

# CLARK/ BARNES

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# EARLY DESIGN GUIDANCE

3040656-EG | 2115 N 45th Street Seattle, WA

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OWNER: 2115 N 45TH LLC

ARCHITECT: CLARK | BARNES

1401 West Garfield St. Seattle, WA 98119

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Along the vibrant N 45th Street pedestrian corridor, the 14,204 SF project site, is located in the Wallingford Urban Village with access to frequent transit options.

The proposed five-story, mixed-use development will engage and enhance the pedestrian realm with active retail along N 45th Street and approximately 80 residential units.

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### DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES & SUMMARY OF PUBLIC OUTREACH (3.0)



#### **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES**

- Establish appropriate zone transition from Neighborhood Commercial to LR2 to the south.
- · Create lively streetscape that will engage and enhance the public realm.
- Embrace neighborhood context through sense of repeated modulation.

### SUMMARY OF PROJECT OUTREACH

#### **DESIGN RELATED**

#### **Design & Character**

- 59% stated "relationship to neighborhood character" is most important to design of the project.
- Respondents encouraged quality design that recognizes the site's history such as; art deco characteristics or neon signage and lighting as a tribute to the Guild 45th Theater.

#### Exterior

- · Respondents suggested beautifying the block with landscaping & clear water management.
- One respondent encouraged restoring the "nightlife vibe" through lighting, color and places to congregate. Another encouraged creating a sense of vibrant energy.

#### Safety & Security

- Thoughtful, well-lit, safe spaces with lots of lighting and cameras are a critical exterior consideration.
- It was noted that crossing 45th can be dangerous and suggested to add more crosswalks.

#### Height & Scale

• One respondent noted that five stories could severely limit light to the south side of the street; another commented there are very few buildings of the proposed height in the neighborhood.

#### NON DESIGN RELATED

#### Retail

- Locally-owned, small retail businesses appealing to a variety of ages are encouraged.
- Desired street level businesses include: coffee/breakfast, restaurants/bars; and shopping.
- Some are inspired to return to space that is calm & welcoming, while others are attracted to bustling & exciting energy.

#### Parking & Traffic

- Many respondents encouraged providing underground parking for residents/visitors.
- A couple noted they're glad to see the project won't have parking given the site is on a bus line.

### **Impacts**

• Many respondents encouraged consideration of impacts on long-term residents in the community and thoughtful consideration for the net impact on neighbors and visitors.

#### Affordability

Many respondents encouraged providing truly affordable units.

#### Units

• A variety of units for singles and families was supported, it was also noted there are too many units.

#### Location

One respondent noted that 45th used to be a great walkable street

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Outreach

- Respondents encouraged serious consideration of neighboring residents feedback.
- The project team was thanked for outreach efforts & encouraged additional mailed updates.

### Support

· A few are thrilled to see new developments as more housing is desperately needed.

#### Oppose

• The project team is asked to consider not building another massive residential apartment.

# Opportunity to Provide Online Input on the 2105 N 45th St Project

#### **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

This project proposes construction of a new five-story, residential building with approximately 80 residential units, ground-floor retail on N 45th St, and no parking. The site is vacant. What: Let us know what you think! Visit our website at www.2105N45thStProject.com to learn more about this new project, including the team's proposed vision and approach.

**Survey.** Take our online survey to share your thoughts about the project site and components. (Survey located on the project website.)

Comments: Provide additional comments via our comment form or by email at 2105N45thStProject@earlyDRoutreach.com



#### ADDITIONAL PROJECT DETAILS

2105 N 45th St, Seattle, WA 98103

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Project Address:

Applicant: Clark/Barne Additional Project Information on Seattle Services Portal via the Project Number. 3040656-EG Project Email: 2105N45thStProject@earlyDRoutreach.com

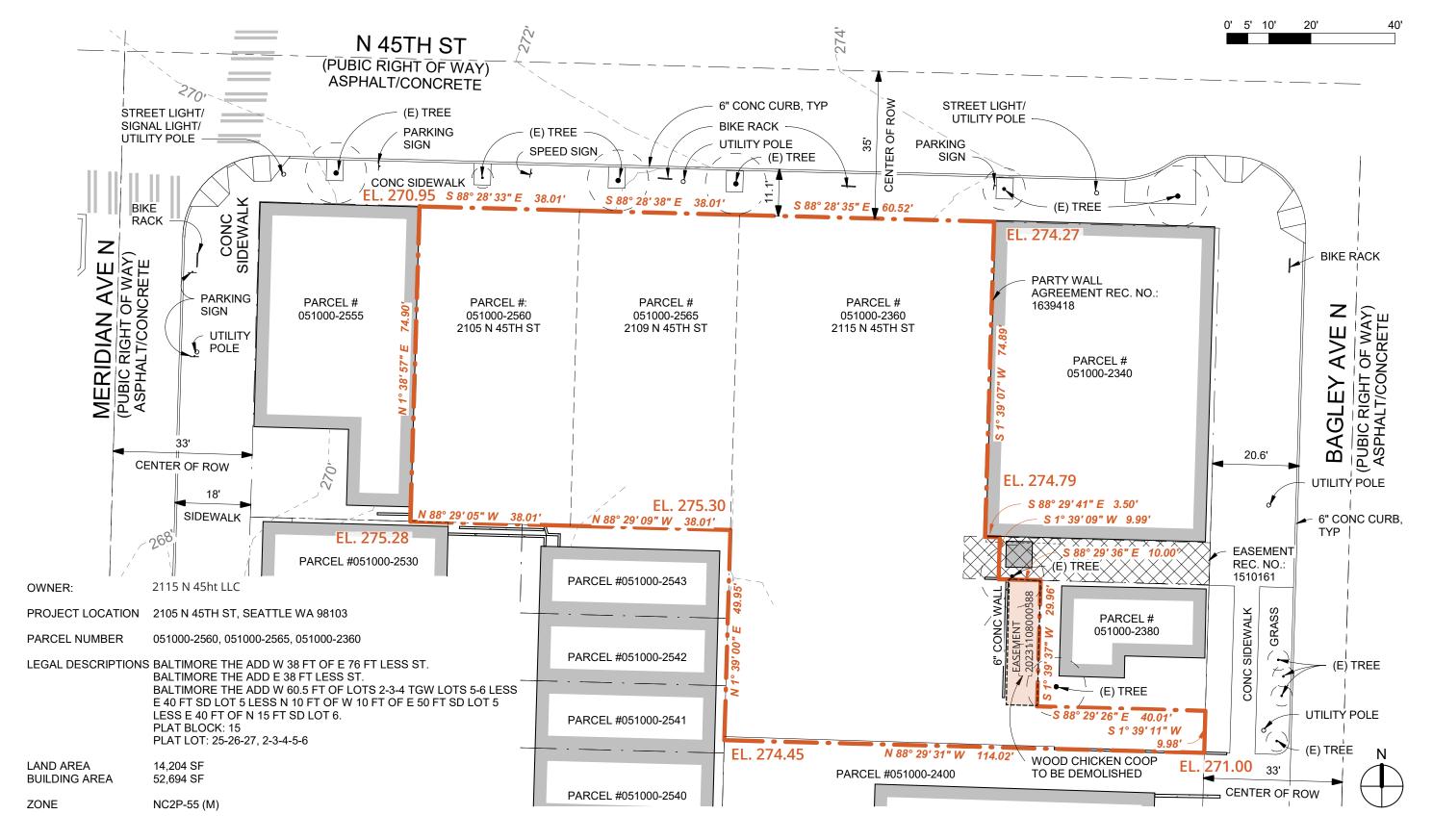
Note that emails are generally returned within 2-3 business days and are subject to City of Seattle public disclosure laws.

This effort is part of the City of Seattle's required outreach process, in advance of Design Review.

