

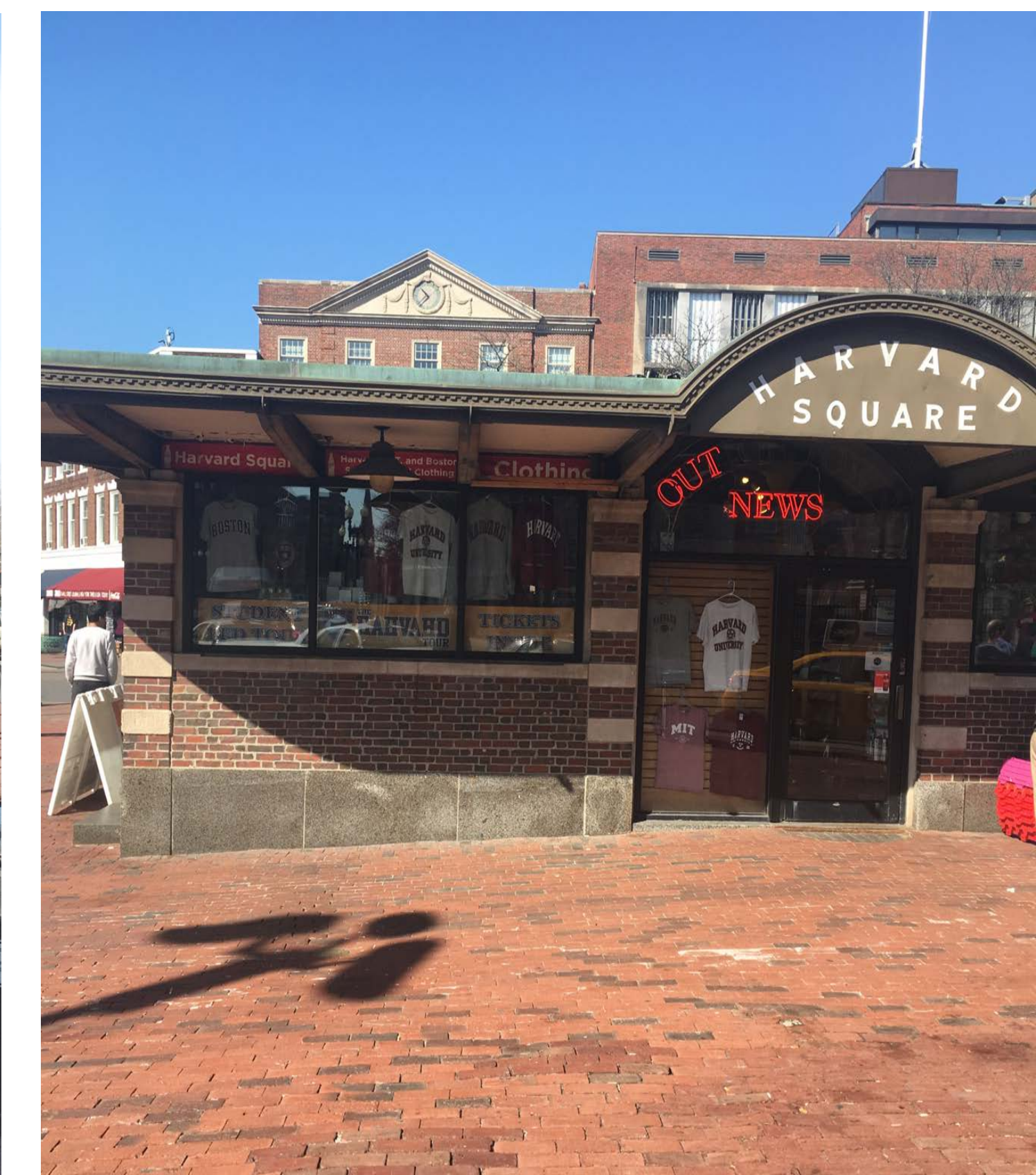




BY REMOVING SOME OF THE "CLUTTER" FROM WITHIN THE PLAZA (WALLS, STAIRS, PLANTERS, LIGHT POLES, INFO KIOSK), A LARGER MORE FLEXIBLE SPACE IS POSSIBLE

BUFFERING THE SPACE FROM MASS AVE WOULD RESULT IN SAFER & MORE COMFORTABLE GATHERING

STEPS AND RETAINING WALLS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ADDRESS THE GRADE CHANGE BETWEEN MASS AVE AND THE PLAZA.



