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East Lansing Park District Renovation



Connections of Scale Studio

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Project Introduction











The challenge for this site was to redesign a section of downtown East Lansing at a few of its critical transitional points. The current site is under-utilized and doesn't match the more modern feel of the city and university. This design brings this little piece of East Lansing up to date with modern materials, functional and social spaces, and a collaborative spirit that bridges the gap between the school and the city.

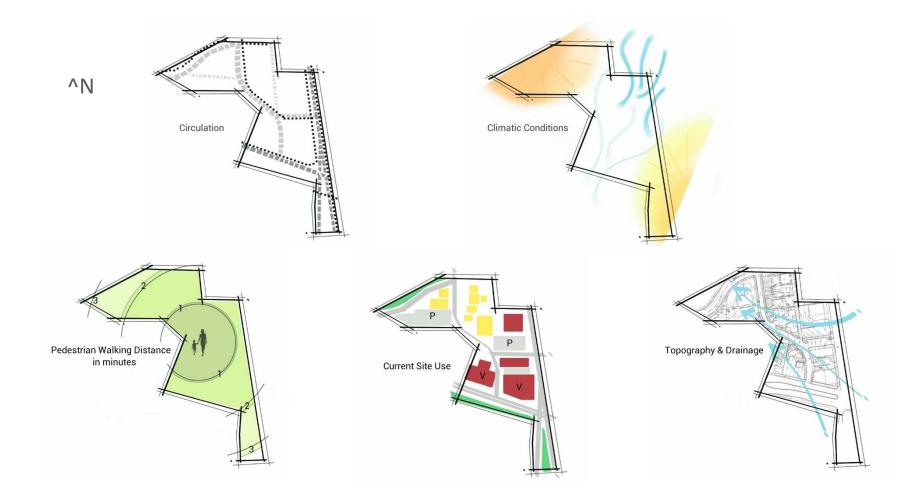
Analysis Thumbnails











Current Site Layout









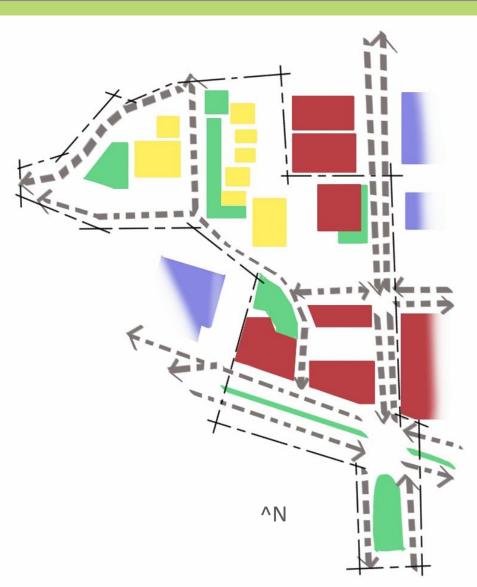


Little Connectivity

- Sparse
- Automobile Oriented
- Lacks Unity
- No Main Attraction

Adjacent to Notable Places

- ✓ Valley Court Park
- ✓ The People's Church
- ✓ Michigan State
 University
- ✓ City Hall
- ✓ Dublin Square



Post Analysis Site Layout Riser









Strong Directional Movement

Green Space

• Promotes Pedestrian Use

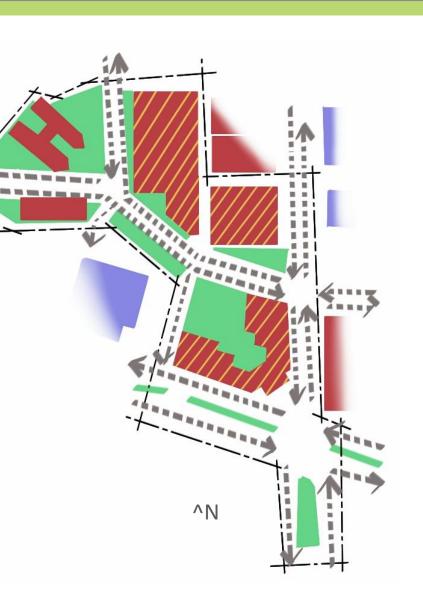
Strong Unity

 Several Major Nodes/Points of Interest

Connects to the Surrounding Spaces

Adjacent to Notable Places

- ✓ Valley Court Park
- ✓ The People's Church
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- ✓ Renovated Dublin Square