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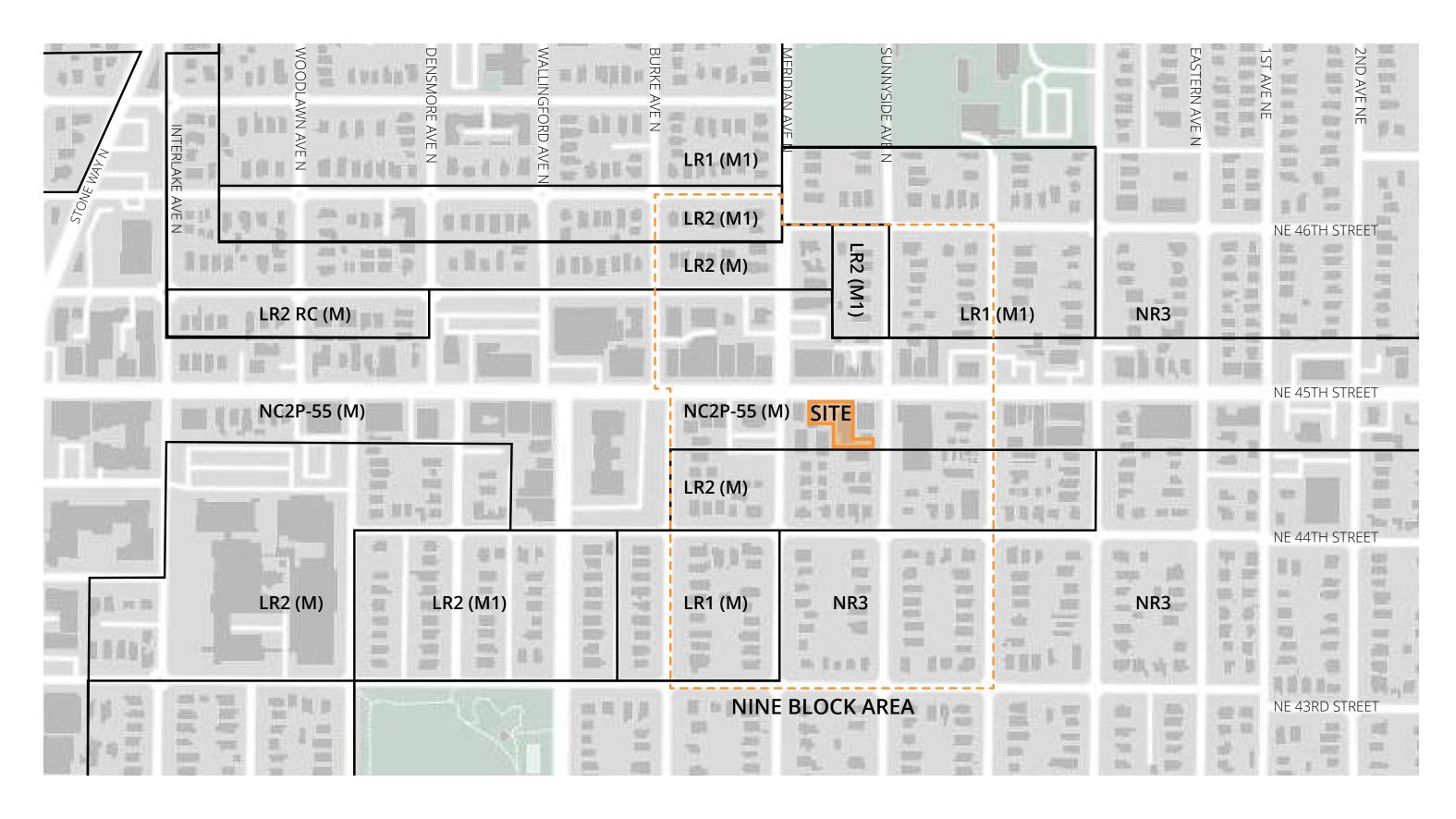
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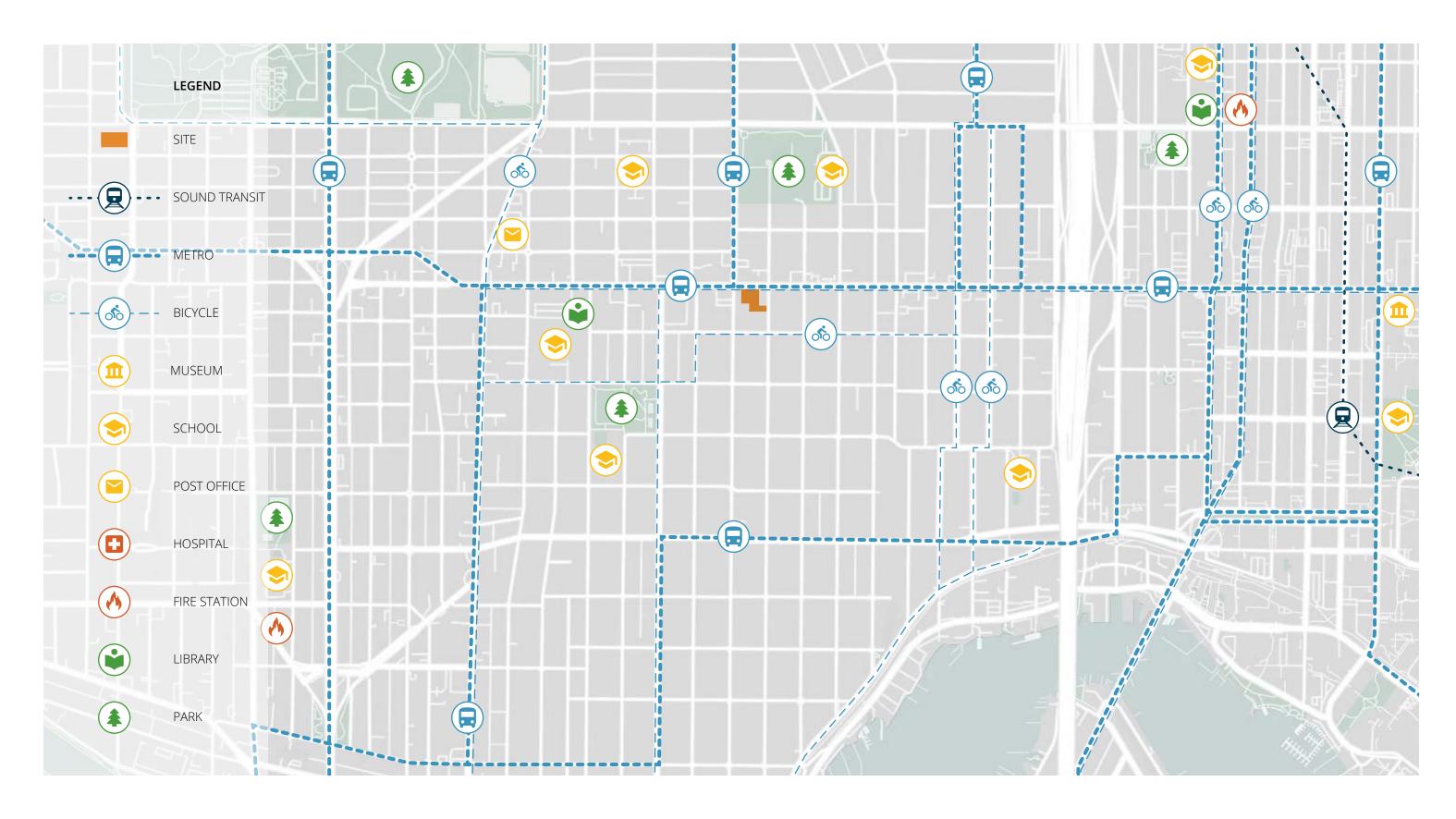
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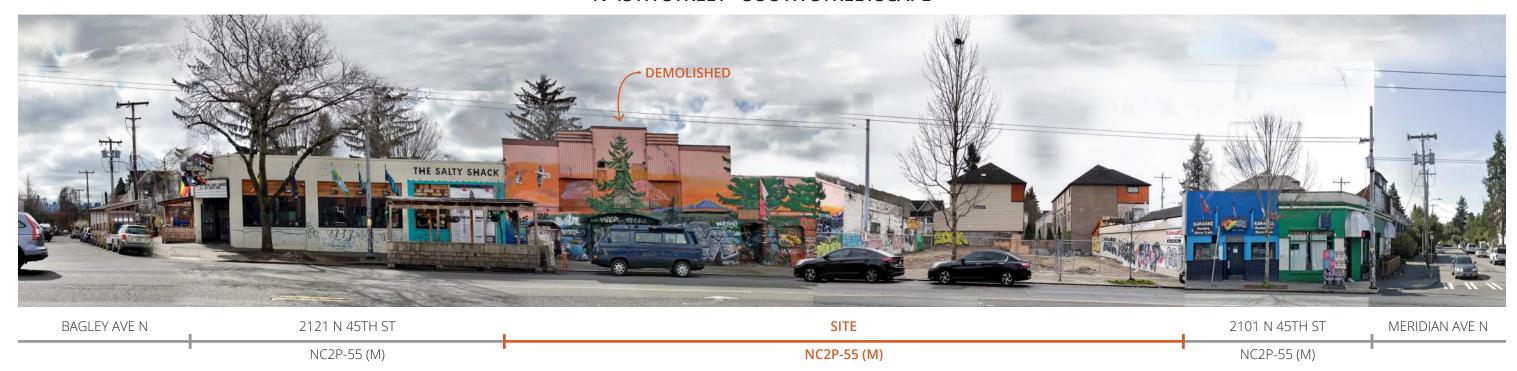
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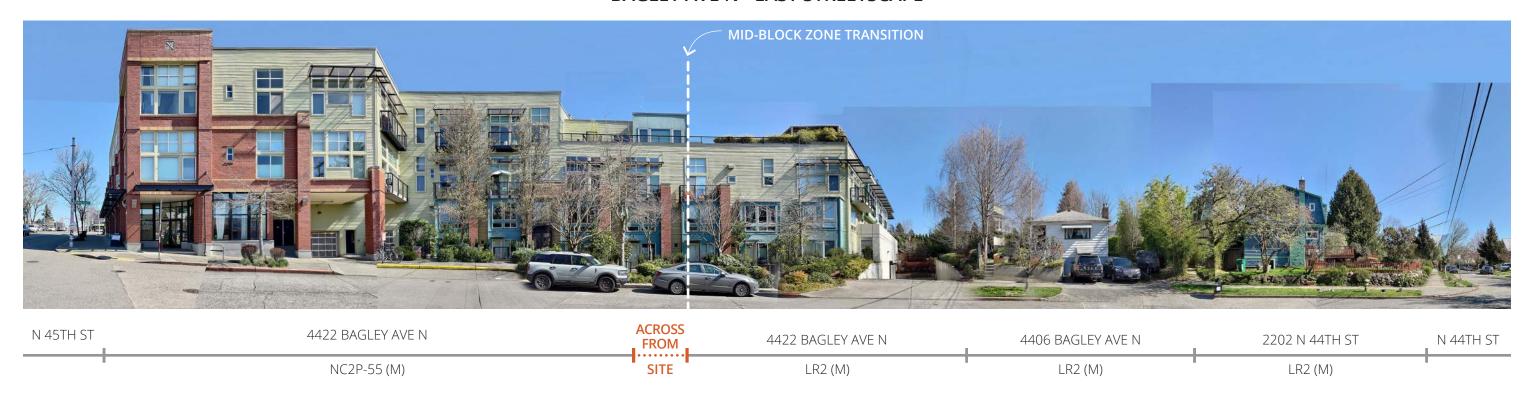