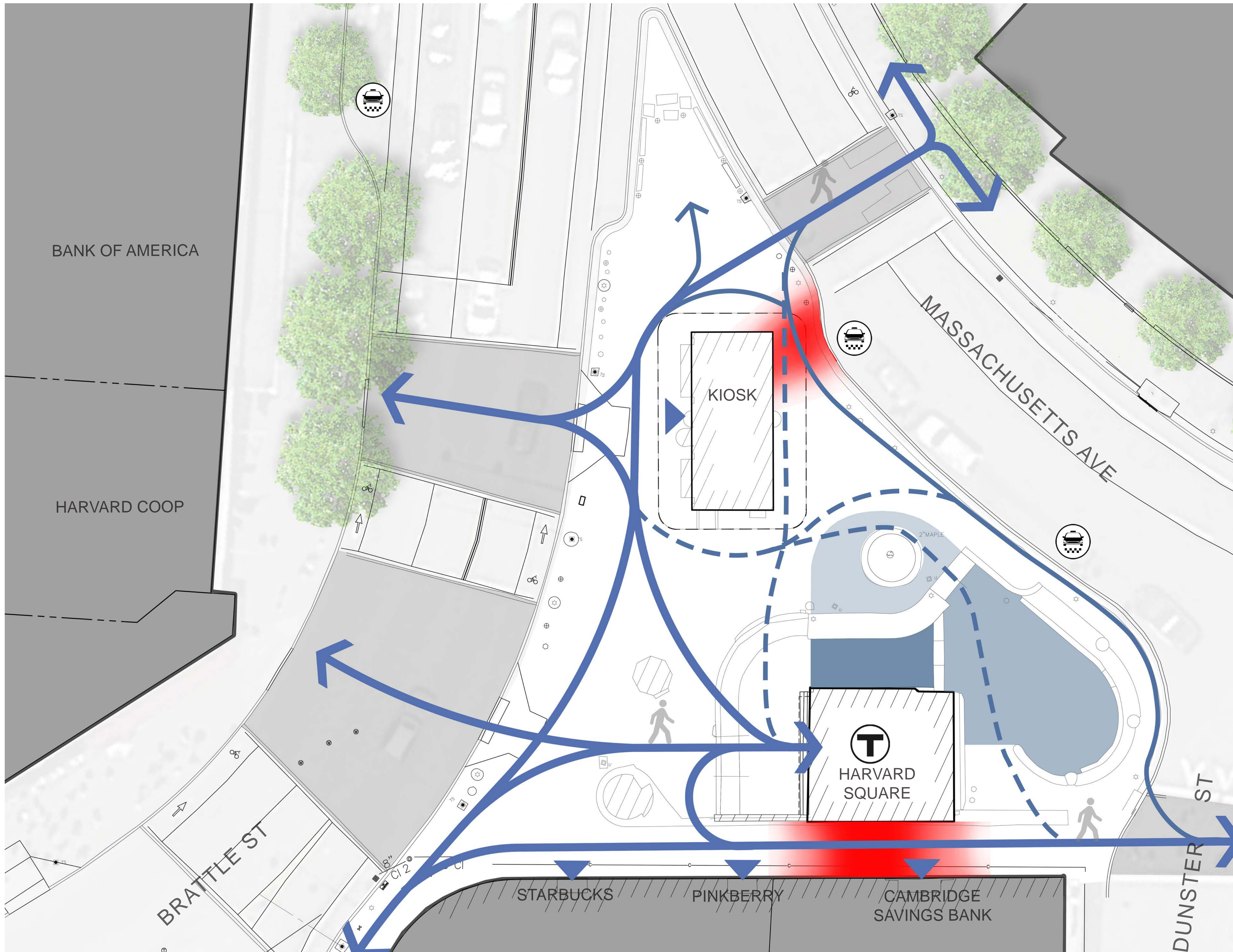
RECONFIGURING THE STEPS AND ADDING ONE RISER WILL LEVEL THE PLAZA

REMOVING A TAXI SPACE COULD AMELIORATE CIRCULATION PINCH POINT ALONG KIOSK

RETAIN SEATING IN "THE POINT". ENSURE PRIMARY CIRCULATION ROUTE REMAINS FREE OF OBSTRUCTIONS

LOWERING THE FINISH FLOOR ELEVATION OF THE KIOSK WILL IMPROVE ADA ACCESSIBILITY

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS



PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION

- MAJOR
- MINOR
- OCCASIONAL
- PINCH POINT

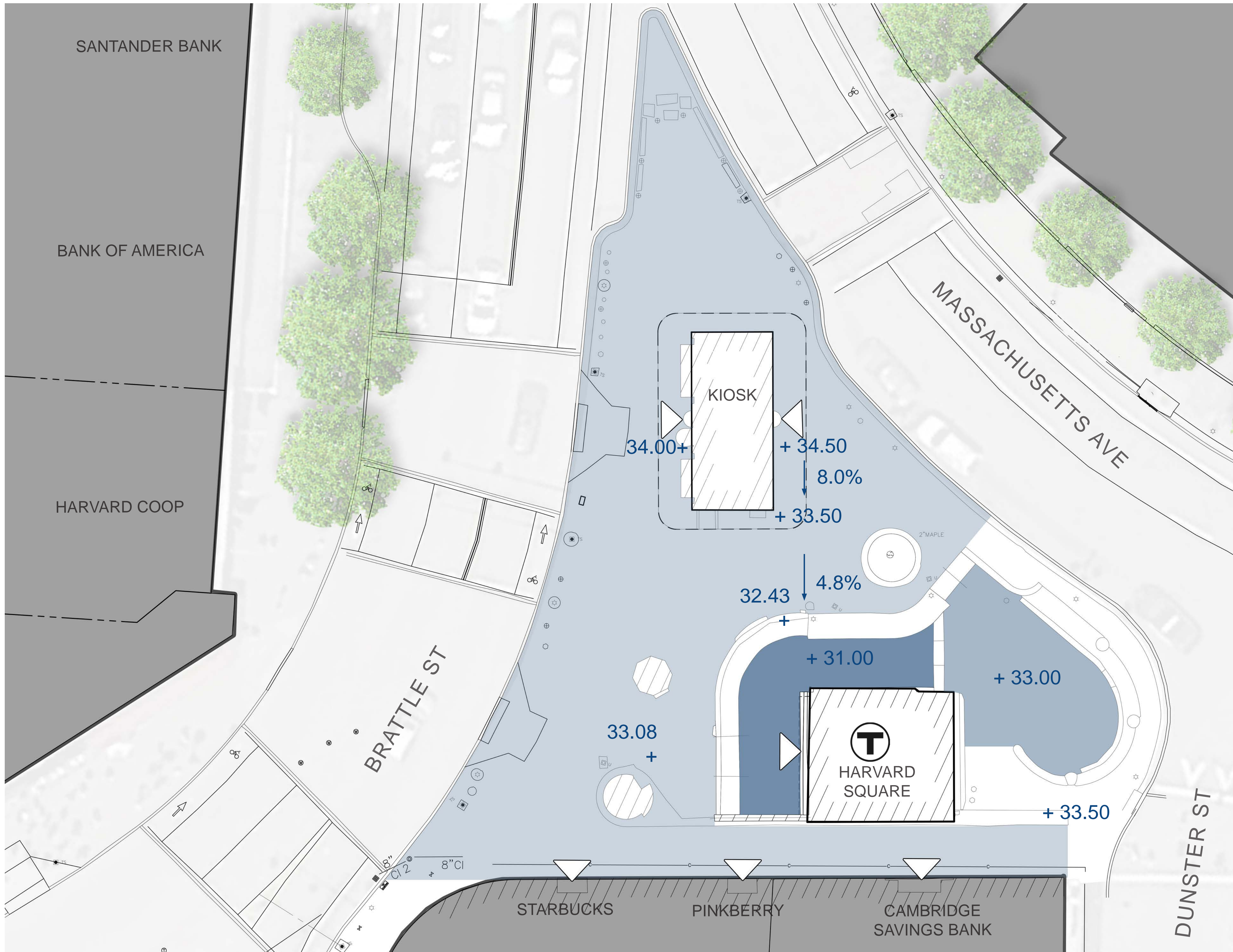
HEAVY PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION THROUGHOUT THE PLAZA LIMITS GATHERING OPPORTUNITIES

THE AREA WITH THE LEAST CIRCULATION IS SUBDIVIDED BY WALLS AND STEPS AT THREE DIFFERENT ELEVATIONS

POTENTIAL TO RECONFIGURE THE WALLS AND STEPS, CREATING ONE LARGER, FLEXIBLE SPACE



CIRCULATION DIAGRAM



EXISTING ELEVATION

- UPPER
- INTERMEDIATE
- LOWER

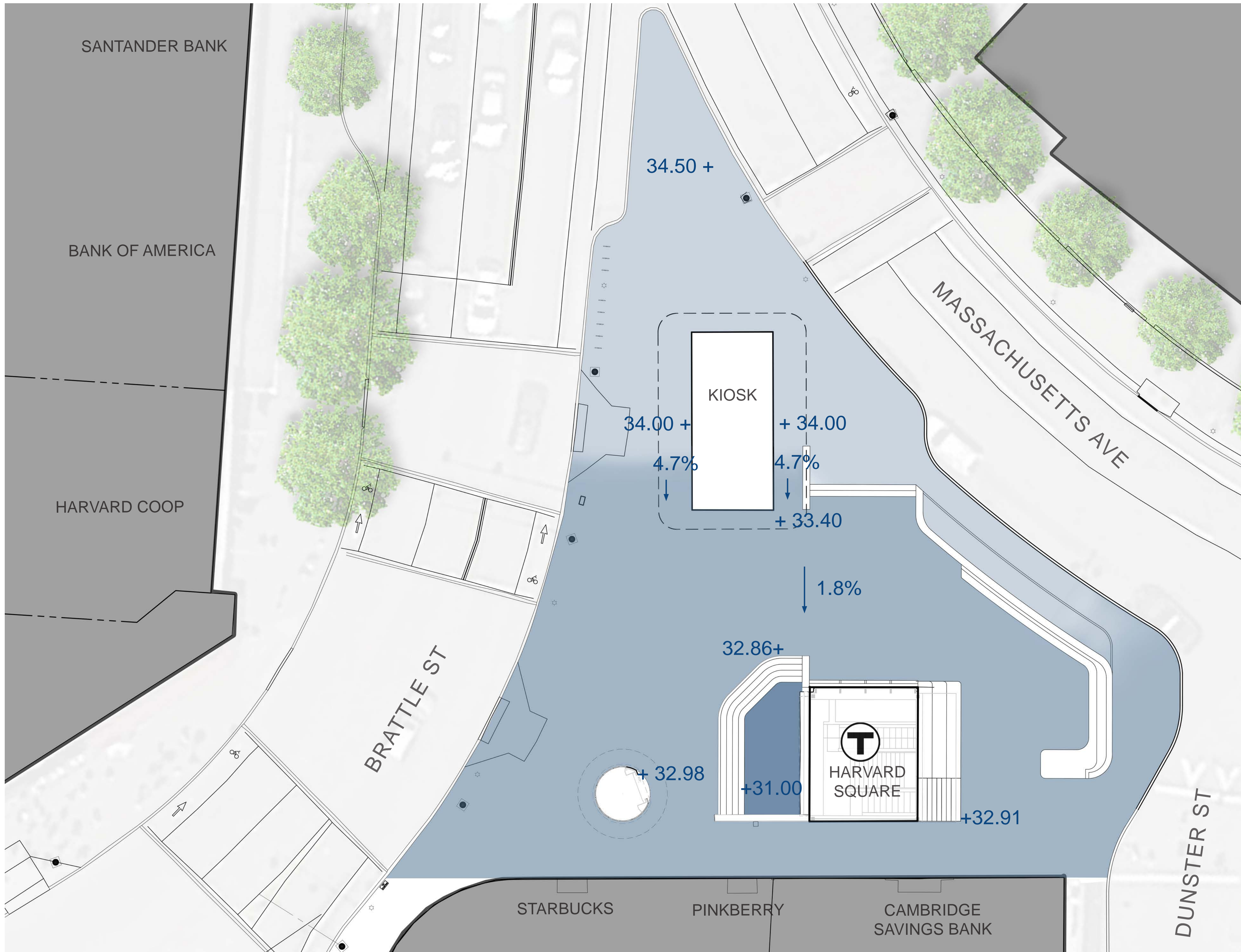
PLAZA IS SUBDIVIDED INTO THREE LEVELS LIMITING CIRCULATION AND USAGE

WEST SIDE OF KIOSK IS 6" HIGHER THAN EAST SIDE RESULTING IN A STEP DOWN OUT OF KIOSK

EXISTING PLAZA SLOPES ARE NOT COMPLIANT WITH CURRENT ADA/MAAB REGULATIONS



EXISTING ELEVATION DIAGRAM



PROPOSED ELEVATION

- UPPER
- INTERMEDIATE
- LOWER

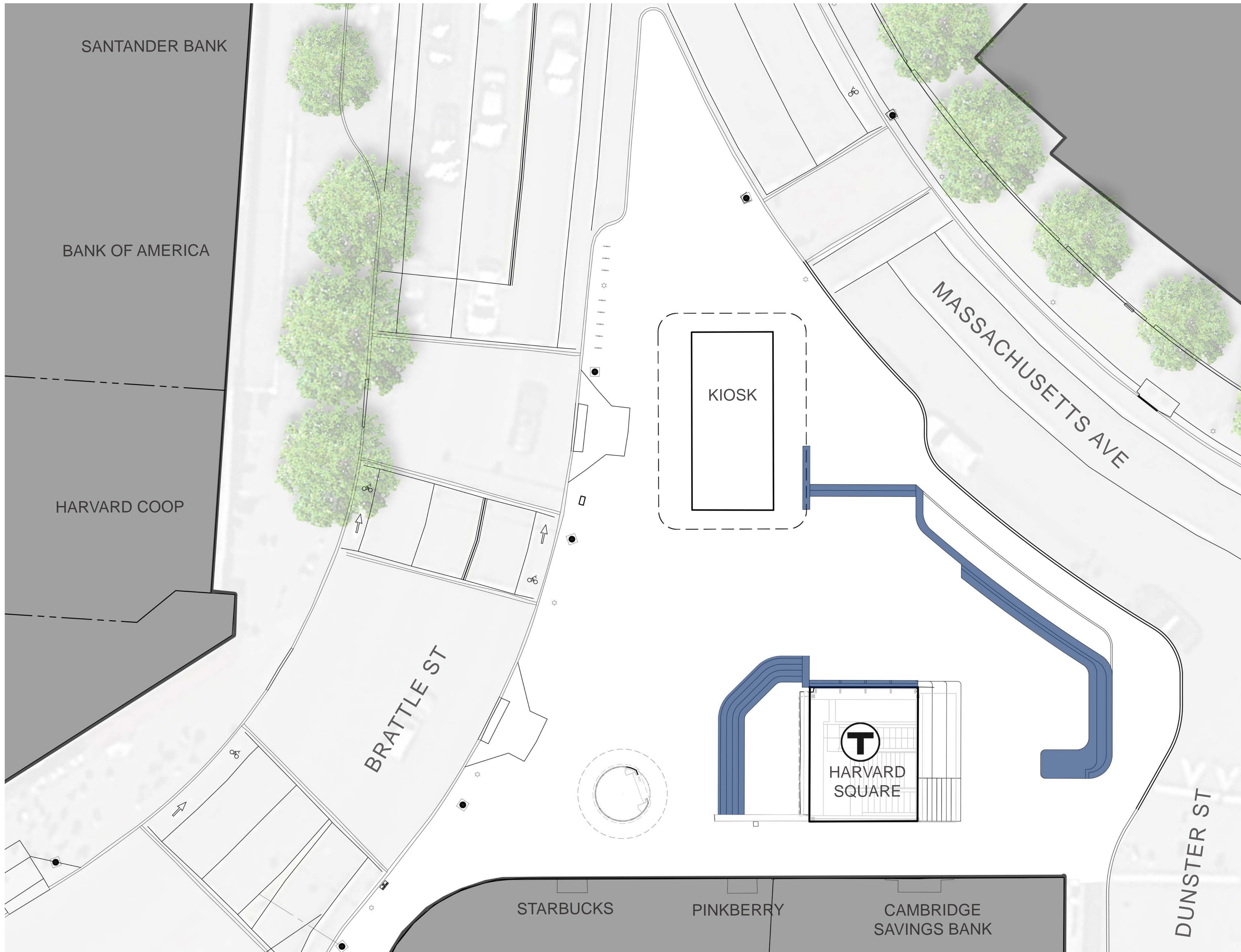
RECONFIGURED STEPS AND WALLS
CREATE ONE LARGER GATHERING
SPACE AT INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

