CASCADE APARTMENTS

Building A

Early Design Guidance Meeting

400 Minor Avenue N Seattle, WA 98109

HOLLAND PARTNERS & ANKROM MOISAN ARCHITECTS, INC. DPD #3018928 RELATED MUP: 3018926

28 JANUARY 2015









GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

DPD #3018928 - BUILDING A **PROJECT ADDRESS**

400 Minor Ave Seattle, WA 98109

DPD #3018926 - BUILDING B **PROJECT ADDRESS**

401 Pontius Ave N Seattle, WA 98109

TEAM

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BUILDING A

NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS **GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE** NET RESIDENTIAL SQUARE FOOTAGE 84,800 SQ. FT. PARKING SPACES NUMBER OF STORIES

152 UNITS 197,000 SQ. FT. 174 SPACES 7



N.T.S. SITE AERIAL PHOTO

NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS **GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE** NET RESIDENTIAL SQUARE FOOTAGE 58,900 SQ. FT. PARKING SPACES NUMBER OF STORIES

BUILDING B SITE

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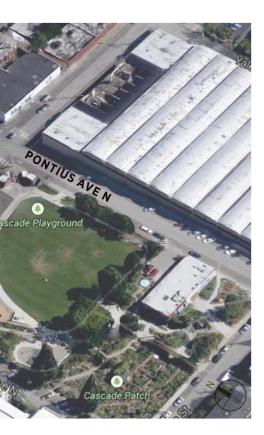
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VICINITY MAP





106 UNITS 86,700 SQ. FT. 26 SPACES 7

Ankrom Moisan

PROJECT GOALS

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1. REINFORCE CHARACTER OF CASCADE PLAYFIELD

Cascade Playfield is a primary feature of the neighborhood, serving a variety of people. This project provides a design response, which enhances the character of the park. Primary amenity spaces are designed to face the park, and ground level design along Harrison will focus on extending the green edge along the sidewalk, aligning pedestrian entries with park entries.



2. ADDRESS A UNIQUE HOUSING DEMAND IN THE CASCADE NEIGHBORHOOD

This project provides smaller than typical average unit sizes, serving a demand in the area for compact units that still provide open bedrooms and full kitchens. These are high-quality, efficient unit designs, and there are no studios—all units have a full bedroom.



3. REFLECT NEIGHBORHOOD SCALE

The neighborhood is a mix of residential, office, and retail uses. This project, as a part of the Mixed/Residential zoning, will provide a familiar, urban, residential feel at the ground floor with design elements scaled to enhance walking and interacting among neighbors at street level.









CASCADE APARTMENTS / site







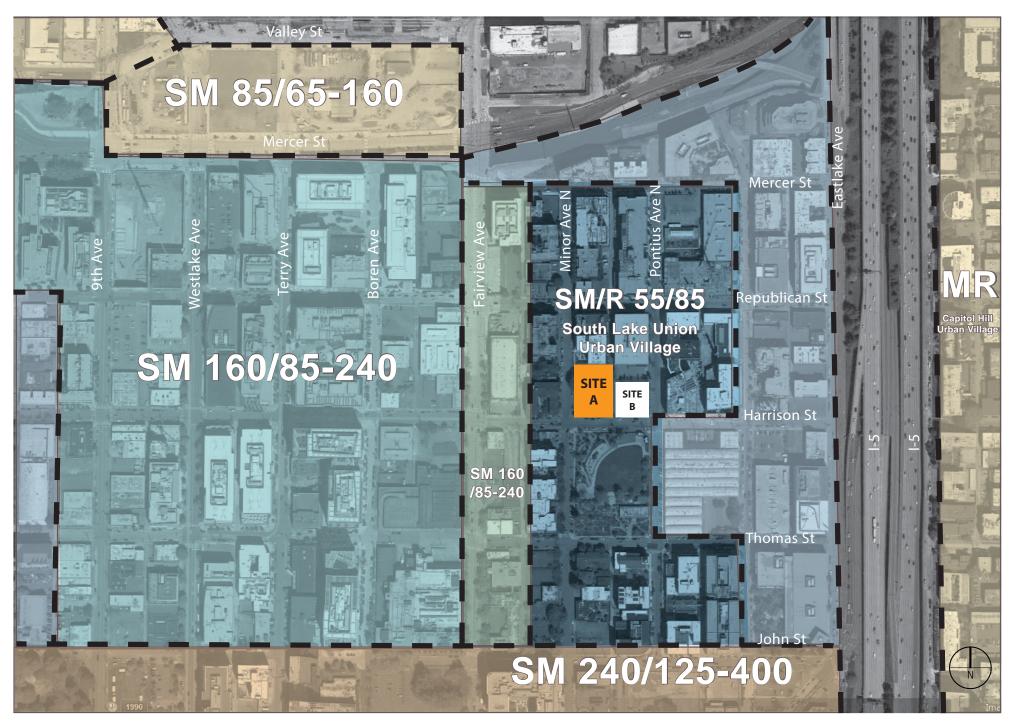
SITE CONTEXT: ZONING

SITE INFORMATION Parcels: 2467400300, 2467400285

Combined Lot Area: ~21,600 sq. ft.

ZONING AND OVERLAYS Base Zoning: SM/R 55/85 Seattle Mixed Residential

Overlay Zoning: South Lake Union Urban Center



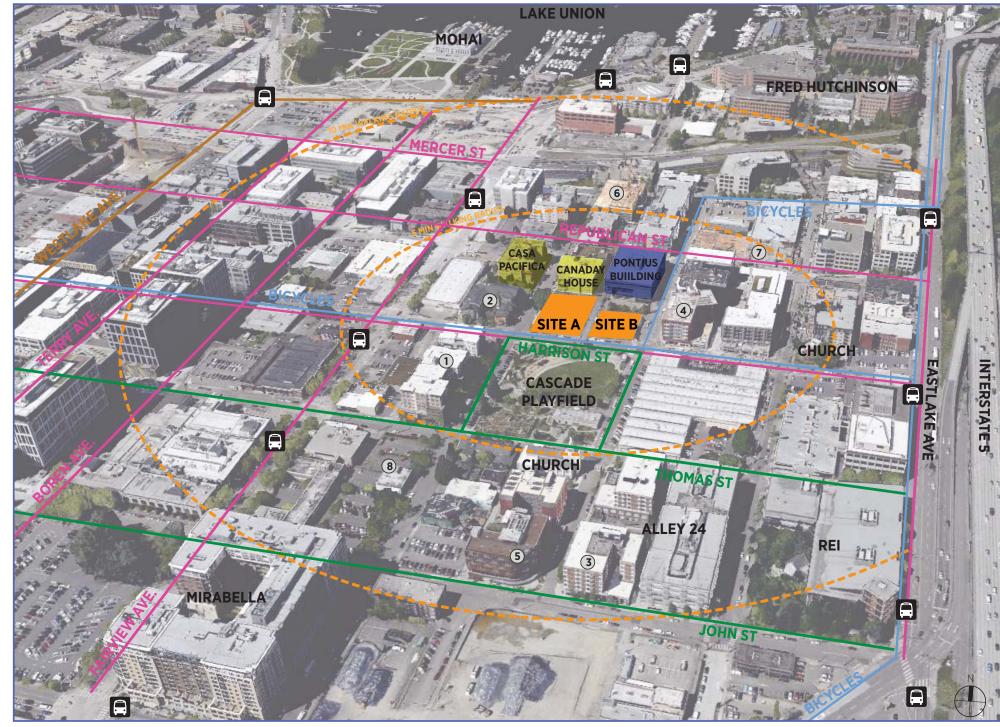
ZONING BOUNDARY LINE















LEGEND

NEIGHBORHOOD GREEN STREET
CLASS I PEDESTRIAN STREET
CLASS II PEDESTRIAN STREET
OFFICE
HOUSING



SITE CONTEXT: ARCHITECTURAL STYLES



301 Minor Ave N Alcyone Apartments

207 Pontius Ave N

use of patterning.

SCCA House

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Colors, materials, and roof planes vary significantly.



405 Minor Ave N Apartments

Residential feel, very active roof planes. Smaller than most apartment buildings.



1201 Mercer St **Rivet Apartments** (Ankrom Moisan and Holland Partners) Bold colors with small articulation moves. Simple form.



224 Pontius Ave N Alley 24 Residences

Simple form with repetitive patterns and colors. Tall and welcoming base.



1260 Republican St

Extremely simple form & repetitive patterns. Unusual cladding choice.



