55 KERR STREET CAMBRIDGE COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION REPORT FOR OPA AND ZBA

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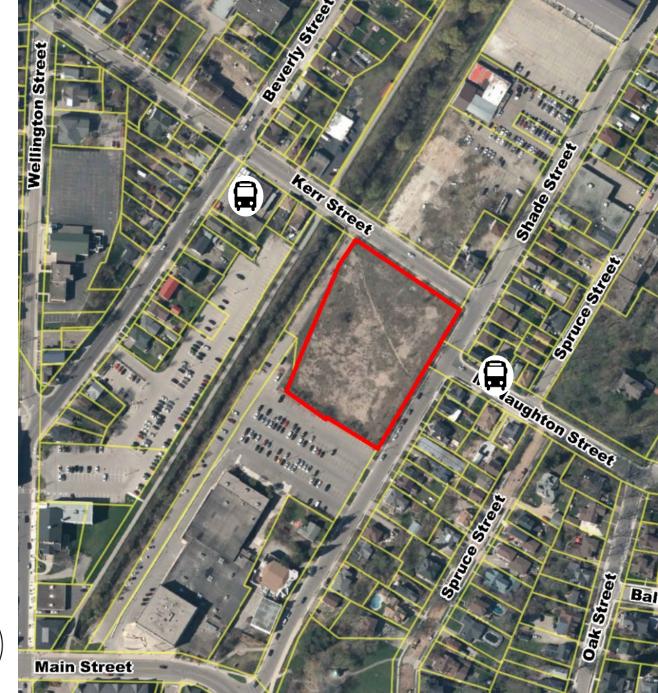
Site

Site Stats:

- Currently vacant
- 10,099 sq. m (2.5 acres) in size;
- Site has two (2) street frontages:
 - Approx. 95 m frontage along Kerr Street
 - Approx. 109 m frontage along Shade Street

Transit Routes:

- GRT Bus Route 58
 - Connections to Ainslie Terminal and Downtown Cambridge
- Site adjacent to future ION LRT
 - Will be constructed on west side of the site
 - Transit station just south of Kerr Street





Surrounding Context





Original Proposal



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Number of Units 592

Height - Bldg. A. 89.06 m

Bldg. B. 71.34 m

Number of Storeys - Bldg. A. 30

Bldg. B. 24

Parking Proposed Surface 32 spaces

Underground 612 spaces

Number of Underground Parking Levels





Revised Proposal



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		Existing Proposal	Revised Propos
Number of Units		592	445
Height - Bldg. A.		89.06 m	54.60 m
Bldg. B.		71.34 m	54.60 m
Number of Storeys -	Bldg. A.	30	18
	Bldg. B.	24	18
Parking Proposed	Surface	32 spaces	35 spaces
	Underground	612 spaces	410 spaces
Number of Underground Parking Levels		3	2



