

## PROJECT SUMMARY:

"..Perhaps the observation of things has remained my most important formal education; for observation later becomes transformed into memory. I see all the things I have observed arranged like a catalogue... (that) reappears in several objects and constitutes their deformation and, in some way, their evolution."

- Aldo Rossi, A Scientific Autobiography

In a building of memory and continuance, the observation and collection of found artifacts precedes the process of generating form. Rather than constructing from scratch, found artifacts are transformed into a family of mnemonic corridors, weaving through the unaltered skeleton of the existing building.

These corridors are constructed of familiar yet distant parts: *local*: preserved steel components of the size and scale of the ubiquitous Boston street underpass; *nostalgic*: industrial components of Boston's rich history of transit infrastructure; *pragmatic*: 2x6 studs, 1x ribs, and glu-lam beams. Together, the individual elements are bound together into a cohesive yet playful spine.

The line between exterior and interior is blurred as two distinct worlds form a productive opposition in the narrative of the proposal:

First, the corridor, constructed of found artifacts and framing the new intervention. These corridors are multifunctional: a ramp leads visitors from Dudley street to a collective vestibule; a passage links the Leon Electric site and the Upham's Corner inbound platform; vertical circulation cores, linear offices and private restrooms complete the system.

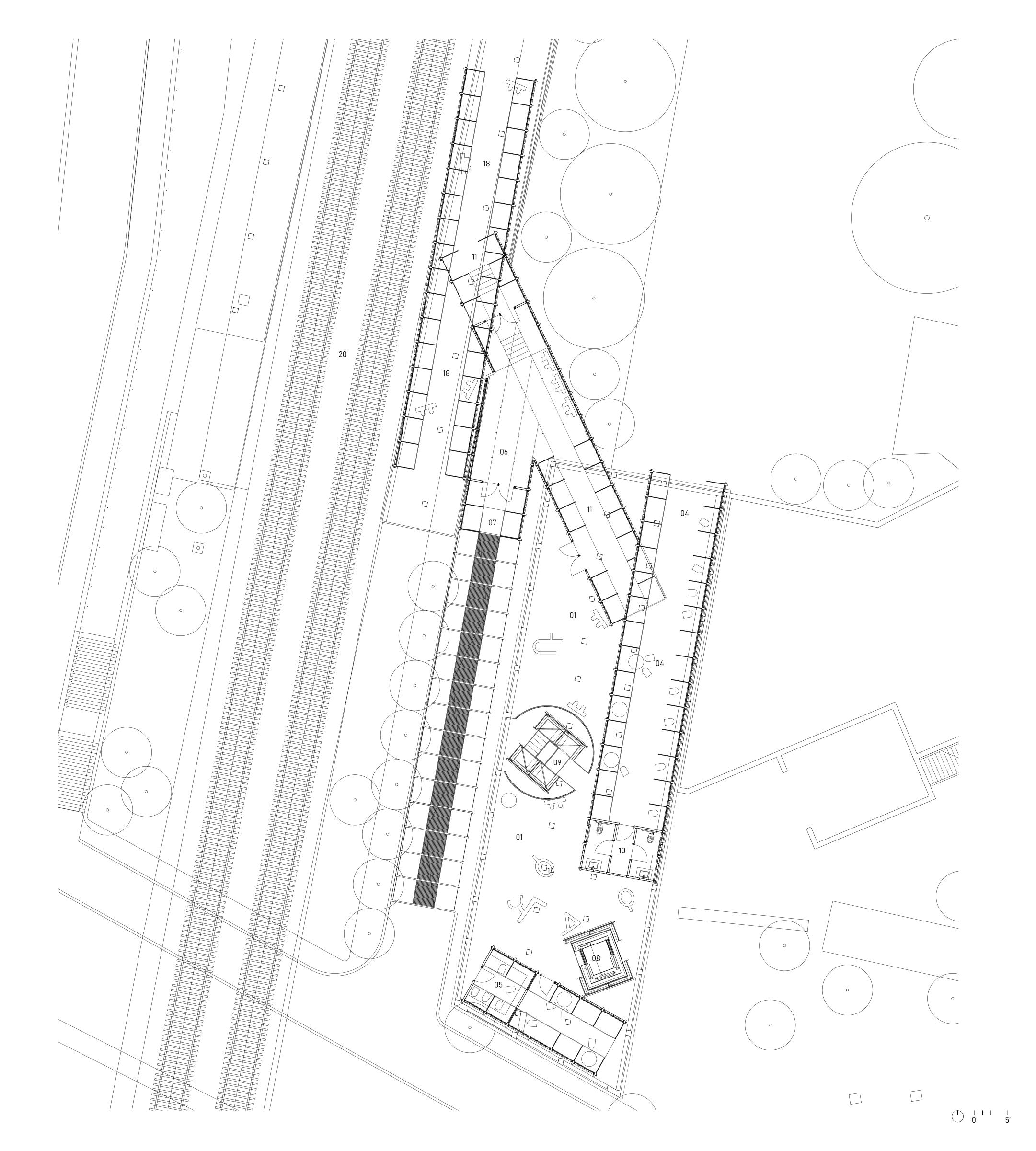
Second, the existing building structure is largely preserved and wrapped in a thin screen. The structure as found is left to remain, its function to host flexible community gathering, performance and retail spaces.

