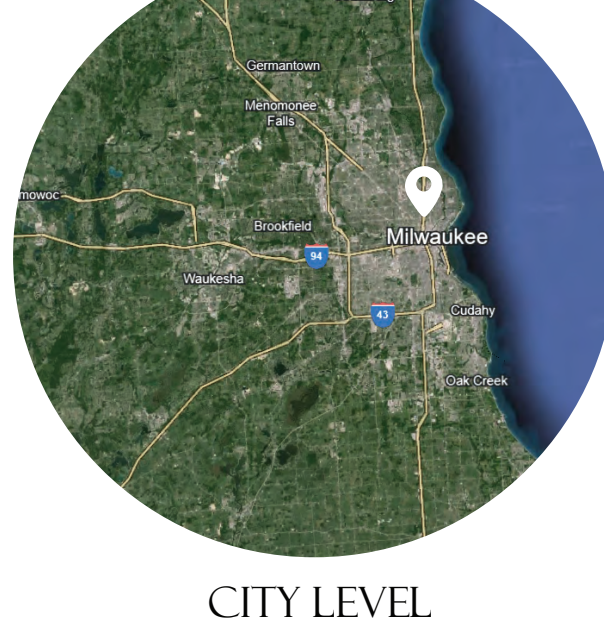


MIND THE GAP

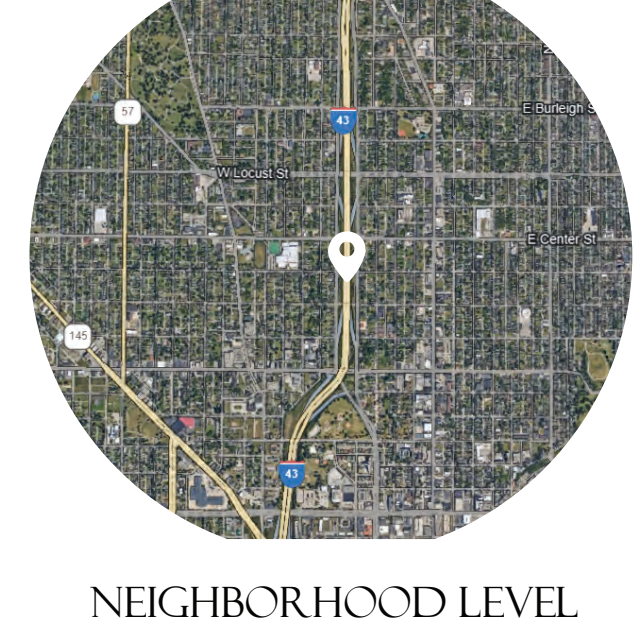
BRIDGING A COMMUNITY BISECTED BY AN INTERSTATE



COUNTRY LEVEL



CITY LEVEL



NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL

SITE LOCATION : MILWAUKEE, WI

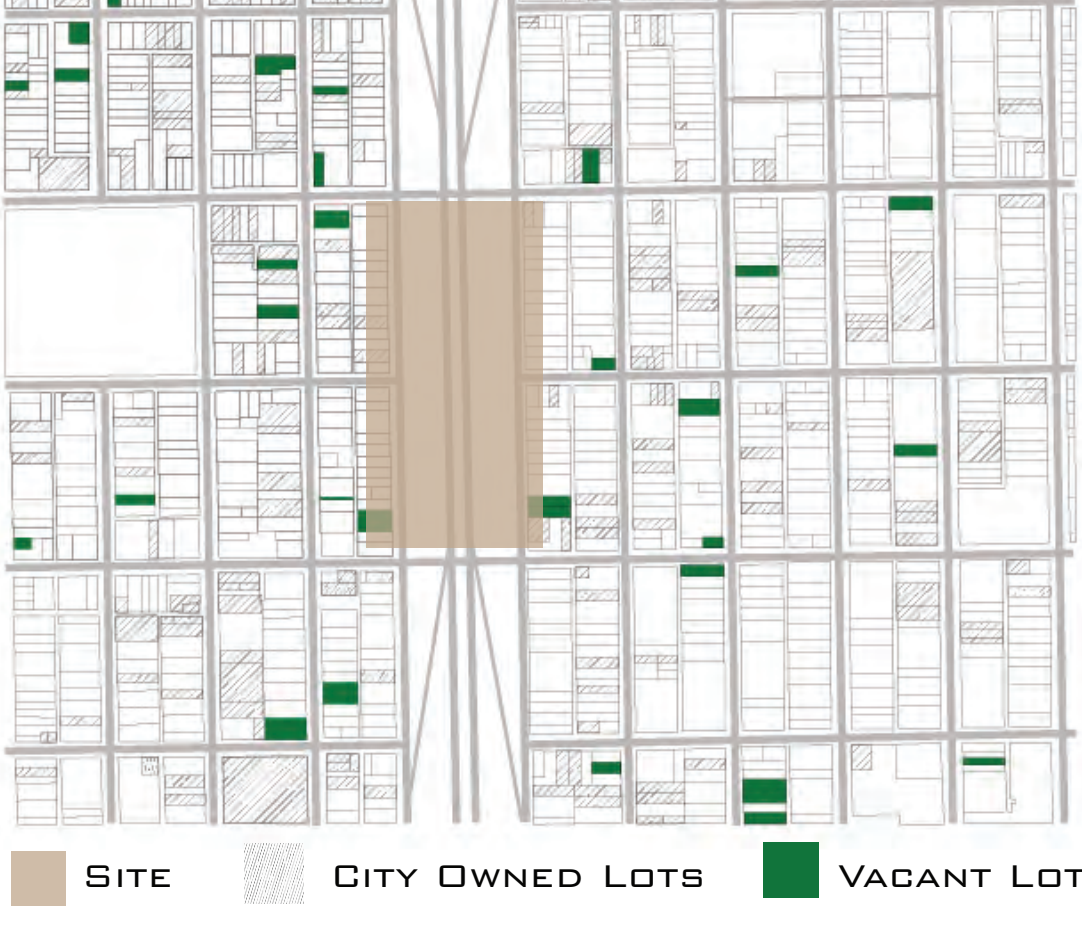
SITE AREA : 11 ACRES (481,000)

ABOUT THE LOCATION:

THE SITE IS LOCATED ABOVE INTERSTATE 43, IN BETWEEN WEST CENTER STREET AND WEST WRIGHT STREET. THE SITE ALSO INCLUDES N 8TH ST. AND N 7TH ST.



NEIGHBORHOOD MAP



PROBLEM STATEMENT:

THE HARAMBEE AND NORTH DIVISION NEIGHBORHOODS ARE DIVIDED BY A LARGE INTERSTATE. INTERSTATE 43 WAS CONSTRUCTED THROUGH A PROMINENT BLACK COMMUNITY WITH LITTLE REGARDS TO THE RESIDENTS, WHO WERE LEFT TO RESTITCH THEIR NOW BROKEN NEIGHBORHOODS. CURRENTLY, RESIDENTS ENDURE NOISE POLLUTION, REDUCED AIR QUALITY, FINITE SAFE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS, AND LIMITED ACCESS TO GREEN SPACES, REDUCING THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE REQUIRES CREATING A SUSTAINABLE LAND GAP TO MITIGATE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL DISPARITIES.