221 Minor Ave N Cascade I & II (PROPOSED)



Simple material and form varied with







AMLI SLU Apartments

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1280 Harrison St Stack House Apartments

Significant podium amenity. Bold colors. Strong landscaping and swales.



Simple form, color patterns used to vary mass. Alley as pedestrian way.

SITE PHOTOS AND SURROUNDINGS



VIEW OF CASA PACIFICA



VIEW OF CASCADE PARK



SOUTHWEST VIEW OF SITE A



VIEW OF STACK HOUSE



VIEW OF ALCYONE APARTMENTS



NORTHWEST VIEW OF SITE B



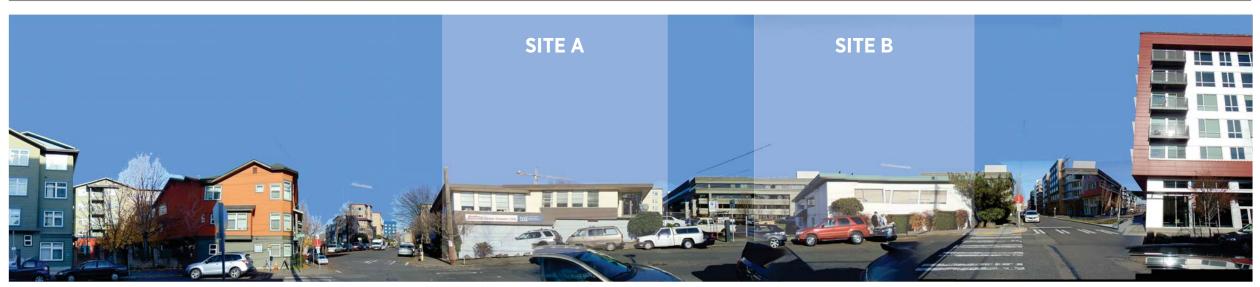
VIEW OF THE PONTIUS BUILDING







SITE CONTEXT: STREET LEVEL VIEWS



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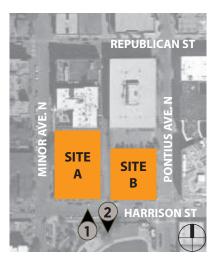


2 HARRISON STREET ELEVATION, FACING SOUTH











SITE CONTEXT: STREET LEVEL VIEWS



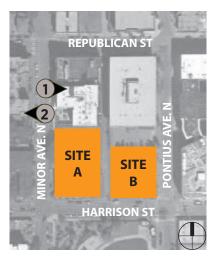
MINOR AVENUE ELEVATION, FACING EAST



2 MINOR AVENUE ELEVATION, FACING WEST









Site Address and Parcel Number

400 Minor Avenue N & 401 Pontius Avenue N Parcel Numbers: 2467400300, 2467400285, 2467400311, 2467400305

Harrison St is a "Neighborhood Green Street"

Development Lot Area

West Parcels: 14,400 + 7,200 = 21,600 sq. ft. East Parcels: 11,400 + 3,000 = 14,400 sg. ft. Total: 36,000 sq. ft.

Base Zoning

SM/R 55/85

Overlay Zoning

South Lake Union Urban Center

Primary Land Use Code Chapters

SMC 23.48. Seattle Mixed

FAR - Table 23.48.009

Base/Maximum FAR: Not Applicable (no limit)

Height:

Nonresidential Only: 55 feet 60% or More Residential: 85 feet

Lot Coverage Limits

None

Street Level Development

23.48.014

A primary pedestrian entrance facing the street is required.

Harrison St is a "Neighborhood Green Street" between Pontius and Minor.

The minimum street facing façade height is 25' along Harrison St. The minimum street facing facade height along Pontius and Minor is 15'.

Setbacks

23.48.012

Along Harrison St, any portion of a structure taller than 45' is required to have a setback of 1' for every 2' of additional height, up to a limit of 15'.

Along the alley, portions of a structure greater than 25' in height must set back 1' for every 2' up to a maximum of 15'

Decks, railings, balconies, etc. may project up to 4' into the required setbacks.

Amenity Area

23.48.020

An area equivalent to 5% of total gross floor area in residential use shall be provided as amenity area, up to the limit of the area of the lot.

Minimum dimension for these spaces is 15'.

Amenity area may be 50% enclosed.

Amenity area as street level open space that is accessible from the street is counted as double its actual area and has a minimum dimension of 10' instead of 15'.

Landscape and Screening Standards

23.48.024

Green Area Factor: Landscaping that achieves a score of .30 or greater.

Sight Triangle

23.54.030

For two-way driveways, at least 22' wide, a site triangle on the side used as an exit shall be provided.

Parking

SMC 23.54.15

Residential: No minimum requirement

Nonresidential: 1/1000 sg. ft. maximum

Bicycle Parking

23.54.015

Commercial: Varies, depending on use

Residential: One space per four units

23.54.040

Residential: More than 100 units = 575 sg. ft. + 4 sg. ft. for each additional unit above 50.

Retail: project may meet only 50% of 125 sq. ft. requirement, if the storage room is shared with residential trash.

- accessed through the structure.

23.53.030 Alley improvements

The minimum width of the alley between the two properties is 20'-0"; however the width property to property is 16'-0". Therefore, a 2'-0" alley dedication will be required on each property.





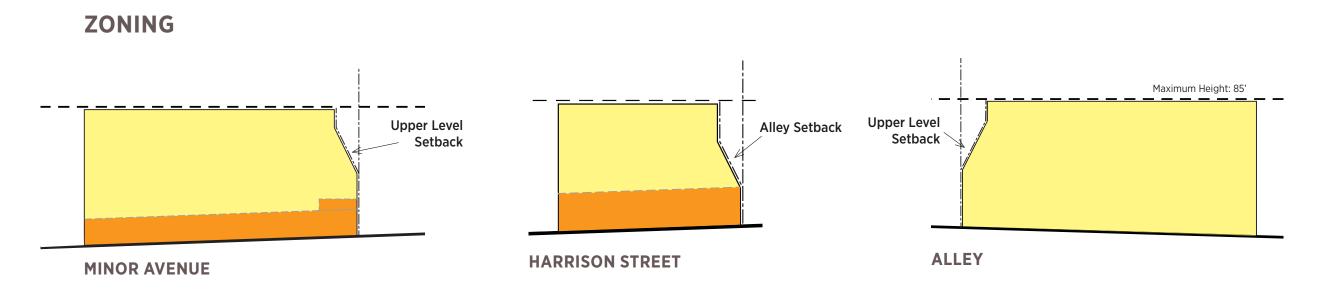


Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Storage

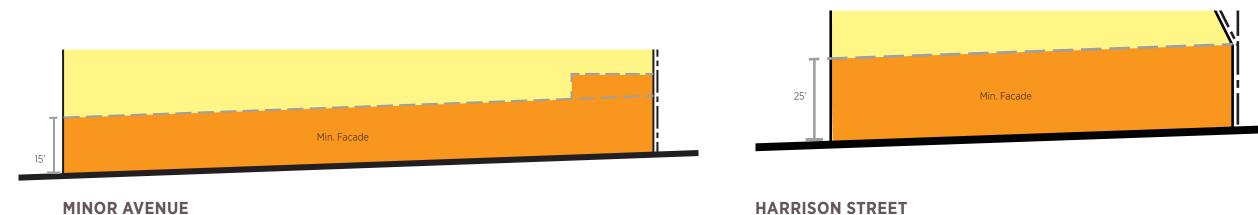
Mixed-use development that contains both residential and nonresidential uses shall meet the residential requirements, plus 50% of the requirement for nonresidential; storage for garbage may be shared, but separate spaces for recycling shall be provided.

