Brook Street Residence Hall
Brown University

Community Meeting Materials
Summer 2021
Project Goals

- On-Campus Housing: Provide high-quality housing to encourage students to remain on campus for six out of eight semesters and reduce neighborhood impact of off-campus student housing.
- Context: Respond to the scale and massing of the adjacent context while fulfilling the residential life goals of the project and enhancing the vitality and pedestrian experience of Brook Street.
- Sustainability: Provide an integrated approach to sustainability to contribute to the University’s campus wide energy conservation and carbon reduction goals.
Site in Context

- Reinforce the network of paths and accessible gathering spaces that make up the character of the Brown campus and surrounding neighborhood
- Create new spaces at varying scales that are active, inviting, safe, and accessible, adding to the vibrancy of the neighborhood and campus street life
- Locate entries, program spaces, and building services to reinforce and support the existing character of the neighborhood and campus
- Integrate architecture and landscape to make an inviting, pedestrian friendly streetscape

GREEN SPACE

PEDESTRIAN LANDSCAPE CONNECTIONS

BROWN UNIVERSITY SHUTTLE ROUTE

CAMPUS ZONES
NEIGHBORING INSTITUTIONAL CONTEXT

GRADUATE CENTER

WATSON INSTITUTE

BARBOUR HALL

VARTAN GREGORIAN QUADRANGLE

WATSON INSTITUTE

BRICK DETAILING PRECEDES

CORLISS–CARRINGTON HOUSE

STEPHEN ROBERT ’62 CAMPUS CENTER

BARBOUR HALL

VARTAN GREGORIAN QUADRANGLE

Context and Brick Precedents

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Exterior Facade Concepts

- A well-scaled, inviting pedestrian experience that connects indoors and outdoors

- A warm palette of materials that provide texture, detail, and sense of craft to the exteriors
  - Brick, Terracotta, Dark Bronze metal, Wood accents

- Brick Qualities:
  - Warm, medium color and shade with clay undertones
  - Complementary and distinct in color and tone from VGQ and Barbour Hall bricks
  - Natural variation; subtle surface texture; vibrancy and sheen

- Brick Detailing:
  - Texture and tactility accent corners, edges and windows
  - Use detailing to create differentiation between the east and west buildings
Overall Site Design Principles

- Establish a link to the community and campus
- Provide equitable access to outdoor spaces that are universally accessible
- Create diverse but related outdoor accessible spaces throughout both parcels
- Develop a pervasive urban tree canopy that links the sites and community through the use of heritage and resilient trees species
- Encourage public use of the outdoor spaces and access through the site
- Implement performative site systems that meet the University’s sustainability goals
- Site Updates:
  - Revision to east site for new proposed residence
  - Revision to west site to accommodate retail space

Landscape Concepts
Landscape Concepts - West Site

- **SOUTH LOT - SITE 8**
  - PROPOSED SERVICE PATH
  - DECIDUOUS & EVERGREEN BUFFER PLANTING
  - ACCESSIBLE SLOPED WALK
  - SLOPING LAWN FOR PASSIVE USE & VIEWS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD
  - SEAT WALL FOR CASUAL GATHERING
  - DECIDUOUS SHADE TREES
  - BIOTREATMENT AREA
  - SEAT WALL AT STREET EDGE
  - DECIDUOUS WETLAND TREES
  - DECIDUOUS STREET TREES
  - ACCESSIBLE PAVED COMMON SPACE

- **ACCESSIBLE TERRACE**
- **PLANTED SWALE AREA**
- **COVERED BIKE RACKS**
- **250 BROOK STREET**
- **PROPOSED RETAIL SPACE**

Street Trees to be irrigated with site-treated water.
STUDENT GATHERING AREAS

Landscape Precedents
SHRUB AND PERENNIAL PALETTE
SITE OF FUTURE PROPOSED RESIDENCE
### Community Engagement Process

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### Project Schedule

- Enabling work and utility relocations: Early Fall 2021
- Providence Preservation Salvage of Materials: Early Fall 2021
- Contractor Mobilization on Site: Fall 2021
- Demolition of Existing Structures: Fall 2021
- Start of Building Construction: Late Fall 2021
- Completion and Occupancy: Fall 2023

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