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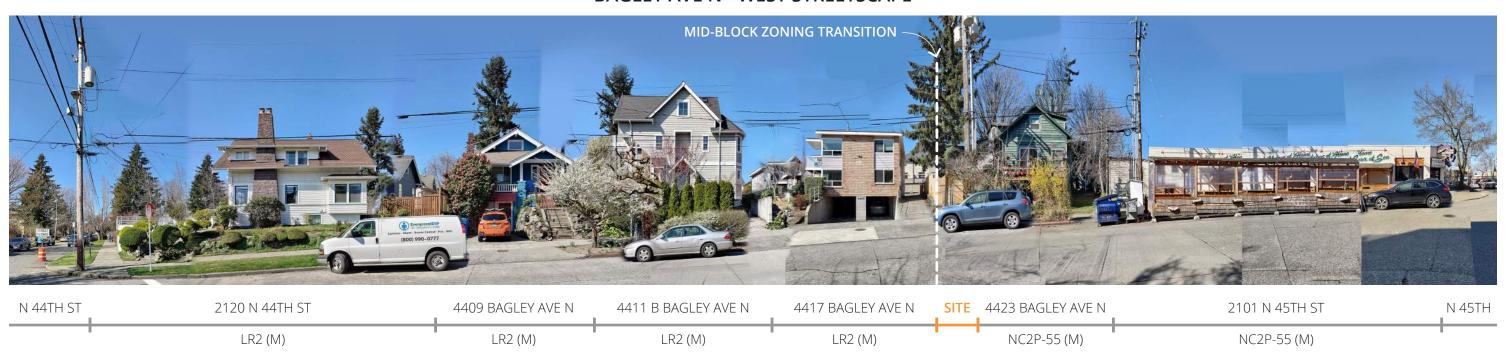




### **BAGLEY AVE N - EAST STREETSCAPE**



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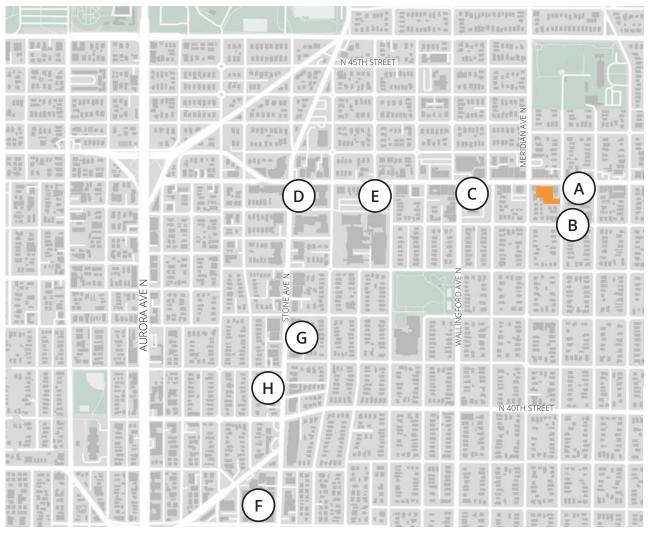
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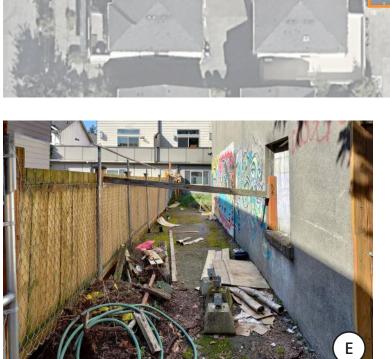
















### ZONING DATA (6.0)



 ADDRESS
 2015 N 45th St
 2109 N 45TH St
 2105 N 45TH ST

 PARCEL #
 0510002360
 0510002565
 0510002560

 SITE AREA
 8,514 SF
 2,845 SF
 2,845 SF

14,204 SF

**ZONE** NC2P-55 (M), Pedestrian Designated, Parking Flexibility, Wallingford (Residential Urban Village), Transit Oriented Development

STREETS N 45th Street (Pedestrian Designated), Bagley Avenue N

PERMITTED USES 23.47A.005

23.47A.014

Residential, Retail sales and services (Max. 25,000 SF), Restaurants (Max. 25,000 SF), Drinking Establishments (CU Max 25,000 SF)

HEIGHT LIMIT 55' GREEN FACTOR 0.3

23.47A.012 Proposal complies with the height limit. 23.47A.016 Proposal requires 0.3 green factor.

FAR AMENITY AREA Amenity areas are required in an amount equal to 5 percent of the total gross floor area in

**AFFORDABLE** 

**HOUSING:** 

23.58C.040

**TIP 257** 

**23.47A.013** Maximum: 3.75 53,265 SF **23.47A.024** residential use.

Minimum: 2 28,408 SF Proposal complies with the amenity area requirements.

Proposal complies with the maximum allowable FAR.

STREET LEVEL USES In a pedestrian-designated zone, facing a designated principal pedestrian street residential uses may occupy no more than 20 percent of the street-level street-facing facade.

Proposal complies with commercial use requirements along N 45th Street.

SETBACK A setback is required where a lot abuts the intersection of a side lot line and front lot line of a lot in

a residential zone or a lot that is zoned both commercial and residential if the commercial zoned portion of the abutting lot is less than 50 percent of the width or depth of the lot. The required setback forms a triangular area. Two sides of the triangle extend along the street lot line and side lot line 15 feet from the intersection of the residentially zoned lot's front lot line and the side lot

line abutting the residentially zoned lot. The third side connects these two sides with a diagonal line across the commercially zoned lot.

An upper-level setback is required along any rear or side lot line that abuts a lot in an LR zone as

follows: 10' for portions of structures above 13' in height to a maximum of 65'. **Proposal complies with the required setbacks from LR zone to the south.** 

**PARKING**No minimum parking requirement for residential uses within urban villages

23.54.015 No parking included in the proposal.

MHA Zone:

Payment Option:

**BICYCLE PARKING** long term: 1 per dwelling unit; short term: 1 per 20 dwelling units

23.54.015 Proposal complies with bicycle parking requirements.

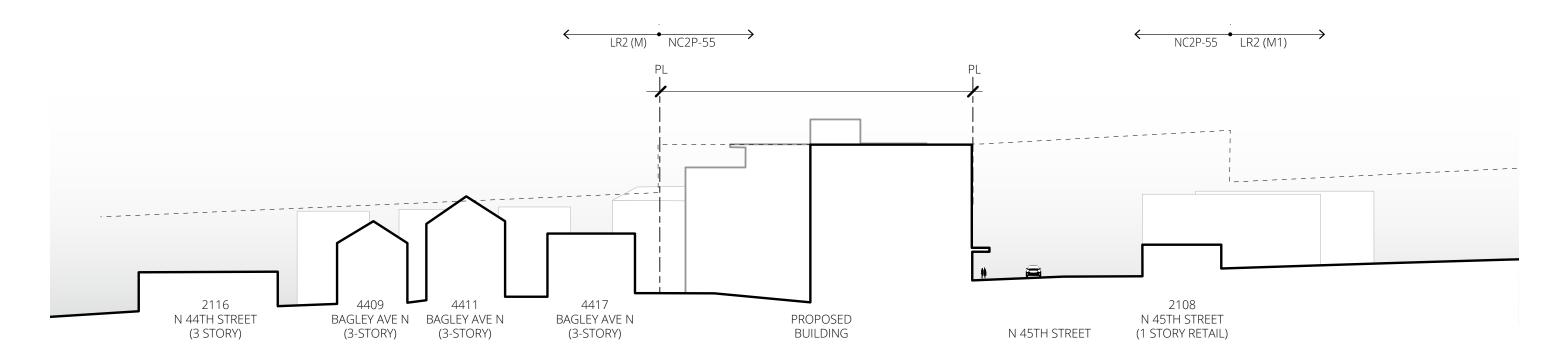
**SOLID WASTE** Residential: 375 square feet plus 4 square feet for each additional unit above 50

