THE LEGION HOUSE 359 KENT STREET

SPECIAL URBAN DESIGN REVIEW

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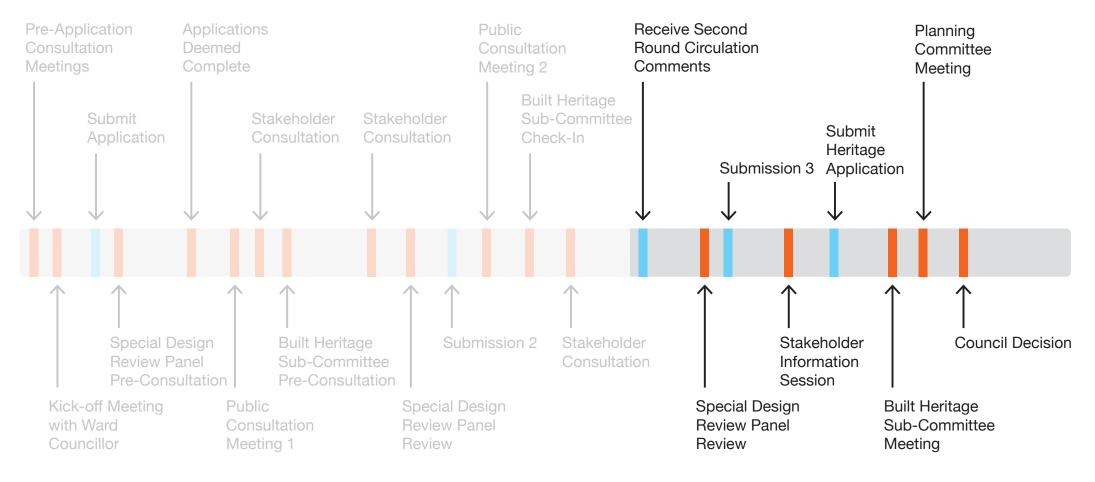




PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- 1. Introduction + Agenda
- 2. Process Update
- 3. Comment Themes and Responses
- 4. Revised Design Proposal
 - 4.0 Architectural Strategy
 - 4.1 Sustainability Strategy
 - 4.2 Landscape Strategy

PROCESS UPDATE SECOND ROUND CONSULTATION

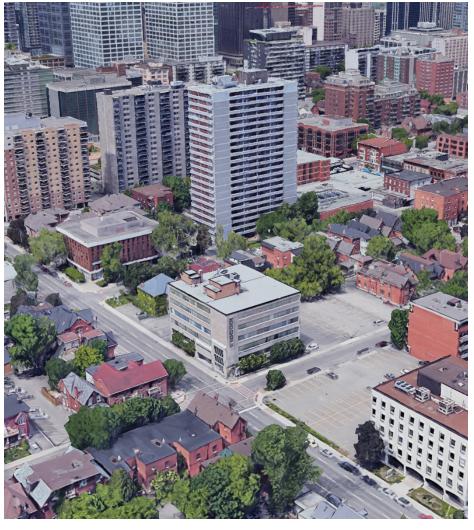


Project Website (for project updates, feedback opportunities, announcements, etc.)

AS WE HEARD IT KEY COMMENT THEMES

Throughout first round consultation with stakeholders, the following themes were identified and have been addressed:

HERITAGE	A key piece of feedback from the City and the Design Review Panel has been the retention and integration of the Legion House
COMMUNITY BENEFIT	Contribution of a civic use space and landscape treatment adding greenery to the perimeter of the site
SUSTAINABILITY	Project team has proposed sustainability performance targets based on consultation with City Staff and feedback from stakeholders
BUILDING HEIGHT	Tower has been reduced from 34 to 30 storeys and podium from 8 to 5 storeys
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	Taggart continues to work with the City on providing affordable housing within the development
ICONIC ARCHITECTURE	This work continues and has been shaped by the retention and integration of the Legion House facade



PROPOSED DESIGN UPDATE



CONTEXT CURRENT CONDITIONS

MACLARENST

GILMOURST

Existing Heritage HomesLegion BuildingSurface Parking Lot

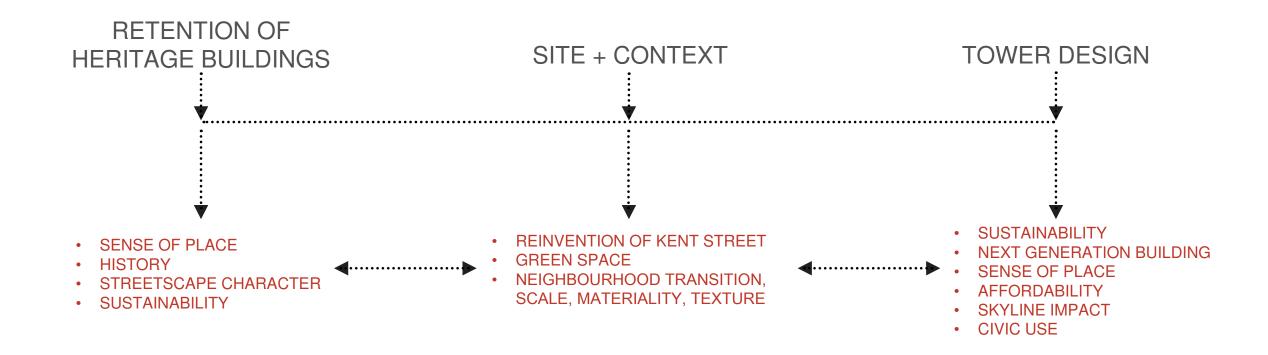
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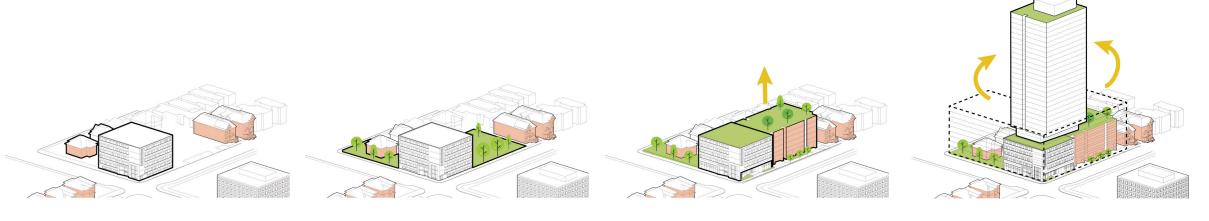
- Restore two heritage homes on MacLaren Street
- Retain six storey Legion Building in current location
- Creates intimate entrance plaza between new building and heritage homes
- Provides adequate setback for tower above level six
- Linear green space along Kent Street with intimate entrance plaza space



ARCHITECTURAL STRATEGY DESIGN SHAPERS



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(1) Existing Conditions (2) Retain heritage homes + Legion building's South and West facades

