

# North Square

## Public Works Department

*Second Public Meeting*

September 17, 2015



Martin J. Walsh,  
Mayor



Michael D. Dennehy,  
Interim Commissioner

# Existing Conditions

# Project Area



## North Square



# Purpose/Opportunities

- Recognize North Square as one of Boston's oldest occupied neighborhoods
- Reinforce the significant place in history that the North End played in the formation of the Country
- Provide an open space that accommodates multiple uses
- Improve accessibility and safety for pedestrians
- Account for deliveries and vehicular circulation
- Coordinate with the Rachel Revere Park Improvements project

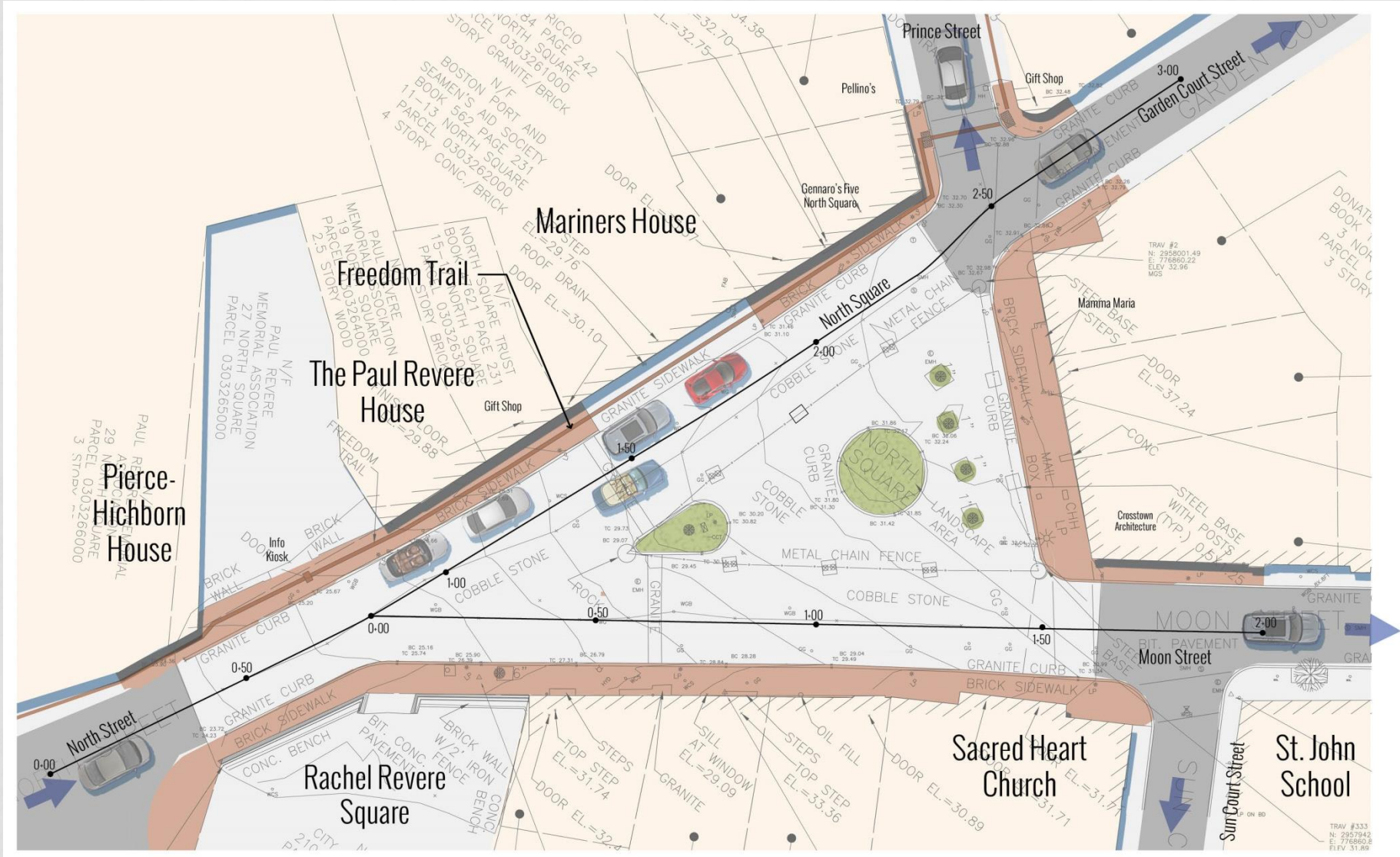


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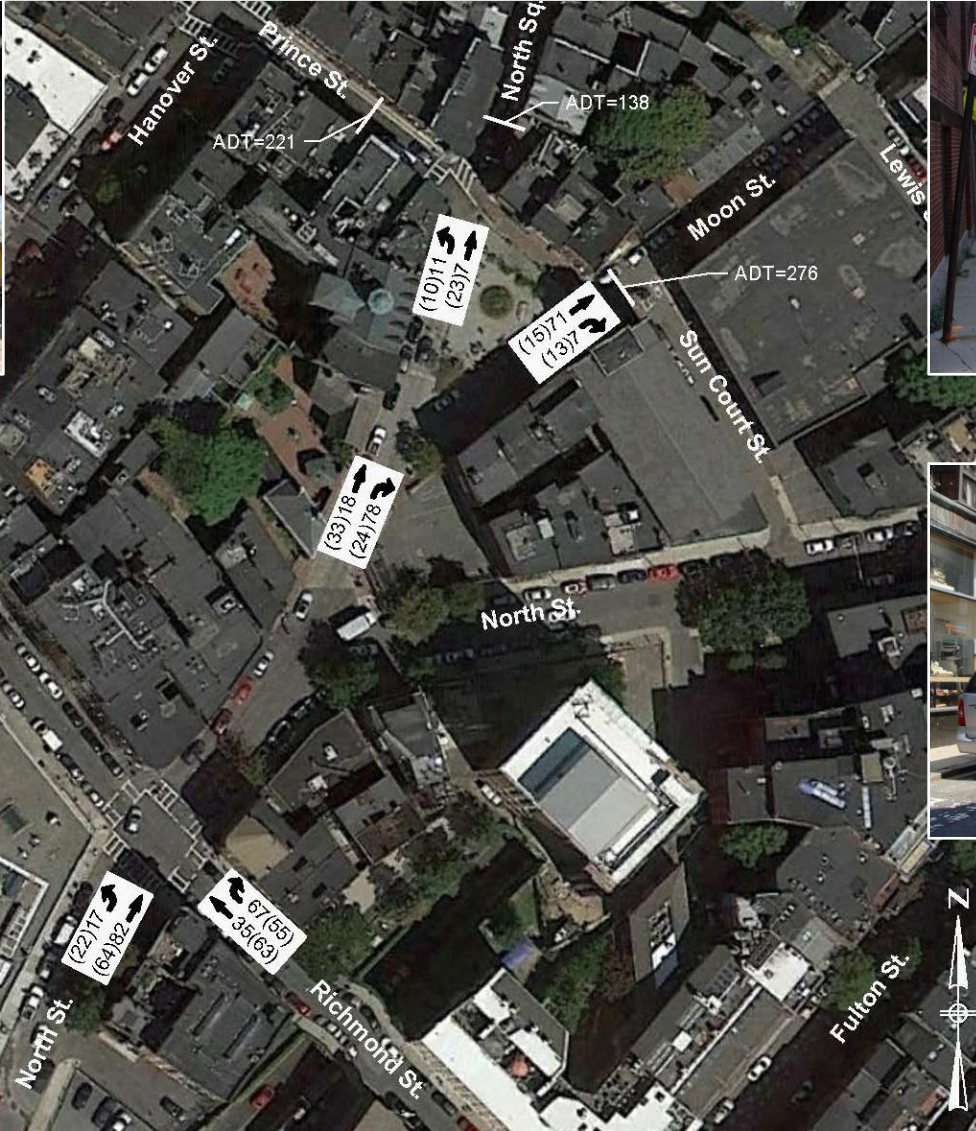