For larger than 2 cubic yard containers and all compacted refuse; direct access shall be provided from the street, minimum 10' access route, 21' overhead clearance if

LAND USE CODE ANALYSIS



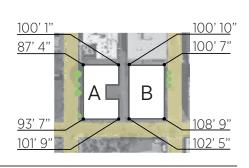
BUILDING A: STREET LEVEL DEVELOPMENT

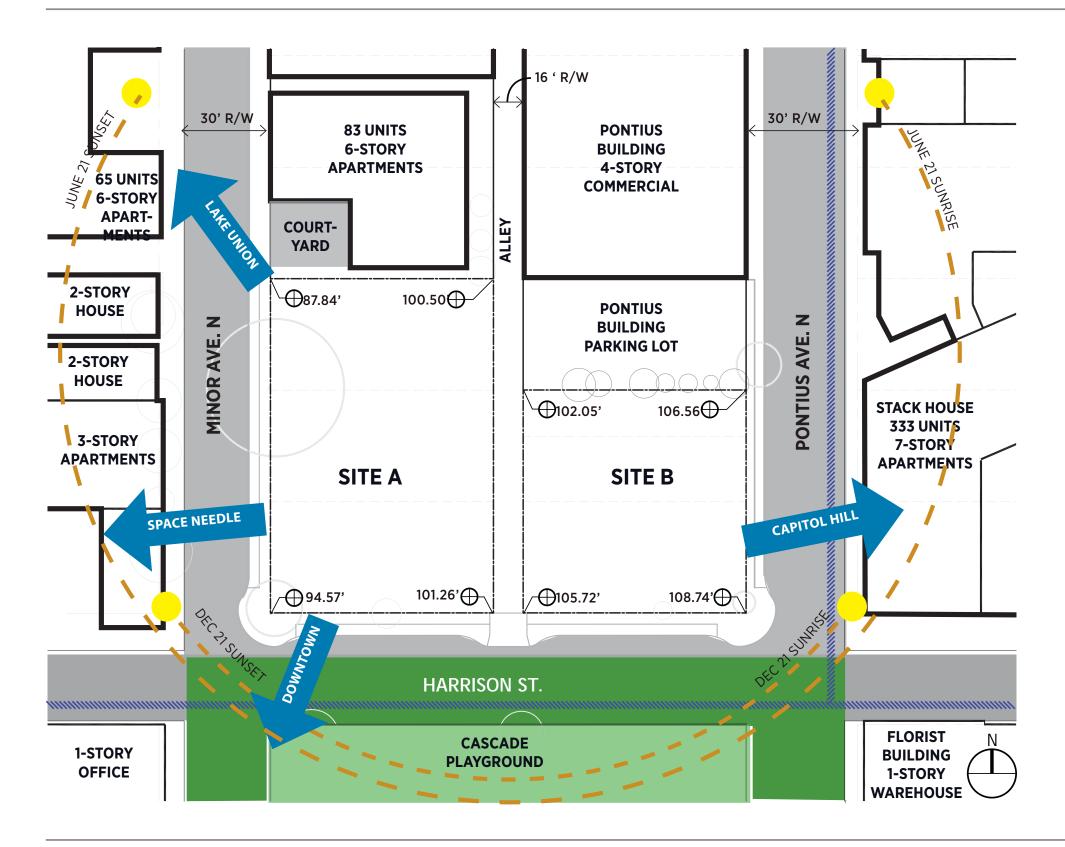
















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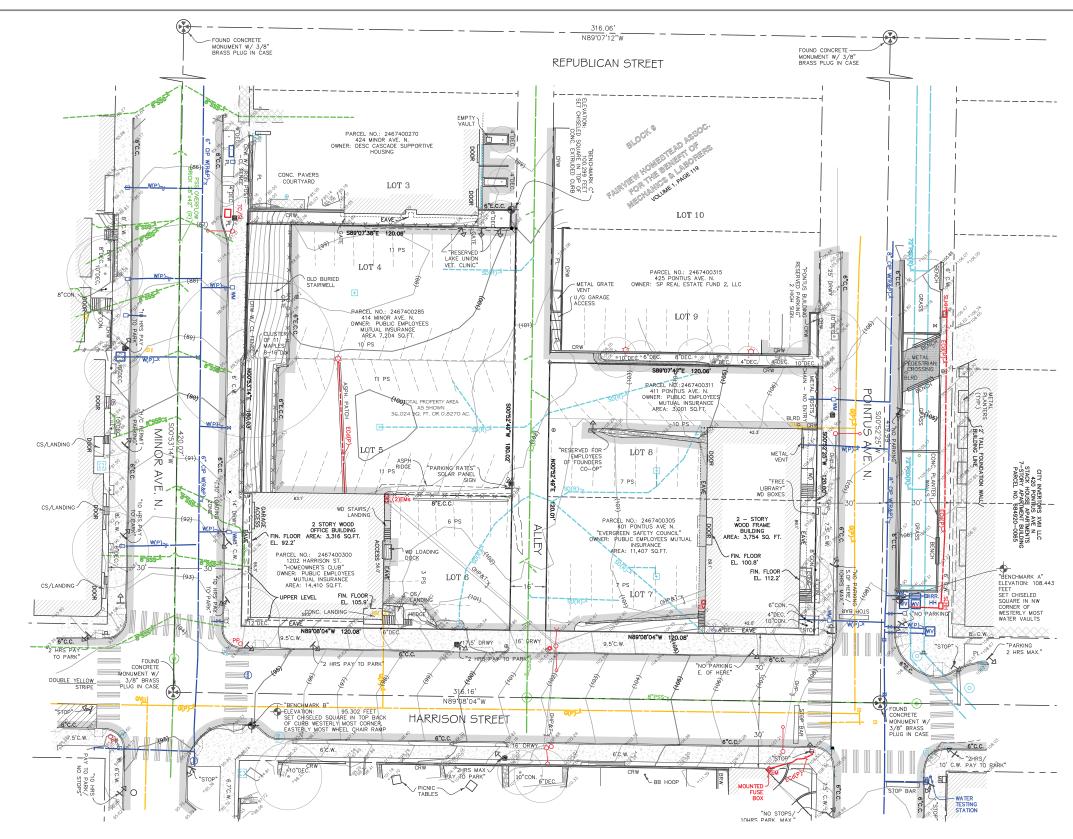
IIIIII BICYCLE ROUTE SPOT ELEVATION

NEIGHBORHOOD GREEN STREET



LEGEND

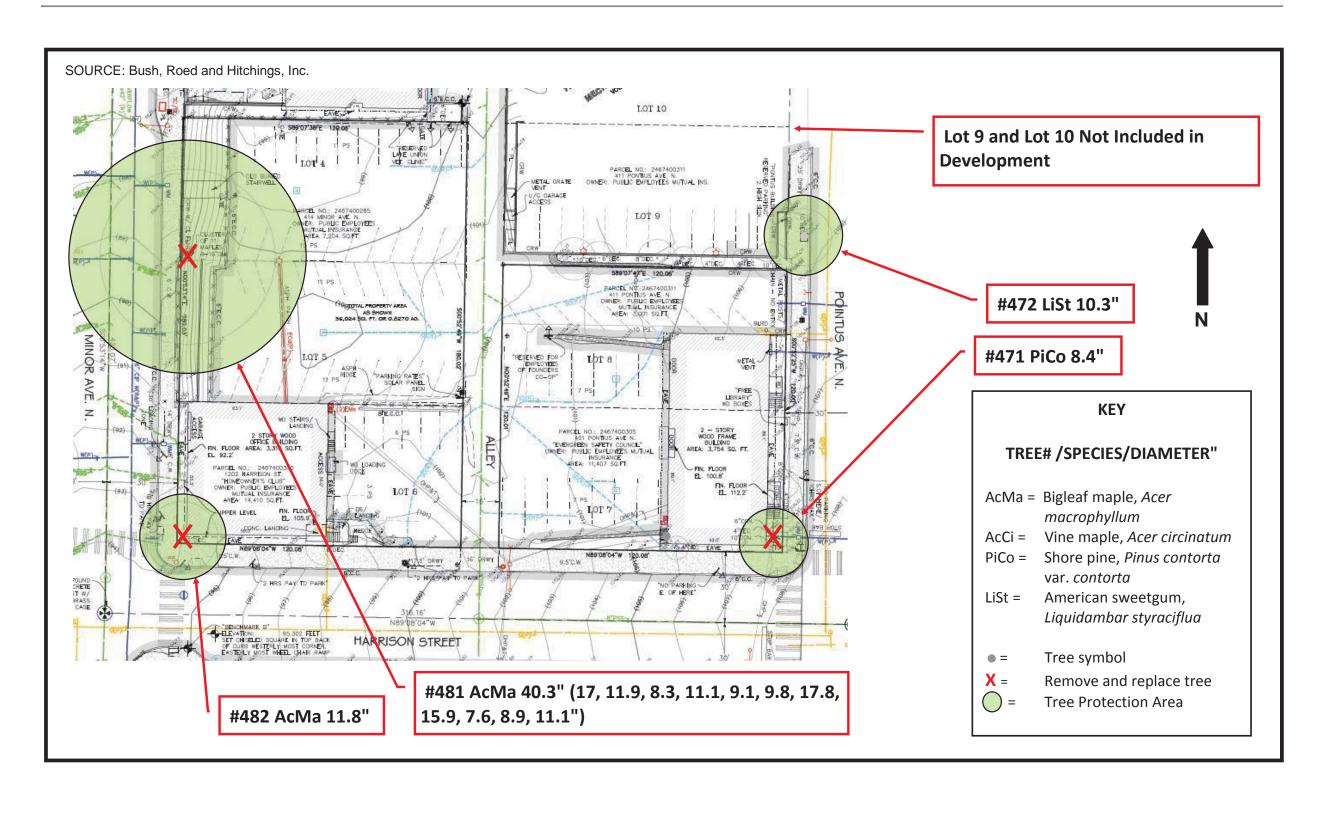
SITE SURVEY

















SITE ANALYSIS: EXCEPTIONAL TREES

Inspector: P. Thompson ISA Certified Arborist ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualified