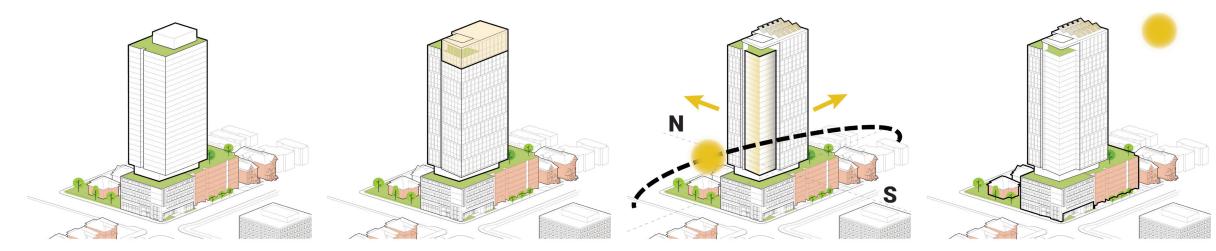
Add green space

(3) Podium height references existing Legion building height and creates transition to the abutting neighbourhood

Elevate green space

Open ground floor of Legion to recreate a two-storey ground plane and increase site porosity (4) Reallocation of permitted nine-storey density into tower form at the prominent corner of Kent and Gilmour, away from neighbouring homes

Tower height regulated by Parliamentary viewplane



(5) Simplicity of form, reduction of stepbacks, and minimal balcony projections improves building efficiency

Additional green space at level 30 rooftop

(6) Three-storey grid provides high performing building envelope due to limited glazing

Architectural language extends to the crown to encapsulate mechanical equipment, shade rooftop terrace, and create skyline impact (7) Tower envelope selectively opened up and form strategically angled to capture solar energy through the use of roof-mounted and integrated solar photovoltaic systems (8) Proposed Design

ARCHITECTURAL STRATEGY PROPOSED DESIGN

SITE ORGANIZATION DIAGRAM

- Preservation of heritage houses for important community use & activation of public realm
- 2 Preservation and incorporation of heritage facades
- 3 Transformation of parking into active public realm and reimagined green space
- 4 Shifted tower away from Kent Street, and reduced podium to five storeys



PROPOSED DESIGN

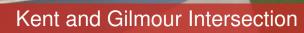
Kent and MacLaren Intersection

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New entrance off of Kent Street

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SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

Vision for a sustainable landmark building that embodies best practices in building performance integrating climate-conscious design choices

4 CORE OBJECTIVES:

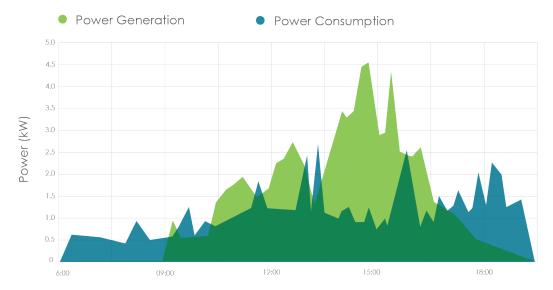
- 1. High Performance Building
- 2. Operational Energy Disclosure
- 3. Life-Cycle Assessment of Construction Materials
- 4. Construction Waste Management



SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDING

- Design of building systems informed by experience with dozens of residential tower projects completed under equivalent standards
- Capacity for on-site renewable energy generation to replace fossil fuel systems and/or grid electricity will be assessed
- Operational energy generation and consumption to be reported through real-time dashboard

REAL-TIME ENERGY DASHBOARD

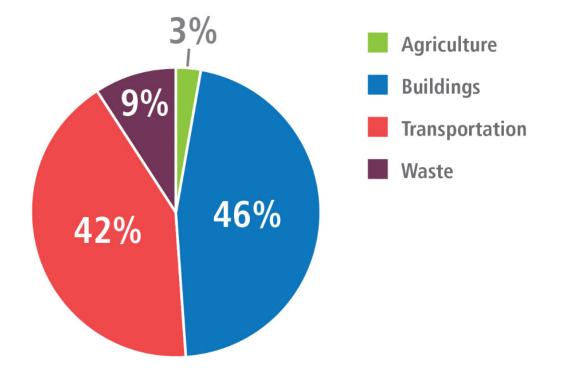




SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY OPERATIONAL ENERGY DISCLOSURE



- Building will enrol in the Better Buildings Ottawa benchmarking and auditing program
- Operational data will be disclosed to support the City of Ottawa's objective to accelerate adoption of low-carbon building technologies

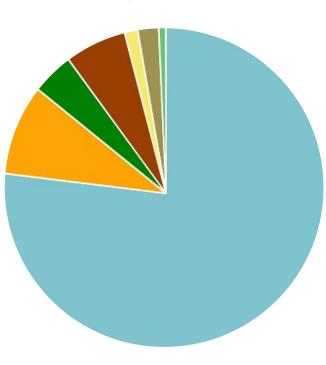


46% of emissions in the City of Ottawa originate from the building sector

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

- Limited information available on impact of construction materials used in the National Capital Region
- Life-cycle assessment of construction materials will be conducted
- Assessment findings will inform procurement of lower-carbon materials where local options are available

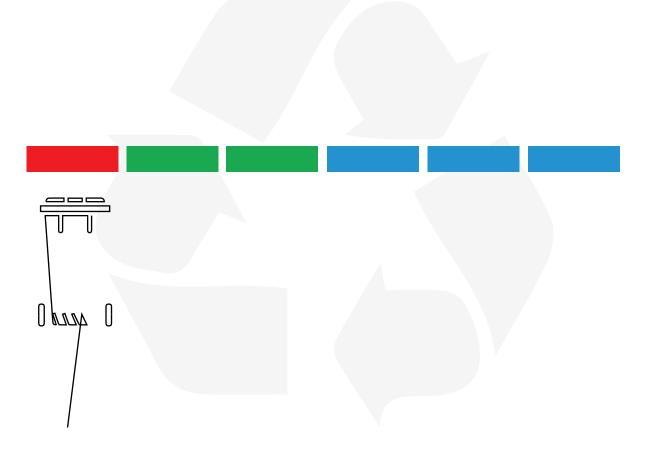






SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY CONSTRUCTION WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Construction Demolition and Waste Management Plan will be implemented during the construction phase
- Plan will align with LEEDv4.1 requirements and other existing best practices
- Project data (weight / volume, diversion rate, etc.) will be shared with the City of Ottawa



RETENTION OF HERITAGE FACADE

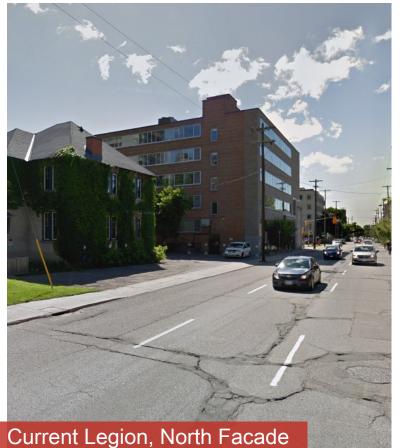
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PROPOSED DESIGN UPDATE HERITAGE CONSERVATION

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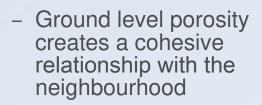
WHY KEEP THE EXISTING FACADES?



