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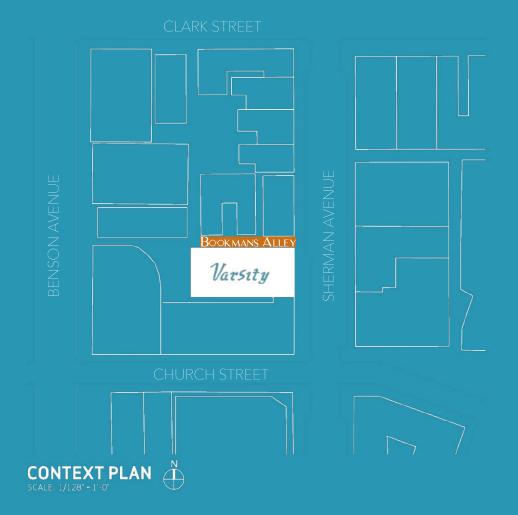




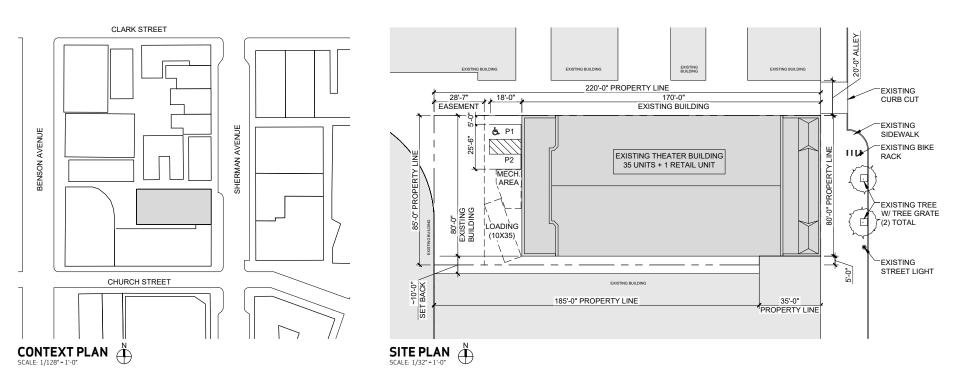




BOOKMANS ALLEY













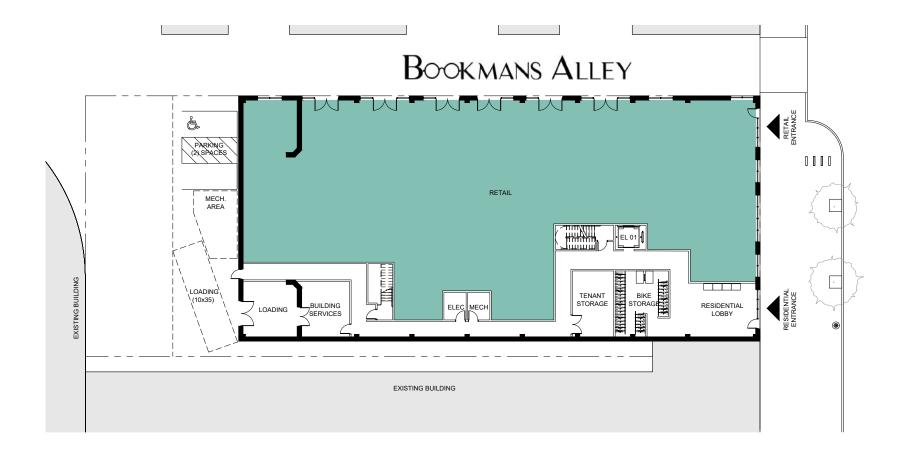
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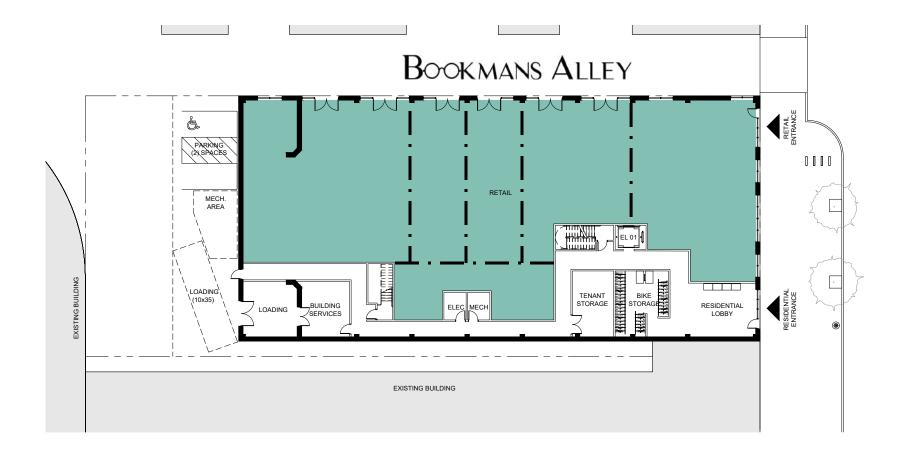
10,000 SF of urban storefront retail