TREE ASSESSMENT MATRIX

Holland Partner Group / Cascade Neighborhood Project

Tree #	Species	dbh (in.)	CRZ (ft.)	Drip- line (ft.)	Vigor	Structure	Risk of Failure	Comments / Defects	Preserv - ation value	Ма
471	<i>Pinus contorta var. contorta</i> , shore pine	8.4	9	15.4	Fair	Fair	Negligable	This tree has been pruned for building clearance creating an asymmetric crown over the sidewalk.	<u>Exceptional</u> <u>Tree</u> / Low	
472	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> , American sweetgum	10.3	11	11.3	Good	Good	Negligable	Root growth from this trees has raised the sidewalk by 2 to 3 inches.	Moderate	
481	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i> , bigleaf maple	40.3	35	28.4	Good	Fair-Good	Low	This tree has been reduced in height in the past using reduction pruning. The tree is comprised of 11 trunks, possibly originating from a stump. At the base I observed a small cavity on the northeast side of the tree. The decay associated with this cavity is isolated.	<u>Exceptional</u> <u>Tree</u> / Moderate	
482	Acer circinatum , vine maple	11.8	12	13.9	Fair	Fair	Negligable	This tree has been pruned for building clearance creating an asymmetric crown over the sidewalk. I observed minor trunk injuries from pruning and one small pocket of decay at an old pruning injury. This tree has been proorly reduced in height in the past for view.	<u>Exceptional</u> <u>Tree</u> / Low	

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TREE 472



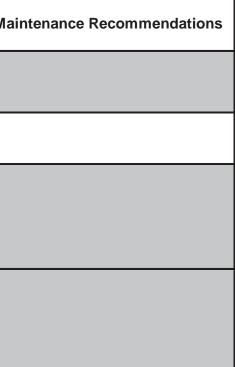


TREE 482





Date: 11/21/2014 Field Work Completed:11/4/14



15119 McLean Road Mount Vernon, WA 98273 (360) 428-5810



KEY DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THIS PROJECT



CS1 Natural Systems and Site Features

Use natural systems and features of the site and its surroundings as a starting point for project design.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Project goal to be LEED Certified.
- Focus indoor and outdoor amenity spaces towards the south façade, opening towards the best light.



CS2 Urban Pattern and Form

Strengthen the most desirable forms, characteristics, and patterns of the streets, block faces, and open spaces in the surrounding area.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Relate entrances to the entrances • of Cascade Playfield.
- Buildings are of similar scale and articulation as neighboring buildings.
- Pedestrian scaling and materials at • street level street facing façades.



CS3 Architectural Context and Character

Contribute to the architectural character of the neighborhood.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Building divides into discrete base/ • top portions, similar to neighbors.
- Mass reduced through upper level setbacks, color, and carve-outs at street level.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES Enter project along Harrison, • neighborhood green street. • Podium level amenities relate to street level. Curb bulb at alley enhances inter-• action between cars and pedestrians.







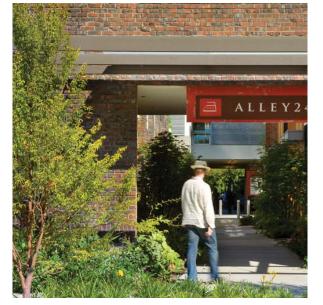
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PL1 Connectivity

Complement and contribute to the network of open spaces around the site and the connections among them.

KEY DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THIS PROJECT



PL2 Walkability

Create a safe and comfortable walking environment that is easy to navigate and well-connected to existing pedestrian walkways and features.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Awnings or canopies at pedestri-• an entries will provide a place to gather.
- Street level and just above street level units address the street and enhance pedestrian safety.

PL3 Street Level Interaction

Encourage human interaction and activity at the street-level with clear connections to building entries and edges.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Open pedestrian areas with cover at pedestrian entries and around edges of alley encourage interaction.
- Inset balconies at the street level • provide stoop-like experiences between public and private spaces.

PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES

- Bulb-out at alley entrance signals • pedestrian and vehicle crossing, enhancing safety.
- Interior club room spaces face Cascade Playfield.
- Entries face pedestrian corridor.



DC1 Project Uses and Activ- DC2 Architectural Concept ities

Optimize the arrangement of uses and activities on site.

Develop an architectural concept that will result in a unified and functional design that fits well on the site and within its surroundings.

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- top.







PROJECT DESIGN RESPONSES Concept reduces perceived mass through patterning at upper levels and separation between base and

Rooftop and podium amenity spaces provide ample access to the outdoors.



CASCADE APARTMENTS / massing studies

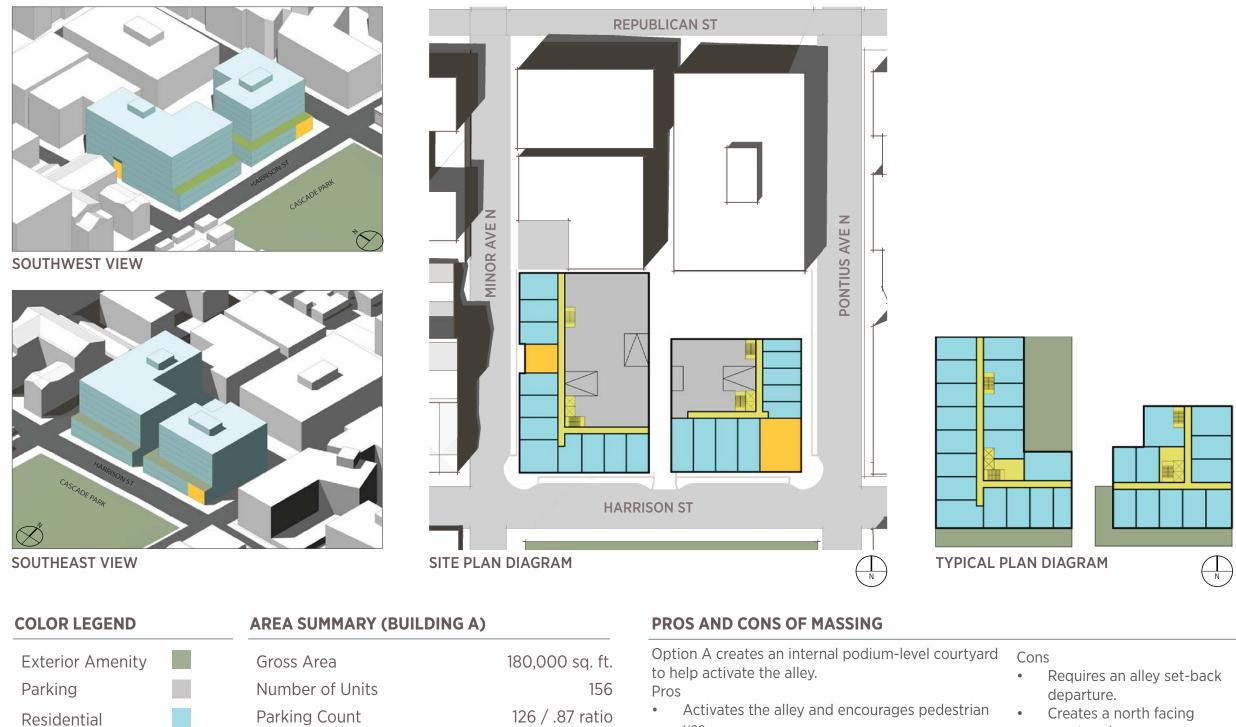








MASSING STUDY A & PLAN DIAGRAMS



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use. • Creates a strong architectural edge to the north side of Cascade Park.