Concept: Process

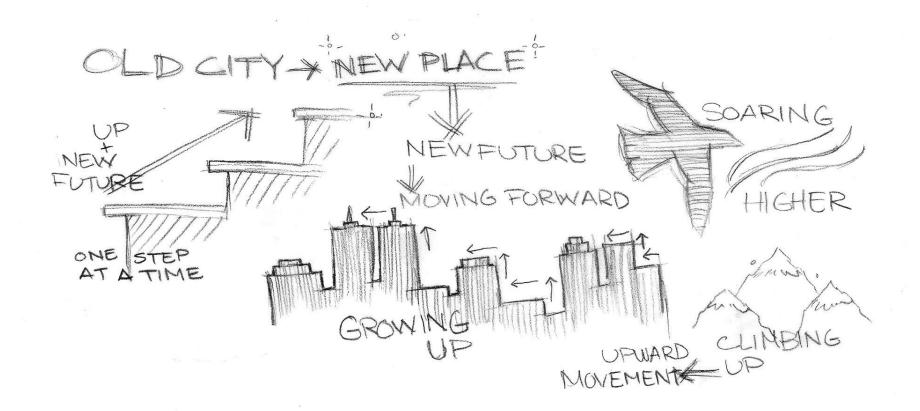












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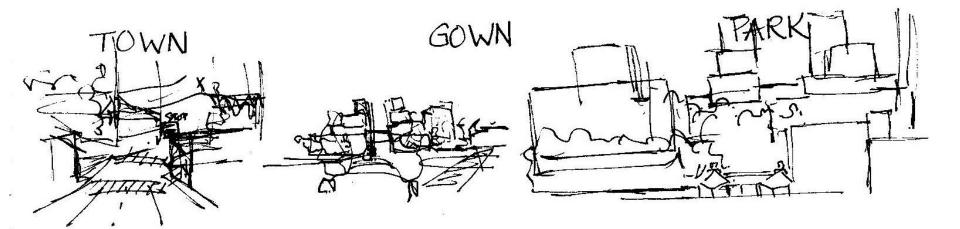








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Concept Statement











Life is a like staircase, traveled one step forward and one step up.

At times we make this journey alone, toward a personal future only we can achieve. Other times we come together as a force, building upward toward new heights. The communities of East Lansing and Michigan State University are one such combined force. They are tied together by a shared history and common goals for the future.

Master Plan











Program Elements









- Plaza/Arcade
- Beer Garden
- Outdoor Games
- Farmers Market
- Ice Skating
- Pedestrian Walkways
- Open air seating/ Picnic

- Mixed Use Buildings
- On Street Parking
- Public Transit Shelters
- Outdoor Cafe' Space
- Urban Grocery
- Pools and Fountains

City Skyline

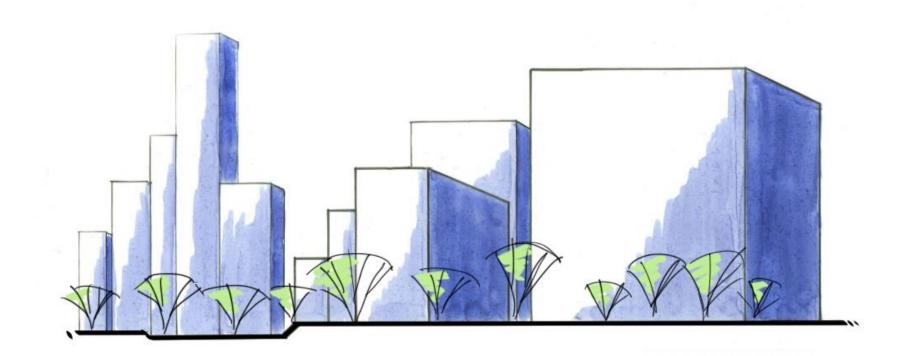












Buildings

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Parking, Coffee Shop, Mixed Use