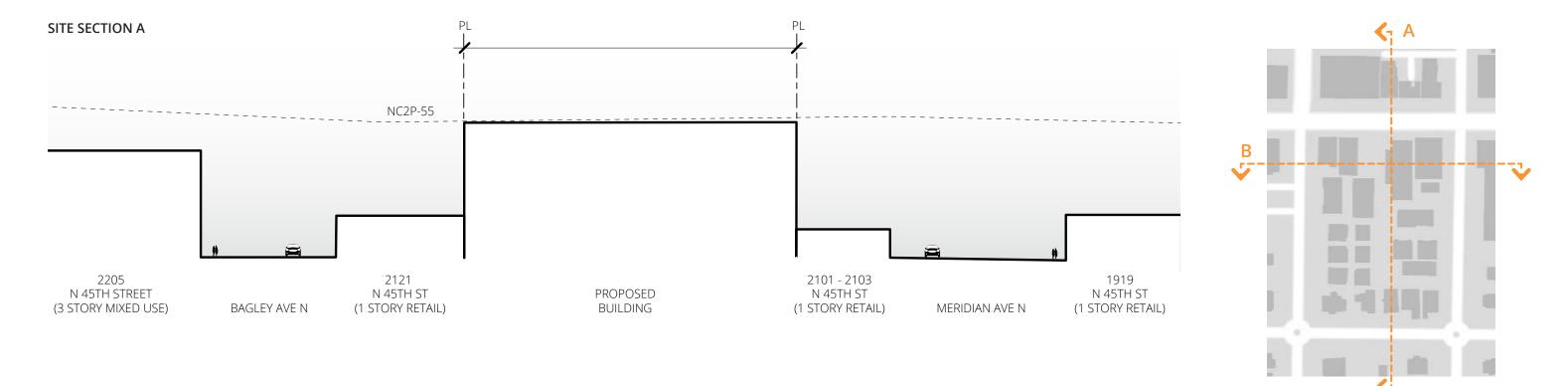
M - Medium

Subject to SDCI increases

Proposal will comply with MHA requirements through payment method.

23.54.040 Proposal complies with solid waste requirement.





SITE SECTION B

### DESIGN GUIDELINES (7.0)



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BASE CS3.I.III

HUMAN ACTIVITY PL3.II

MIDDLE CS3.I.IV

TOP CS3.I.V

HEIGHT, BULK AND SCALE COMPATIBILITY CS2.IV a. **Ground floors immediately next to pedestrians** should reflect a **higher level of detail** refinement and **high quality materials.** 

b. Encourage transparent, open facades for commercial uses at street level.

I. Encouraged to increase the **ground level setback** to accommodate pedestrian traffic and amenity features, particularly along N 45th St.

ii. Outdoor dining, indoor-outdoor commercial/retail space, balconies, public plazas and outdoor seating are particularly encouraged on lots located on North 45th Street

All schemes respond to the urban, public edge along N 45th Street with ground floor setbacks that enhance the pedestrian zone; providing a generous, welcoming entry to neighborhood shops along the street frontage. The base level setback, along with the preferred scheme's interior pedestrian muse gives ample room for outdoor retail spill out and a mid-block activation opportunity.

a. Mid-level building façade elements should be articulated to provide visual interest on a bay-by-bay scale. Architectural features should include: belt courses or horizontal bands to distinguish individual floors; change in materials and color and/or texture that enhance specific form elements or vertical elements of the building; a pattern of windows; and/or bay windows to give scale to the structure.

c. Consider using spacing to provide intervals in the façade to create scale elements similar to surrounding buildings.

Schemes B & C establishes an articulated, consistent facade rhythm that breaks form into smaller pieces.

a. **Clearly distinguish tops of buildings** from the façade walls by including detail elements consistent with the traditional neighborhood buildings such as steep gables with overhangs, parapets and cornices.

i. Cornice & roof lines should respect the heights of surrounding structures.

Scheme A provides an upper level setbacks on NW 45th St. to breakup the building mass along the street.

iii. To protect single-family zones, consider providing **upper level set-backs** to limit the visibility of floors that are **above 30 feet.** 

Schemes B & C include upper-level setbacks to ease the bulk and scale at the zone transition between NC2P-55 and LR2 zones.











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### DESIGN GUIDELINES (7.0)



PEDESTRIAN OPEN SPACES AND ENTRANCES PL2.I

- **i. Entries for residential uses on the street** (rather than from the rear of the property) add to the activity on the street and allow for visual surveillance for personal safety.
- ii. **Continuous, well-lighted, overhead weather protection** is strongly encouraged to improve pedestrian comfort and to promote a sense of security.
- iii. Overhead weather protection should be designed with consideration of a. the overall architectural concept of the building; e. relationship to architectural features and elements on adjacent development, especially if abutting a building of historic or noteworthy character;

All schemes provide active uses along N 45th St that relate to adjacent single-story retail and canopy cover to boost pedestrian safety and comfort.

BLANK WALLS PL2.II

- ii. In situations where **blank walls** are necessary, encourage their **enhancement with decorative patterns, murals** or other treatment.
- iii. Locate and design ground floor windows to maximize transparency of commercial façade and attract pedestrian interest.
- iv. Large windows that open to facilitate **indoor-outdoor interaction with street are encouraged**.
- v. Windows on walls perpendicular to the street are encouraged.

Party walls at property line to be appropriately decorated with murals to improve visual consequence of blank walls.

ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT AND CONSISTENCY DC2.I.I i. The massing of large buildings should reflect the functions of the building and respond to the scale of traditional buildings by including major façade elements, which help to break the building into smaller pieces with distinctive appearances.

All schemes include traditionally appropriate uses at the ground floor and residential units above. The preferred scheme contains facade elements which break the ground floor and residential units into smaller facade elements.

HUMAN SCALE DC2.II

- i. Transom or clerestory windows above entrances, display windows and projected bay windows are encouraged.
- iii. Use durable and well-detailed finish materials: **Encourage the use of brick.**

The preferred scheme breaks up ground story entries with canopies and transom windows above residential and retail entires giving scale to the pedestrian realm.





RESIDENTIAL ENTRY PORTAL

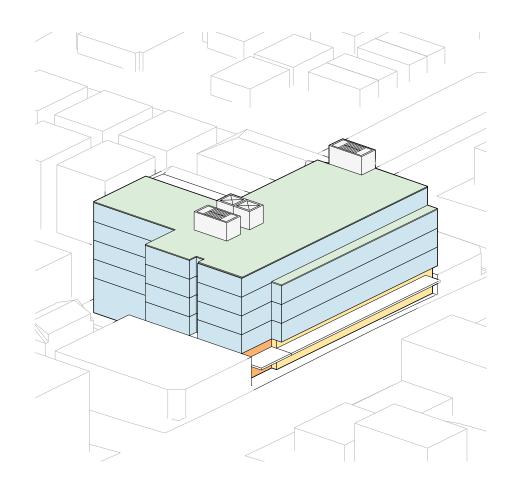






# ARCHITECTURAL MASSING CONCEPTS (8.3)





OPTION A

**CHARGEABLE FAR:** 53,230 SF

**UNITS:** 79

PARKING STALLS: NONE

**DEPARTURES:** NONE



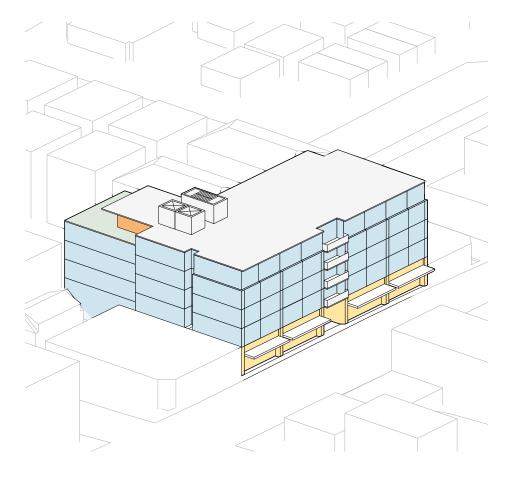
OPTION B

**CHARGEABLE FAR:** 53,250 SF

**UNITS:** 78

**PARKING STALLS:** NONE

**DEPARTURES:** NONE



OPTION C (PREFERRED)