Original Elevation

24 and 30 storeys



Revised Elevation

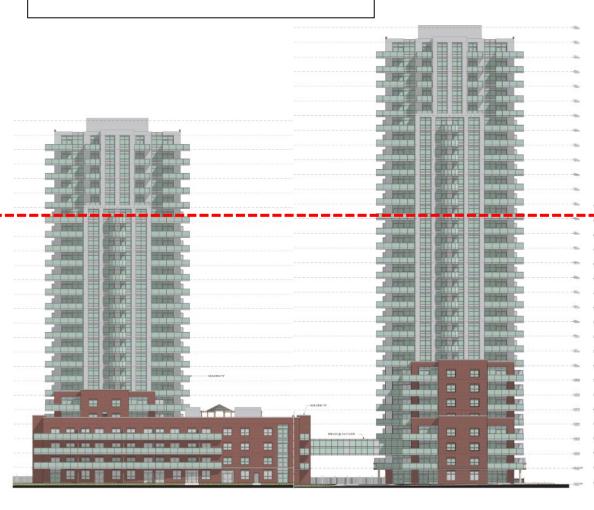
18 and 18 Storeys

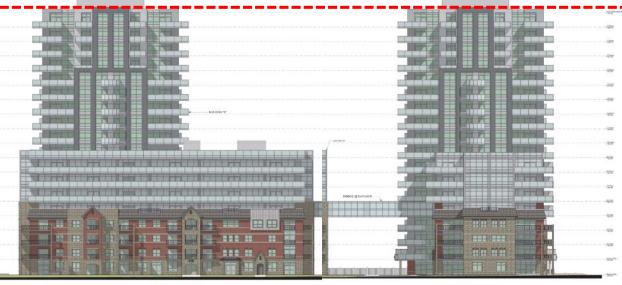


Comparison Evolution

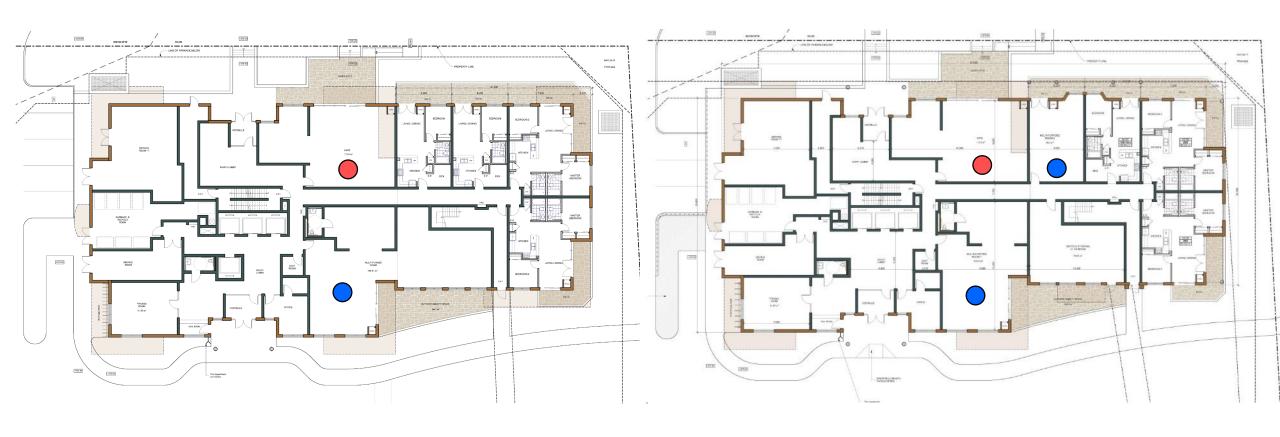


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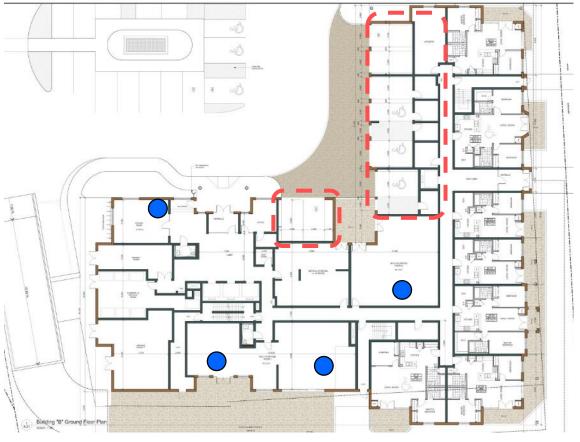


First Floor Building A Before and After



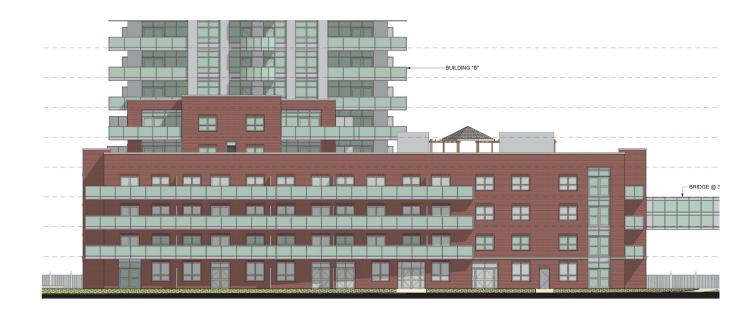
First Floor Building B Before and After





Architecture Before & After

 A more traditional podium reflecting heritage characteristics





Transition & Angular Plane

Podium is within the 45 degree angular plane Building "A" North Elevation Shade Street