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# Existing Conditions

# Traffic - Vehicular



### Legend

XX - AM Peak Volumes (7:00 to 8:00)  
(XX) - PM Peak Volumes (5:00 to 6:00)

ADT - Average Daily Traffic

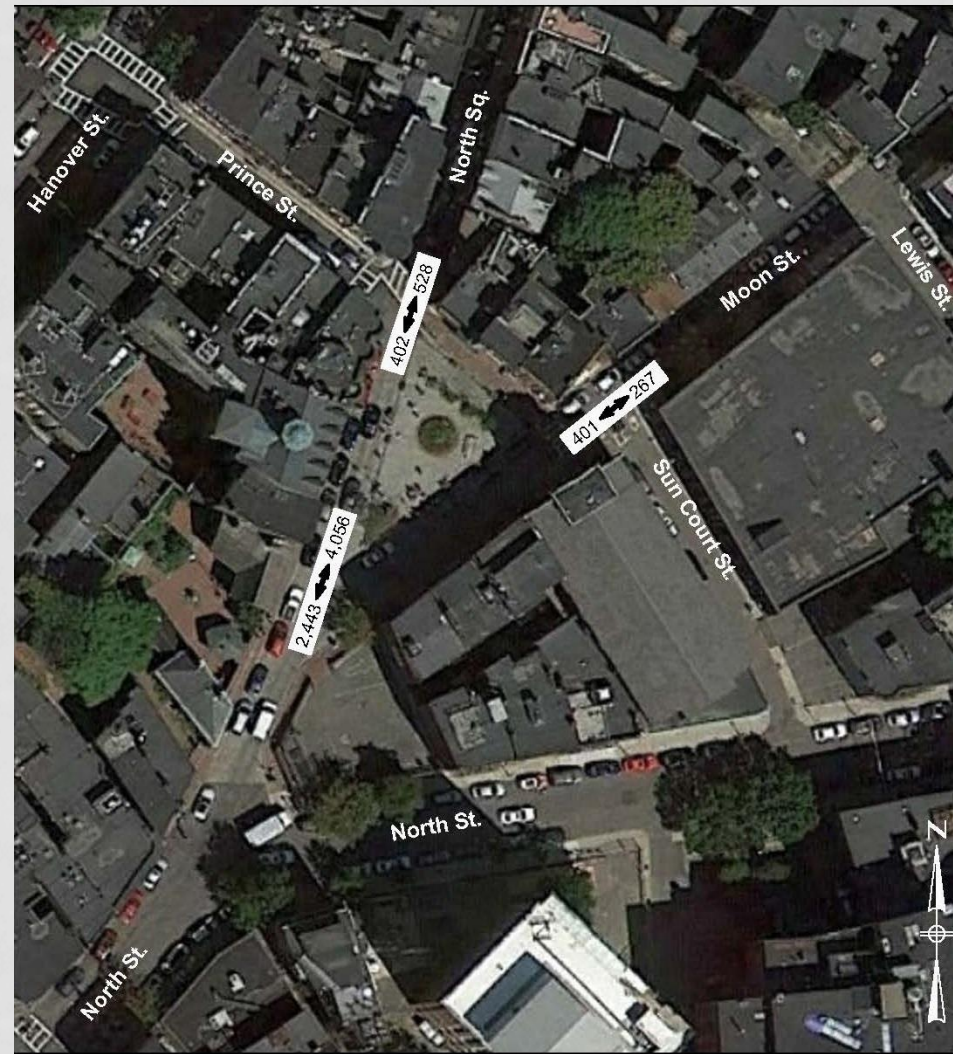
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# Existing Conditions

# Traffic - Pedestrian

- 6499 Pedestrians on Saturday, September 20, 2014 between 10am and 6pm
- The Paul Revere House has over 250,000 visitors a year.