HISTORY:

A THRIVING AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY BUILT THROUGH THE 1900-1950S. BRONZEVILLE WAS ULTIMATELY SPLIT UP AND DESTROYED. GOVERNMENT CONDEMNATION AND ACQUISITION OF LAND TO CONSTRUCT INTERSTATE 43 AN OTHER ARTERIAL ROAD EXPANSIONS WAS THE SOURCE OF THE COMMUNITY'S DEATH. NOW, THE COMMUNITY IS ON A PATH OF REVIVAL WITH A FEW VARIOUS ECONOMIC PROJECTS WORKING TO HELP RESTORE THE COMMUNITY TO ITS FORMER GLORY.

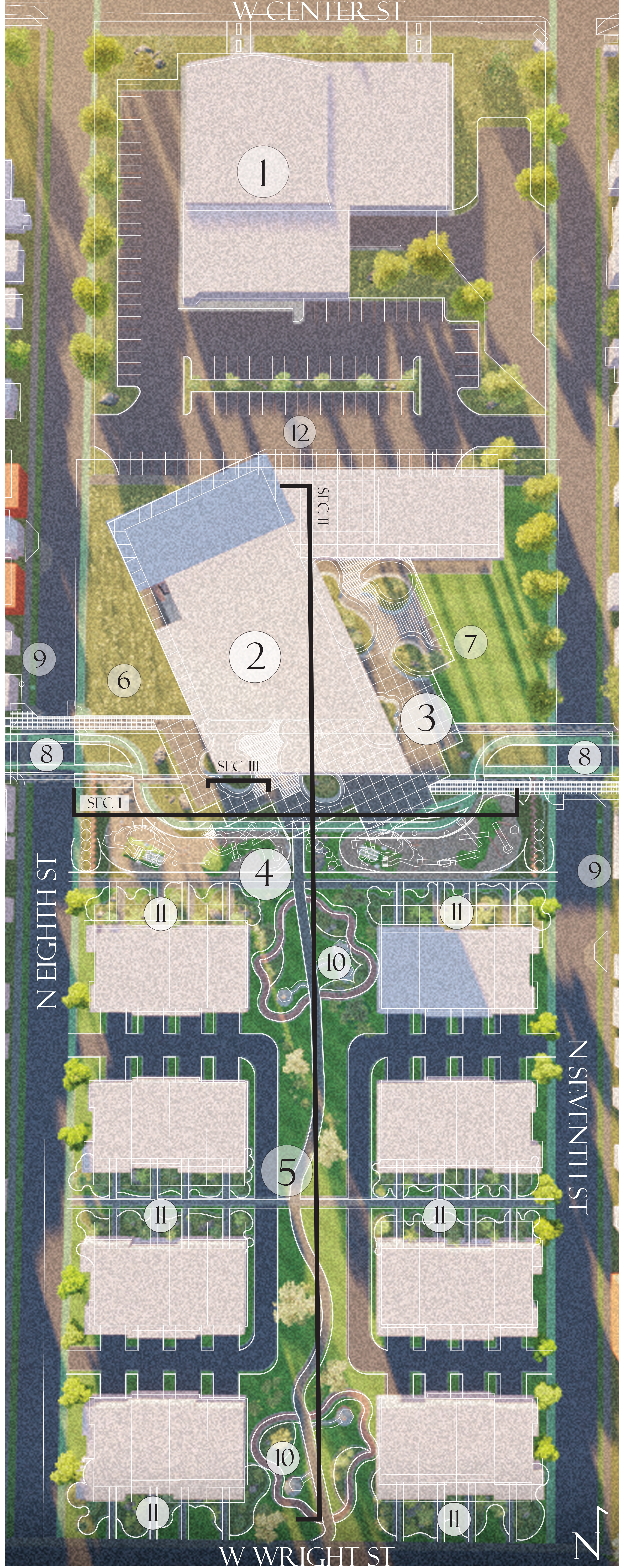
ABSTRACT:

THE MIND THE GAP PROJECT WILL PROVIDE A CREATIVE SOLUTION TO BRIDGE THE TWO SIDES OF A COMMUNITY BISECTED BY INTERSTATE 43. A LAND GAP WILL BE CONSTRUCTED OVER INTERSTATE 43 WITH SPACE FOR A MIXED USE BUILDING, VARIOUS GREEN SPACES, AS WELL AS MULTIPLE PATHWAYS TO CONNECT ONE SIDE OF THE COMMUNITY TO THE OTHER. THE TARGETED AREA IS THE STRETCH OF INTERSTATE 43 FROM W CENTER ST TO W WRIGHT ST.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- OBJECTIVE I: PROVIDE SAFE AND CLEAR PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION OVER THE INTERSTATE.
- OBJECTIVE II: PROVIDE PUBLIC AMENITIES NOT FOUND WITHIN THE OUTER LYING COMMUNITY.
- OBJECTIVE III: PROVIDE NEW HDUSING TO ADDRESS HOUSING SHORTAGES, IMPROVE LIVING CONDITIONS AND FOSTER ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION.