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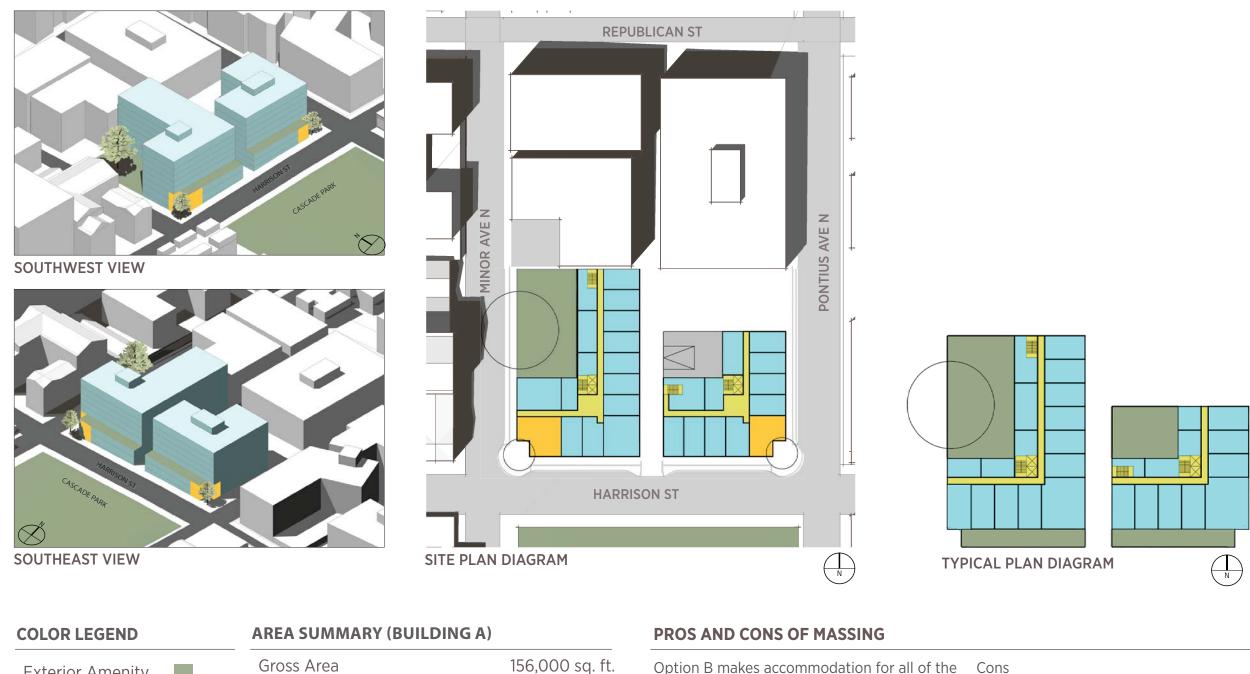
Leasing/Lobby

Stories

- Creates a north facing courtyard.
- Building entry on Minor
- Requires removing existing tree.



MASSING STUDY B & PLAN DIAGRAMS





AREA SUMMARY (BUILDING A)				
Gross Area	156,000 sq. ft.			
Number of Units	142			
Parking Count	60 / .87 ratio			
Stories	7			

Option B makes accommodation for all of the	Cons	
existing exceptional trees.	•	R
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Pros

• Existing trees are retained.

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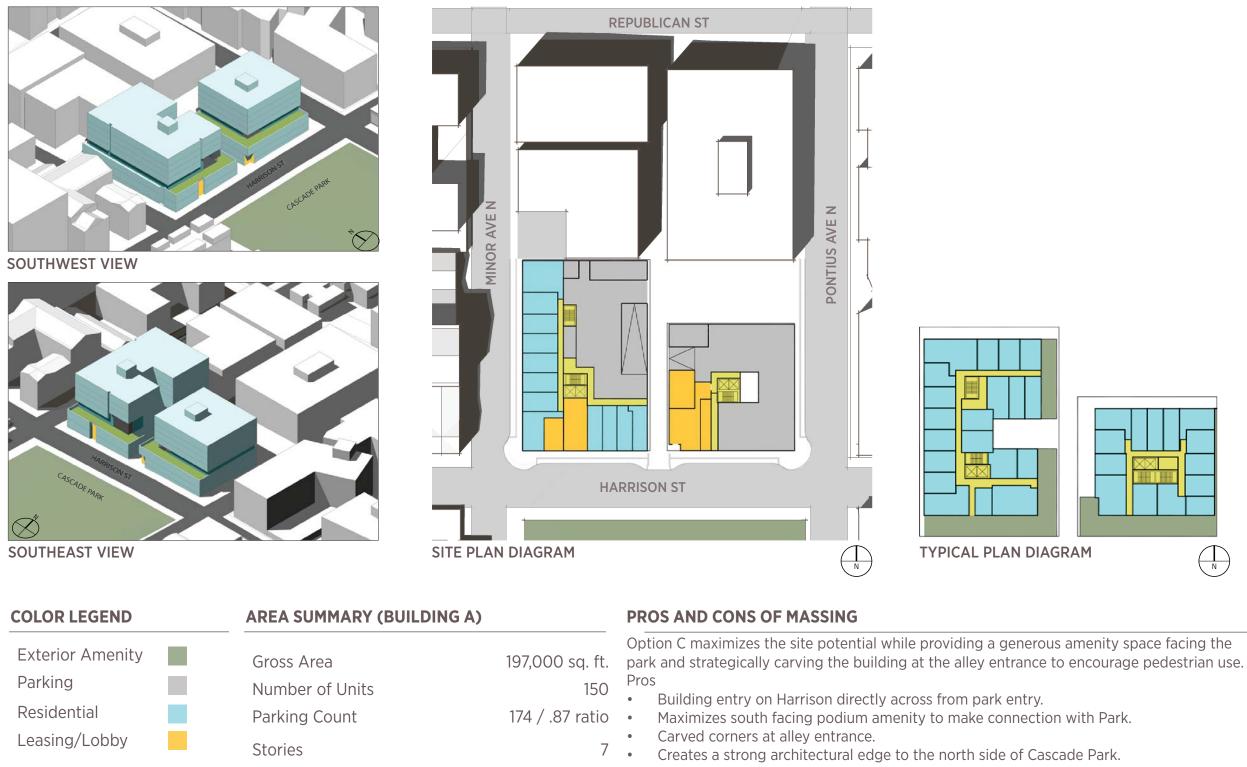


Requires an alley set-back departure. Does not reinforce corners of block/ park.

Does not help to activate pedestrian use at the alley.

• Provides a north facing courtyard.

MASSING STUDY C & PLAN DIAGRAMS - PREFERRED



- Cons
 - Requires removing existing trees. •







MASSING STUDIES - SUMMARY



MASSING STUDY A

Option A creates an internal podium-level courtyard to help activate the alley.

Pros

- Activates the alley and encourages pedestrian use, PL1 Connectivity, PL2 Walkability.
- Creates a strong architectural edge to the north side of Cascade Park.

Cons

- Requires an alley set-back departure 23.48.012. •
- Creates a north facing courtyard, turns away from Cascade Park.
- Building entry on Minor.
- Requires removal of existing trees.



MASSING STUDY B

Option B makes accommodation for all of the existing exceptional trees.

Pros

• Existing trees are retained.

Cons

- Requires an alley set-back departure 23.48.012. •
- Requires a façade height departure 23.48.014. •
- Does not reinforce corners of block/park.
- Does not help to activate pedestrian use at the • alley.
- Provides a north facing courtyard, turns away from Cascade Park.



MASSING STUDY C | **PREFERRED**

Option C maximizes the site potential while providing a generous amenity space facing the park and strategically carving the building at the alley entrance to encourage pedestrian use.

Pros

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- Level Interaction, PL2 Walkability.
- CS2 Urban Pattern and Form.
- Requires no zoning departures.

Cons

Requires removal of existing trees.