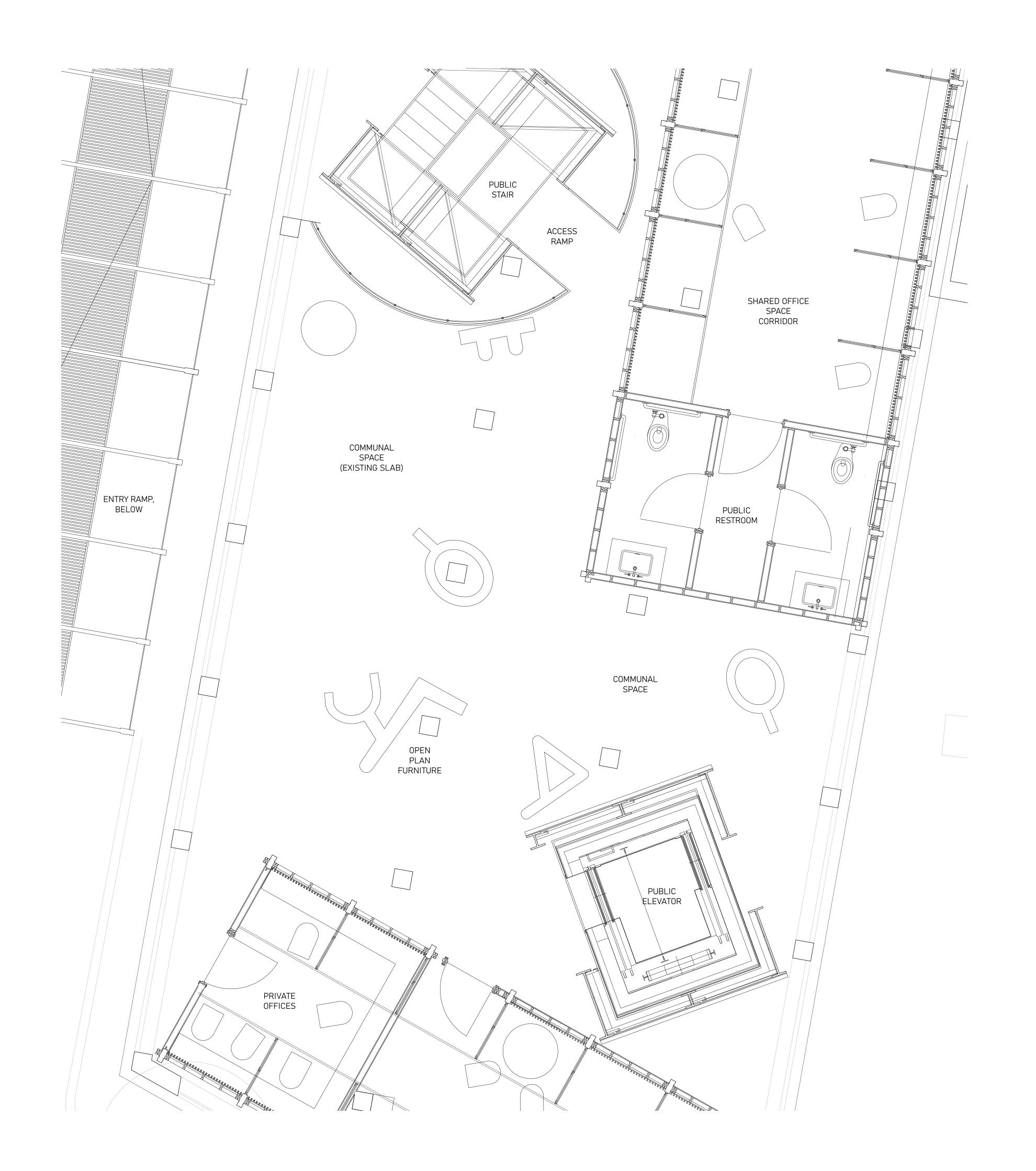
Cosntructed of the 'stuff' of remembrance, *Observation, Memory, Corridor* aims to revitalize Uphams Corner through fusing the remembered and the familiar into a cohesive whole.