MASTER PLAN



MASTER PLAN KEY

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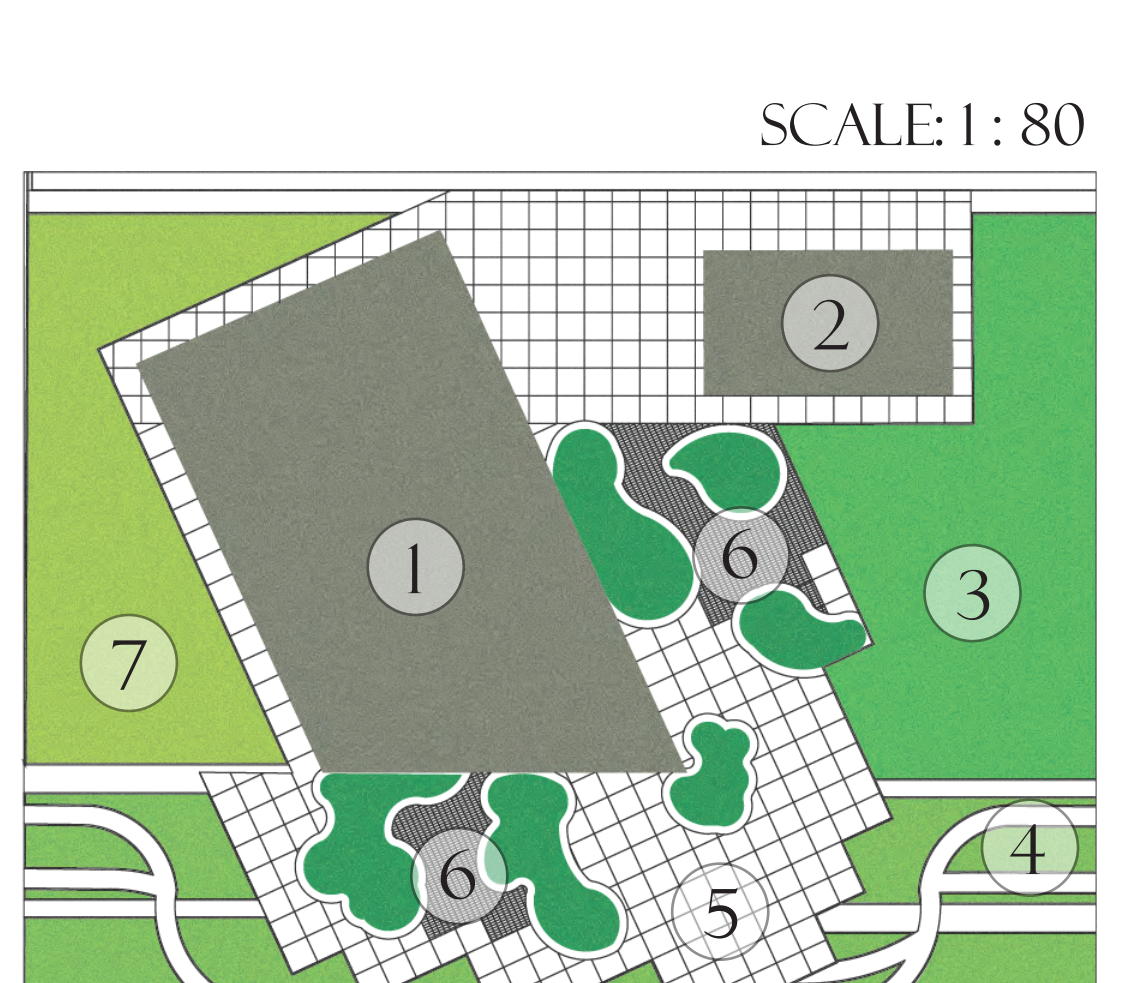
MAJOR ELEMENTS

- 1 GROCERY STORE
- 2 LIBRARY + EXTENSION
- 3 LIBRARY PLAZA
- 4 NATURAL PLAYGROUND
- 5 TOWN HOME DEVELOPMENT

MINOR ELEMENTS

- 6 WILD FLOWER GARDEN
- 7 LIBRARY LAWN
- 8 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- 9 BUS STOP
- 10 RESIDENTIAL WALKWAYS
- 11 RESIDENTIAL GARDENS
- 12 LIBRARY + GROCERY PARKING

AERIAL OVERVIEW | LIBRARY

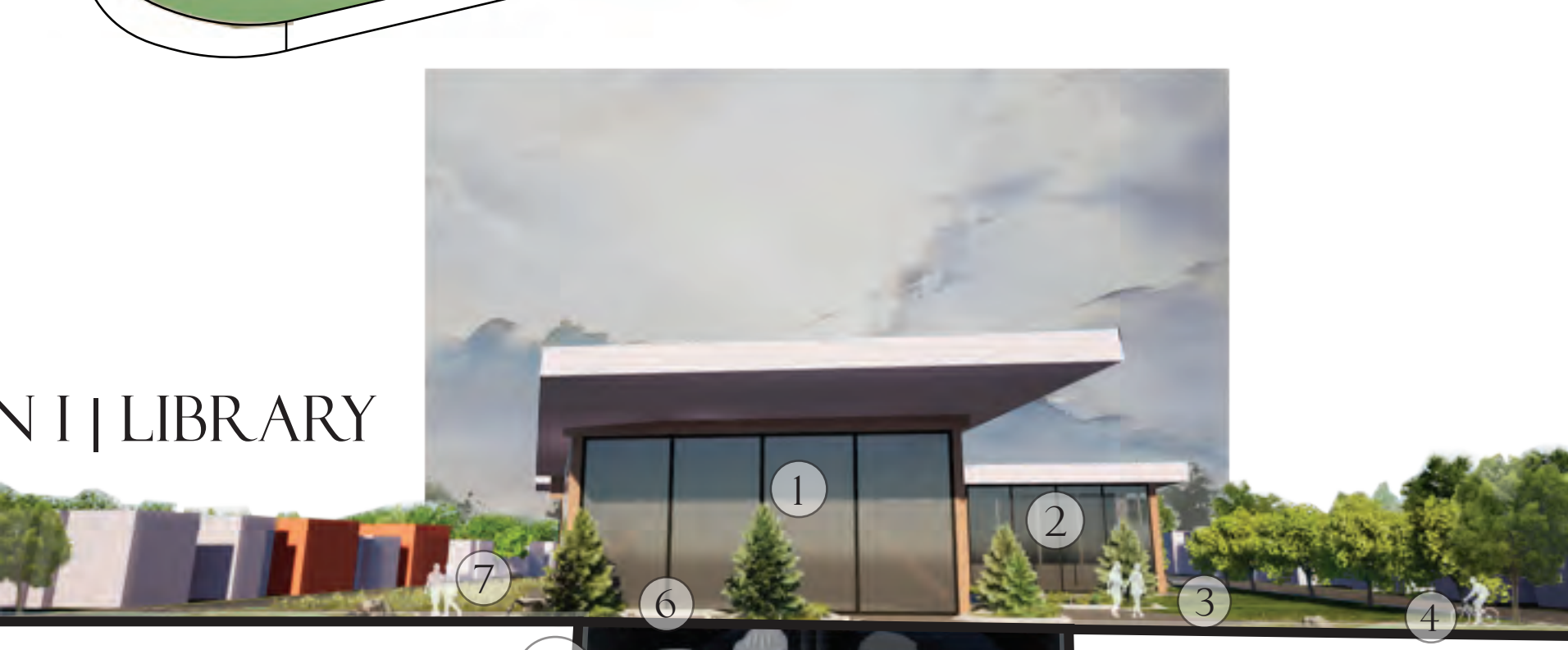


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LIBRARY DETAILS KEY

- 1 MAIN LIBRARY
- 2 LIBRARY EXTENSION
- 3 LIBRARY LAWN
- 4 BIKE PATHS
- 5 LIBRARY PLAZA
- 6 OUTDOOR READING AREA
- 7 WILDFLOWER GARDEN