KIOSK ELEVATION IS LOWERED 6"
PROVIDING UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO
BOTH EAST AND WEST ENTRANCES

PLAZA SLOPES ARE COMPLIANT WITH
CURRENT ADA/MAAB REGULATIONS



PROPOSED ELEVATION DIAGRAM



STAIRS AND WALLS

 RETAINING WALLS/STEPS

WALL AND STAIRS REQUIRED TO RETAIN HIGHER ELEVATION OF MASS AVE

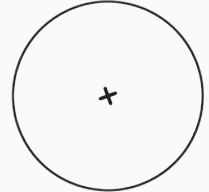
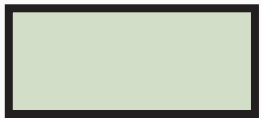
ADDITIONAL RETAINING WALL REQUIRED TO SEPERATE PLAZA FILL FROM MBTA HEADHOUSE FACADE

RECONFIGURED STEPS AND ADDITIONAL RISER AT HEADHOUSE ENTRANCE





TREE PLANTING AREAS

-  PROPOSED TREE LOCATION
-  ADEQUATE SOIL DEPTH FOR FLUSH STREET TREES

STREET TREES PLANTED IN A FLUSH PERMEABLE PAVING CONDITION REQUIRE APPROX. 4' DEPTH FROM FINISH GRADE TO TOP OF STRUCTURE

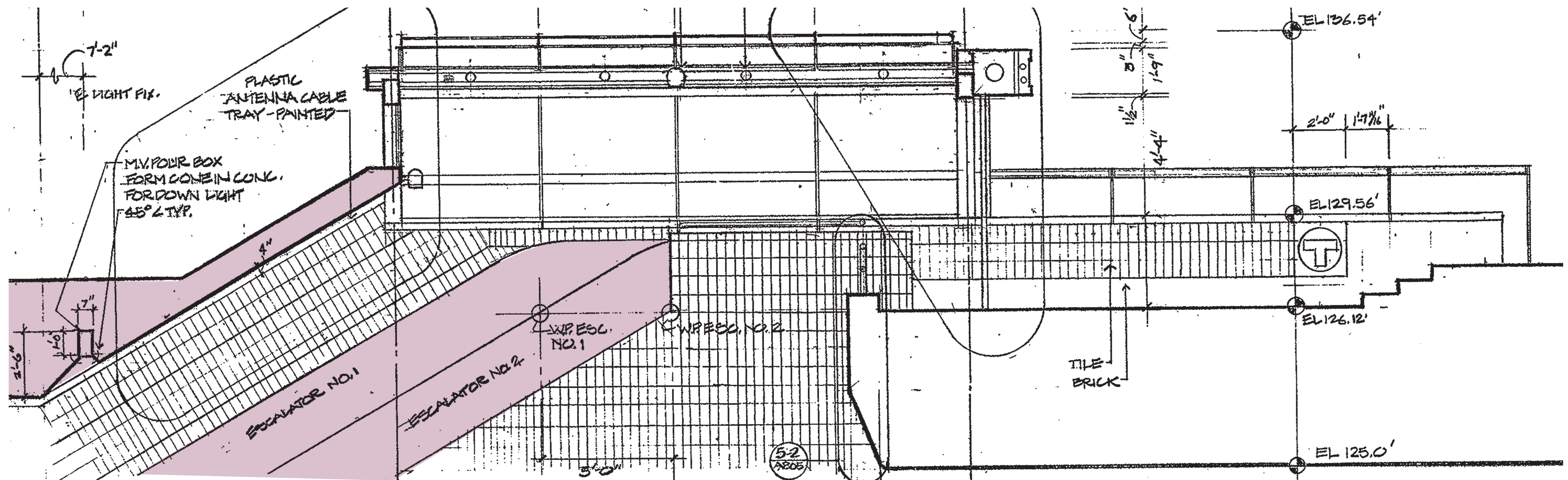
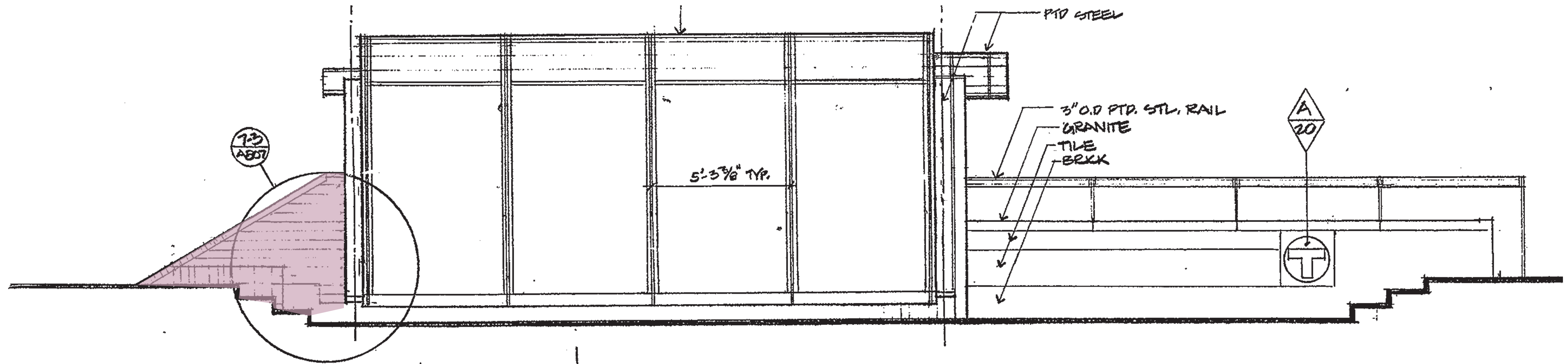
PROPOSED TREES WERE LOCATED OUT OF CIRCULATION ROUTES WHERE THEY COULD FRAME VIEWS TO THE KIOSK



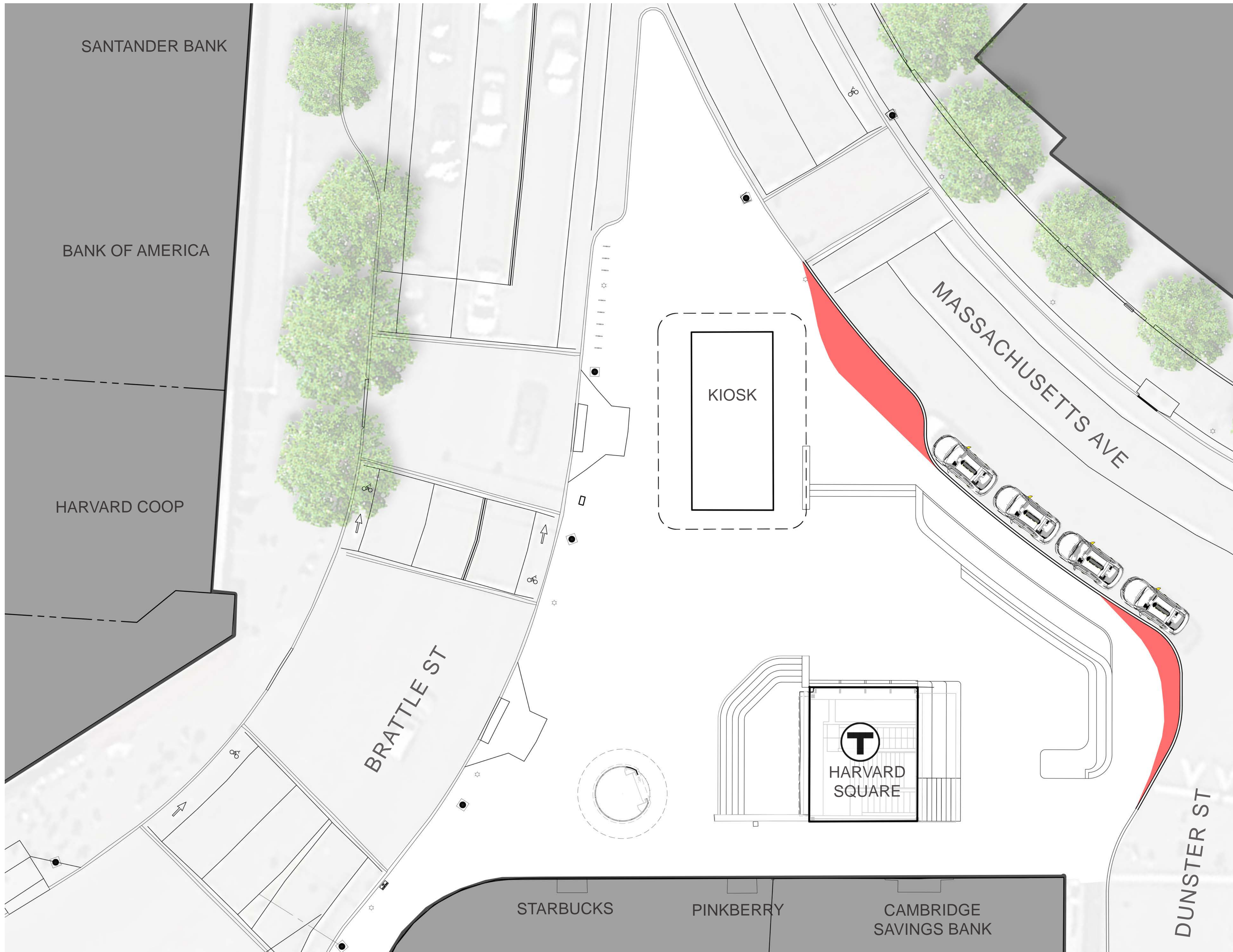
TERRACED SEATING FEATURE

 TERRACED SEATING

POTENTIAL FOR A TERRACED SEATING FEATURE OVER THE EXISTING SLOPED BRICK WALL. MUST BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE MBTA AND DETERMINED STRUCTURALLY FEASIBLE.