**CHARGEABLE FAR:** 53,265 SF

**UNITS:** 80

PARKING STALLS: NONE

**DEPARTURES:** NONE

### OPTION A: MASSING

**BUILDING AREA:** GROSS - 53,230 SF

FAR - 53,230 SF

**UNITS:** 79

PARKING STALLS: NONE

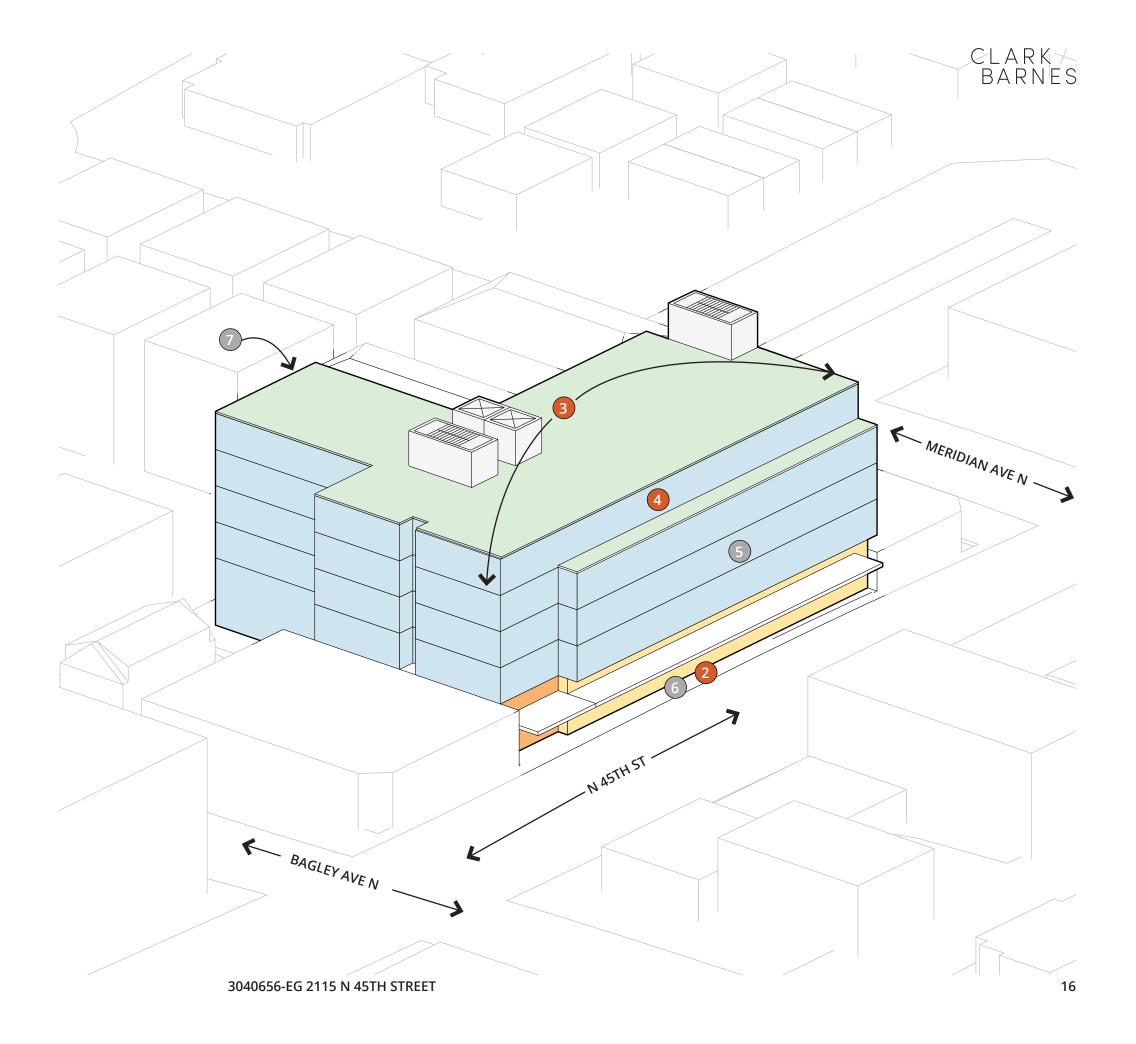
**DEPARTURES:** NONE

PROS:

- 1 PL3.II.II ground level setback to accommodate pedestrian traffic and amenity features, particularly along N 45th St.
- PL2.II.IV. Large windows that open to facilitate indoor-outdoor interaction with street are encouraged.
- **PL2.II.II** In situations where blank walls are necessary, encourage their enhancement with decorative patterns.
- 4 CS3.I.V Clearly distinguish tops of buildings

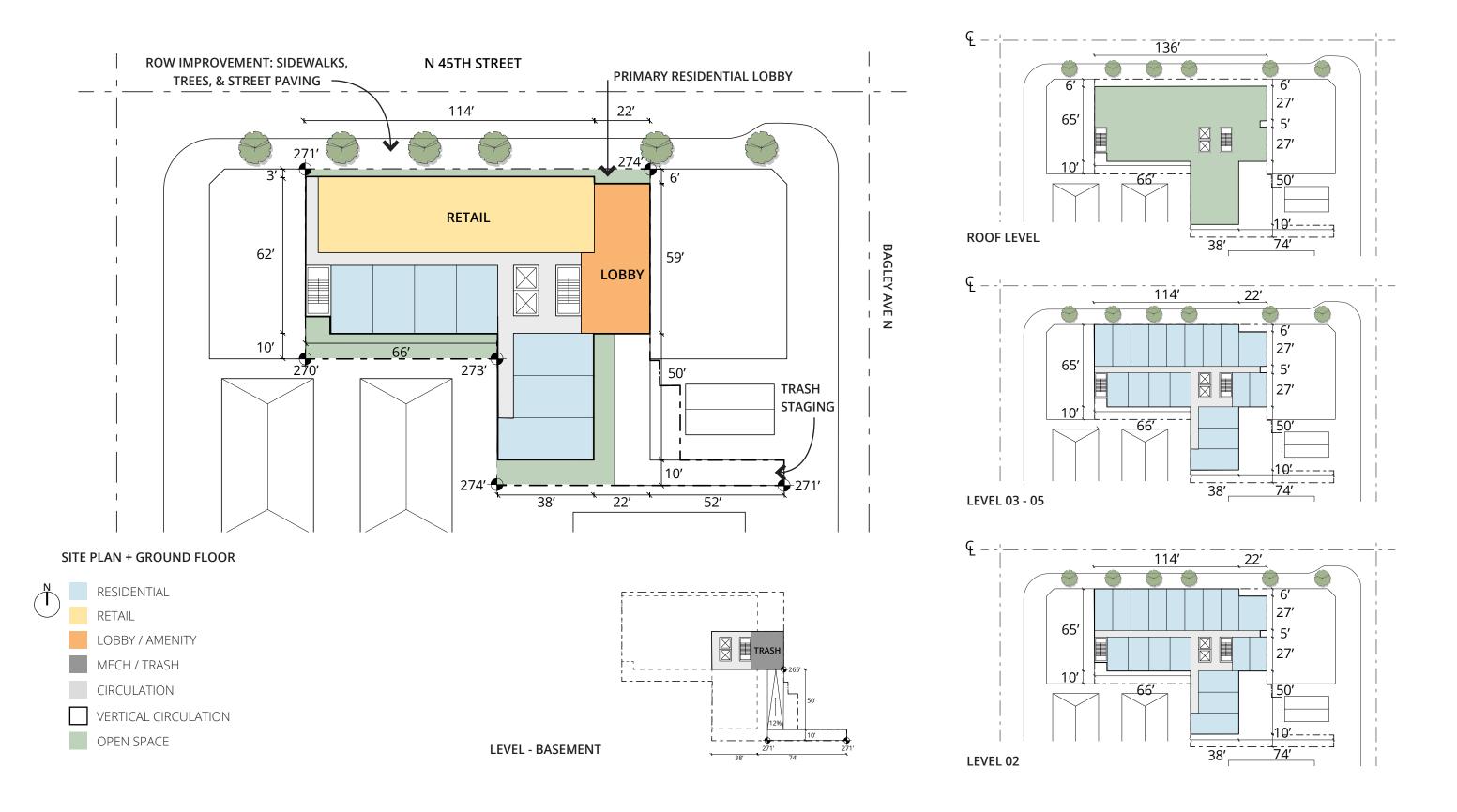
CONS:

- **CS3.I.IV** Mid-level building façade elements should be articulated to provide visual interest on a bay-by-bay scale.
- **DC2.I.I** Ground floor facade not to scale with the rest of the neighborhood
- **CS2.IV** Upper level building setbacks adjacent to LR zone.



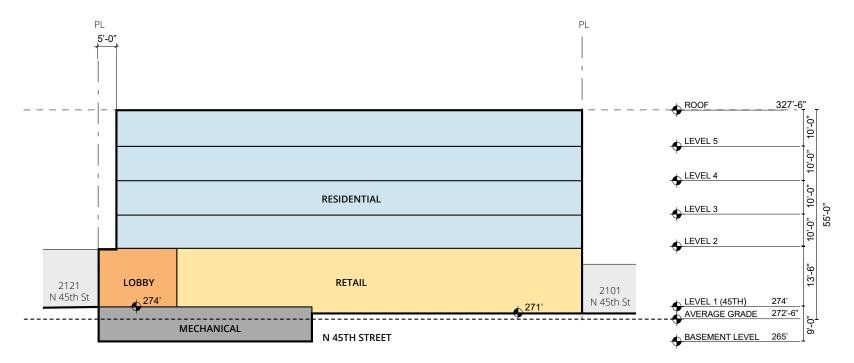
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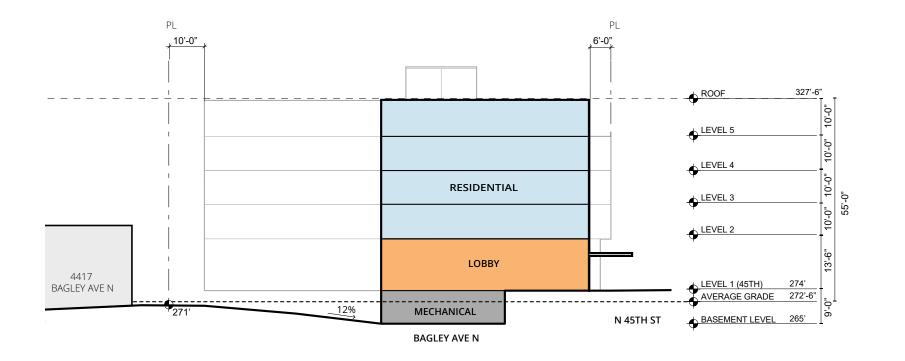


