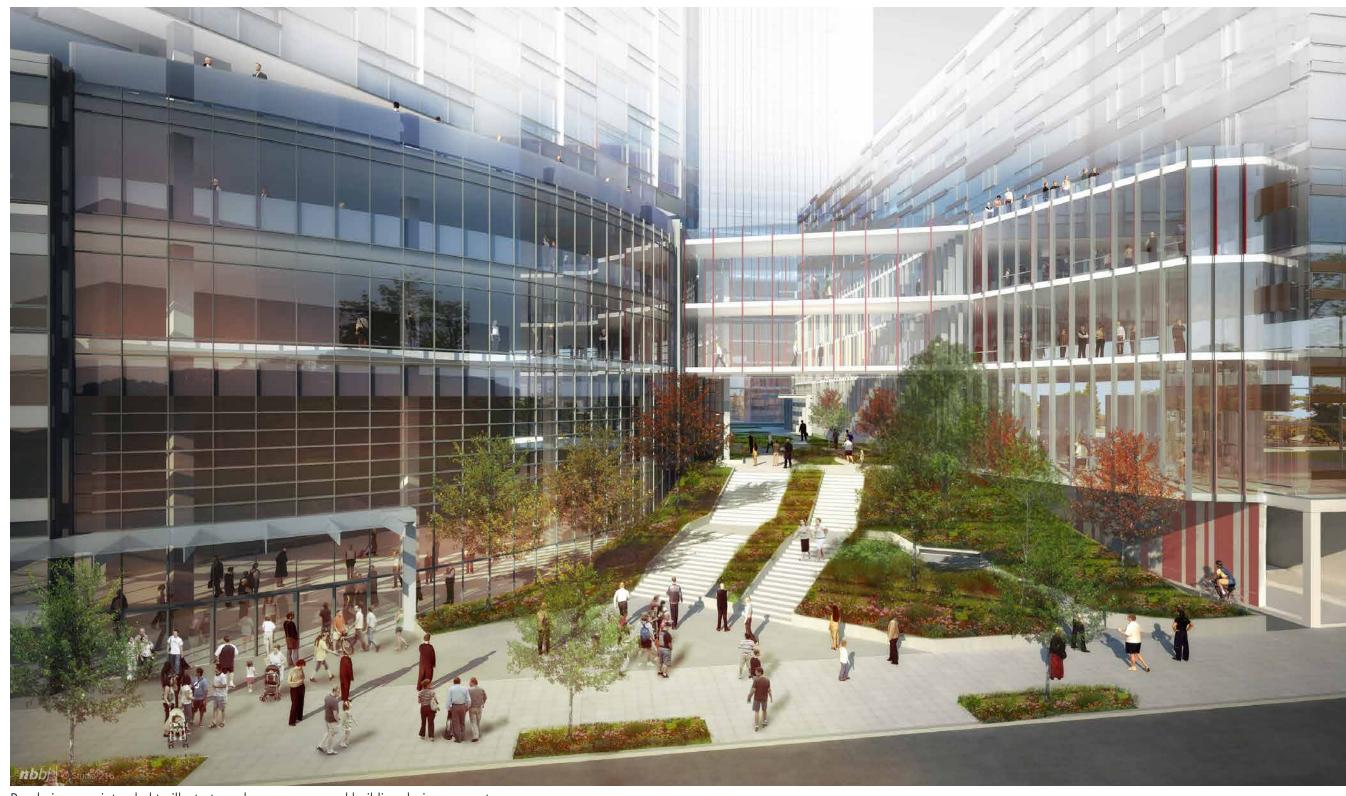


**Streetscape & Open Space**Proposed Improvements: Block 20 Sketch



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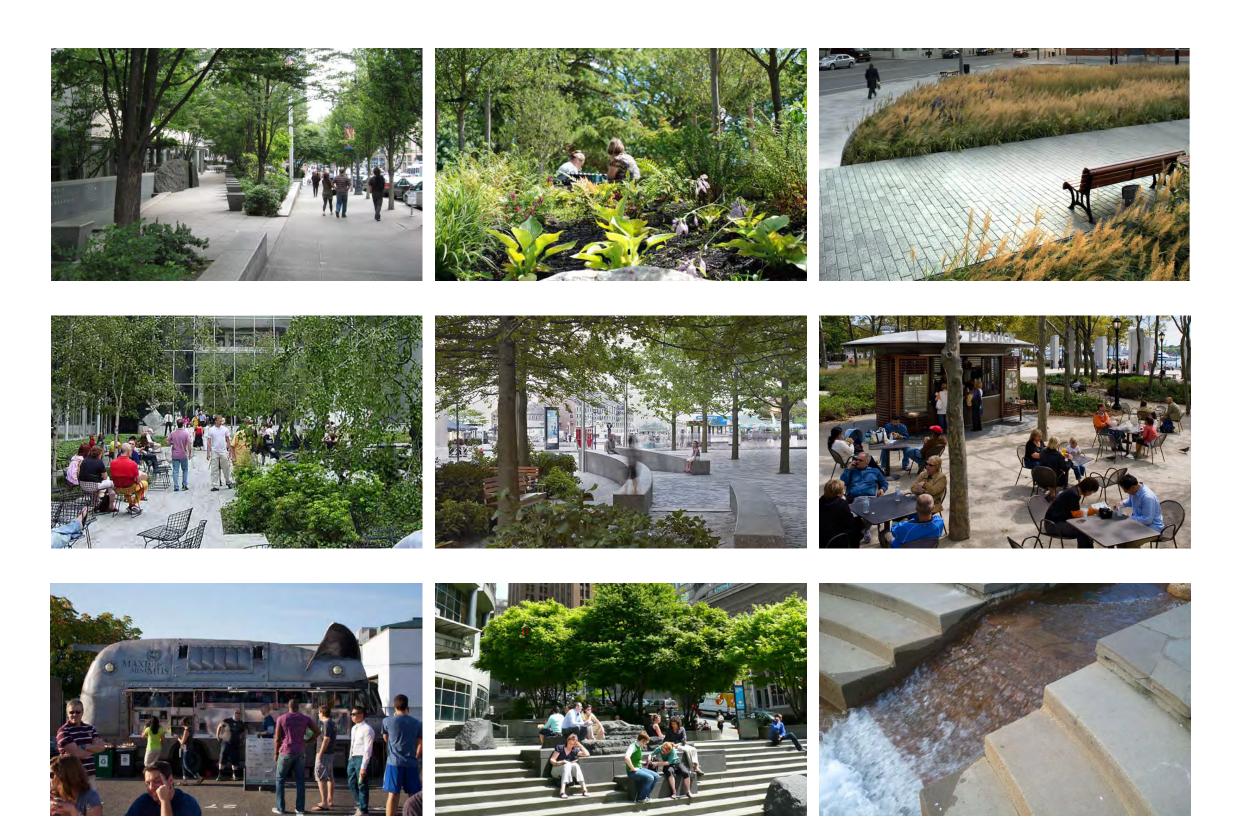
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Block 20 Open Space Development
Inspirational Images



### **Character of Neigborhood Buildings**

Influence of How Character Structures In the Vicinity Inform the design of the Buildings in the Project



U.S. Federal Courthouse

- Sculptural top
- Stepped form
- Quality public space

The US Federal Courthouse building is expressed as a tall singular tower with a separate, but attached, low-rise base structure. We have taken a similar approach to the composition of buildings on all three blocks.



2201 Westlake mixed-use building

- Stepped form
- Horizontal expression
- Balconies and terraces

2201 Westlake is a building consisting of a building form that is composed of a series of stepped forms to break up the mass of the overall structure. We have employed a similar compositional strategy to break up the scale of the tall offices towers on Blocks 14 and 19.



2008 Westlake office building with retail

- Human scale
- Street front retail



700 Virginia Street, Fare Start restaurant and office building

- Transparency to public realm
- Street front retail

The 3 story buildings at 700 Virginia and 2008 Westlake provide human scale at the street level by holding the street edge and providing well -proportioned windows and retail display storefronts. The podium of the buildings on Blocks 14, 19 and 20 will be designed to create a similar experience for the pedestrian.



L to R: Cosmopolitan Condo Tower, West 8th office building, U.S. Federal Courthouse, 1700 7th Ave office building, Metropolitan Condo Tower

- Variety in tower shape and surface expression
- Stepped form

We are striving for a similar variety in form and expression between the three blocks.



Westin Office Building

- Elemental geometry in plan
- Glass and metal curtainwall



Westin hotel (with Westlake Center in the background on the left)

- Atypical double tower form
- Point towers

Westin Hotel and office towers are singular point towers of elemental geometries with a low-rise base. A similar compositional strategy is used- for the office tower on Block 20.