Building A

Hotel, Retail, Irish Pub, Café, Commercial

Building B

Retail, Urban Grocery, Retail, Small Restaurants, Small Business Building C Retail, Specialty Grocery, Bakery, Atrium, Small **Business Building D** Mixed Use Parking Garage Structure

Building E

Main Plaza











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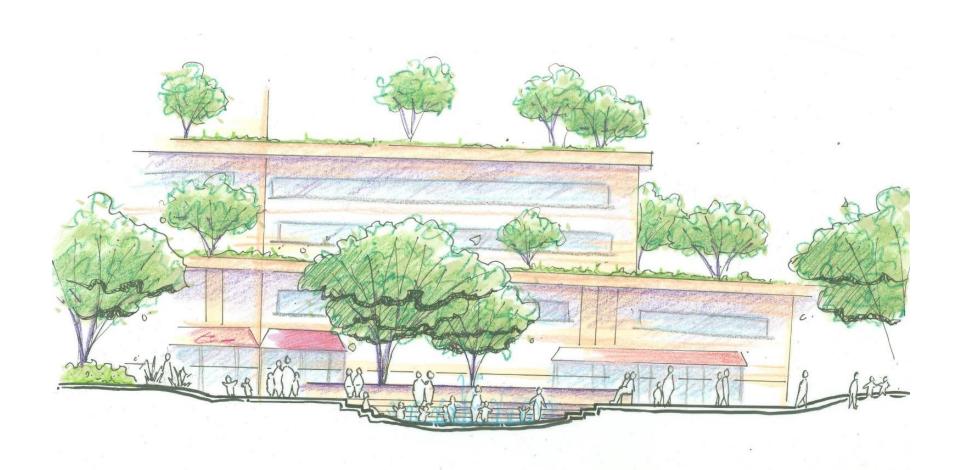
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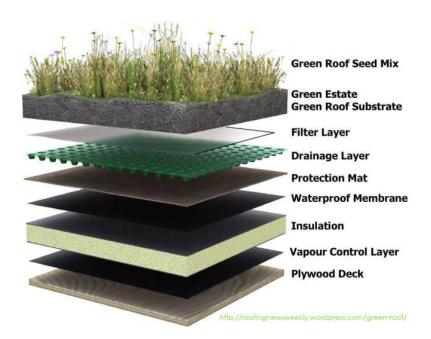
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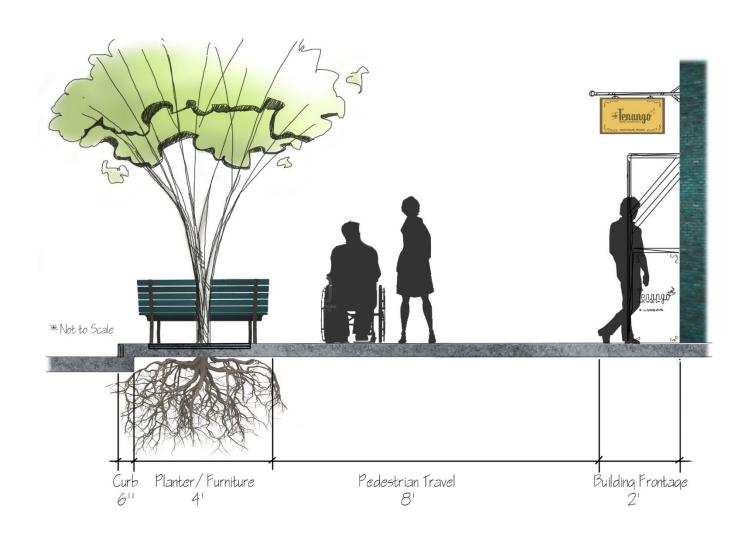
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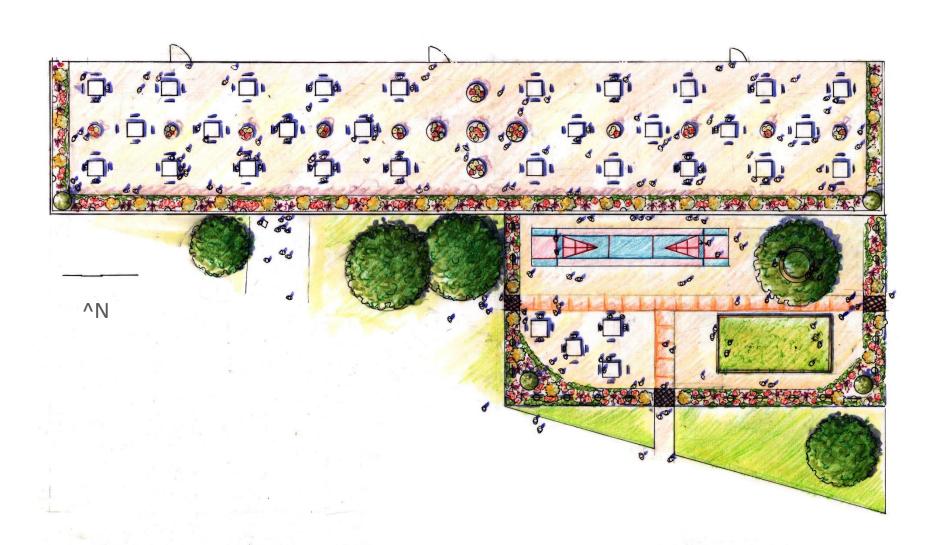
Beer Garden