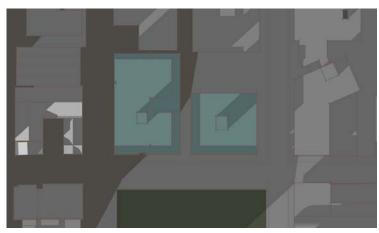




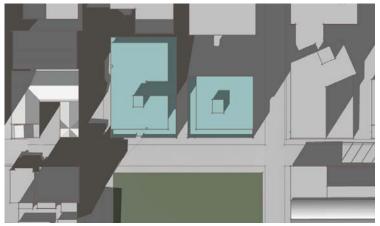
Building entry on Harrison directly across from park entry, PL1 Connectivity, CS2 Urban Pattern

Maximizes south facing podium amenity to make connection with Park, DC1 Project Uses and Activities, DC3 Open Space Concept. Carved corners at alley entrance, PL3 Street • Creates a strong architectural edge to the north side of Cascade Park, DC2 Architectural Concept,

PREFERRED OPTION SHADOW STUDY



DECEMBER 21, 9AM



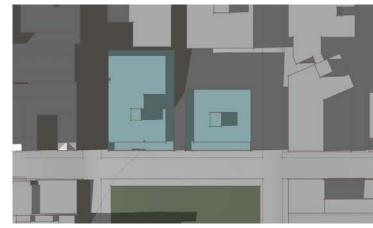
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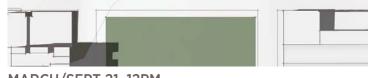




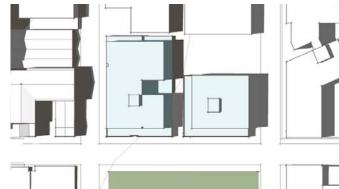


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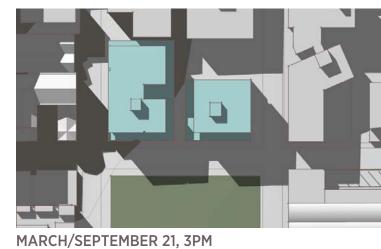


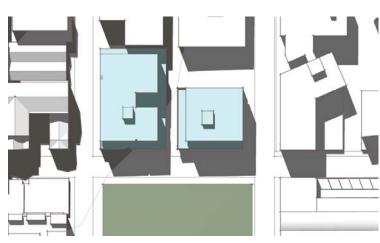
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CASCADE APARTMENTS / preferred scheme







SITE CONTEXT: Reinforcing the Park Connection



CS2 Urban Pattern and Form

Strengthen the most desirable forms, characteristics, and patterns of the streets, block faces, and open spaces in the surrounding area.

Response

- Building entrances are related to entrances to Cascade • Park.
- Amenities offer views to Cascade Park. •
- Buildings are of similar scale to surrounding develop-• ments.
- Street faces address the sidewalk at a pedestrian scale. •
- Upper levels along Harrison are stepped back beyond • what is required.

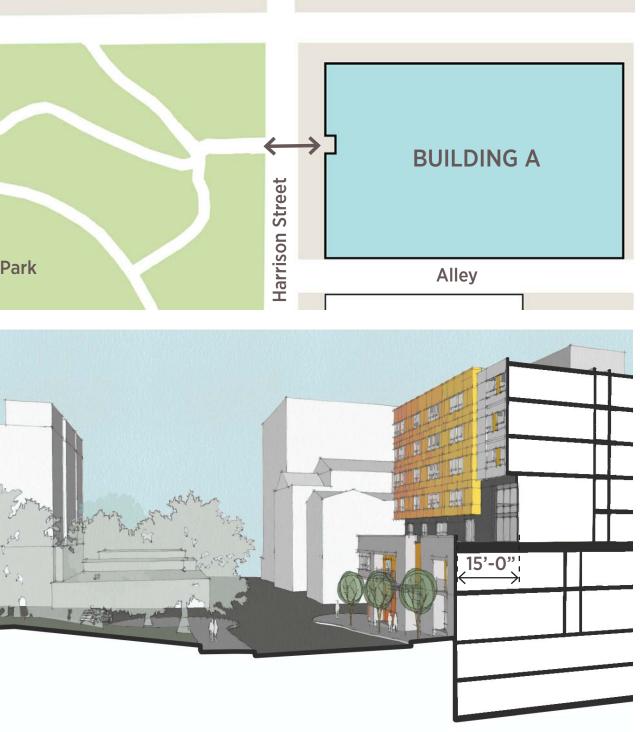
DC3 Open Space Concept

Integrate open space design with the design of the building so that each complements the other.

Response

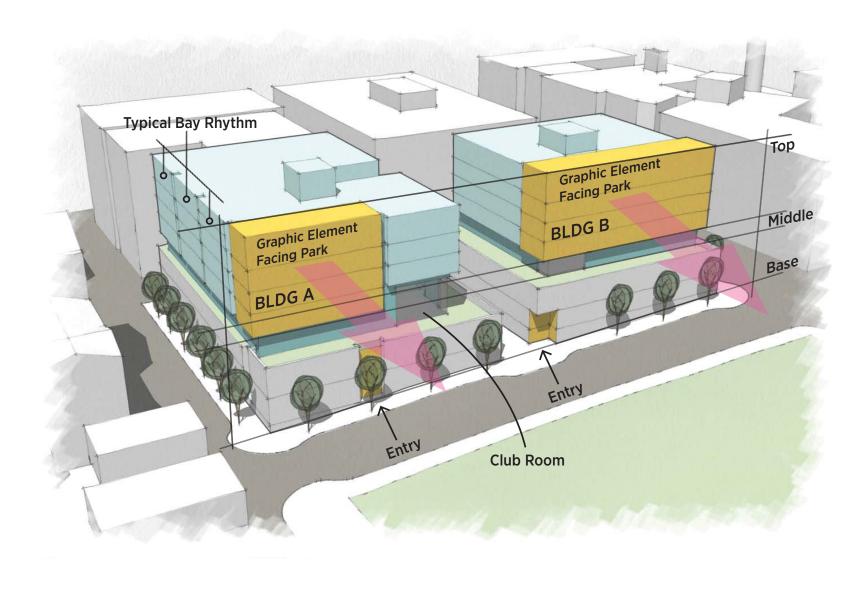
Podium amenity spaces address each other across the alley and address Cascade Playfield across the street.











CS3 Architectural Context and Character

The building massing is derived from the traditional tri-part building arrangement—base, middle, top. *Our preferred option takes a contemporary approach* to this arrangement by letting the middle portion contract and expand as it helps to define important program elements.

Top: The top portion of the building is composed of two distinct elements: A typical bay rhythm facing the neighboring residential areas that reflects both their scale and character and two graphic mural-like elements facing Cascade Park. This massing addresses the unique quality of the park as a heart location with in the neighborhood.

Middle: The middle band of the building articulates the disparity of the top elements with the base. This band is a richly textured element intended to provide a backdrop for the apartment amenities occurring at the podium level.

Base: The base of building is substantial, with large carved out openings. The solid base with durable materials helps to root the building on the site, while reflecting the industrial history of the Cascade neighborhood. The base provides a continuous northern edge to Cascade Park, providing definition to this central location.









DC2 Architectural Concept

Develop an architectural concept that will result in a unified and functional design that fits well on the site and within its surroundings.

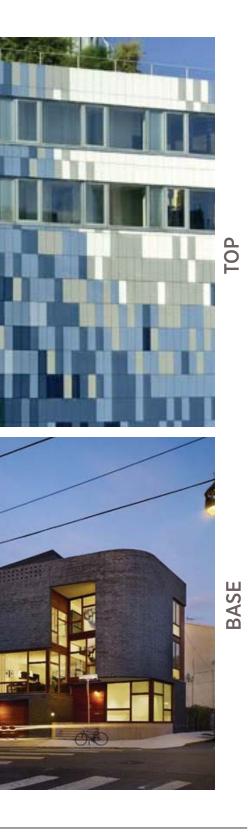
Response

The architectural concept is to create two distinct yet complementary languages. The base of the building is solid and honors the history of the neighborhood, while the upper portions reflect the current culture and economy of South Lake Union.

The upper portion of the building facing Harrison is envisioned as a mural-like element. This will create a unique backdrop to Cascade Park. The upper portions along Pontius and Minor will respond and complement the residential character of the neighborhood.









BUILDING ENTRY: Making Connections



PL1 Connectivity

Complement and contribute to the network of open spaces around the site and the connections among them.

Response

The entry will make a significant connection with Cascade Park across the street and help to activate the streetscape along Harrison.

PL3 Street Level Interaction

Encourage human interaction and activity at the street-level with clear connections to building entries and edges.

Response

Building Entry will be an integrated architectural feature, rather than a simple tacked on element. The entry will be a multi-faceted design, integrating the base of the building, the upper building, landscape, signage, and streetscape.