**Street Grid Orientations** 



Overhead View

**Building rotation creates solar pocket** 



Aerial View from Southwest

Variation in tower shape & stepped profile



Aerial looking from South Lake Union

Variation in material character



7th Avenue looking Southeast

Rotated building invites entry to the neighborhood



View from Westlake Ave looking South



View Looking West from I-5





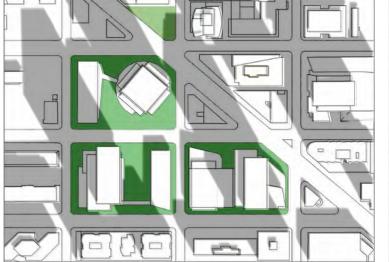
**View from Elliot Bay** 

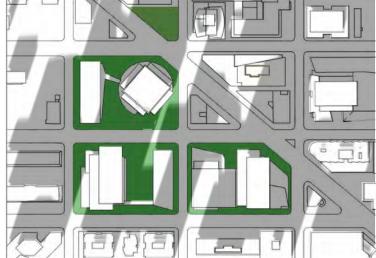


View Looking Southeast from Dexter along Bike Trail

**Solar Studies**March 20 - Spring Equinox







**Preferred Scheme** 

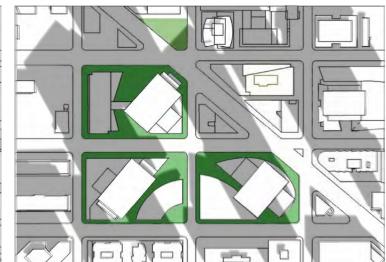






**Street Scheme** 







Westlake Scheme

10:00 AM 1:00 PM 4:00 PM

# **Solar Studies**June 20 - Summer Solstice

(See EDG # 1 dated March 27, 2012 for information)





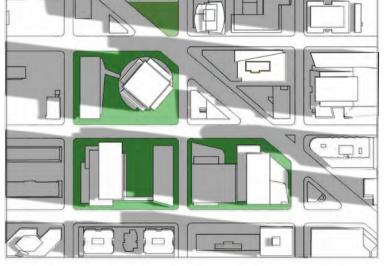




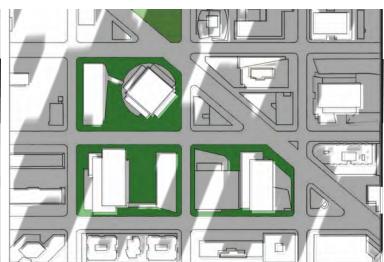
#### **Solar Studies**

September 22 - Fall Equinox

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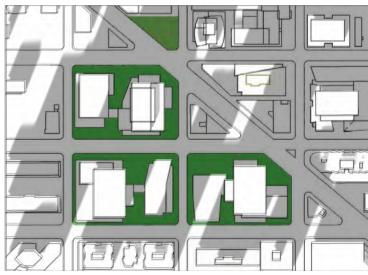




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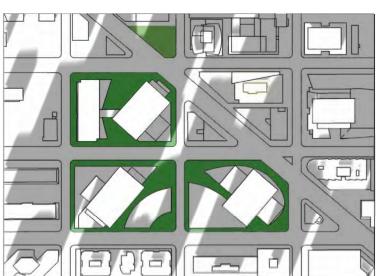




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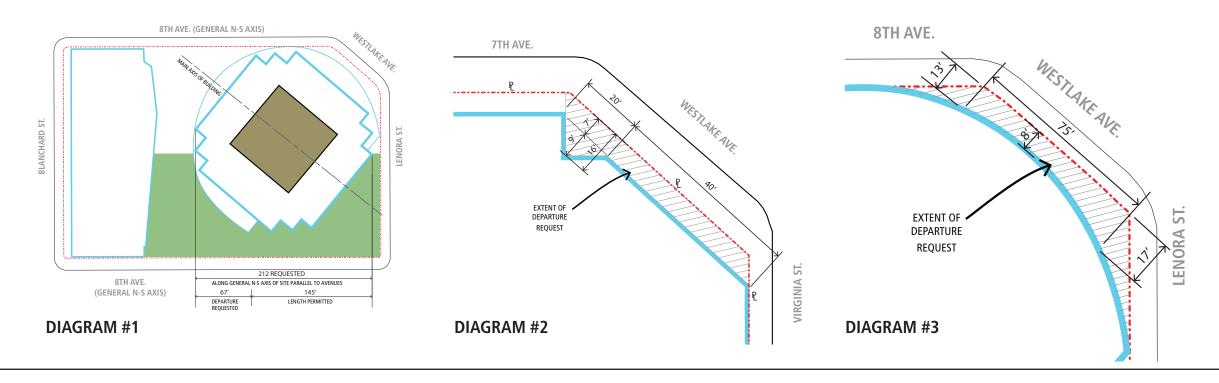