HEADHOUSE EXISTING CONDITIONS - SLOPED BRICK REAR FACADE



CURB LINE MODIFICATIONS

EXPANDED PLAZA AREA

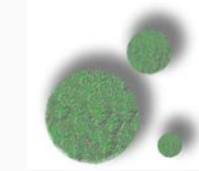
REMOVE ONE TAXI SPACE TO INCREASE PLAZA AREA AROUND KIOSK WHILE MINIMIZING CIRCULATION PINCH POINT

MODIFY CURB LINE TO ACCOMODATE TAXI AT EASTERN EDGE OF PLAZA





ADDITIONAL "GREENING"

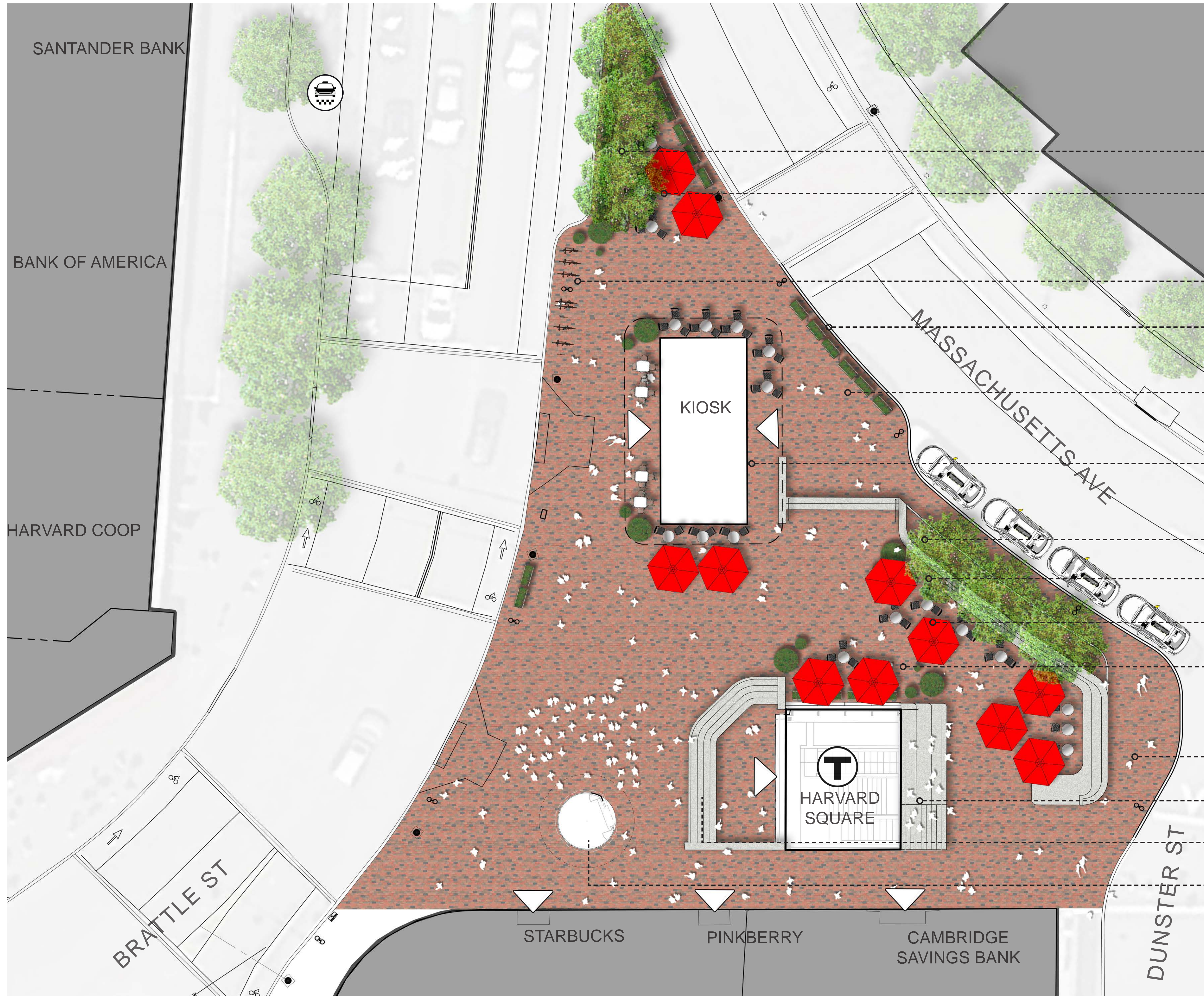


MOVEABLE PLANTERS

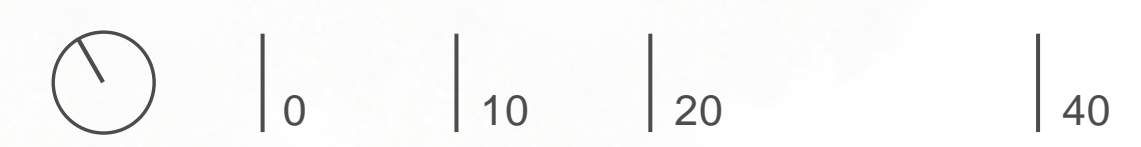
PLANTERS ALONG THE PERIMETER SERVE TO BUFFER THE ROADWAY AND DIRECT PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION

ADDITIONAL PLANTERS CAN BE DEPLOYED THROUGHOUT THE PLAZA ADDING SEASONAL INTEREST





- TREES IN PERMEABLE PAVERS
- TABLES AND CHAIRS
- BIKE RACKS
- PLANTERS AND BOLLARDS TO ENHANCE SPACE
- REMOVE ONE TAXI SPACE TO AMELIORATE PINCH POINT
- LOWER FINISH GRADE OF KIOSK FOR ACCESSIBILITY
- TREES IN PERMEABLE PAVERS
- RETAINING SEAT WALL
- TABLES AND CHAIRS
- LEVEL FLEXIBLE PLAZA SPACE
- WIDENED SIDEWALK
- TERRACED SEATING FEATURE
- RECONFIGURED STAIRS
- NEW GLASS MBTA ELEVATOR