DC1 Project Uses and Activities

Optimize the arrangement of uses and activities on site.

Response

The main amenity space for the project is a clubroom and functional terrace. These program elements have been located on the podium facing the park. The intent is for the terrace to feel like a continuation of the park space. In return, the podium functions should help activate the park space.

DC3 Open Space Concept

Integrate open space design with the design of the building so that each complements the other.

Response

The open space is arranged to take advantage of the site features and is fully integrated with the architectural design. The clubroom is a feature that is visually connected with the alley and park. The glassy corner and large terrace help to erode the building edge at the alley entrance.







AMENITY: Making the Most of the Site



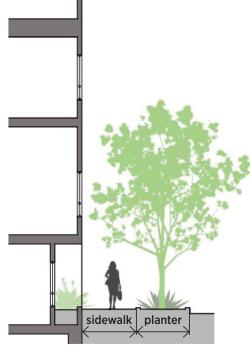






STREETSCAPE: Activating the Pedestrian Experience





sidewalk planter

PL3 Street Level Interaction

Develop an architectural concept that will result in a unified and functional design that fits well on the site and within its surroundings.

Response

The base of the building is strategically carved away to provide interest and variation in the pedestrian experience. A series of stoop-like elements is use to activate the sidewalk.



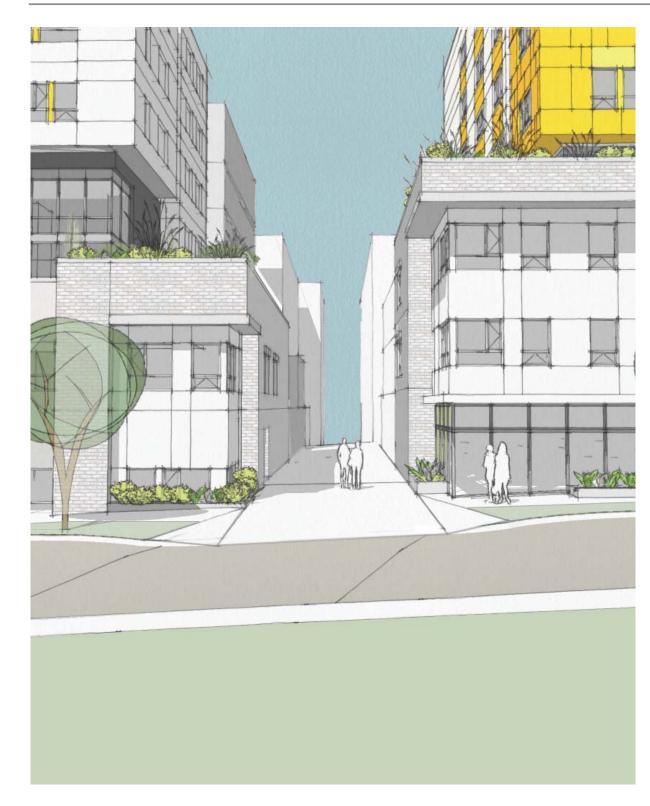
Showing unit floor relative to street





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PL1 Connectivity

Complement and contribute to the network of open spaces around the site and the connections among them.

Response

The use of landscape planting at the podium and at the corner of Harrison and the alley will help connect the park with the project site.

PL2 Walkability

Create a safe and comfortable walking environment that is easy to nav*igate and well-connected to existing* pedestrian walkways and features.

Response

Durable materials at the base, along with landscape planting return into the alley to encourage pedestrian use. Pedestrian access to bike storage is provided.







ALLEY: Creating Connectivity

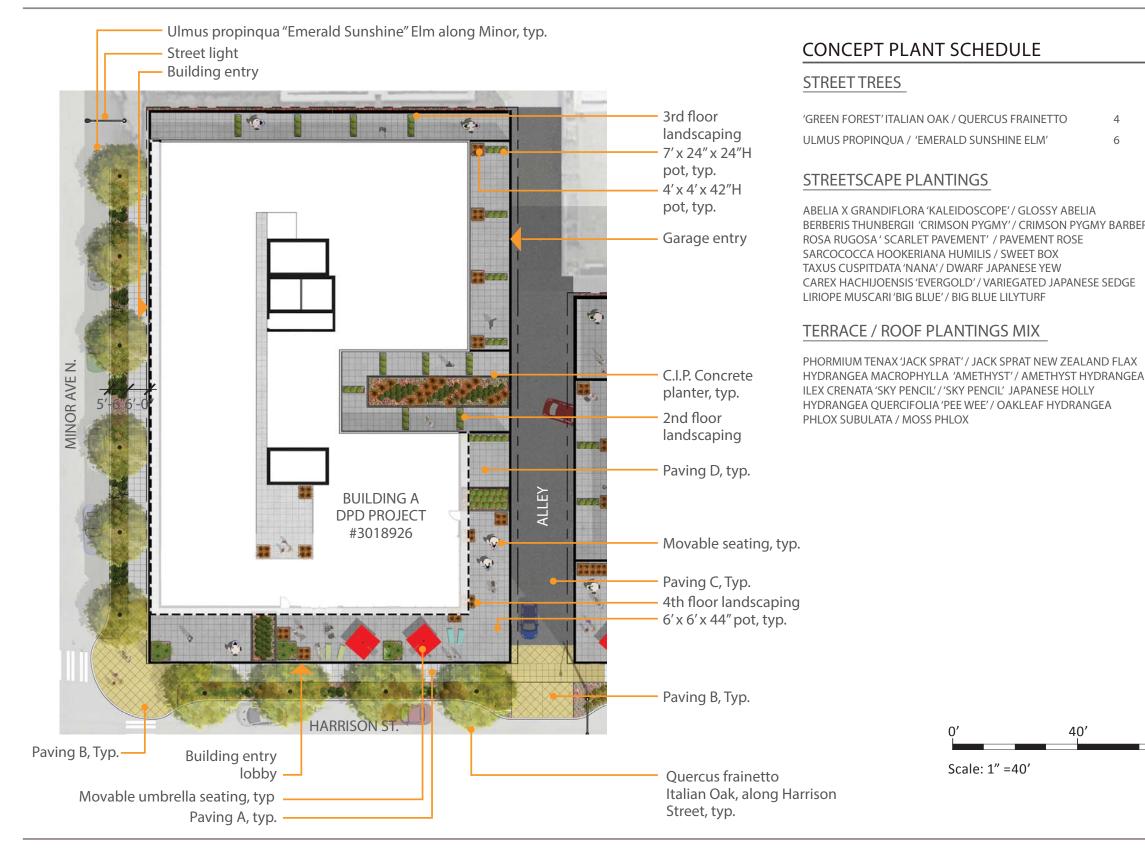




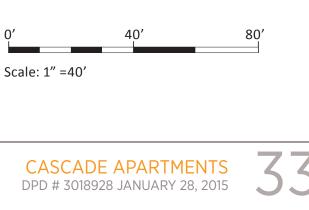




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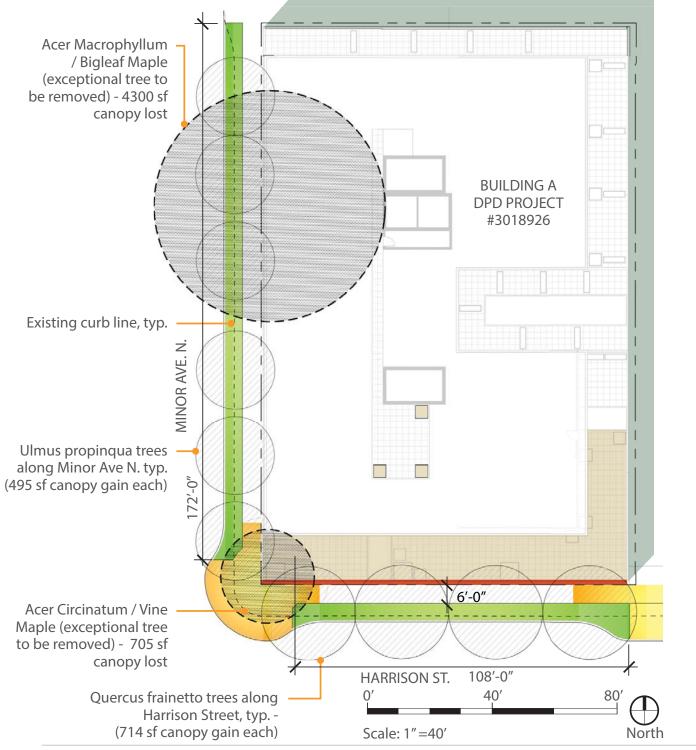