- Anchors the intersection, and provides a familiar sense of place
- Reduced embodied carbon impact through repurposing existing materials
- Reassembling limestone veneer on a new back-up wall improves thermal performance
- Key features of South and West facades are maintained



RETENTION OF HERITAGE FACADE



- Recessed entrances provide wider sidewalks improving pedestrian experience
- Two-storey volume at the ground floor provides additional natural light contributing to the thermal comfort of the space

Kent and Gilmour Intersection

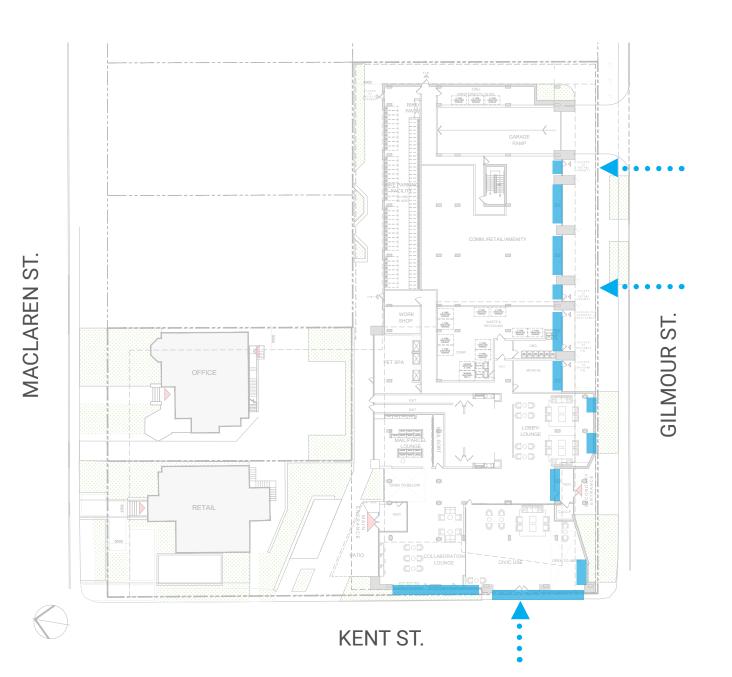
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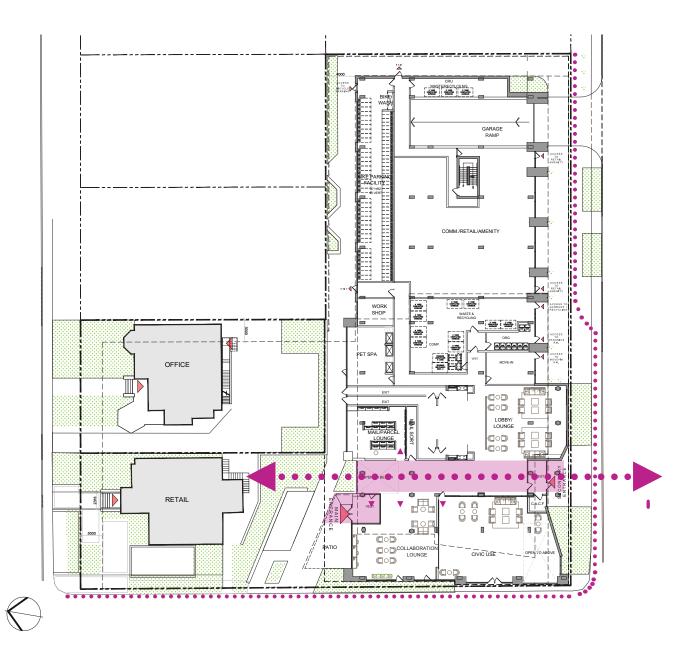
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LEGION HOUSE

SITE + CONTEXT

- Primary organizational axis creates an enclosed street within the building, connecting Gilmour and the proposed entrance plaza
- New entrances and additional glazing along Kent Street and Gilmour Street create a porous ground plane activating the street, drawing users into a civic use space, amenities, and commercial / retail units





SITE + CONTEXT

CIVIC USE SPACE OPTIONS

EXISTING HERITAGE HOME AT 436 MACLAREN STREET

OPTION 1: AREA LOCATED AT PROMINENT CORNER OF KENT STREET AND GILMOUR STREET

OPTION 2: AREA LOCATED WITHIN NEW PODIUM COMPONENT ALONG GILMOUR STREET



SITE + CONTEXT SITE PLAN

NEIGHBOURHOOD SCALE REFERENCE

SITE + CONTEXT

TRANSITION TO ABUTTING NEIGHBOURHOOD







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SITE + CONTEXT

View Looking East on Gilmour Street

- Segmenting the podium seeks to pick up on a rhythm similar to the existing streetscape
- Brick materiality
 and detailing create a textured quality, reflective of the neighbourhood
 character
- Bird-safe glass and protection measures will be used within the first 16 metres of building height per HPDS requirements



DESIGN VISION











PROPOSED DESIGN UPDATE

DRAW ME IN

The arrival and gathering area between the heritage houses and the new tower entices the pedestrian into the space and enhances the prominence of the main building access. This is achieved through lining the pathway with raised benches and a directional paving pattern. This both leads the pedestrian in while creating shaded space to linger. An urban lighting waterfall (no real water)creates a bright and dynamic focal point for all seasons and all times of day.





Reflective Metal Art Installation

SITE + CONTEXT REINVENTION OF KENT STREET

Reimagined green space celebrates new entrance off of Kent Street

PROPOSED DESIGN UPDATE

MAKE ME A PART

The gathering space at the core of the site becomes a community space that spills out from the residents lounge. The urban lighting waterfall (no real water) becomes a playful and interactive element that changes throughout the day and throughout the season.



SITE + CONTEXT REINVENTION OF KENT STREET

View looking into the entrance plaza from Kent Street

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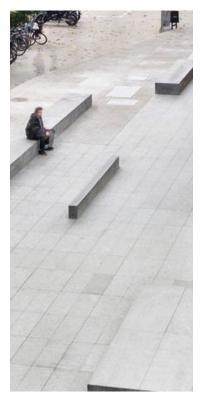
- **DESIGN OBJECTIVES**
 - REAL TREES
 - URBAN GREEN SPACE
 - COMMUNITY / SOCIAL SPACES
 - ARRIVAL & GATHERING SPACE



SITE + CONTEXT REINVENTION OF KENT STREET

PROPOSED DESIGN UPDATE

MATERIAL SELECTION



Large format paving slabs



Slimline herringbone clay pavers as accent



Grey concrete paver mix as secondary paths



Stabilized gravel as gathering space surface

Proposed landscape design seeks to improve water infiltration and retention due to removal of impervious surface paving materials per HPDS requirements for cool paving and 50% perviousness

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ESTABLISHING REAL TREES

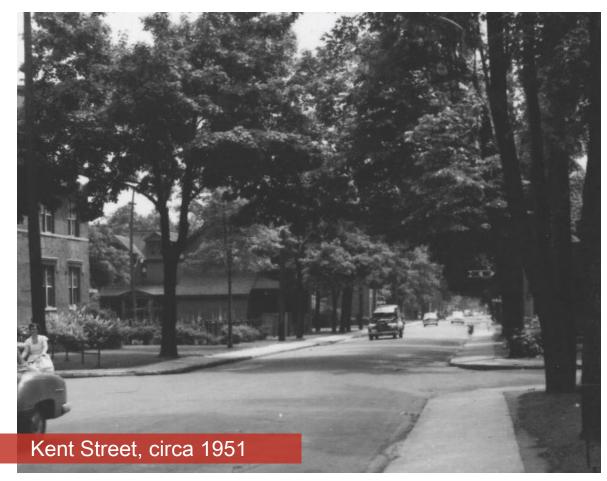


A modular suspended pavement system that uses soil volumes to support large tree growth and provide powerful on-site storm water management through absorption, evapotranspiration, and interception.