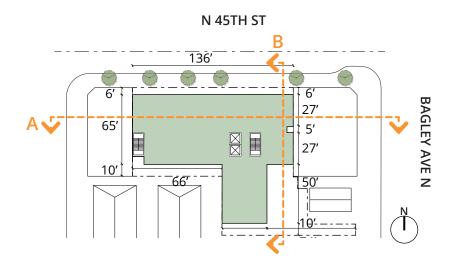
### OPTION A: SECTION (8.5)





### **SECTION A**





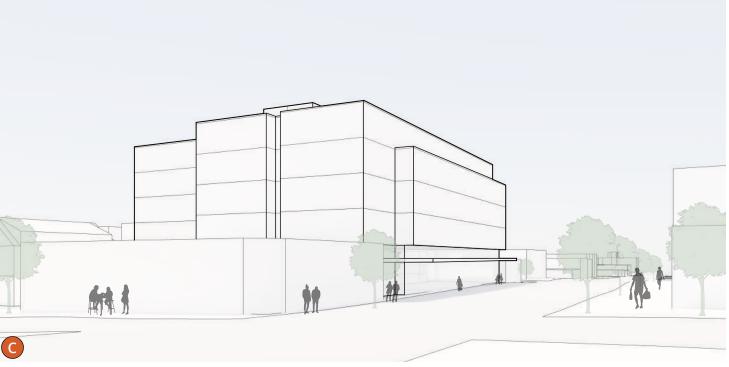
**SECTION B** 







BAGLEY AVE N LOOKING SOUTH



45TH AND BAGLEY LOOKING WEST

ALTERNATIVE B: MASSING

**BUILDING AREA:** GROSS - 52,960 SF

FAR - 52,960 SF

**UNITS:** 78

PARKING STALLS: NONE

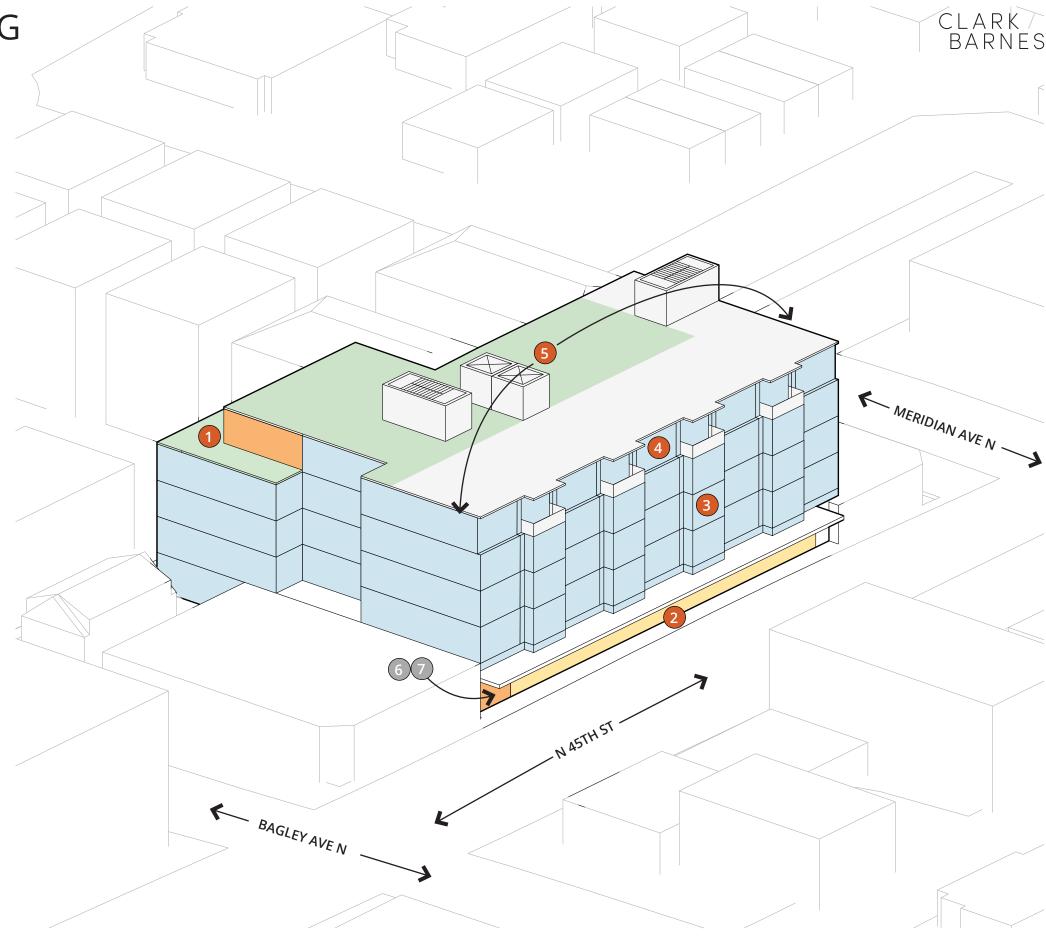
**DEPARTURES:** NONE

PROS:

- 1 CS2.IV Upper level building setbacks adjacent to LR zone.
- 2 PL3.II.II ground level setback to accommodate pedestrian traffic and amenity features, particularly along N 45th St.
- **CS3.I.IV** Mid-level building façade elements should be articulated to provide visual interest on a bay-by-bay scale.
- **CS3.I.V** Clearly distinguish tops of buildings
- PL2.II In situations where blank walls are necessary, encourage their enhancement with decorative patterns.

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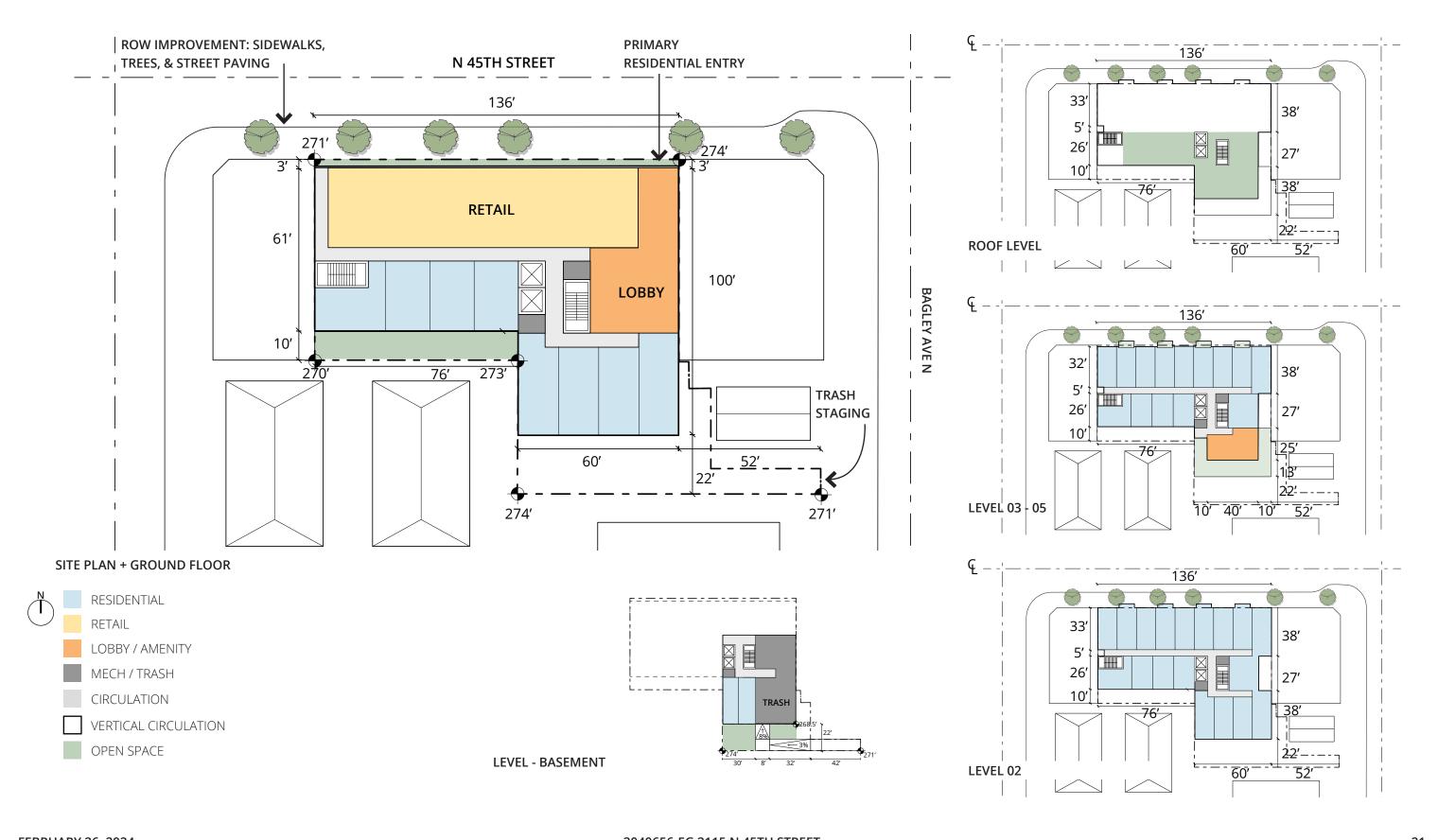
- **DC2.I.I** Ground floor facade not to scale with the rest of the neighborhood
- CS3.I.III Ground floors immediately next to pedestrians should reflect a higher level of detail