Building A

Building B

Viewshed







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Relative Height

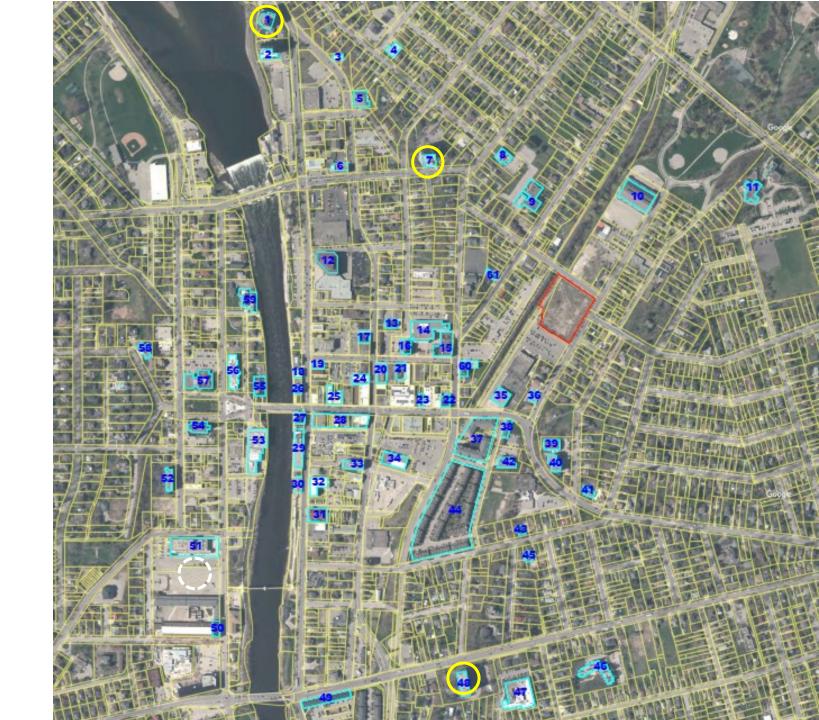
- 1. 170 WATER STREET NORTH
 - 14-STOREYS
- 7. 95 CAMBRIDGE STREET
 - 15-STOREYS