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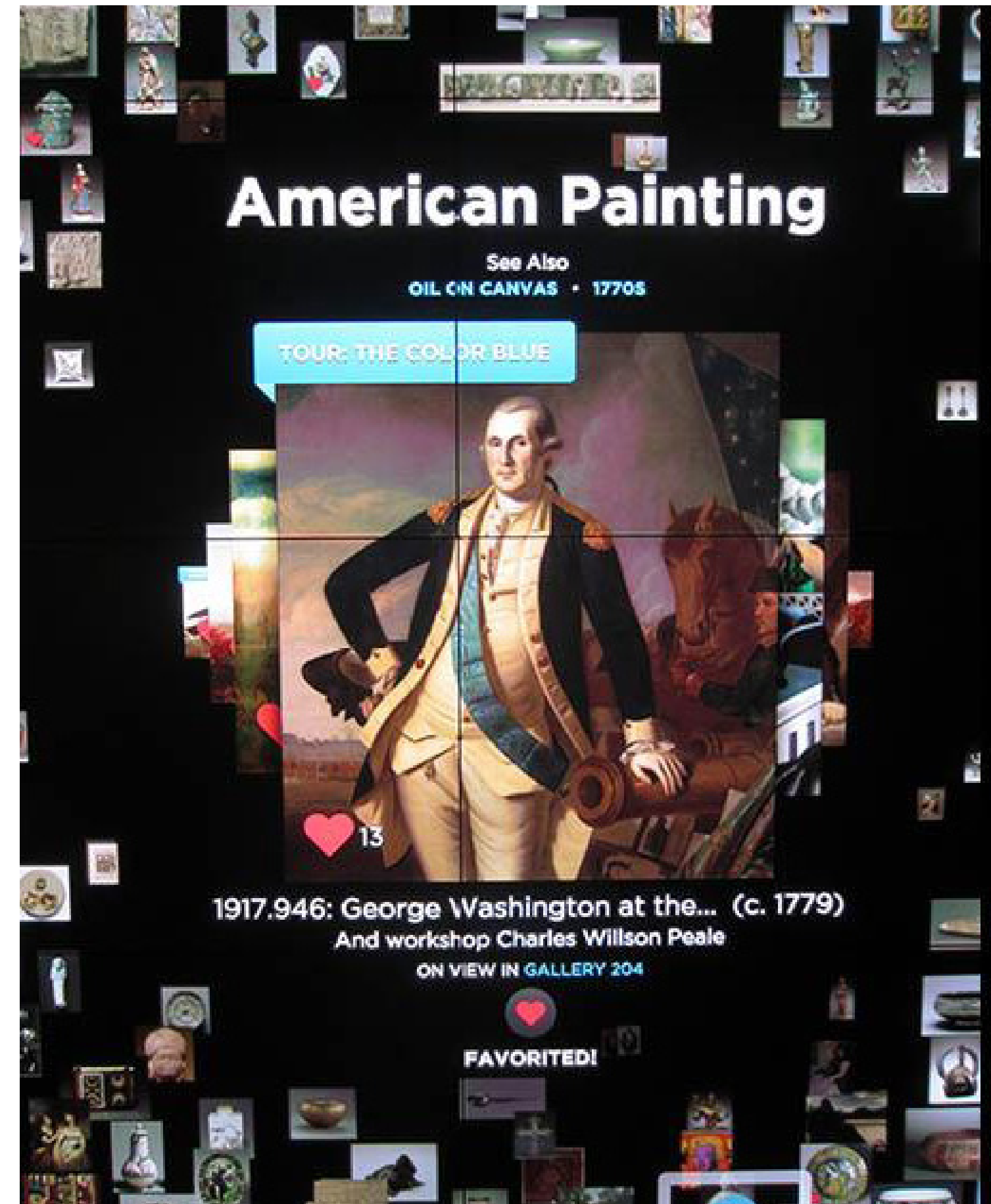
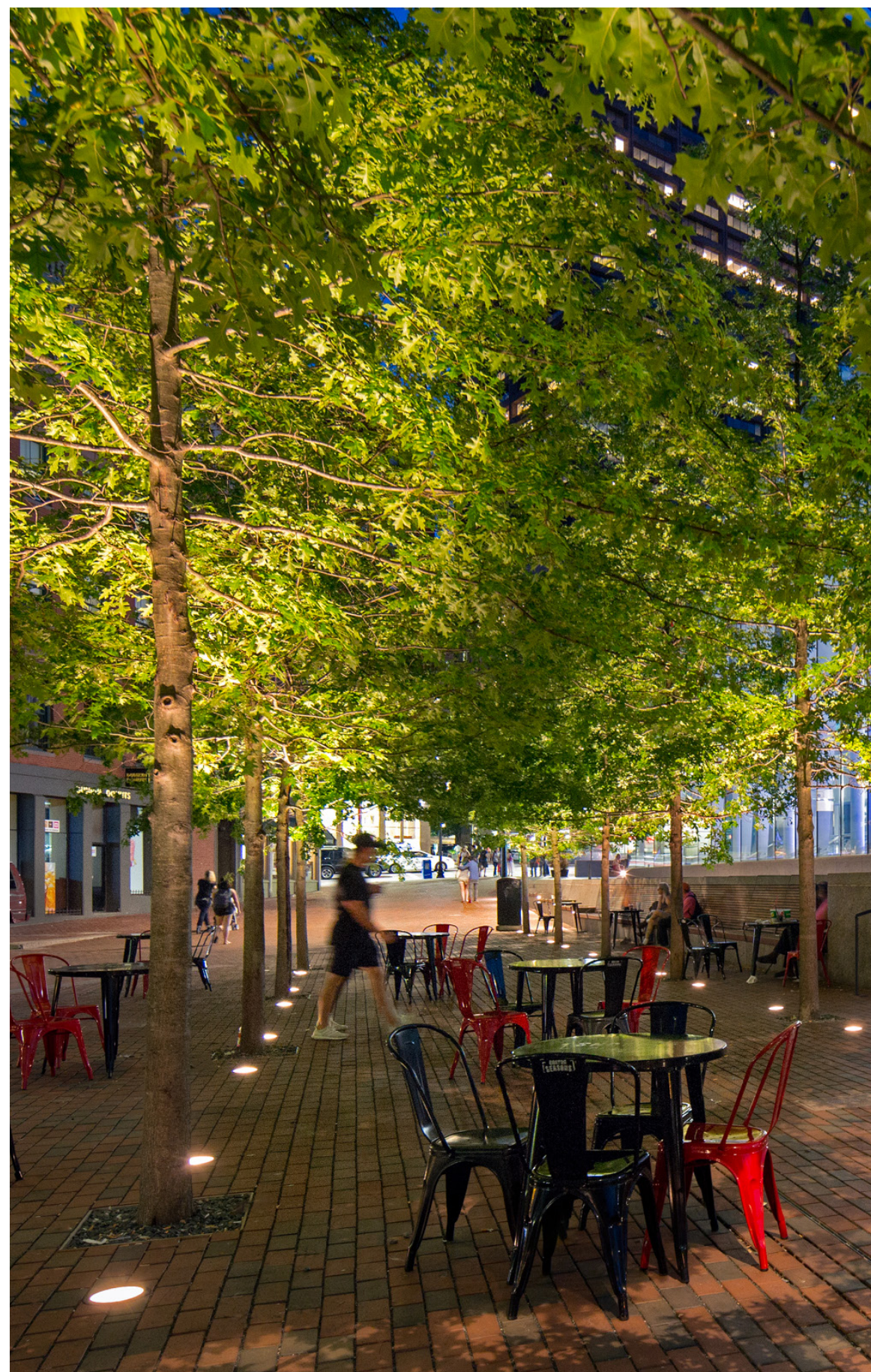
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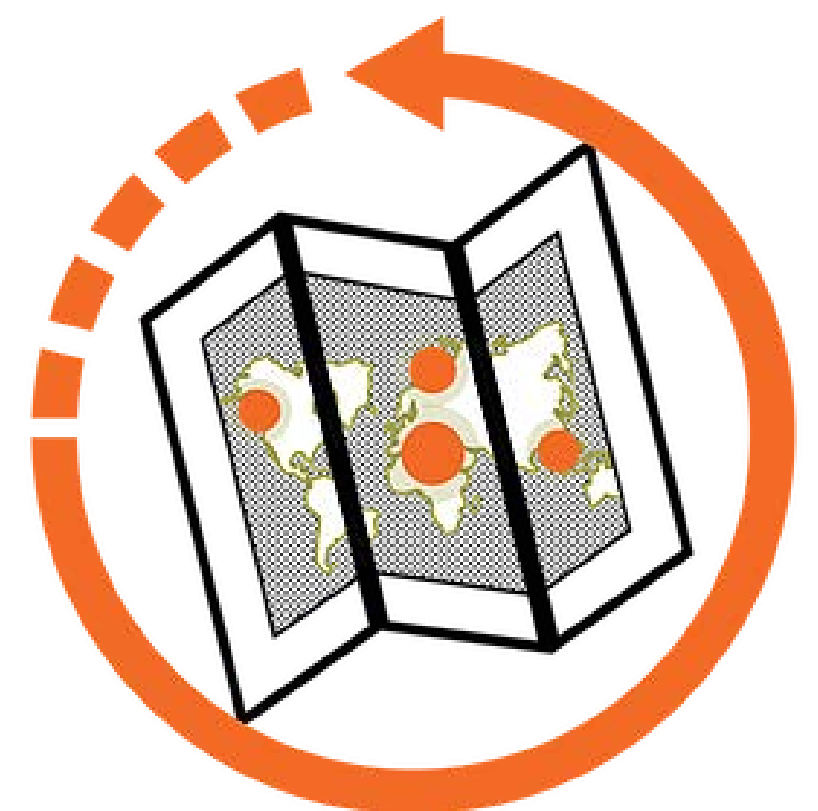
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