SECTION | LIBRARY



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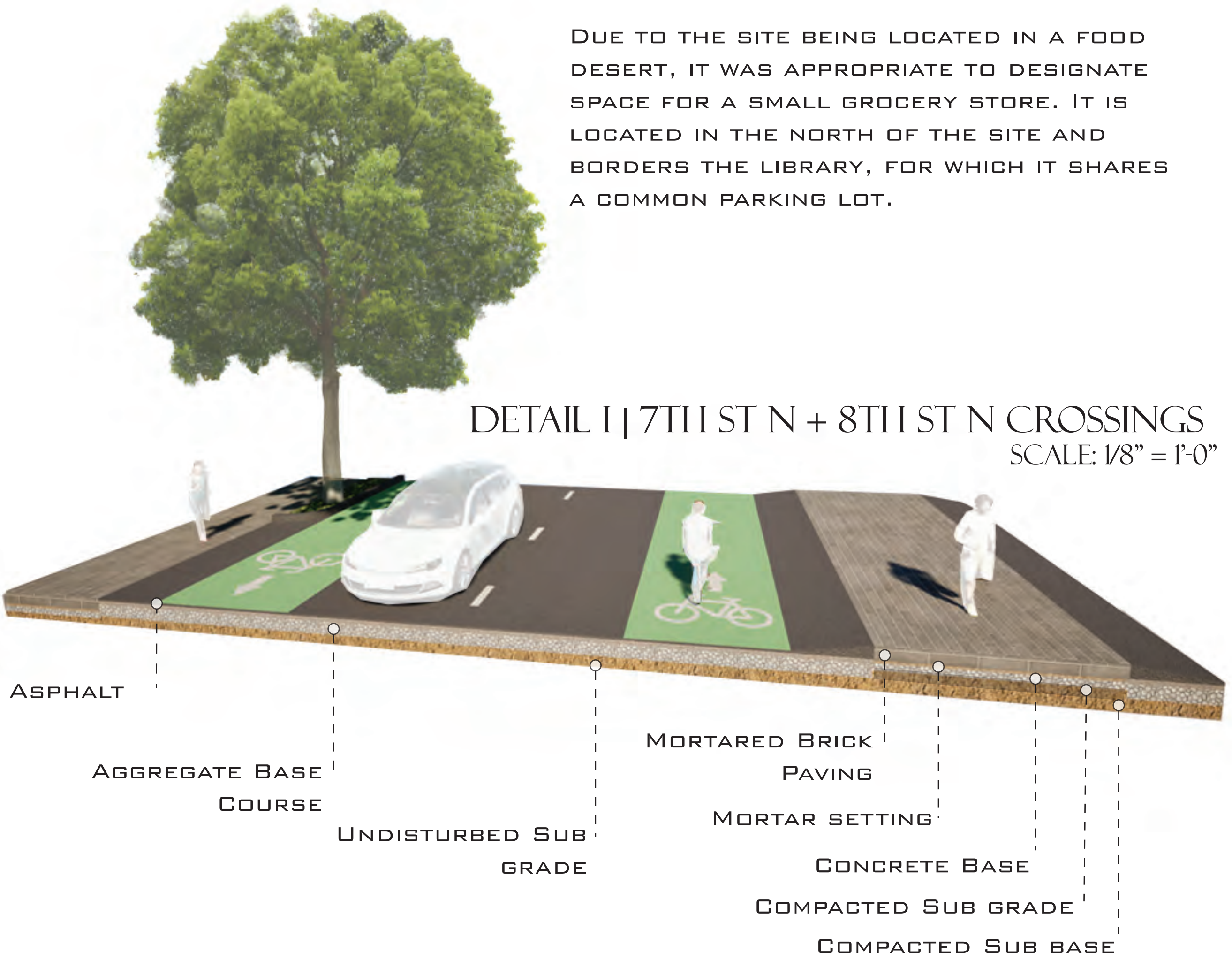


PRELIMINARY LIBRARY CONCEPT



AERIAL OVERVIEW IV | GROCERY STORE

DUE TO THE SITE BEING LOCATED IN A FOOD DESERT, IT WAS APPROPRIATE TO DESIGNATE SPACE FOR A SMALL GROCERY STORE. IT IS LOCATED IN THE NORTH OF THE SITE AND BORDERS THE LIBRARY, FOR WHICH IT SHARES A COMMON PARKING LOT.



PERSPECTIVE I | NATURAL PLAYGROUND

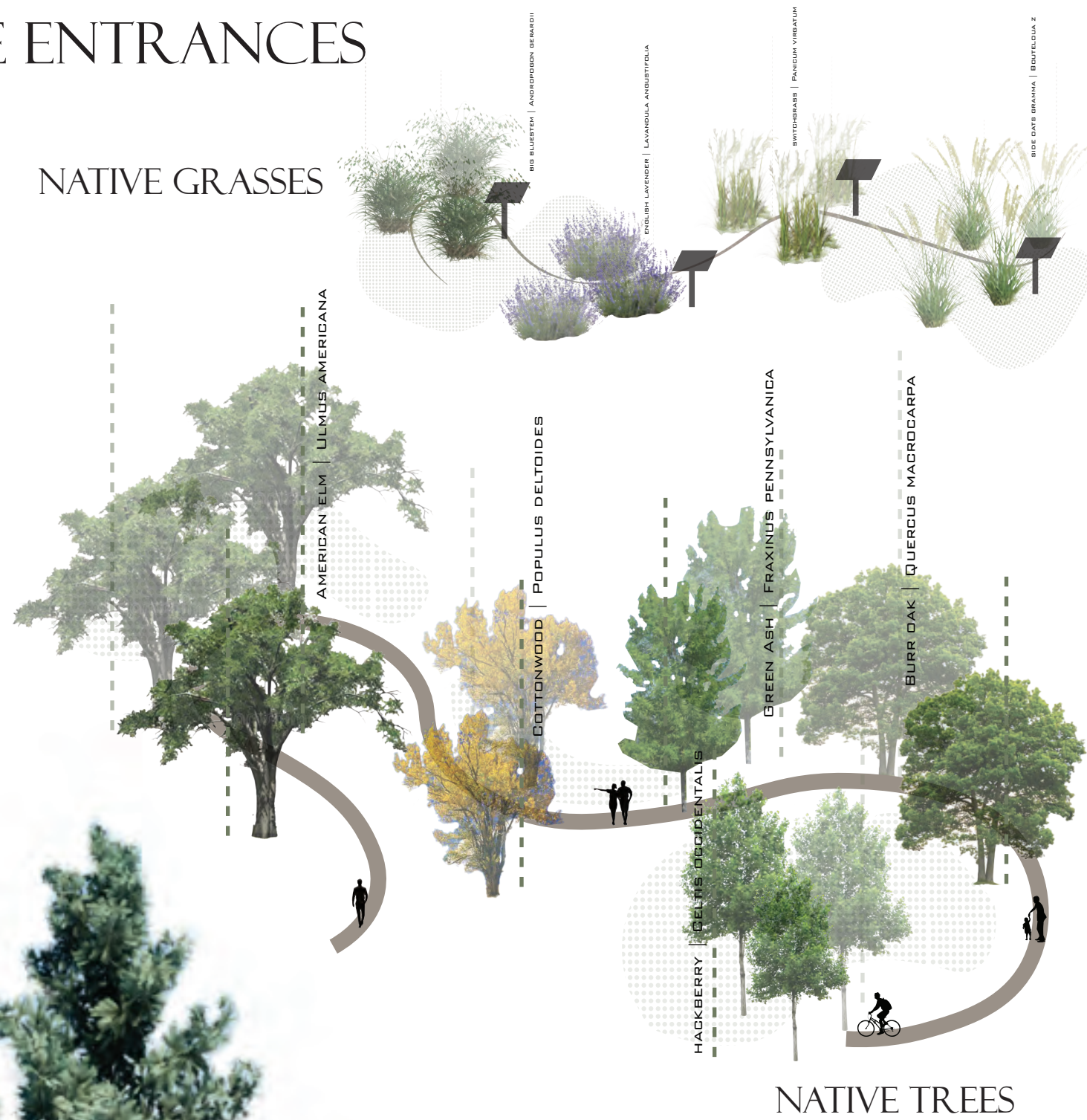




PERSPECTIVE II | TOWN HOME ENTRANCES

ALL OF THE NEW TOWN HOME RESIDENTIAL LOTS ARE DESIGNED WITH A NATIVE PLANTINGS GARDEN LOCATED IN THE FRONT OF THE HOME. THE HOMES ARE ALSO SITUATED WITH PRIVATE WALKWAYS THAT CONNECT TO THE REST OF THE RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR, AS WELL AS CONNECT TO THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD.