### Legend

Pedestrian Volumes - Saturday (10:00 AM to 6:00 PM)

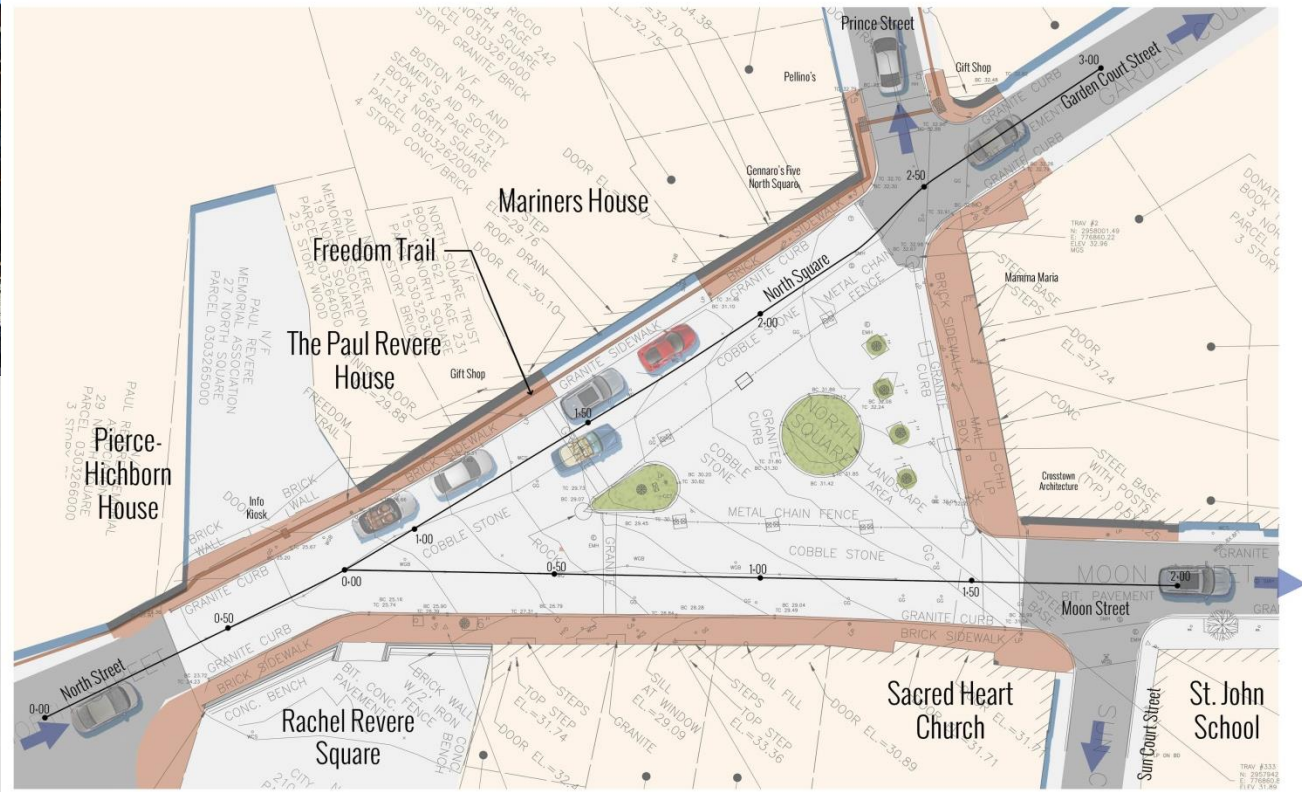
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# Existing Conditions Deliveries & Functions



- Restaurant deliveries
- St. John School
  - 2 Buses
  - Parent drop-off
- Sacred Heart Church
  - Funeral
  - Mass