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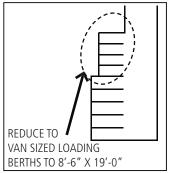
#### **Summary of Potential Development Standard Departures for Preferred Option**

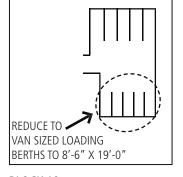
Item #	Development Standard	Requirement	Departure Amount Required	Rationale	Downtown Design Guidelines Reinforced	Diagram
1	SMC 23.49.058.C Upper Level Development Standard	Portion of building above 240 feet shall be no more than 145 feet along the general N_S axis of a site( in this case parallel to 7th and 8th Avenues. Note that Westlake Ave is oriented true north and is therefore not considered parallel to the general north-south axis of the Avenues).	On Block 20, portion of building above 240 feet shall be approximately 200 feet along the general N_S axis of a site(in this case, parallel to 7th and 8th Avenues. Note that Westlake Ave does not align with the general N_S axis of the site and any portion of a building above 240' that aligns with Westlake will require a departure) .	Block 20 is at the intersection between the general N-S grid of 7th and 8th Avenues as well and Westlake Avenue which is aligned true north. The main axis of the building is oriented along Westlake Avenue as the primary Avenue in this neighborhood and meets the spirit of the code. In addition, the Westlake orientation for the Block 20 tower would:  1)better address Westlake as a primary arterial connecting the Downtown Core with South Lake Union 2)create more open space at street level that has better solar access 3) create a large open space or "urban room" across the three sites when the office tower on Block 20 is oriented parallel to Westlake coupled with the office towers on Blocks 14 and 19 oriented parallel to the Streets	A-1 Respond to physical environment A-2 Enhance the skyline B-1 Respond to neighborhood context B-3 Reinforce the positive urban form and architectural attributes of immediate area	See Diagram 1
2	SMC 23.49.056.B Facade Setback Limits	Under Setback Limits for Property Line Facades, the facades of structures between 15 and 35 feet above sidewalk, façade shall be located within 2 feet of property line.	On Block 14 along Westlake Avenue, we request that a portion of facade be setback 7 feet from the street lot line for a running distance of approx 40 feet and also a portion of the façade to be setback between 7' and 16 feet for a running distance of approx 20 feet.	By setting the building façade back from property line, this creates a wider sidewalk and enhanced pedestrian environment along Westlake for enhancements at the street car stop.	B-1 Respond to neighborhood context B-3 Reinforce positive urban form and arch attributes of the immediate area D-1 Provide Inviting and Useble open space D-3 Provide elements that define the place	See diagram 2
		Under Setback Limits for Property Line Facades, the facades of structures between 15 and 35 feet above sidewalk, façade shall be located within 2 feet of property line.	On Block 20 along Westlake Avenue, we request that a portion of facade be setback 8 feet and 15 feet from the street lot line for a running distance of 75 feet.	This will permit wider sidewalk along Westlake Avenue and make it easier for pedestrians to turn from Westlake onto Lenora and 7th Avenue.	B-1 Respond to neighborhood context B-3 Reinforce positive urban form and arch attributes of the immediate area D-1 Provide Inviting and Useble open space D-3 Provide elements that define the place	See diagram 3

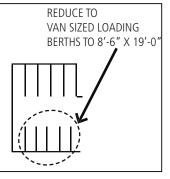


## **Summary of Potential Development Standard Departures for Preferred Option**

Item #	Development Standard	Requirement	Departure Amount Required	Rationale	Downtown Design Guidelines Reinforced	Diagram
3	SMC 23.54.035.C.2 Loading Berth Requirements and Space Standards		number of required loading berths be modified in size to be van sized spaces measuring 8'-6" x 19'-0".		C-1 Promote pedestrian interaction. C-3 Provide active not blank facades	See diagram 4







BLOCK 20 LOADING DOCK A.

BLOCK 19 LOADING DOCK B.

BLOCK 14 LOADING DOCK C.

DIAGRAM #4



Block 14



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