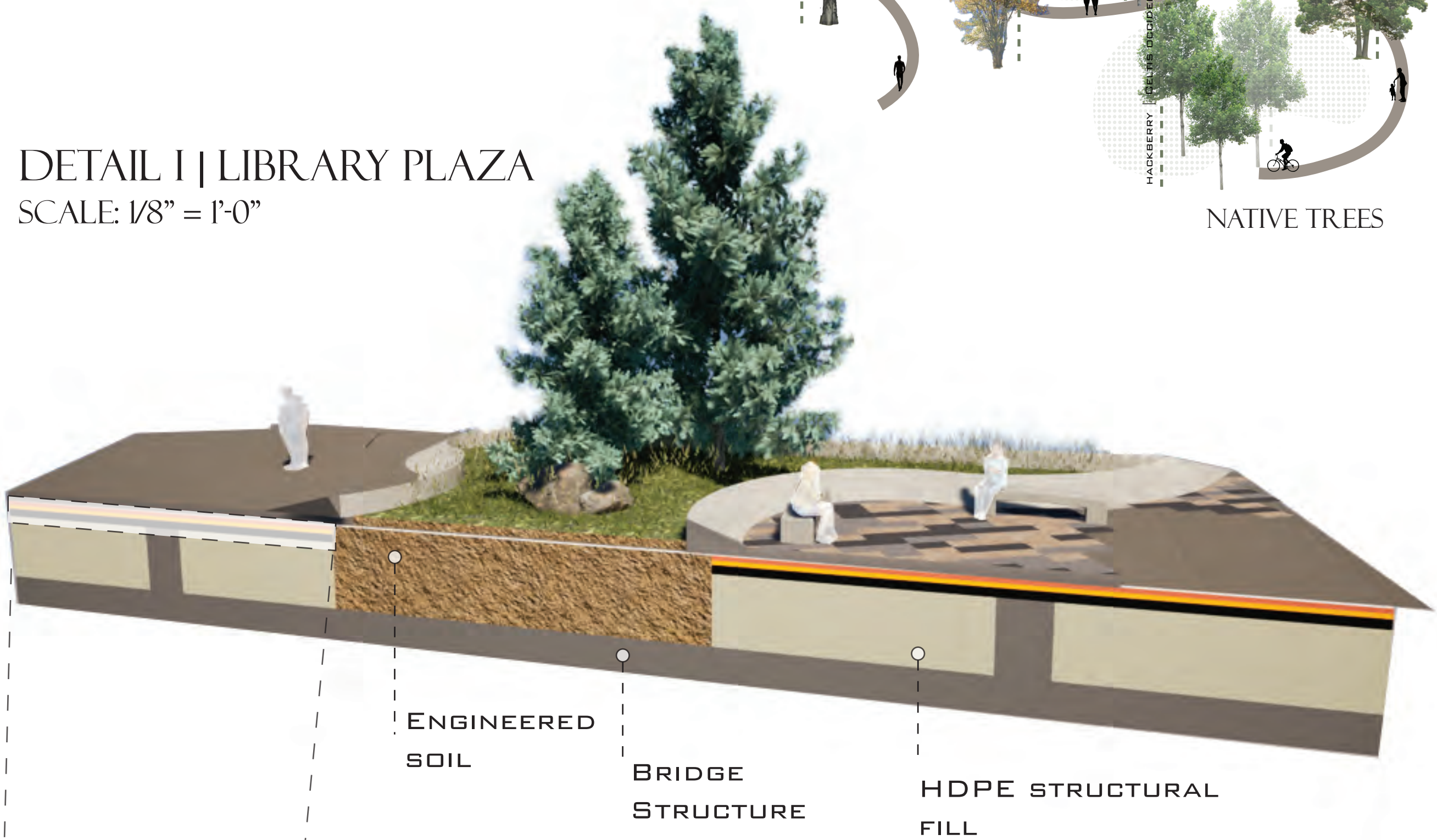
NATIVE GRASSES



NATIVE TREES

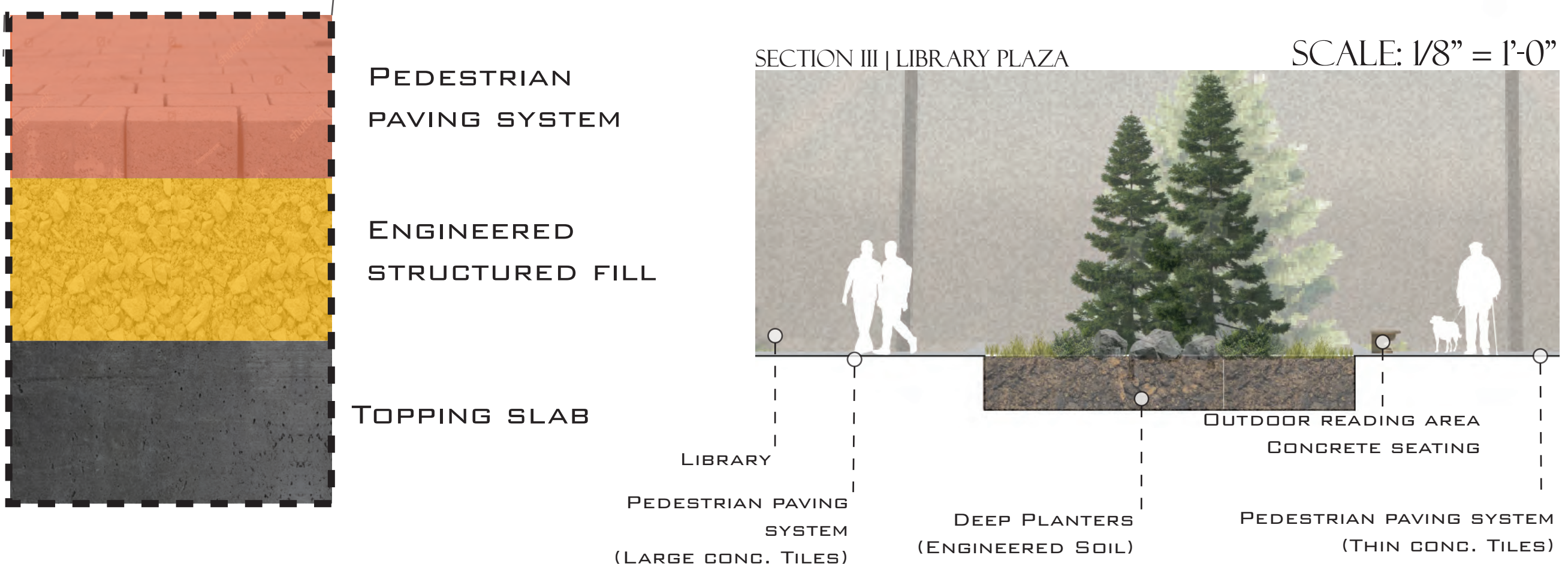
DETAIL I | LIBRARY PLAZA

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SECTION III | LIBRARY PLAZA

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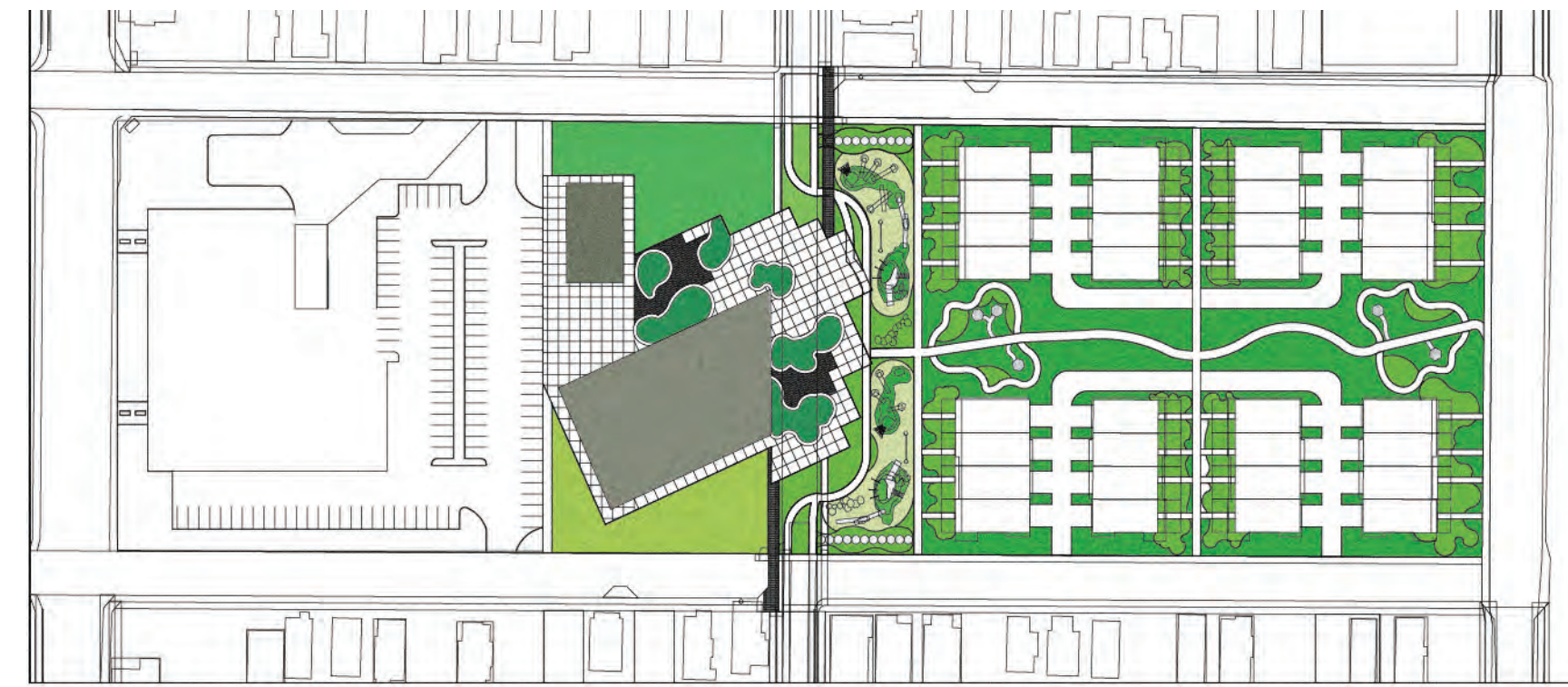
SECTION II | LIBRARY + TOWN HOMES

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SCALE: 1 : 150

LIBRARY

LIBRARY PLAZA



INTERSTATE 43
TUNNEL

NATURAL PLAYGROUND

LOCAL ARTWORK

RESIDENTIAL WALKWAYS

TOWN HOMES



INTERSTATE 43

SCALE :1:150

LIBRARY + EXTENSION

ONE OF THE NEW AMENITIES LOCATED ON THE SITE IS A LIBRARY. THE LARGE SPACE IS OVER 20,000SQ FT, HOME TO SPACES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS ALIKE. THE LIBRARY ALSO HAS AN ADJACENT BUILDING WITH OPEN STUDIO SPACES FOR ART CLASSES AND PERSONAL PROJECTS.