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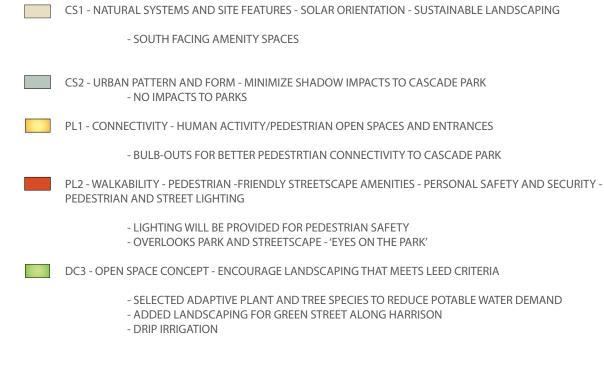
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TREE CANOPY MITIGATION CALCULATIONS:

ACER MACROPHYLLUM (EXCEPTIONAL TREE TO BE REMOVED)	4,300 SF CANOPY LOST
ACER CIRCINATUM (EXCEPTIONAL TREE TO BE REMOVED)	705 SF CANOPY LOST
TOTAL CANOPY LOST =	4300 + 705 = 5005 SF C
QUERCOS FRAINETTO TREES x 4 ULMUS PROPINQUA TREES x 6	714 SF x 4 = 2856 SF CA 495 SF X 6 = 2970 SF CA
TOTAL CANOPY GAINED =	2856 SF + 2970 SF = 582
NET CANOPY GAINED =	5826 SF CANOPY GAINE 821 SF NET GAIN

SOUTH LAKE UNION NEIGHBORHOOD DESIGN **GUIDELINES - CASCADE NEIGHBORHOOD**



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CANOPY LOST

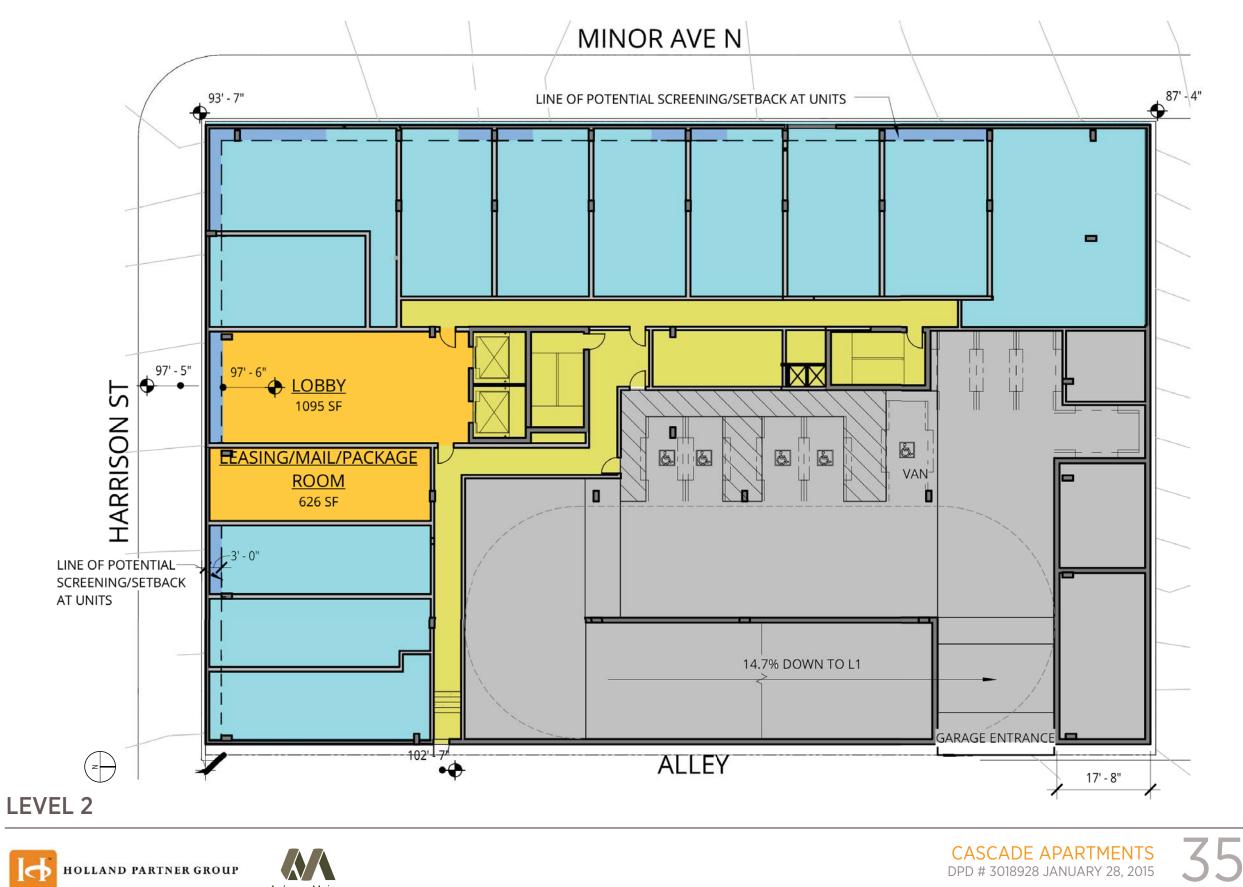
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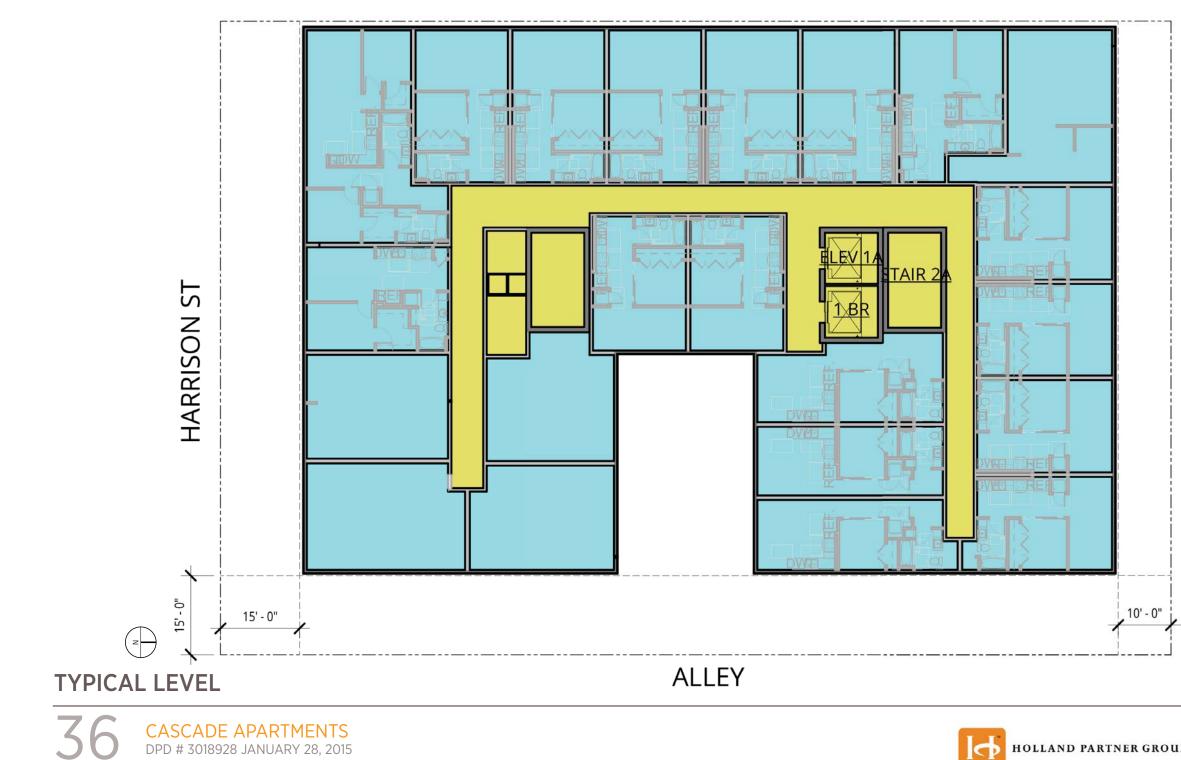


BUILDING A FLOOR PLAN: ENTRY LEVEL









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