48. 59 CONCESSION STREET

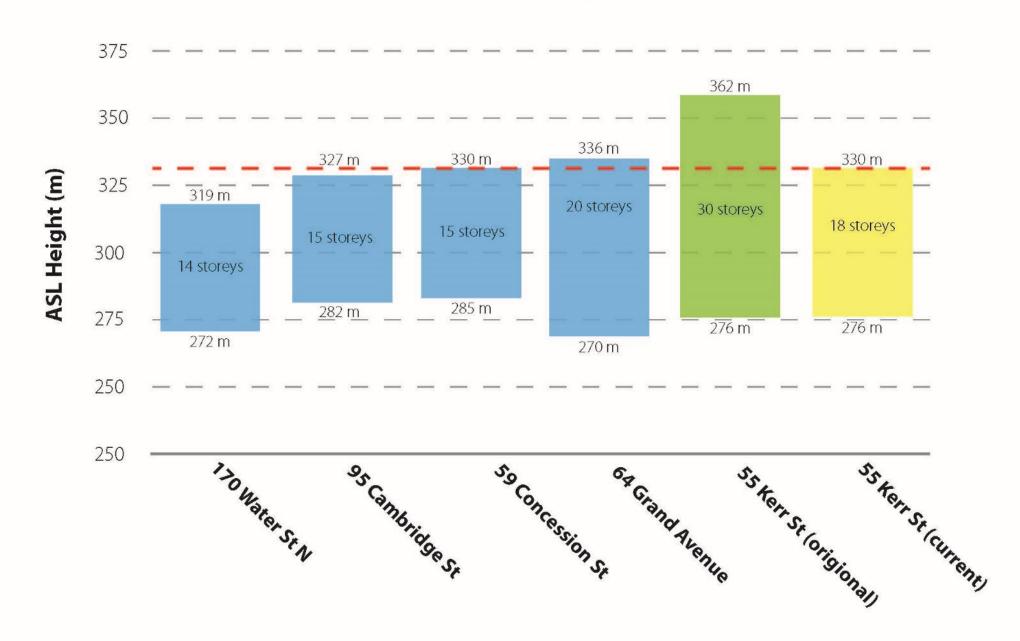
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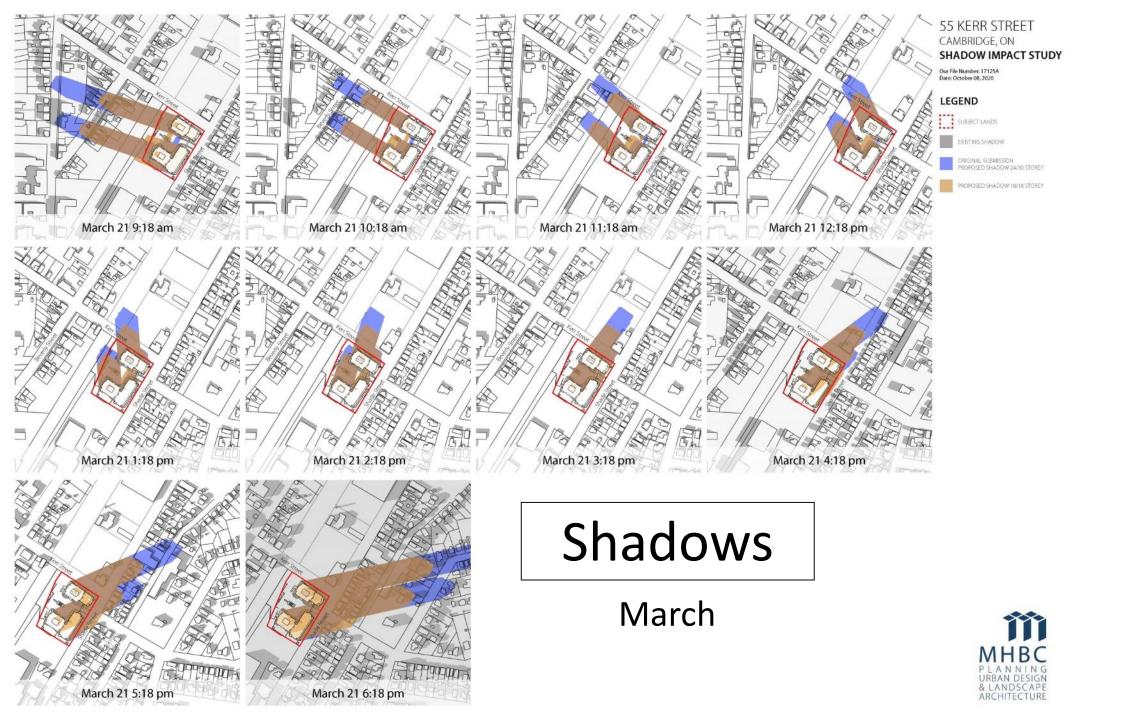
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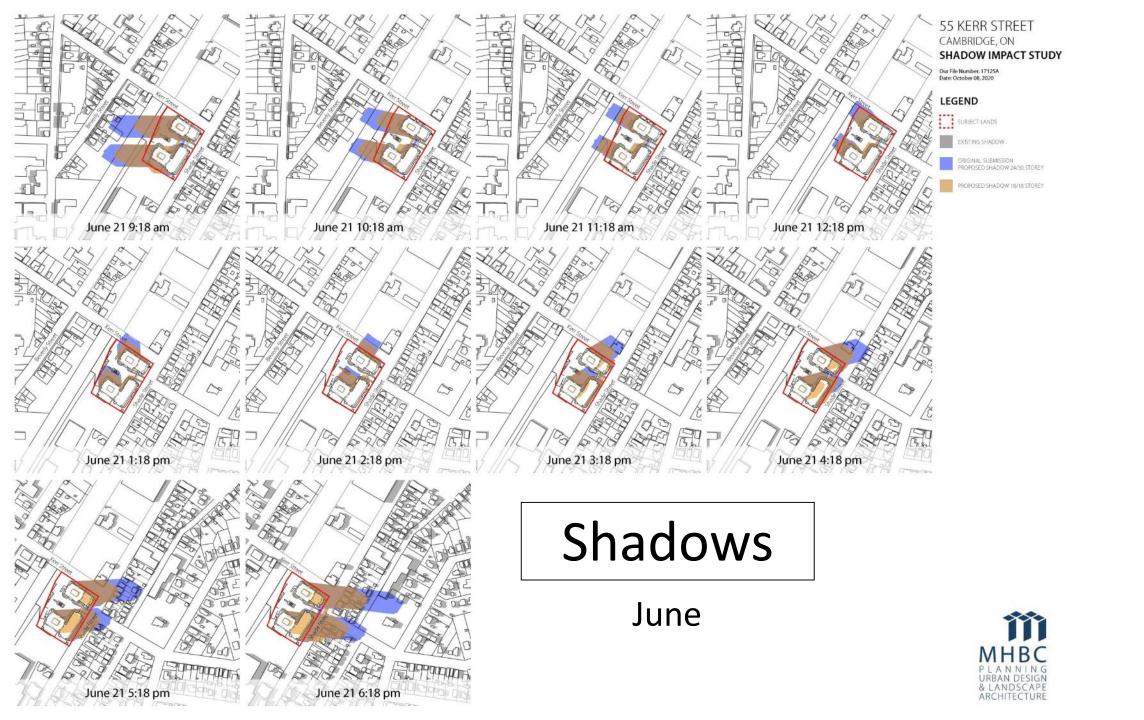
20 STOREYS