Trees will be planted with minimum 30m³ of soil within the cells per HPDS requirements

SITE + CONTEXT REINVENTION OF KENT STREET

 Pedestrian friendly, green street edge, urban tree canopy and slow traffic



Poor pedestrian experience, minimal tree canopy, high traffic



SITE + CONTEXT REINVENTION OF KENT STREET

New green space eliminates asphalt parking, activates the street, and provides an opportunity to supplement the urban tree canopy

SITE + CONTEXT

PRESERVATION AND TRANSFORMATION OF HERITAGE HOMES

View of heritage homes in relation to proposed design along MacLaren Street

TOWER DESIGN

TOWER DESIGN

1 HERITAGE BASE & TRANSITION COMPONENT

- 2 LEVEL 6 AMENITY PARK
- **3 BODY OF TOWER**
- 4 CROWN

View Looking Southeast from Kent Street and MacLaren Street Intersection

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TOWER DESIGN HERITAGE BASE + TRANSITION COMPONENT

1. The heritage base and transition component anchor the proposed design through a sense of place by retaining the heritage facade and providing contextual transition within the neighbourhood.

View Along Gilmour Street

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TOWER DESIGN PODIUM PARK

Level six podium park offers designated zones for various outdoor activities

TOWER DESIGN PODIUM PARK

2. The level six interior and exterior amenity spaces create a park in the sky

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YESTERDAY

View Looking West from Level Six Rooftop Amenity Space



Level Six Rooftop Amenity Space

- Vegetative roof reduces the amount of hardscape materials, improving the urban heat island effect and improving thermal retention
- Local vegetation aims to provide habitats for urban wildlife
- Native plant species utilized to minimize the requirement for watering
- Cool roofing materials used for hardscape



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Level Six Rooftop Amenity Space

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Level Six Rooftop Amenity Space

TOWER DESIGN BODY OF TOWER

3. The body of the tower:

- The south-west corner has been intentionally opened up to maximize sunlight exposure for photovoltaic materials integrated into facade panels and glazed railings
- Simplicity of building form, reduction of stepbacks, and minimal balcony projections improves building energy efficiency by reducing thermal bridging

View Looking Northeast from Kent and Gilmour Intersection

TOWER DESIGN



3. The body of the tower:

- Smaller windows in a triple grid formation increase building performance, while creating a unique facade still perceived as residential
- The facade's colours and angular forms create a unique impact of the Centretown skyline.

West facade of tower



View from MacLaren and Kent



4. The Crown:

- Creates an identity piece for the project while providing an important amentiy space
- Encapsulates the mechanical equipment within the architectural language
- Provides additional surface area to be utilized for solar gain

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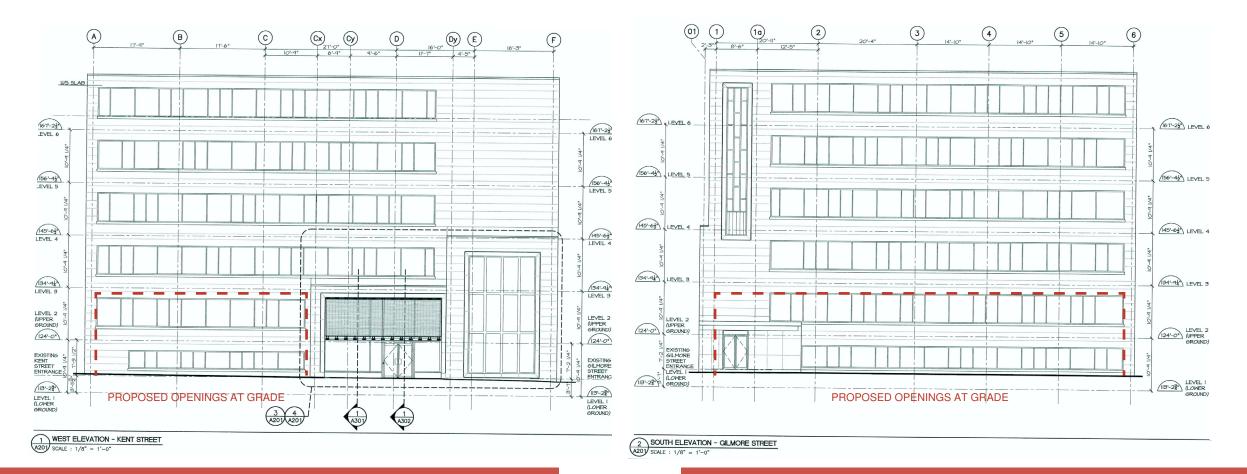
Aerial View of Rooftop Amenity Space