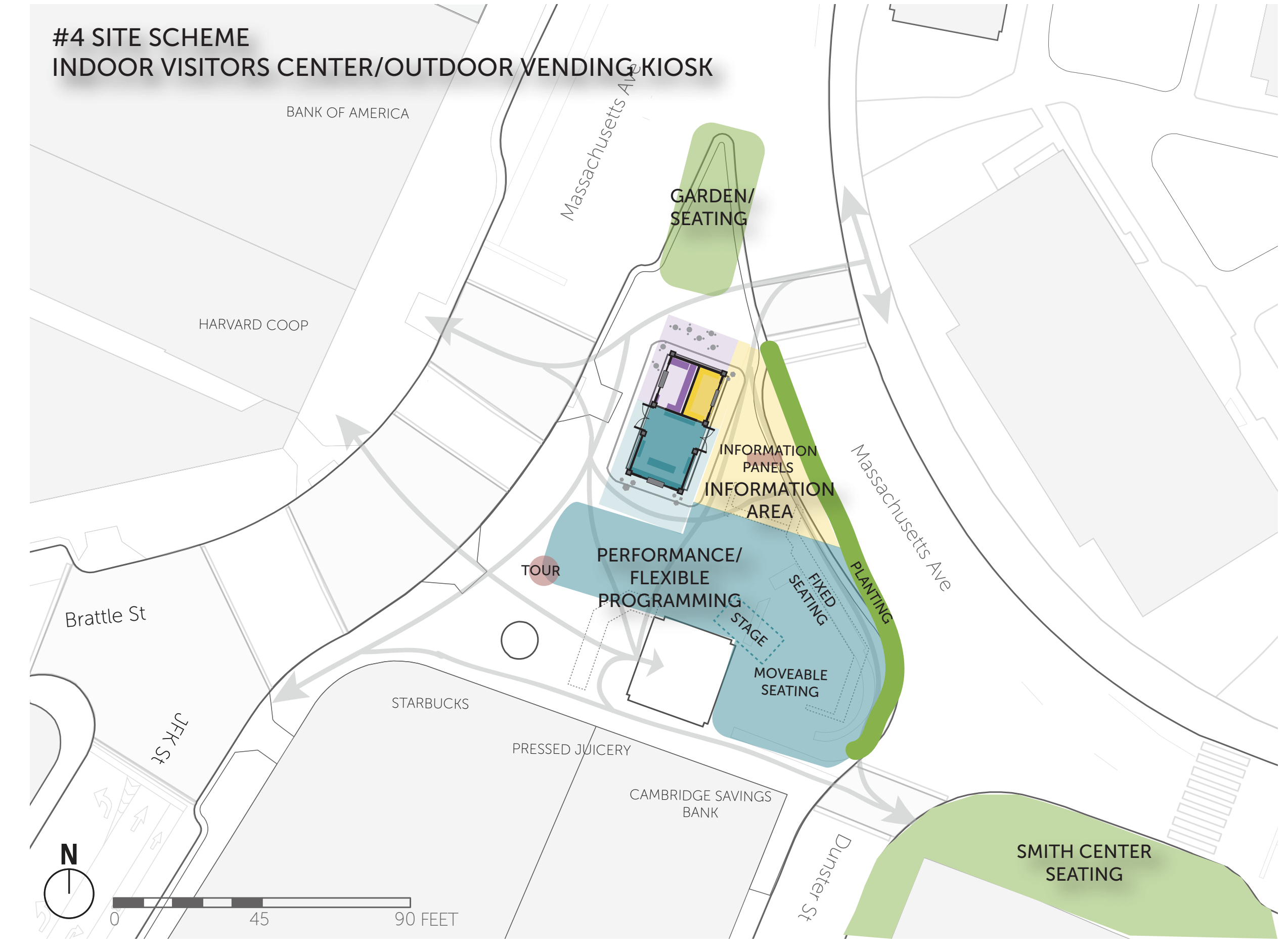
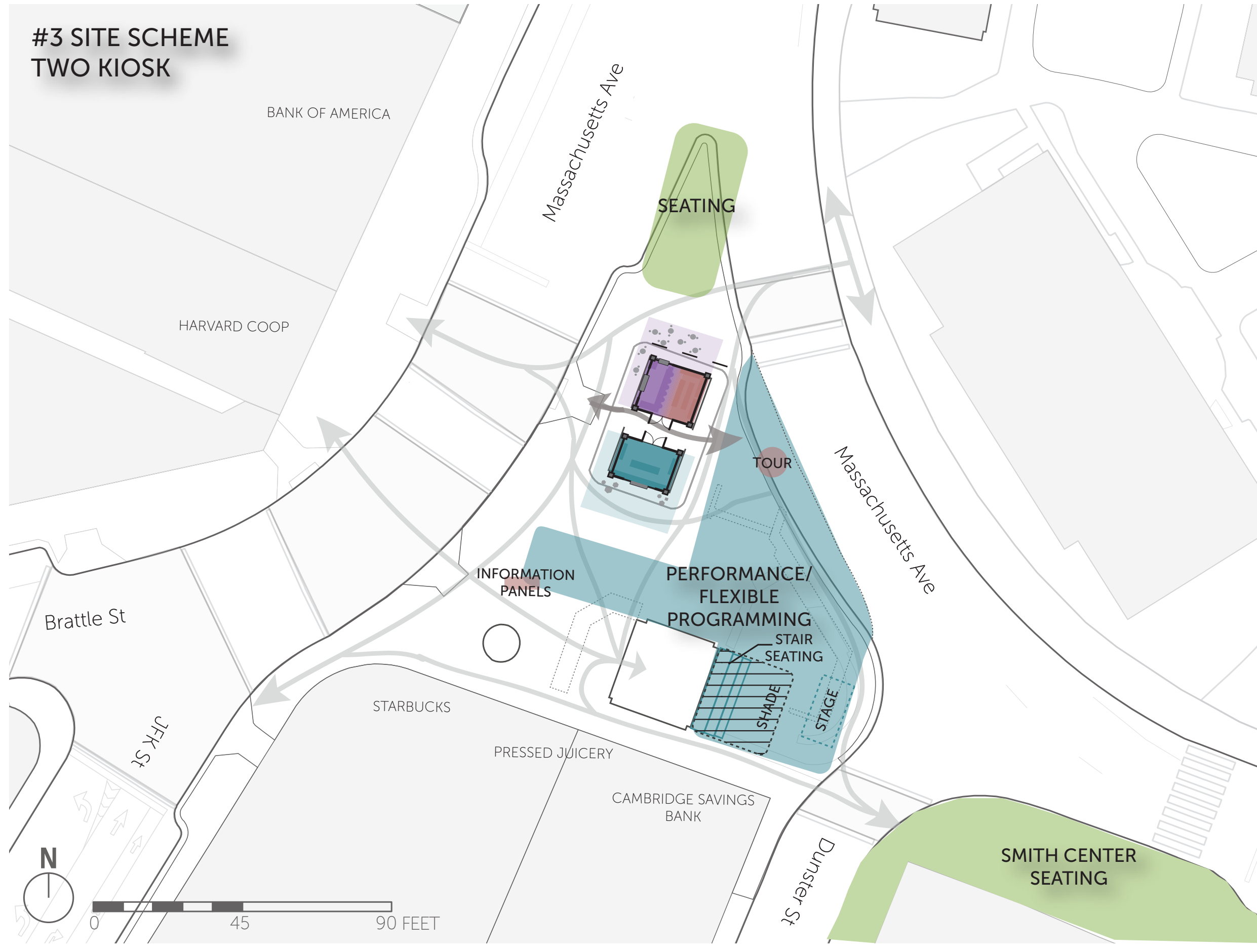
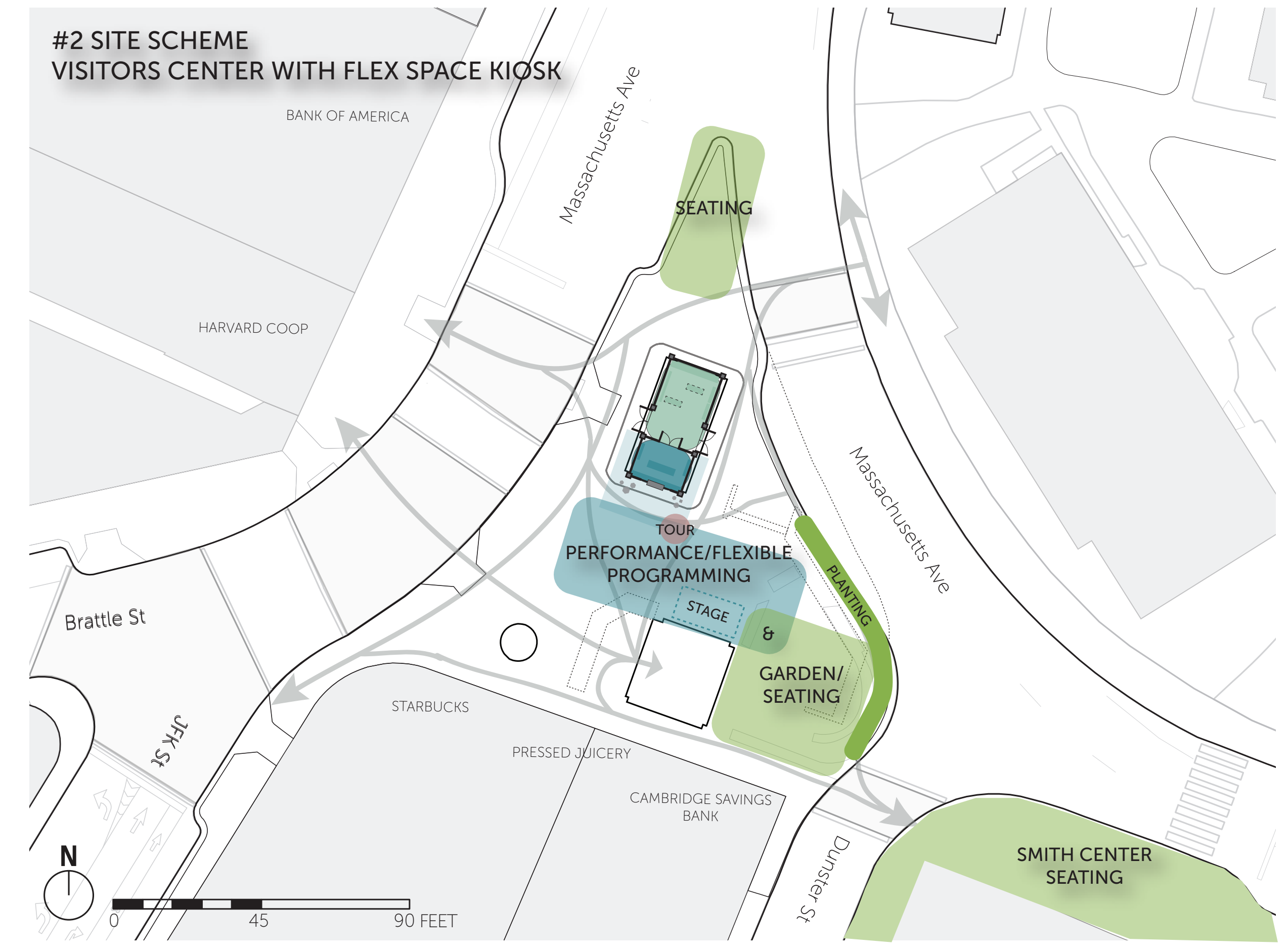
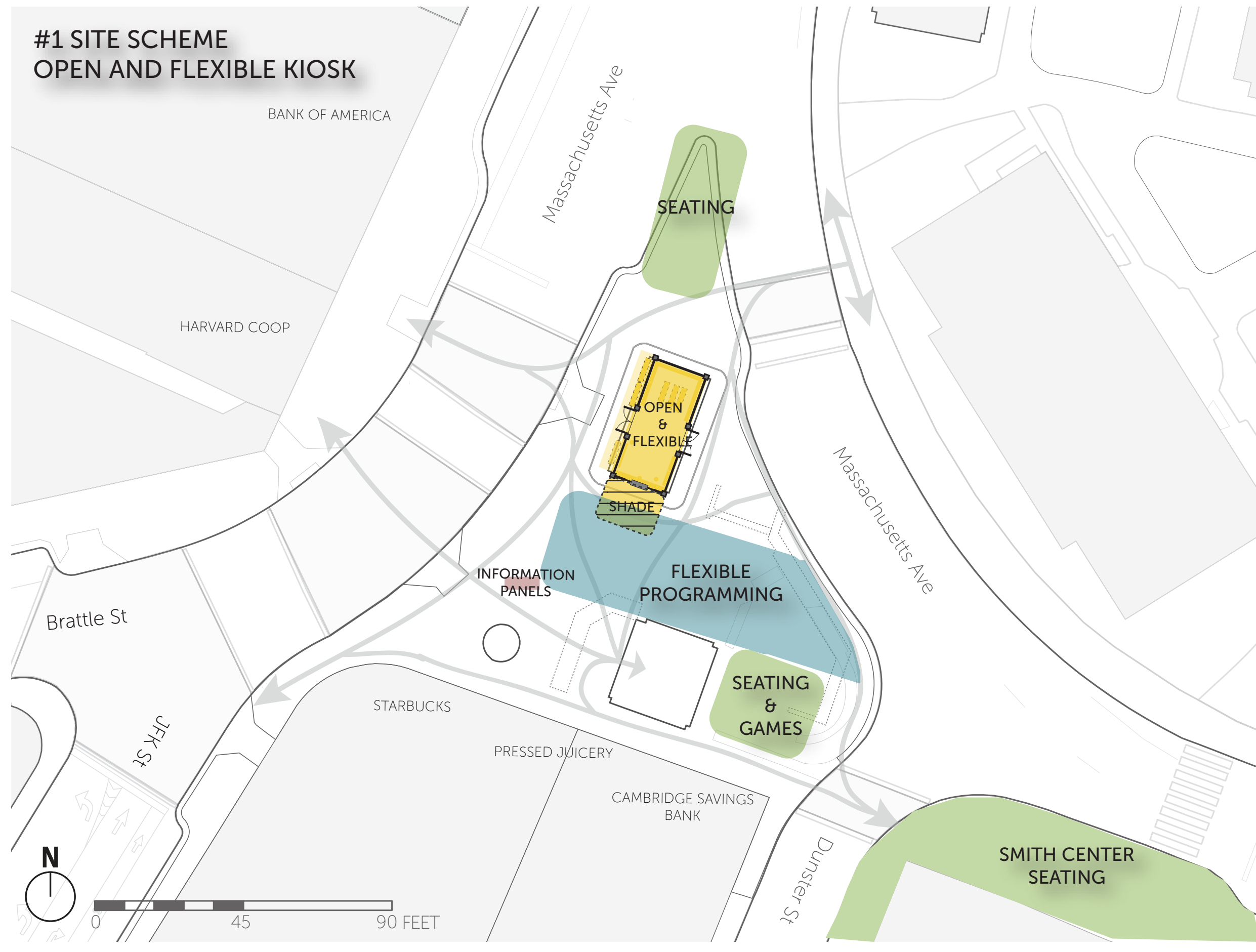
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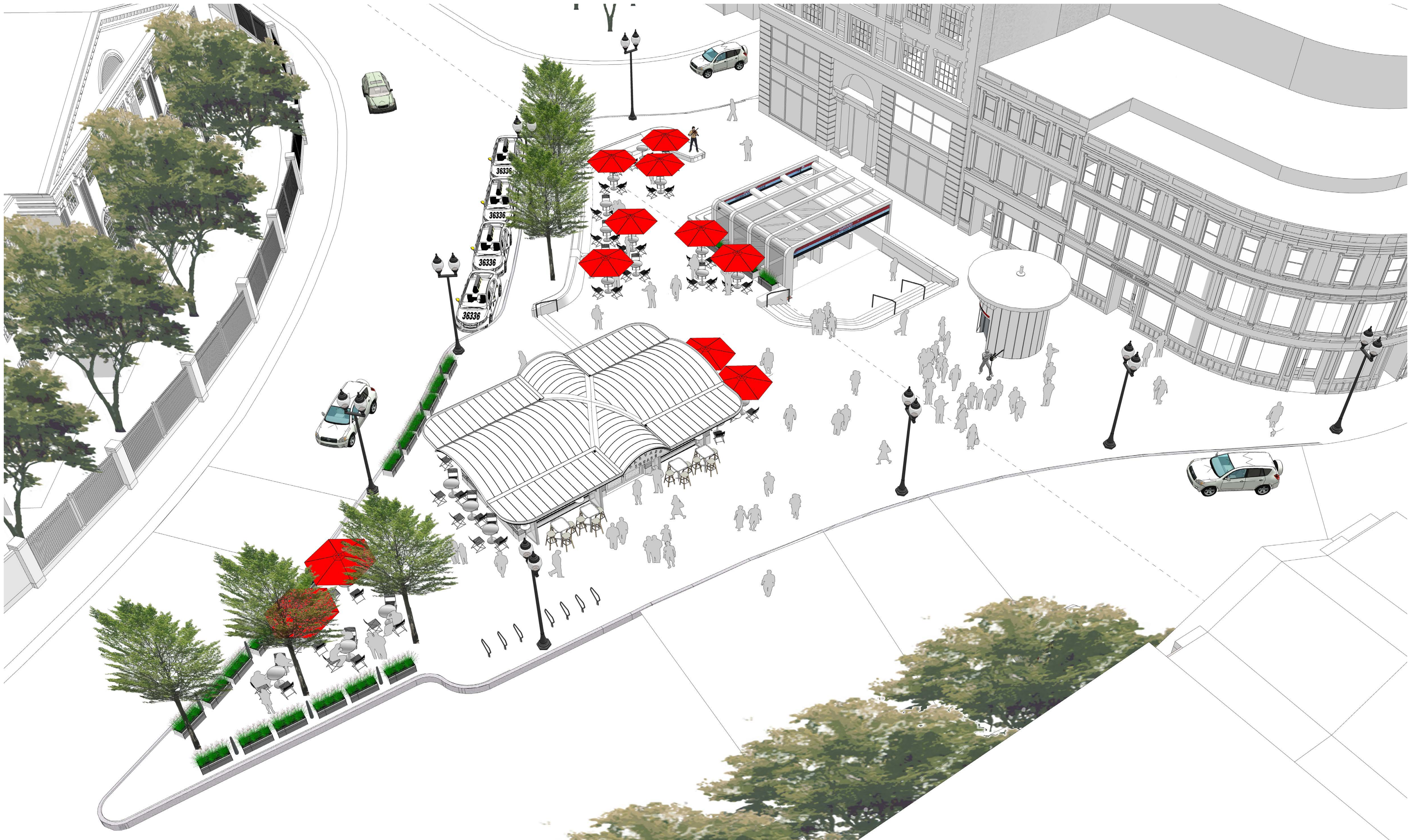