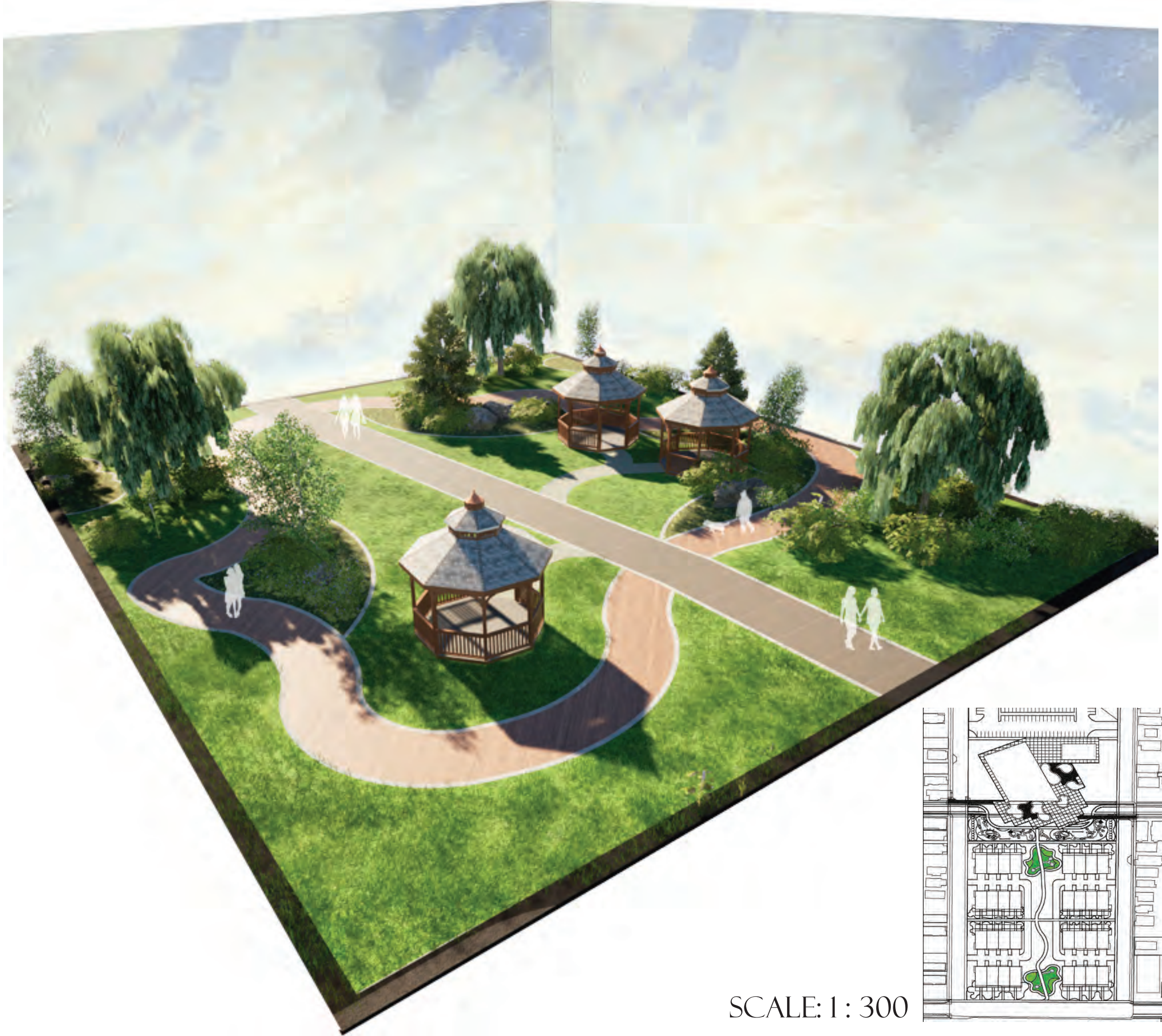
PERSPECTIVE III | LIBRARY + PLAZA



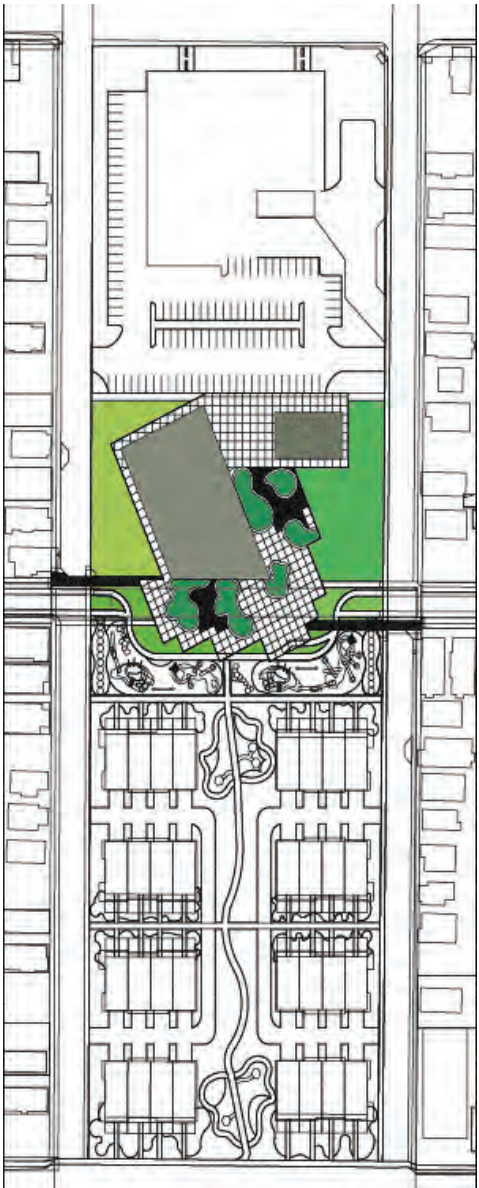
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ONE OF THE DESIRES LOCAL RESIDENTS WANT TO SEE IN THEIR AREA IS AN INCREASE IN OUTDOOR GATHERING SPACES. LOCATED IN THE RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR IS A MULTITUDE OF GAZEBO AND SMALL GATHERING SPACES. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, THESE SPACES ARE PERFECT FOR ANY TYPE OF KICKBACK.

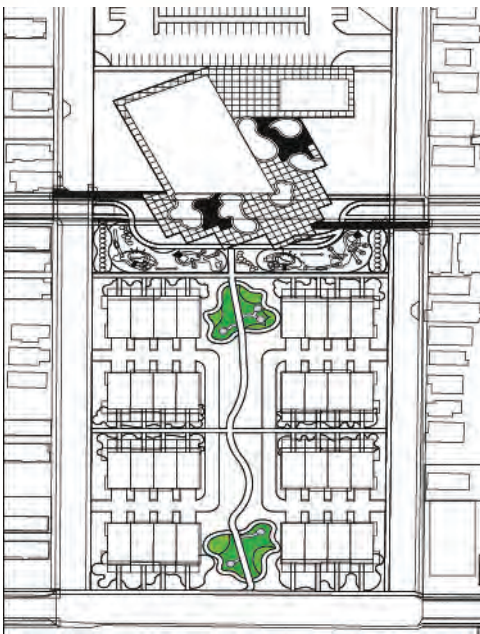
AERIAL OVERVIEW III | TOWN HOME WALKWAYS