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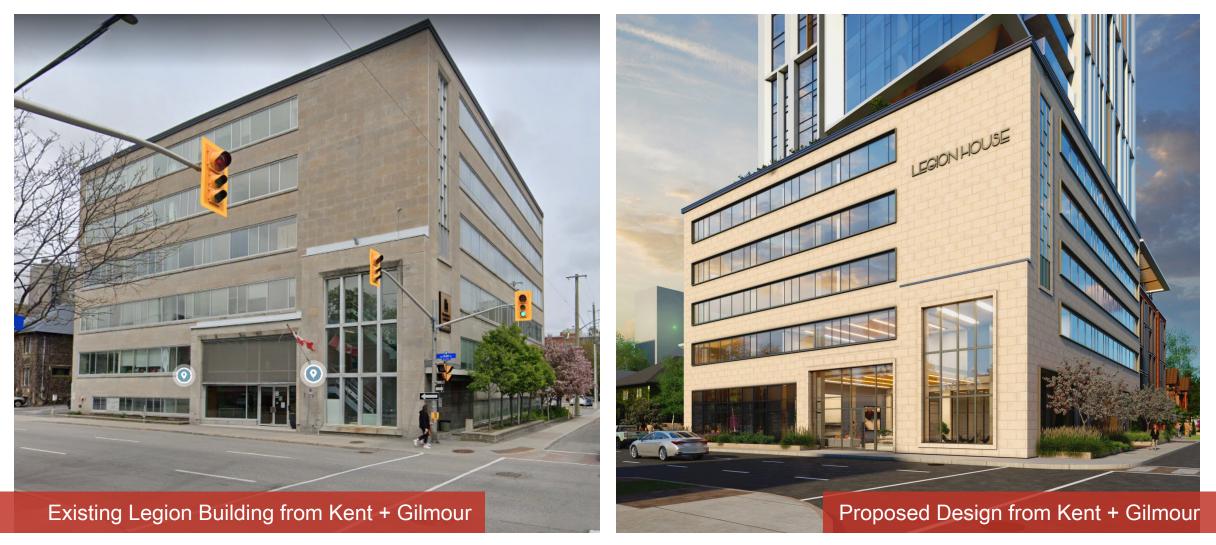
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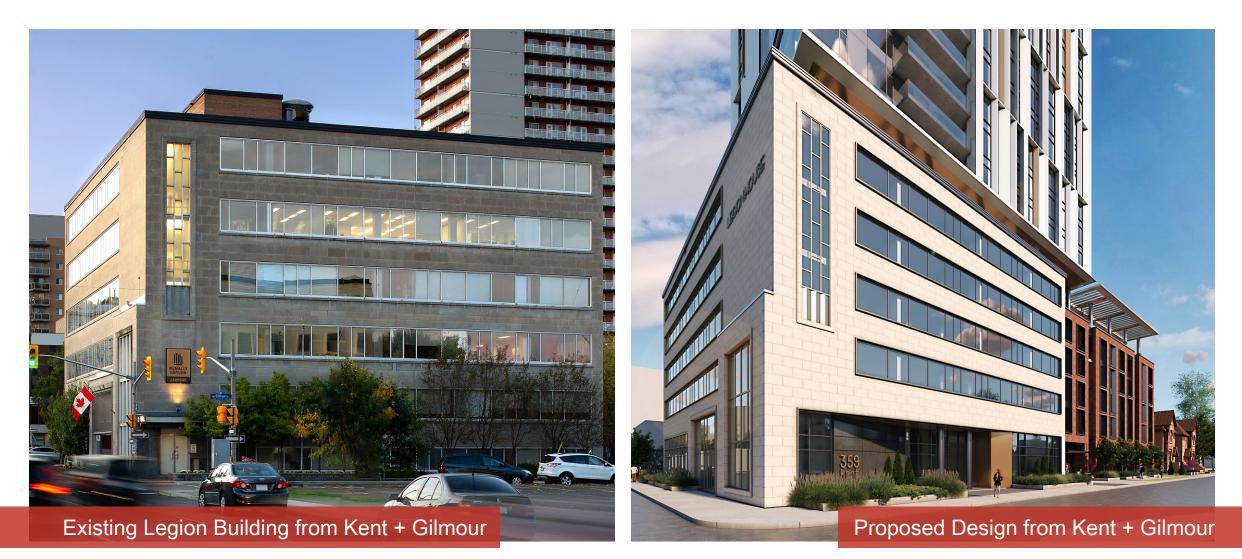
RETENTION OF HERITAGE FACADE EXISTING FACADE ALTERATIONS

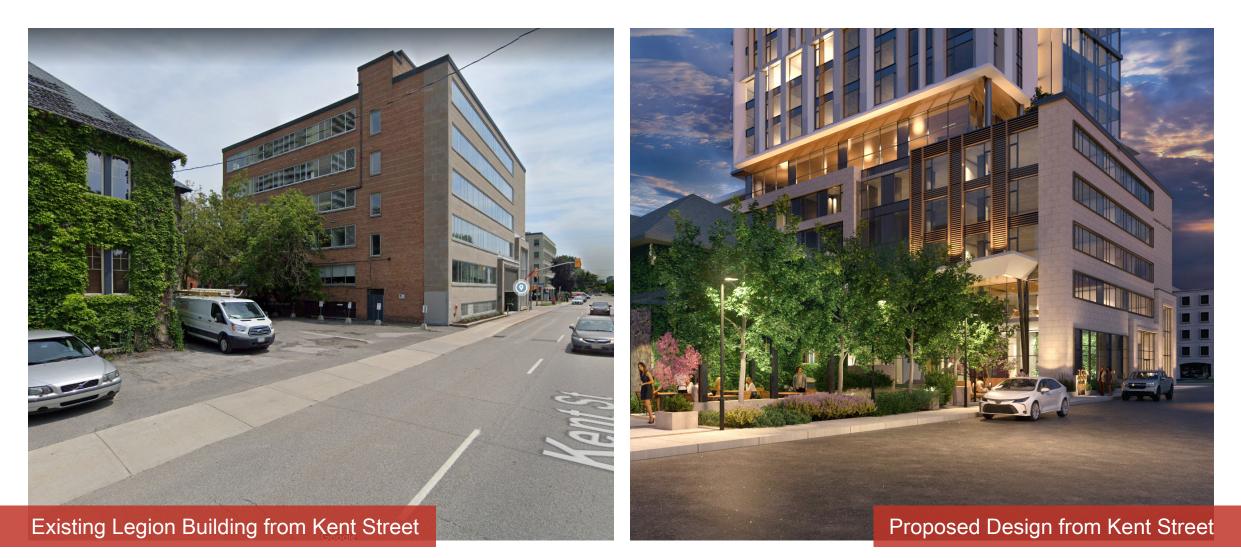


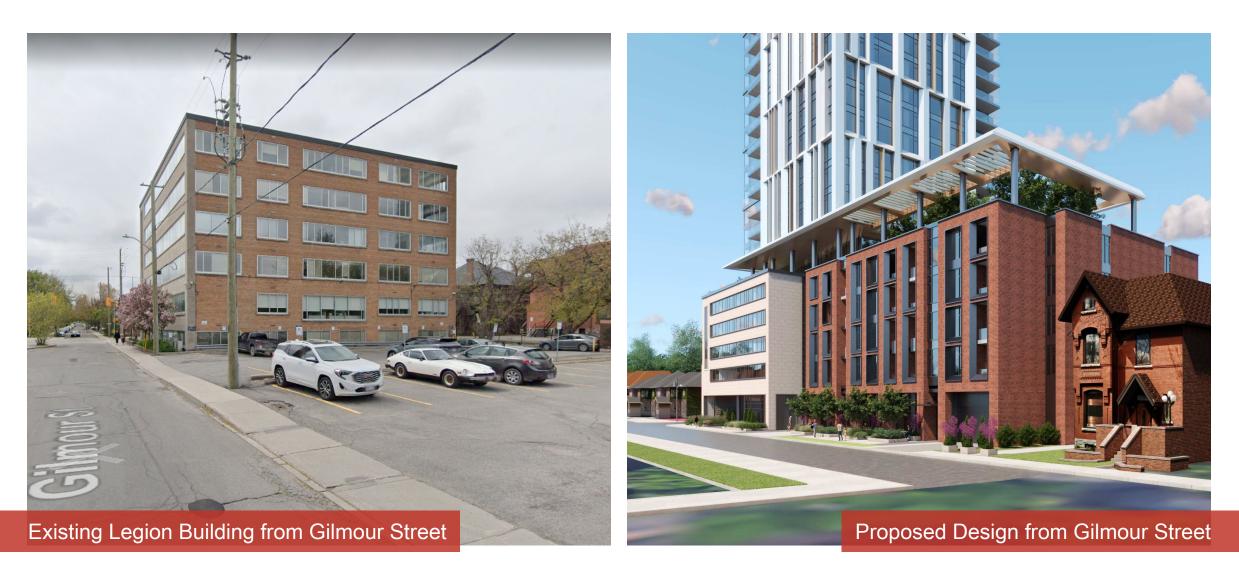
West Elevation of Existing Legion Building, circa 2006