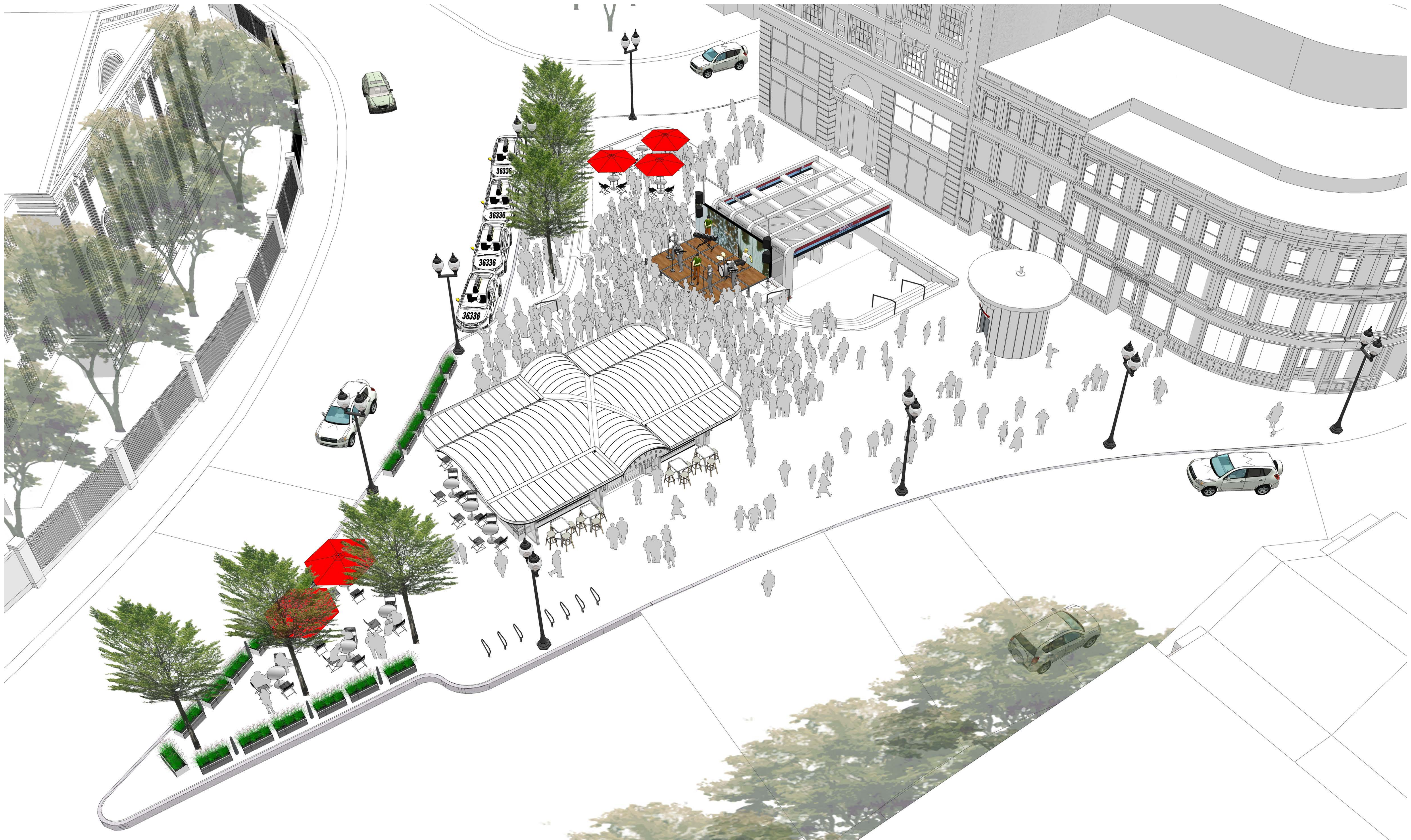
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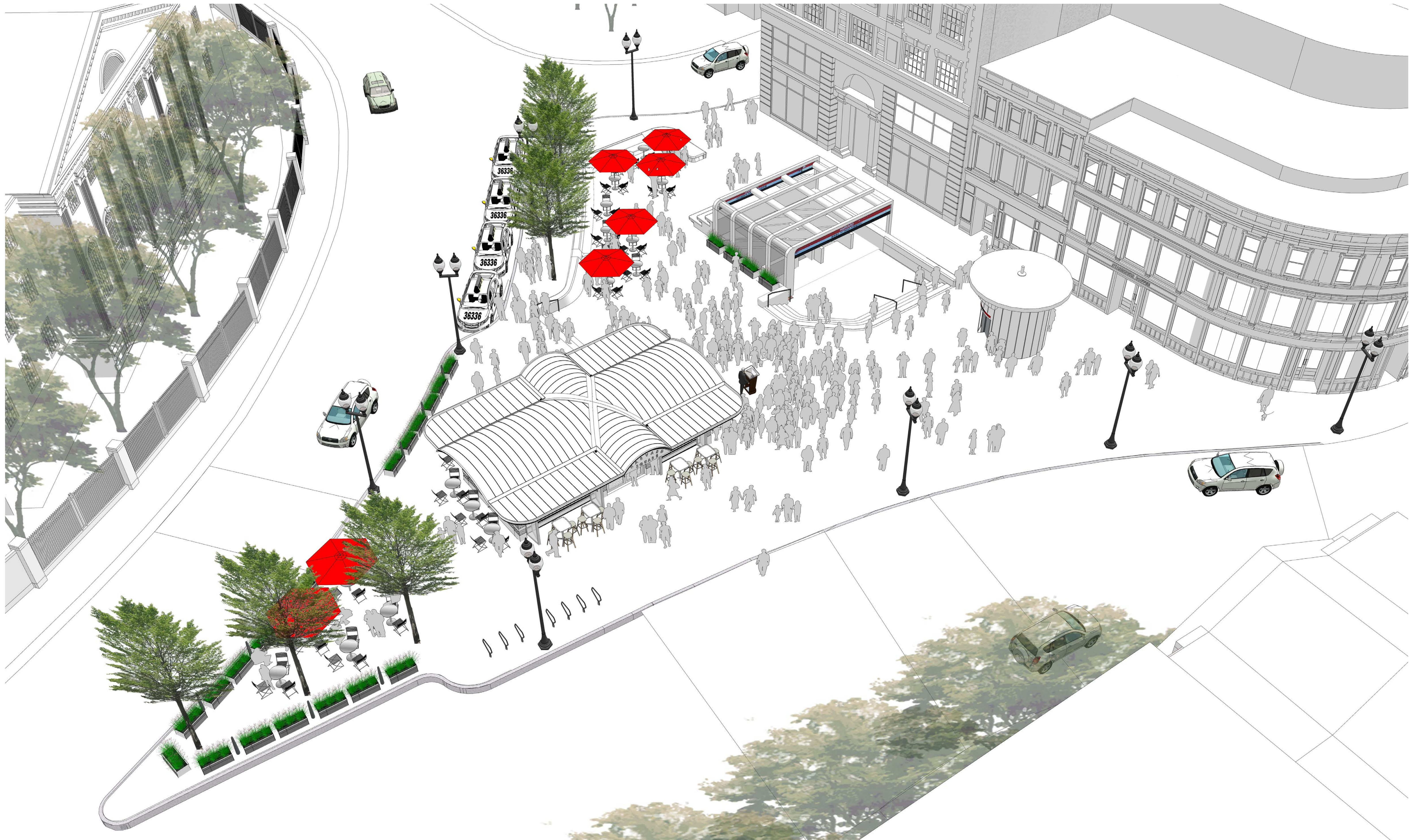
- SEATING AREAS
- TABLE GAMES
- TOUR GROUPS
- STREET PERFORMERS