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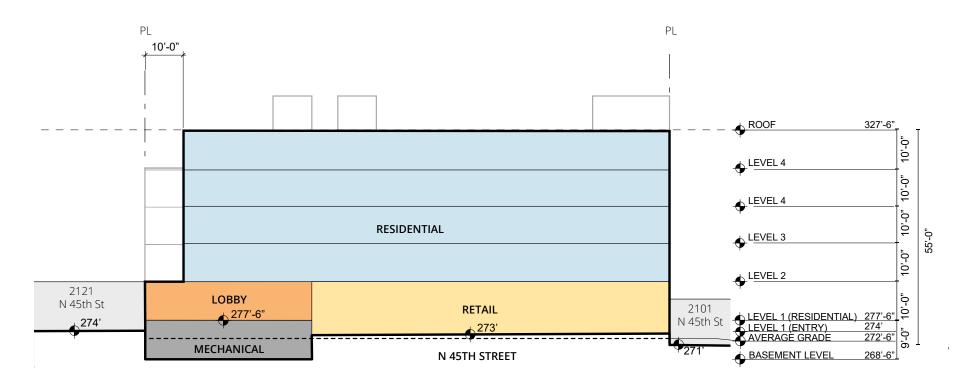
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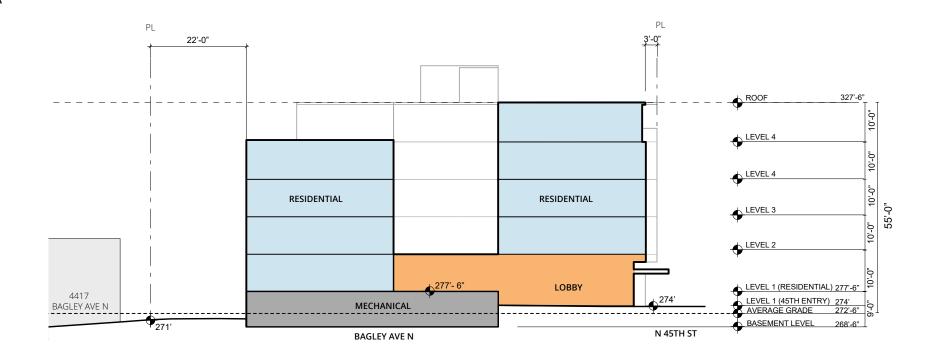


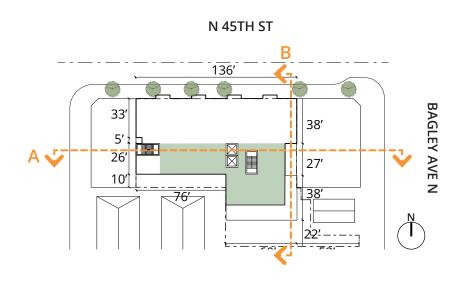
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### **SECTION A**





**SECTION B** 





BAGLEY AVE N LOOKING SOUTH



45TH AND BAGLEY LOOKING WEST

ALTERNATIVE C: MASSING

**BUILDING AREA:** GROSS - 53,265 SF

FAR - 53,265 SF

UNITS: 80

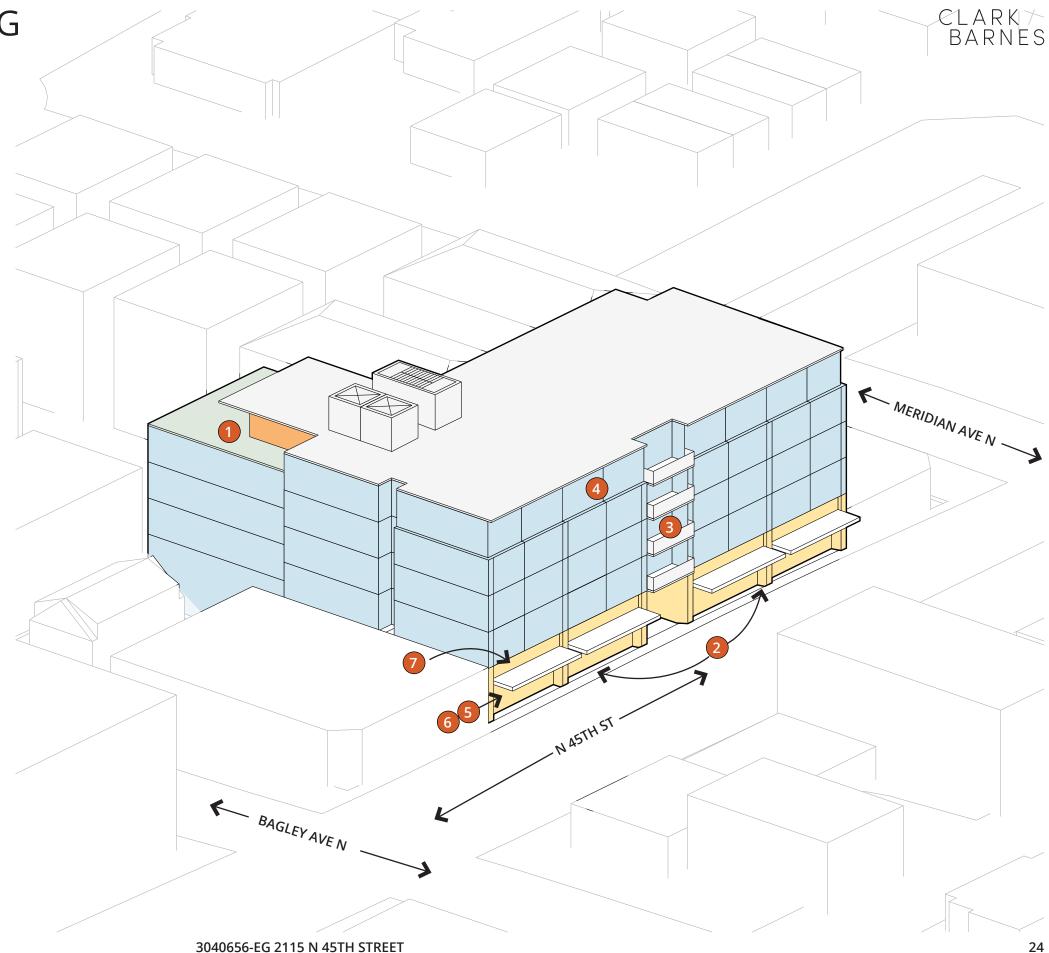
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**DEPARTURES:** NONE

PROS:

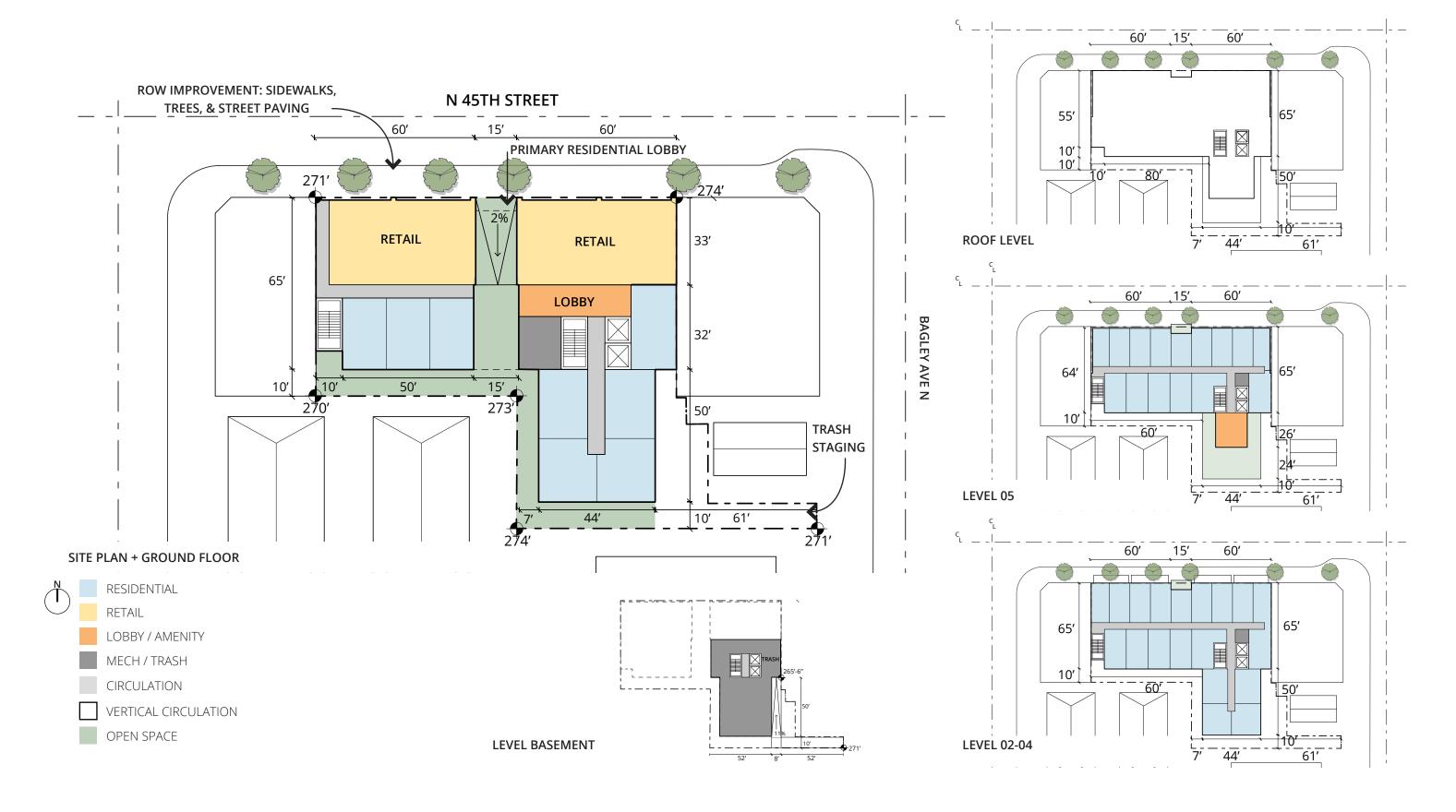
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- **CS3.I.V** Clearly distinguish tops of buildings
- PL2.II In situations where blank walls are necessary, encourage their enhancement with decorative patterns.
- 5 DC2.I.I Ground floor is broken up with vertical elements
- **CS3.I.III** Ground floors immediately next to pedestrians should reflect a higher level of detail
- **DC2.II.I** Human scale created with transom windows above retail storefront.