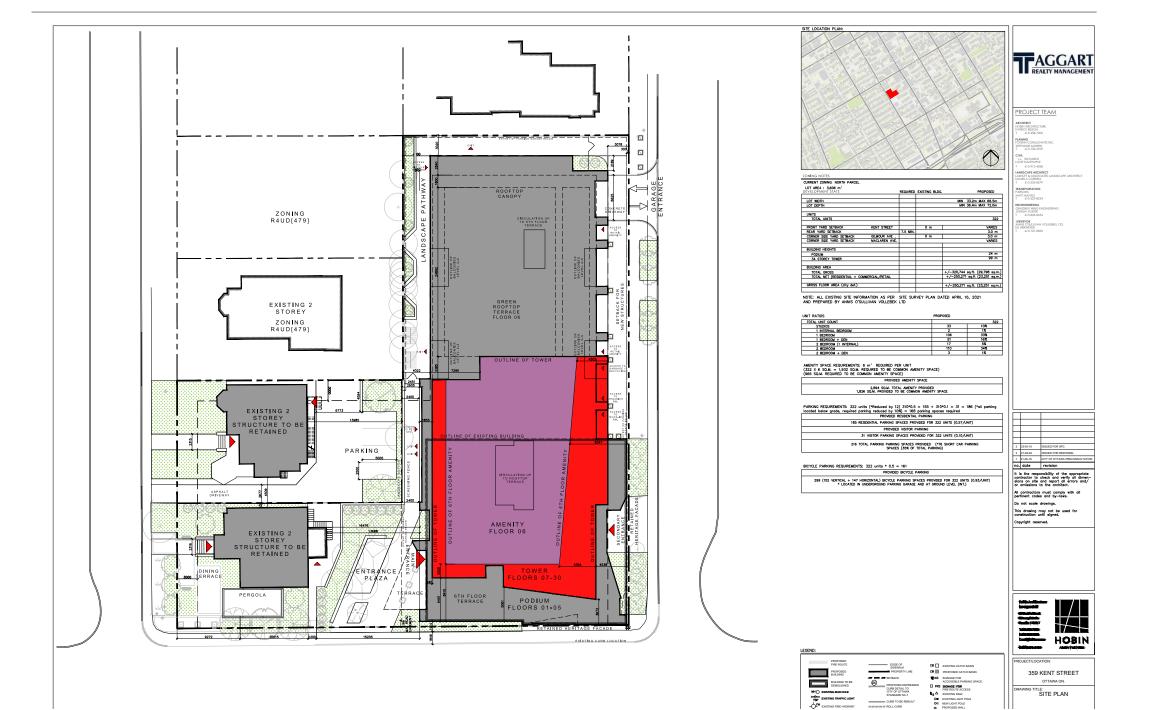
South Elevation of Existing Legion Building, circa 2006