Oriented to both Sherman Avenue and Bookmans Alley

A beloved space activated as a new downtown destination











VARSITY ADAPTIVE REUSE

35 urban apartments

Studios, 1-beds, 2-beds and 3-beds – approximately 450-1,300 SF¹

Three on-site affordable units

Work from home functionality

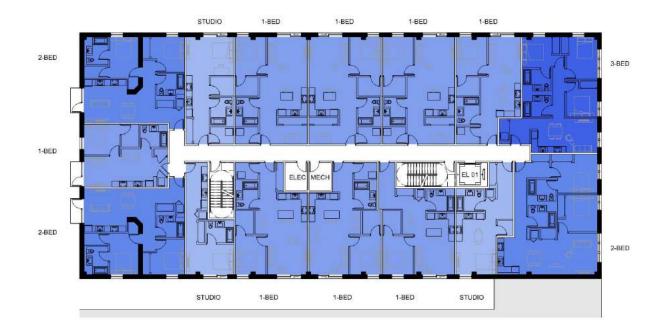
1 Studios: 3 units, 8.6%

1-beds: 20 units, 57.1% (2 units affordable)

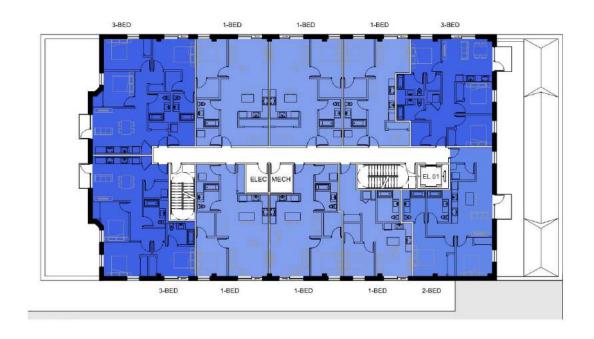
2-beds: 5 units, 14.3% (1 unit affordable)

- 3-beds: / units, 20%















EXISTING TILE ROOF





EXISTING FACE BRICK AND TERRACOTTA





NEW METAL ACCENTS















VARIATION REQUEST

28 parking spaces required

2 on-site parking spaces (one ADA)¹

16 off-site leased parking spaces, as proposed

0.5 parking spaces per unit, as proposed

1 Additional parking spaces may be accommodated on-site as design advances, reducing off-site requirement

PARKING CONSIDERATIONS

Proximate projects range between 0.1-0.3 parking spaces per unit

Potential for inducing unnecessary vehicular demand and traffic

Misalignment with project values and decarbonization goals



PUBLIC IMPACT

Adaptive reuse of the Varsity

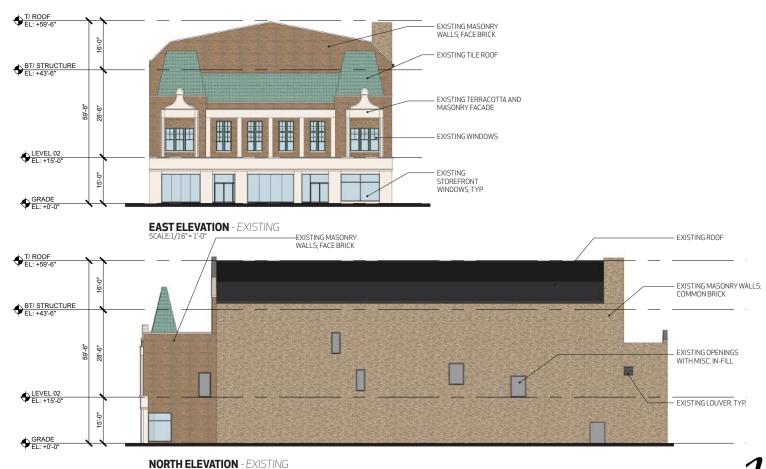
180%+ increase in real estate taxes

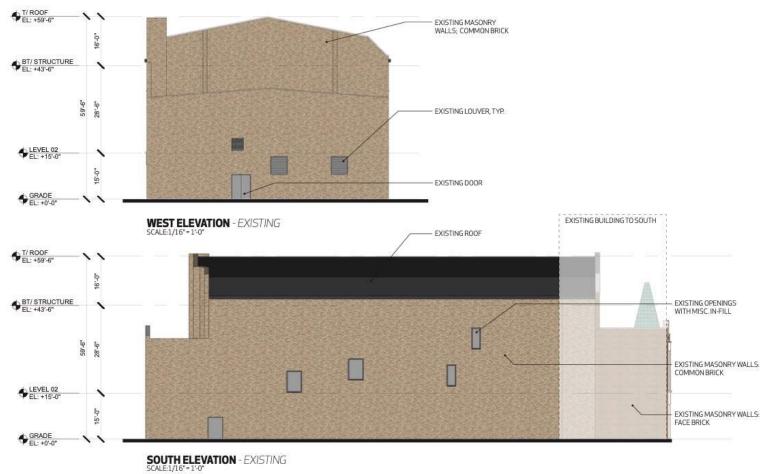
On-site affordable housing (three units)

A reimagined Bookmans Alley as a destination for downtown Evanston











NORTH ELEVATION SCALE:1/16" = 1'-0"