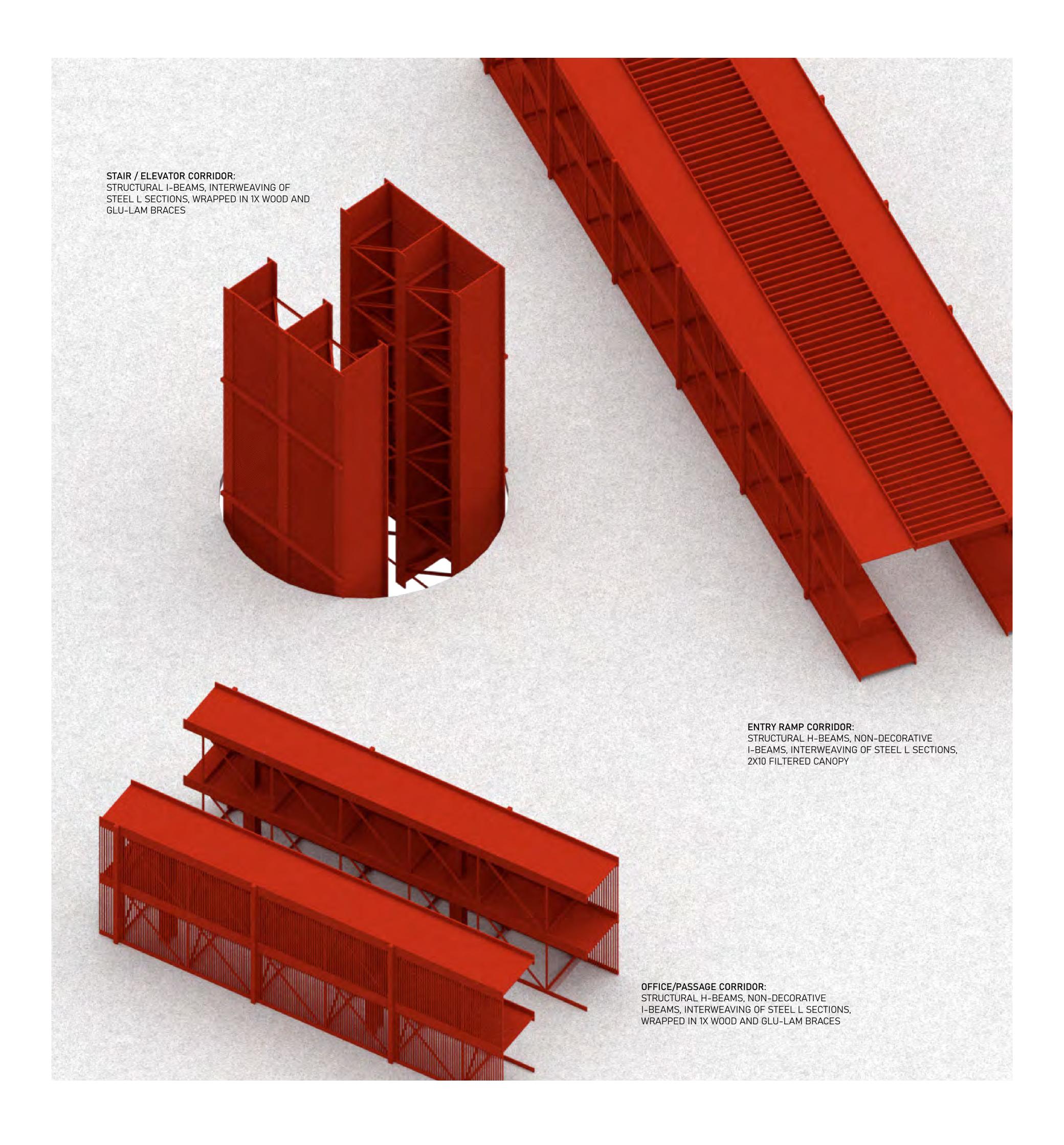
## PLAN KEY:

01 FLEXIBLE COMMUNITY SPACE
02 PERFORMANCE SPACE
03 COMMERCIAL RETAIL SPACE
04 COMMUNITY WORK SPACE
05 PRIVATE OFFICE SPACE
06 PUBLIC ENTRY VESTIBULE
07 ENTRY RAMP
08 ELEVATOR
09 PUBLIC STAIR
10 PUBLIC RESTROOM
11 CIRCULATION CORRIDOR
12 PUBLIC ENTRY VESTIBULE
13 ENVELOPE: WINDOW WALL AND RAINSCREEN
14 EXISTING COLUMN TO REMAIN