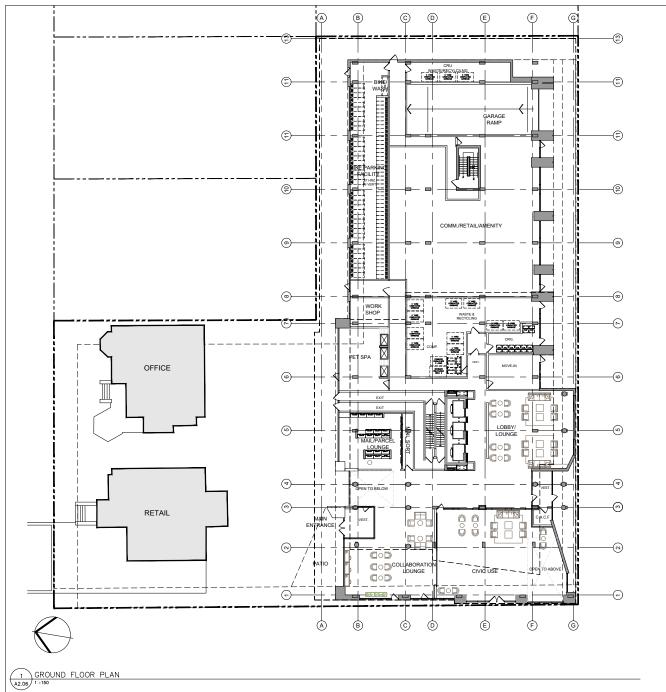




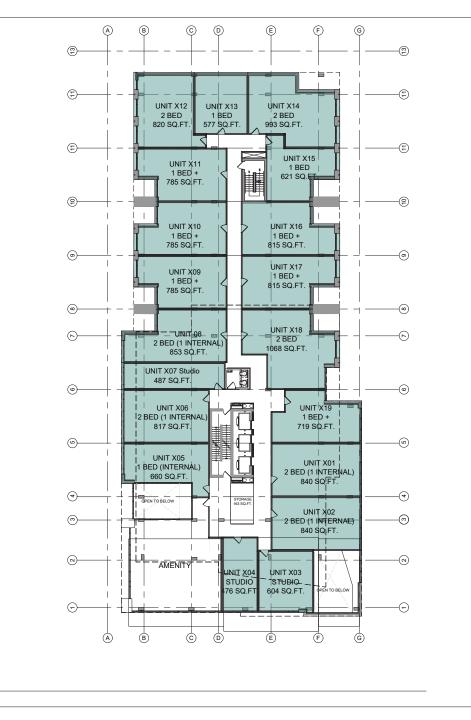




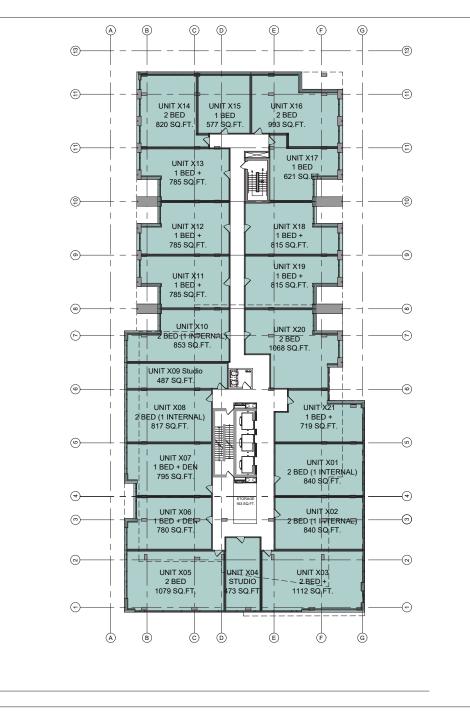






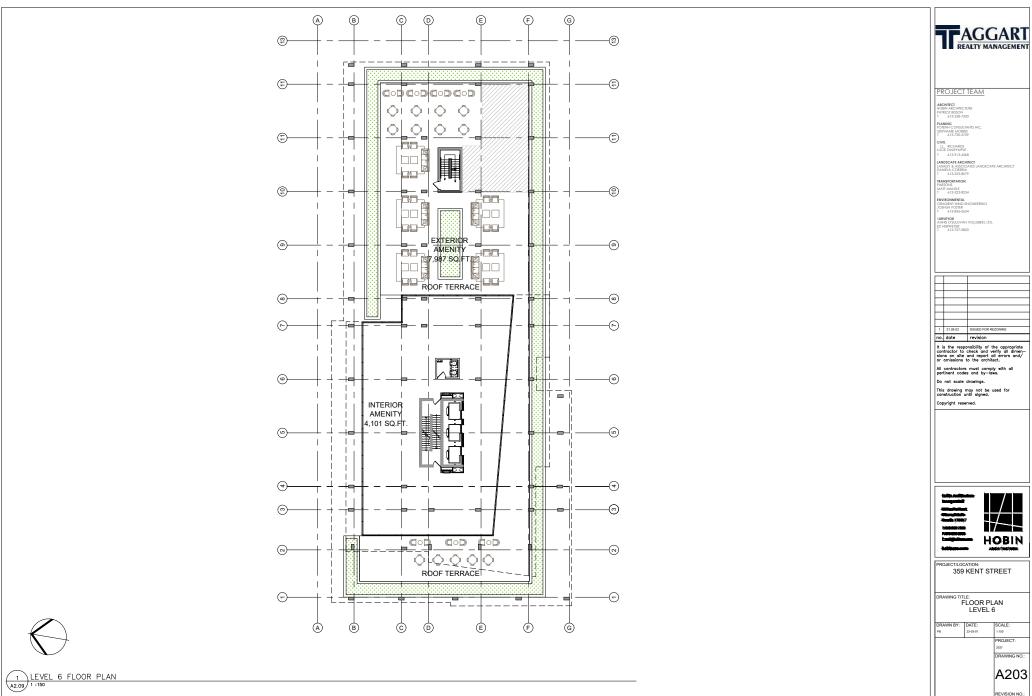




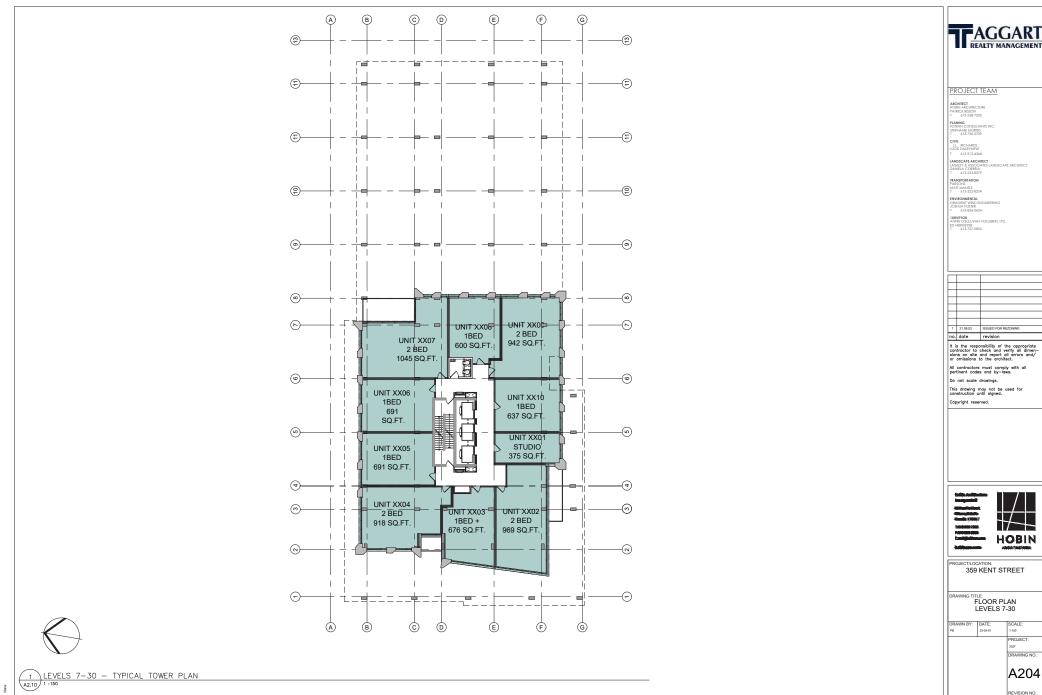




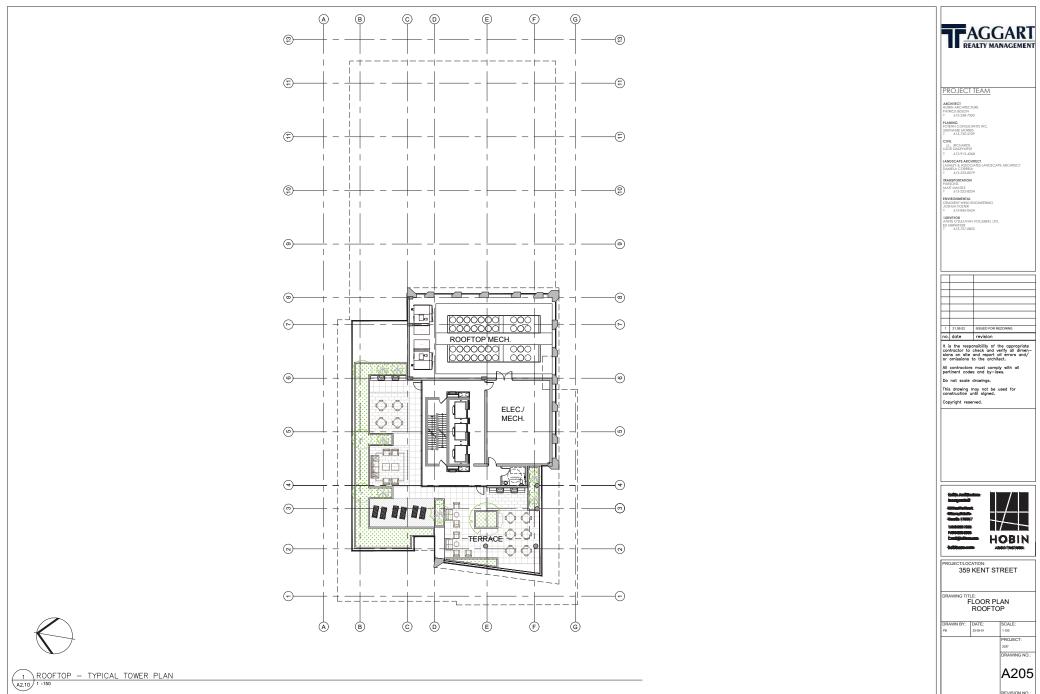
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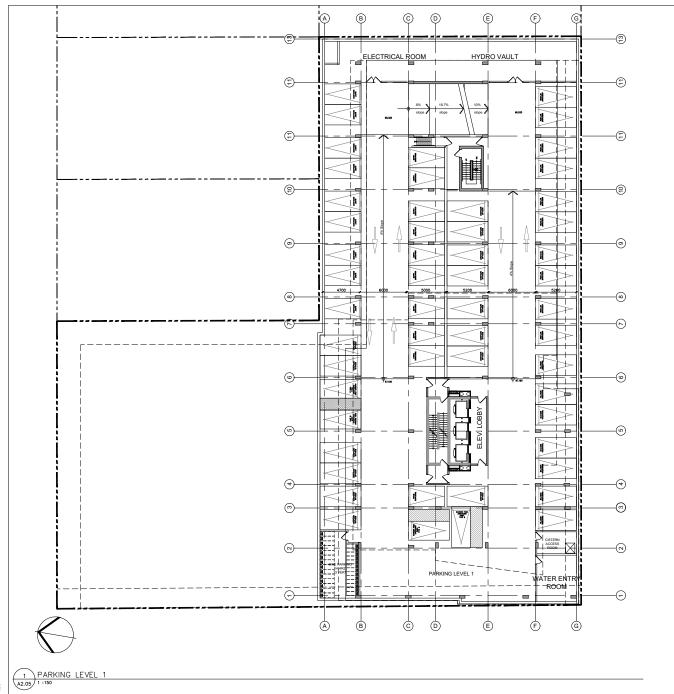