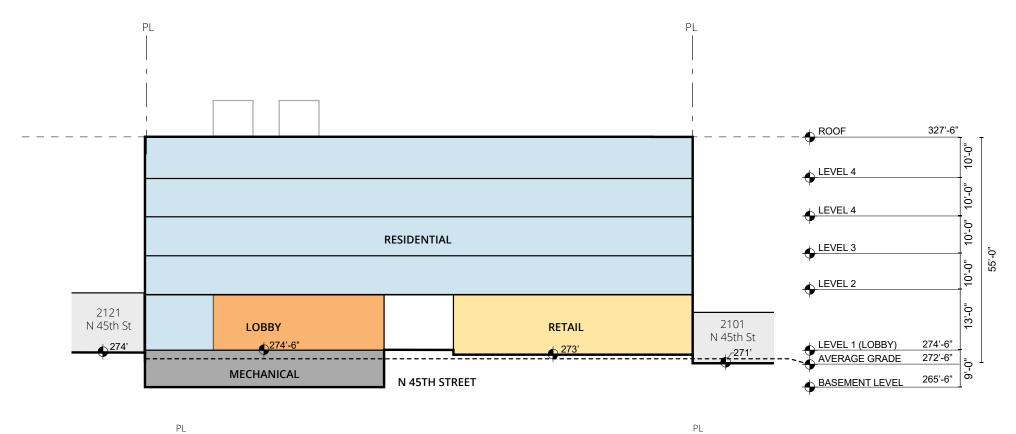
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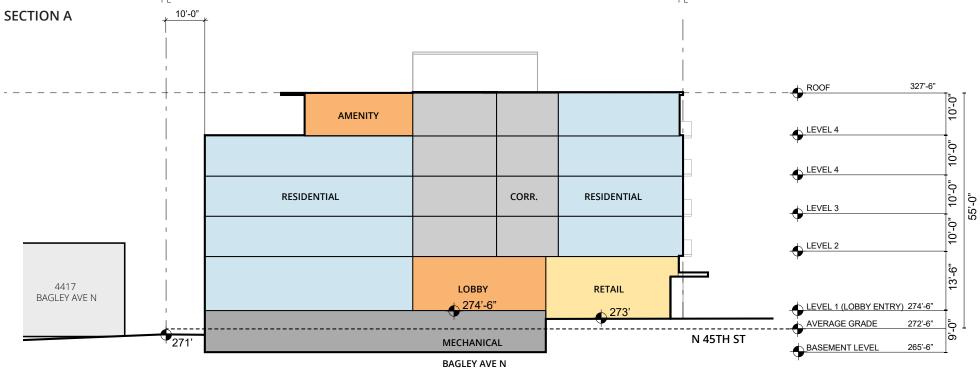


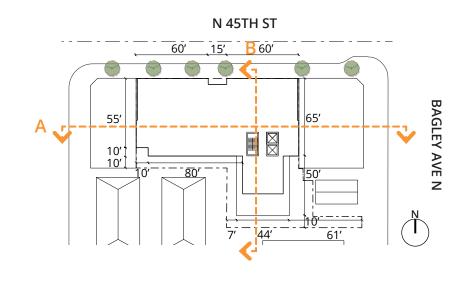


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**SECTION B** 





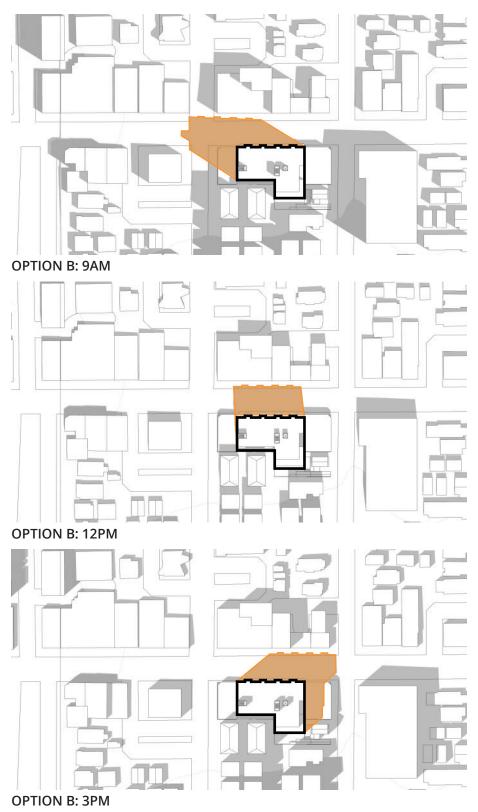
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45TH AND BAGLEY LOOKING WEST

# SHADOW ANALYSIS - SPRING EQUINOX (8.9)





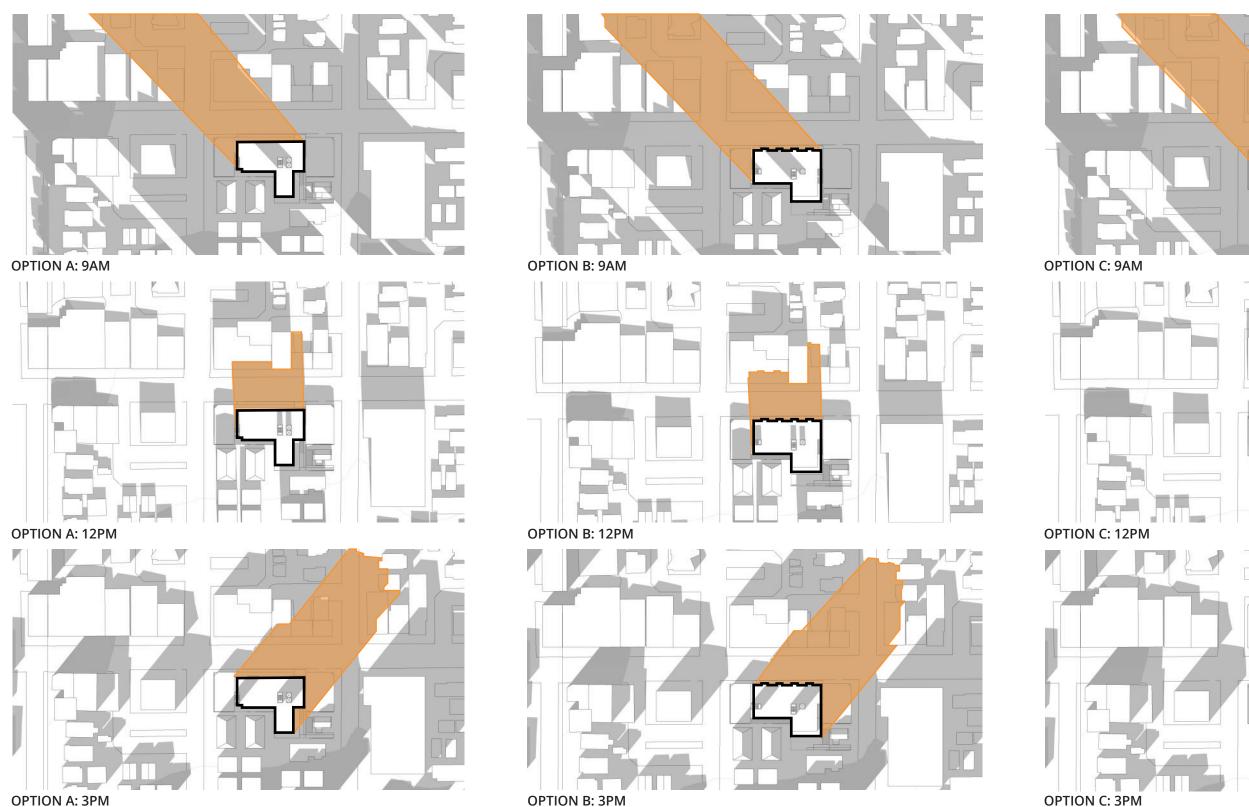


### SHADOW ANALYSIS - SUMMER SOLSTICE (8.9)



# SHADOW ANALYSIS - WINTER SOLSTICE (8.9)







## ARCHITECTURAL MASSING CONCEPTS - PRECEDENT IMAGES (8.8)