15 ENTRY PLAZA
16 EXTERIOR STAIR
17 EXISTING UNDERPASS
18 INBOUND PLATFORM
19 OUTBOUND PLATFORM
20 UPHAM'S CORNER / MBTA LINE
21 EXISTING ROCK LEDGE
22 EXISTING LEON ELECTRIC BUILDING
23 PROPOSED PLANTING

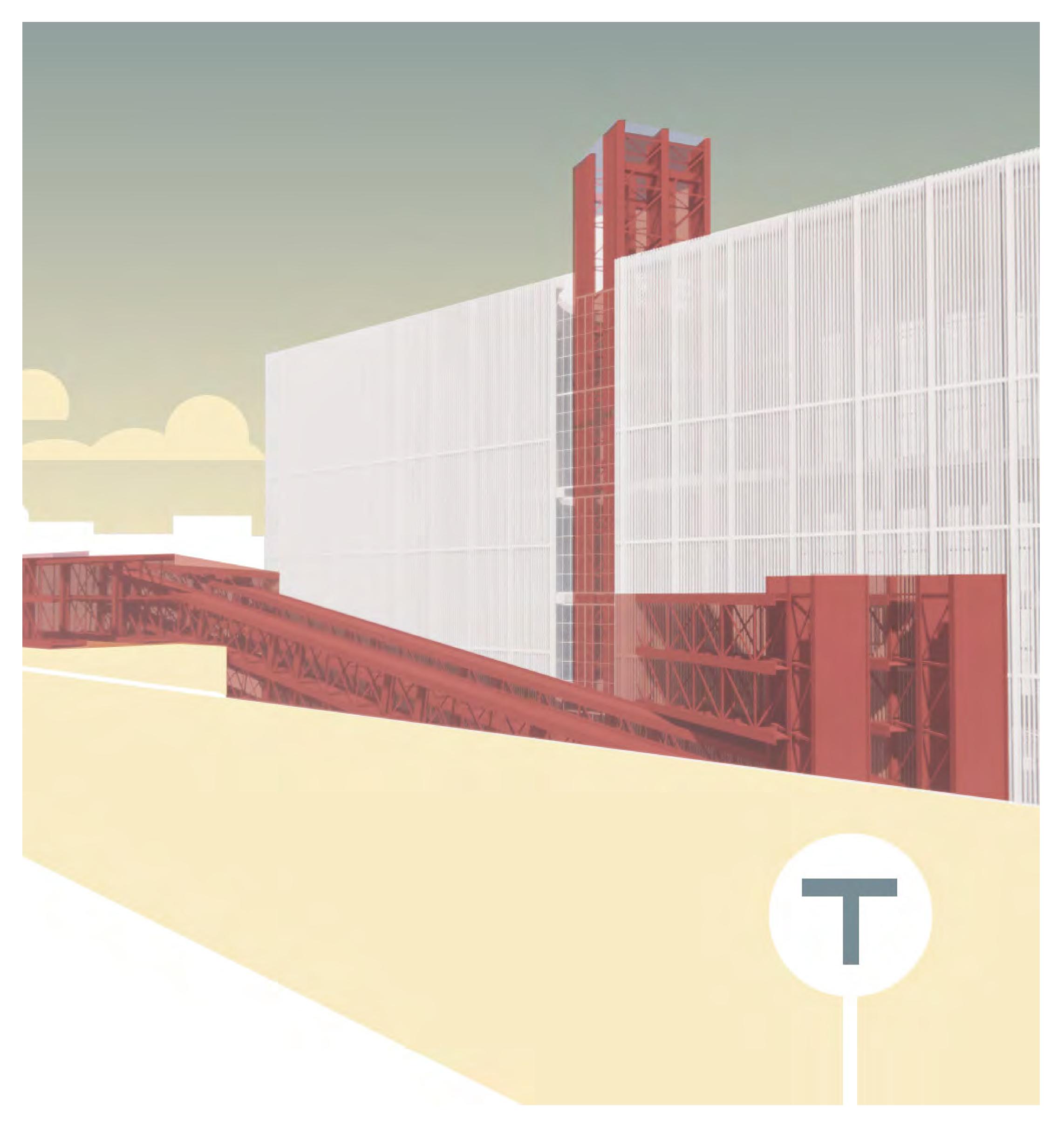






DETAIL PLAN ARTIFACT/CORRIDOR FAMILY





SECTION EXTERIOR RENDER