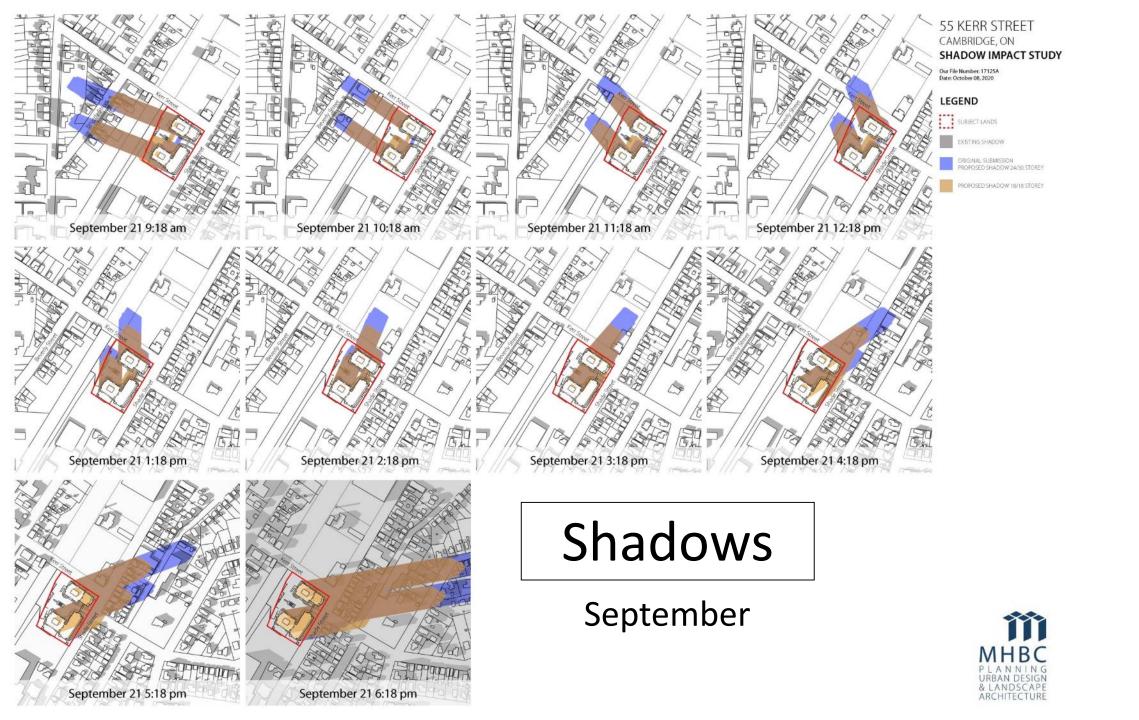


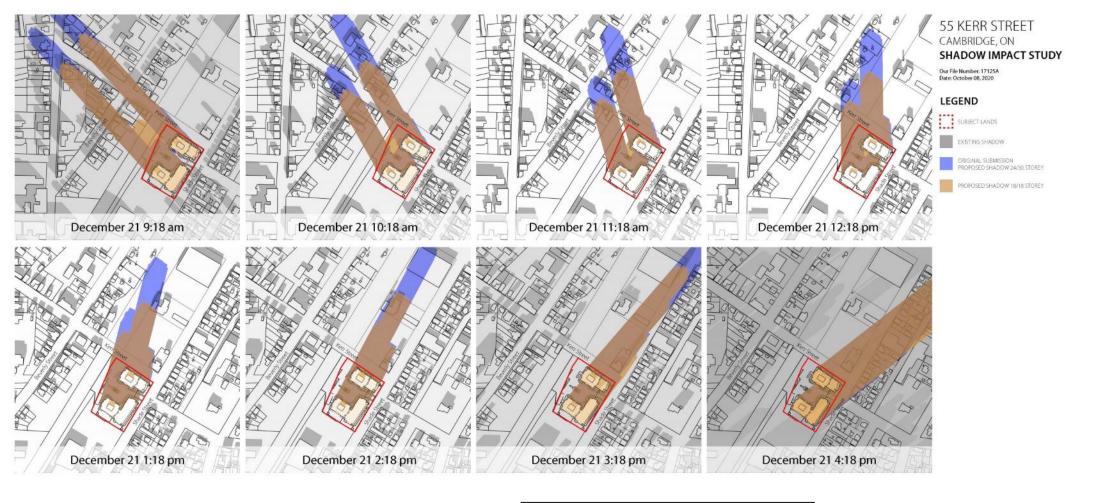
Visual Impact Height Analysis











Shadows

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PLANNING
URBAN DESIGN
& LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTURE

Improvements

- Height is in keeping with height context of the Downtown
- Reduction in density
 (approximately 1/3rd less units)
- Reduction in levels of underground parking and overall parking spaces
- Reduction in overall traffic
- Improvements in amenity to tenant ratio
- Improvement in potential shadow impacts; shadows continue to move fast across neighbourhood
- Improvement to the building base vernacular