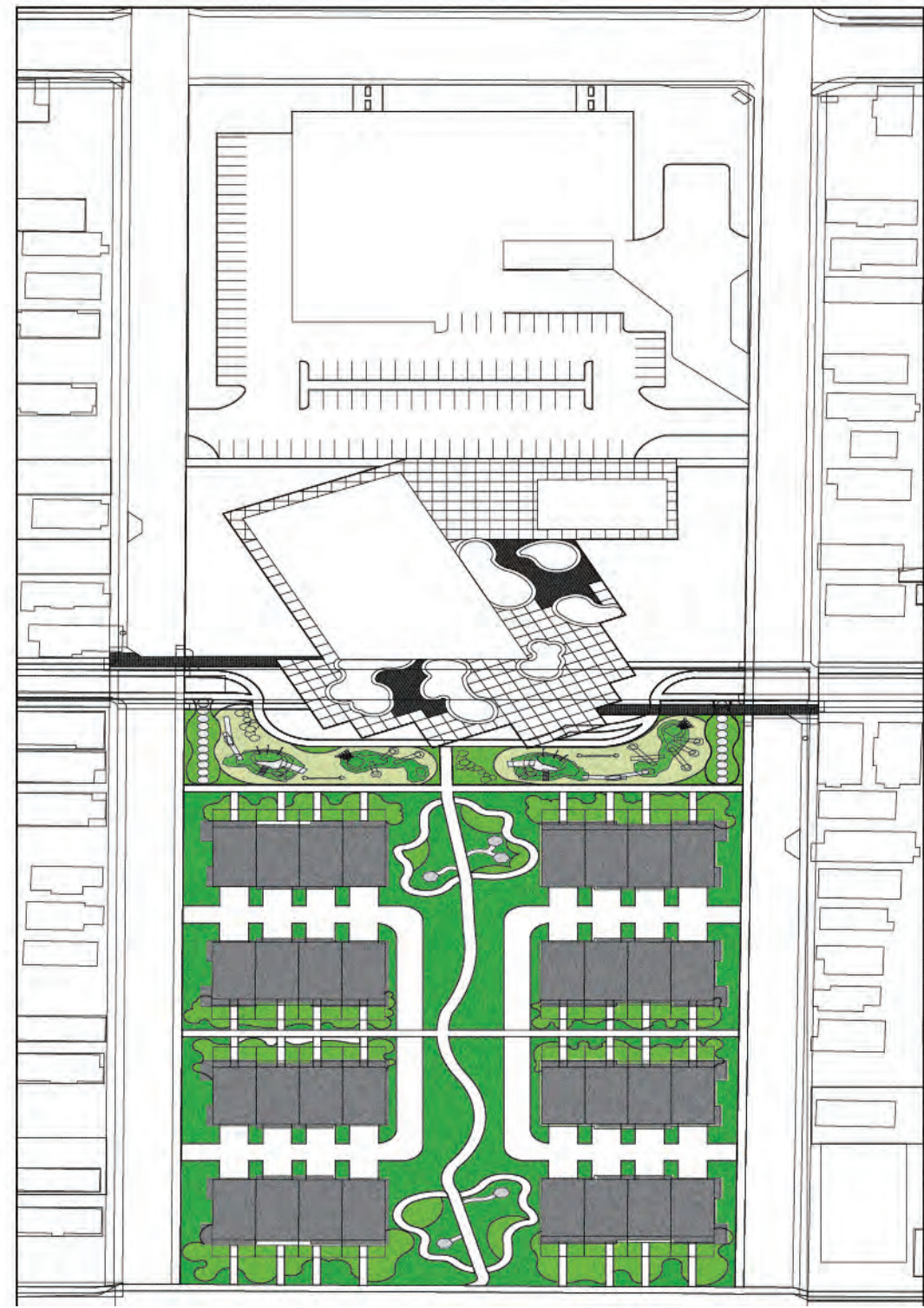
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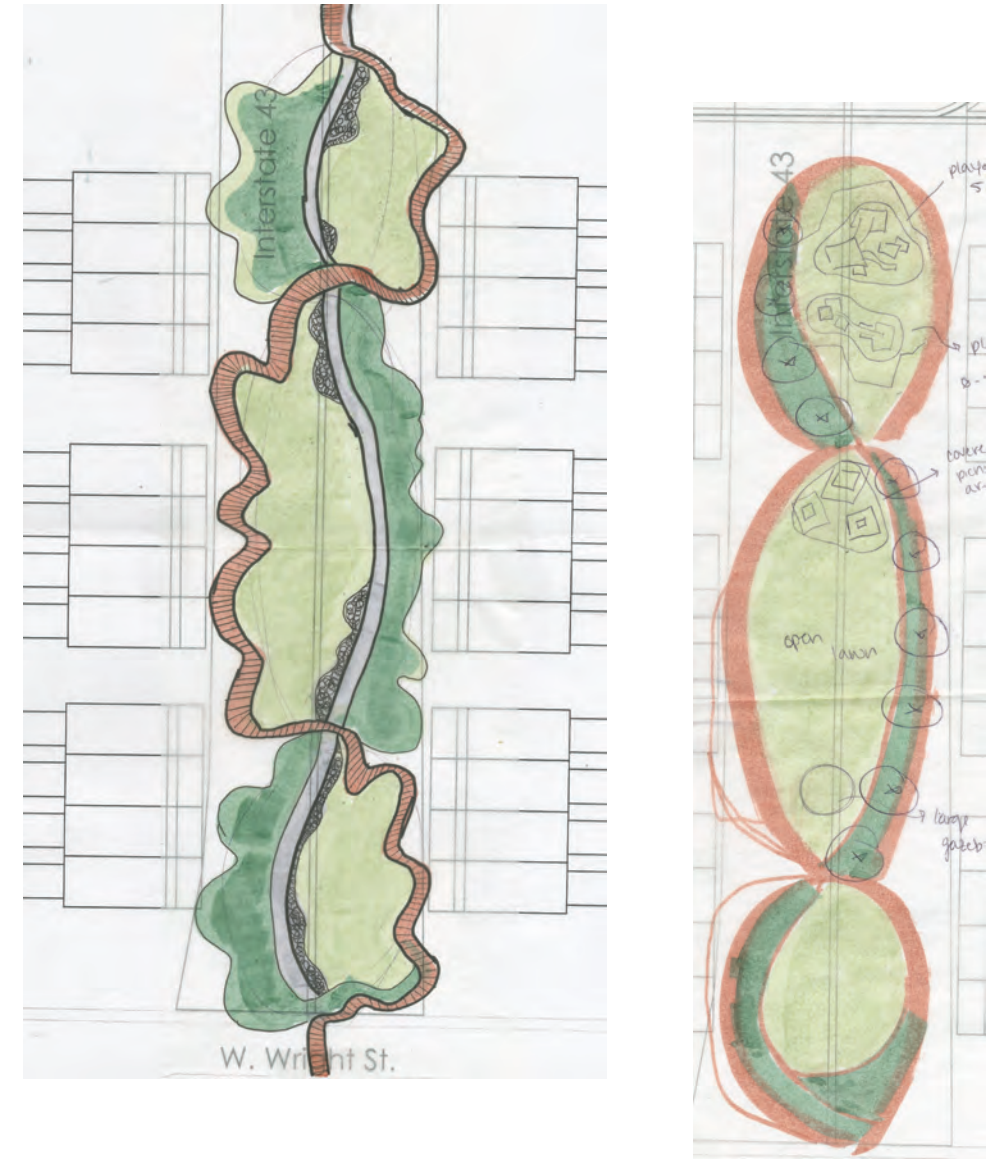
TOWN HOMES + RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR



SCALE: 1 : 200

WHEN INTERVIEW LOCAL RESIDENTS IN THE AREA, THERE WAS A UNANIMOUS CALL FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS. THE HIGHEST REQUEST TYPE OF LIVING SPACES WAS FOR TOWN HOMES. A GOOD SIZED SPACE BETWEEN A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOME AND AN APARTMENT, THE TOWN HOME IS A PERFECT DWELLING. ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF THE SITE, THERE ARE PLANS TO CONSTRUCT EIGHT NEW TOWN HOME COMPLEXES. BETWEEN THE NEW HOMES IS A RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR, A GREEN WAY WITH WALKING PATHS AND GATHERING SPACES. NORTH OF THE NEW HOMES IS A NATURAL PLAYGROUND DESIGNED FOR YOUTH OF ALL AGES.

PRELIMINARY RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR CONCEPTS



AERIAL OVERVIEW II | TOWN HOMES