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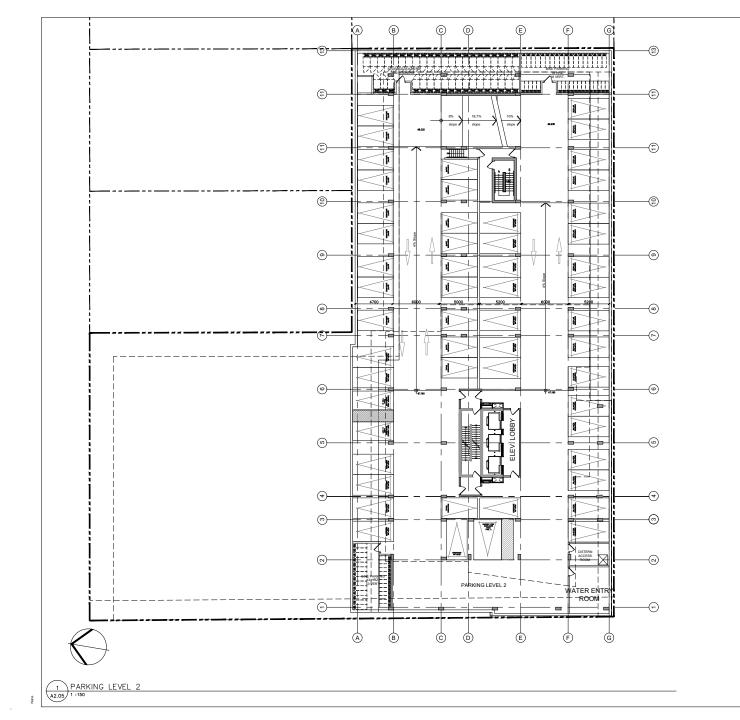


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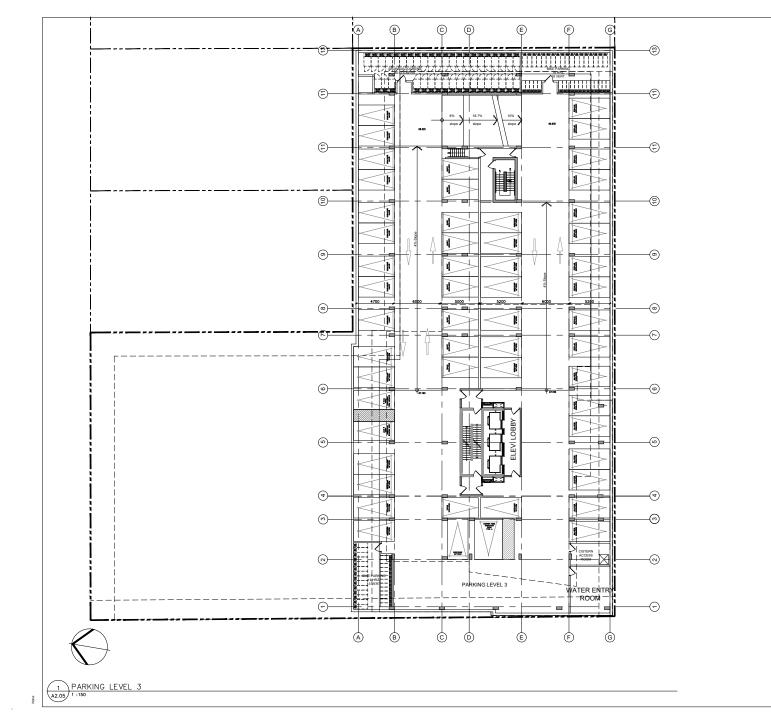
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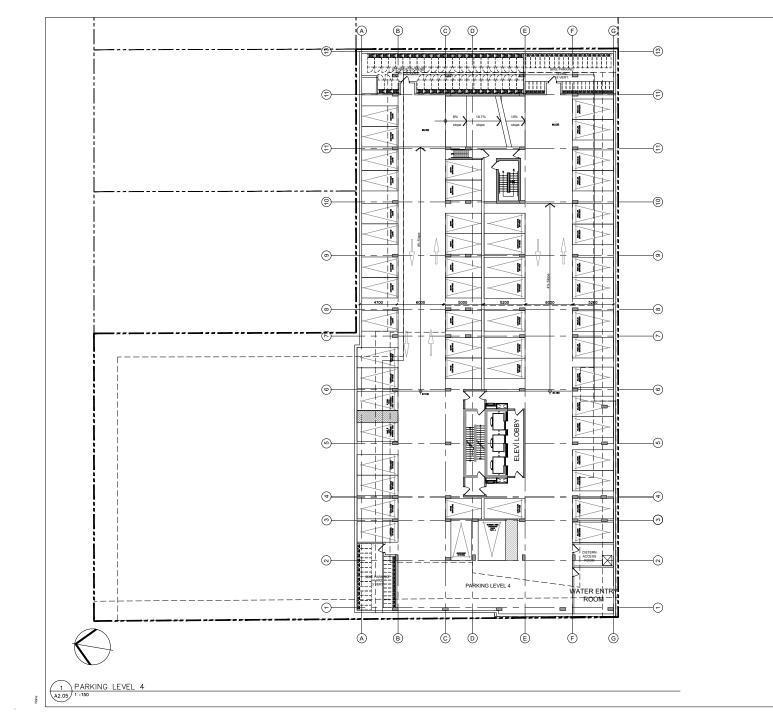


























359 KENT STREET Top-View Shadow Analysis