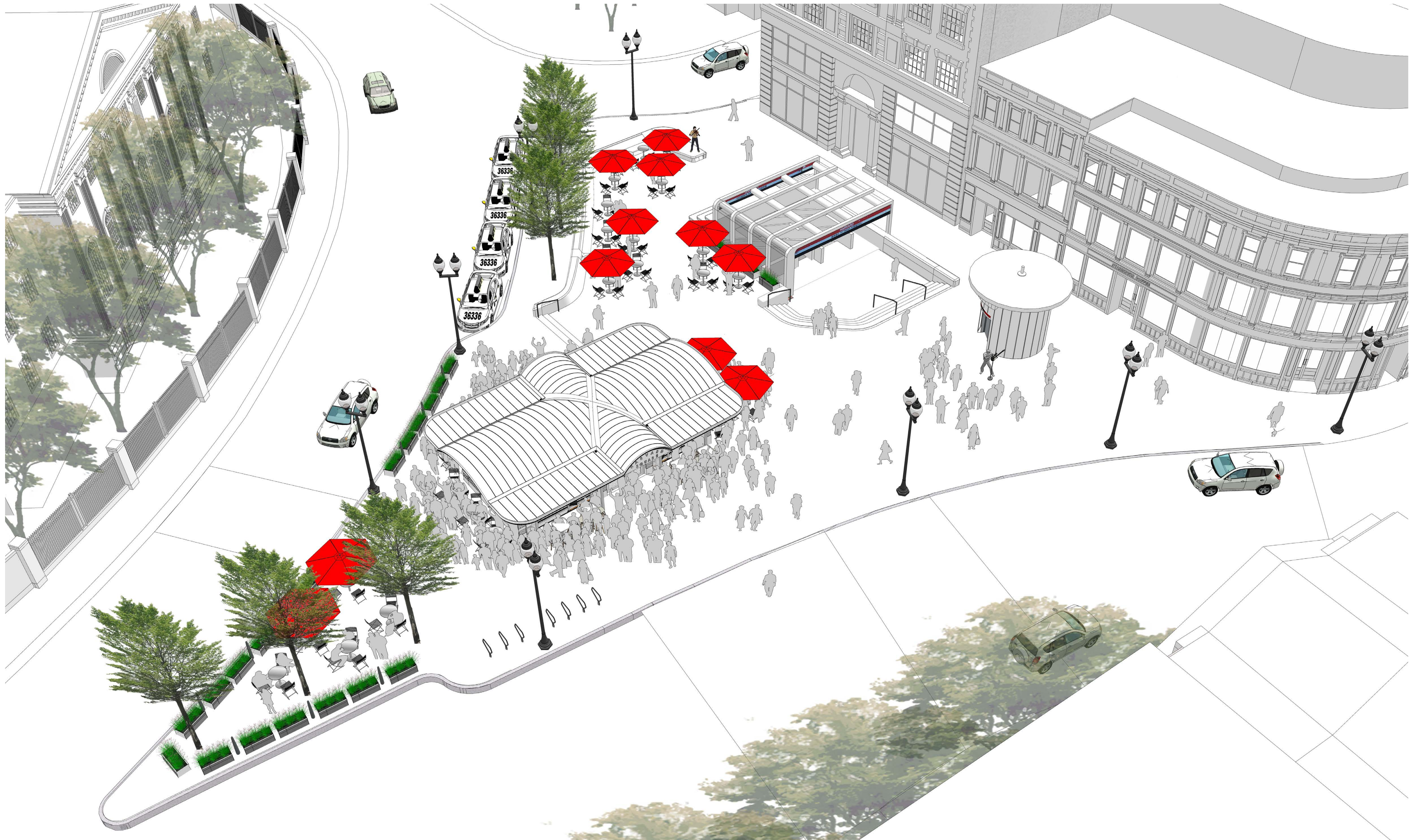
TEMPORARY USES

- PUBLIC PIANO
- ARTISTIC SCULPTURE/SEATING
- STORYTELLING
- FACE PAINTING
- TABLING FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS
- ART VENDORS
- FARMER/FLEA MARKET
- FOOD FESTIVALS
- RALLIES
- PERFORMANCES





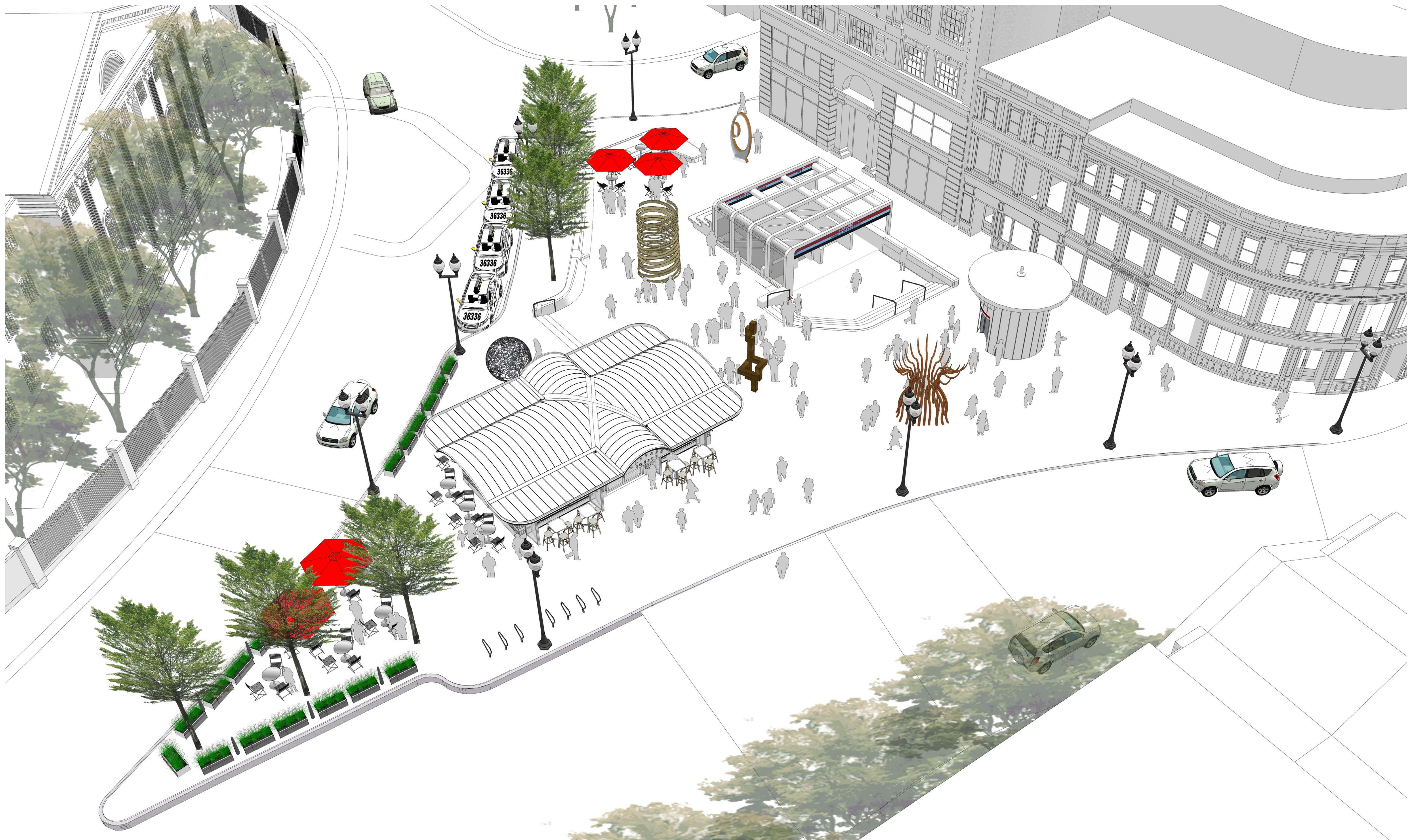




PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES - TEMPORARY USES - KIOSK PERFORMANCE



PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES - TEMPORARY USES - FLEA/FARMERS MARKET



PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES - TEMPORARY USES - ART/SCULPTURE EXHIBIT

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