Beer Garden Details

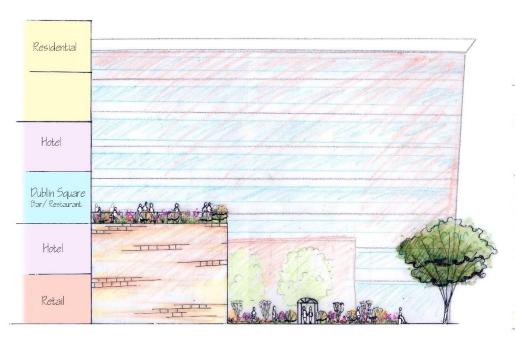


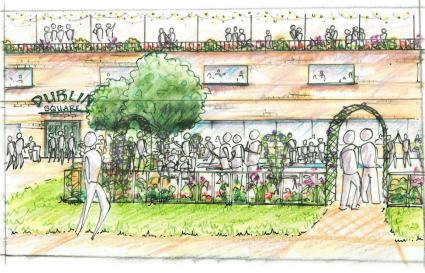












Beer Garden Plants

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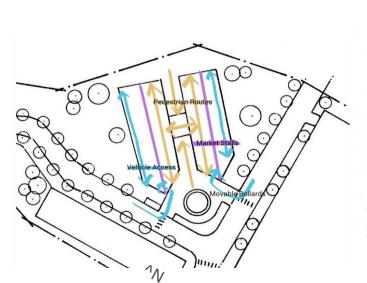
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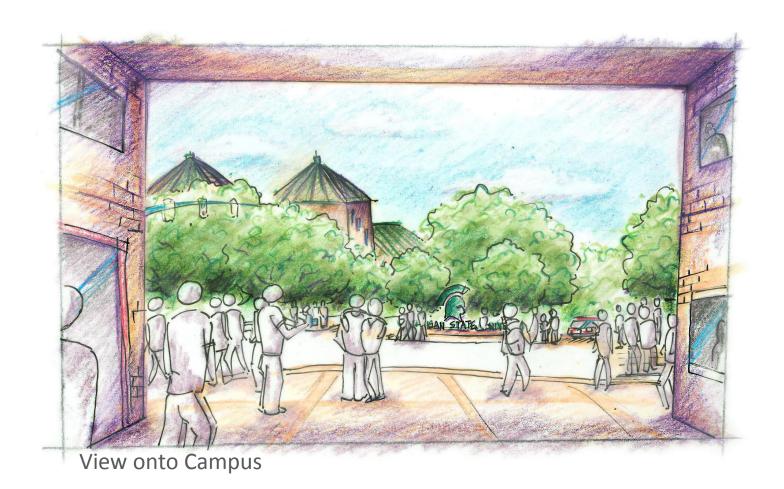














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Life is like a staircase

It takes only takes one step to climb toward a new future