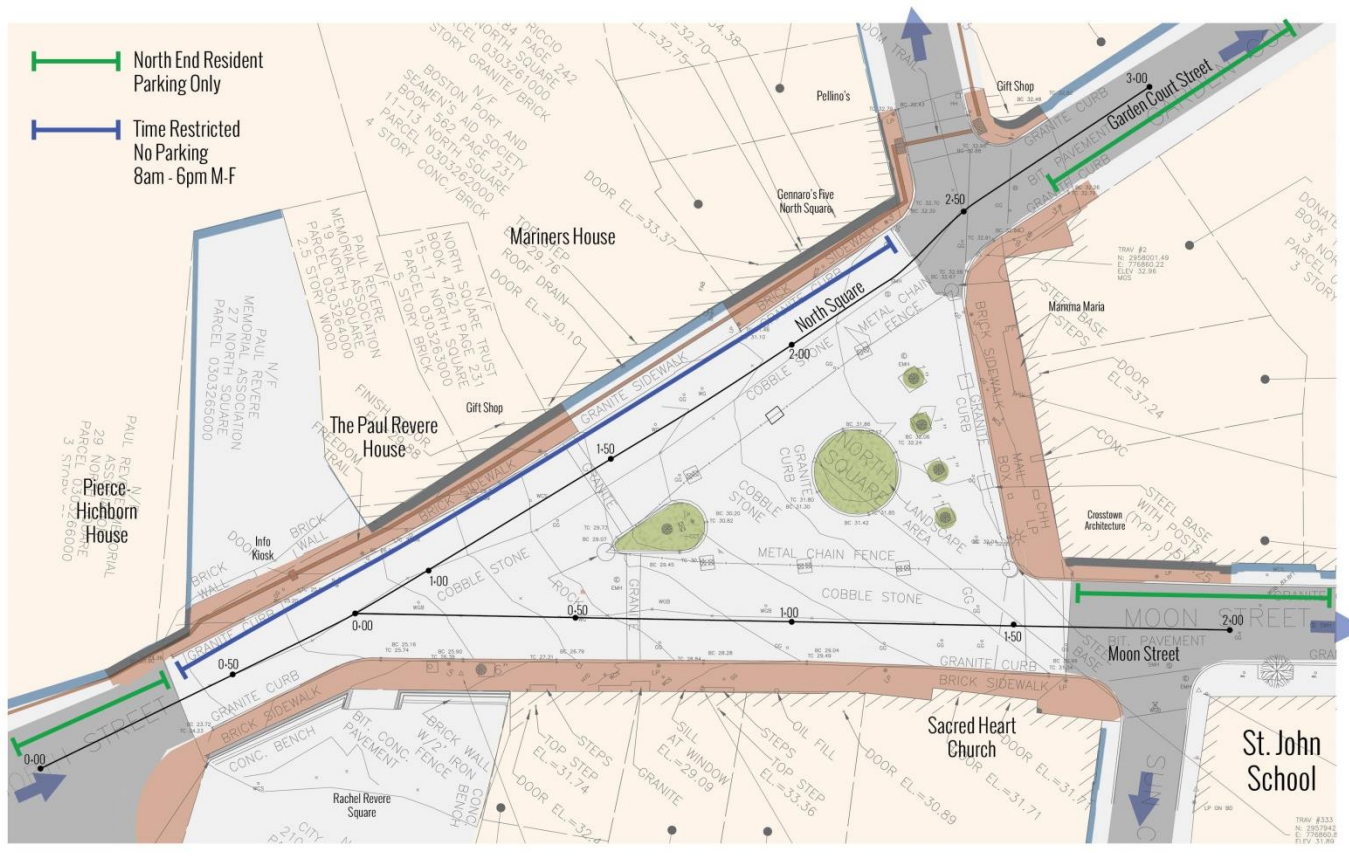


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# Existing Conditions

# Parking



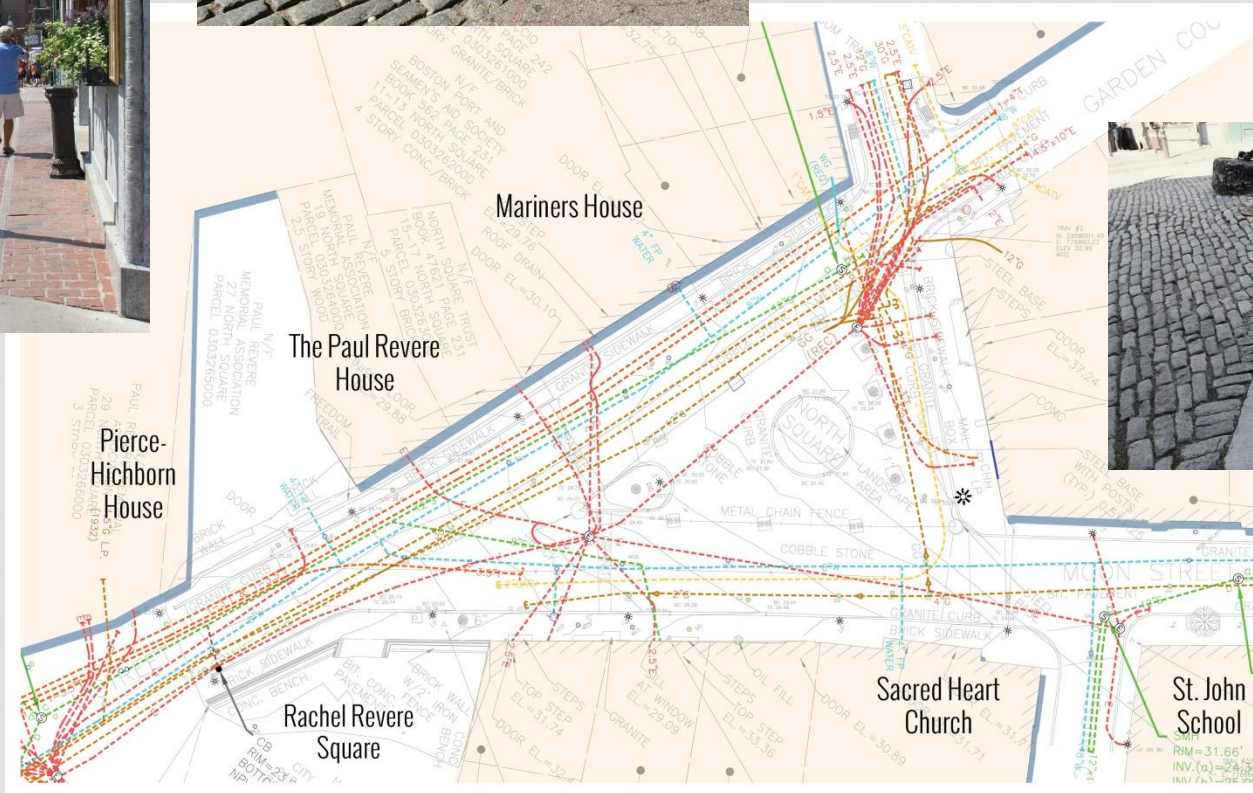
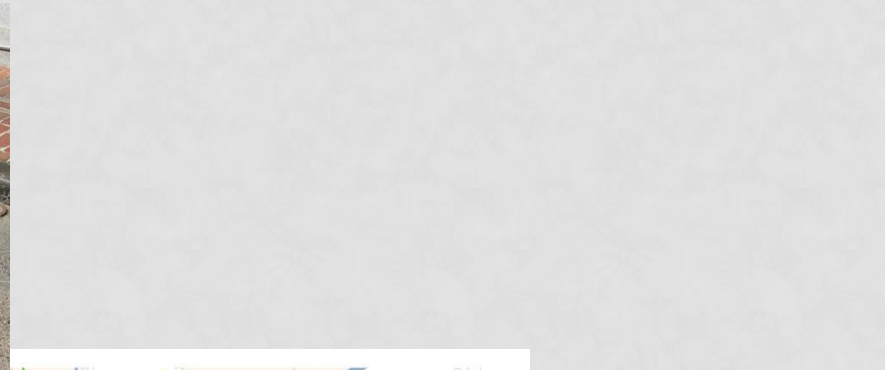
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# Existing Conditions

# Utilities

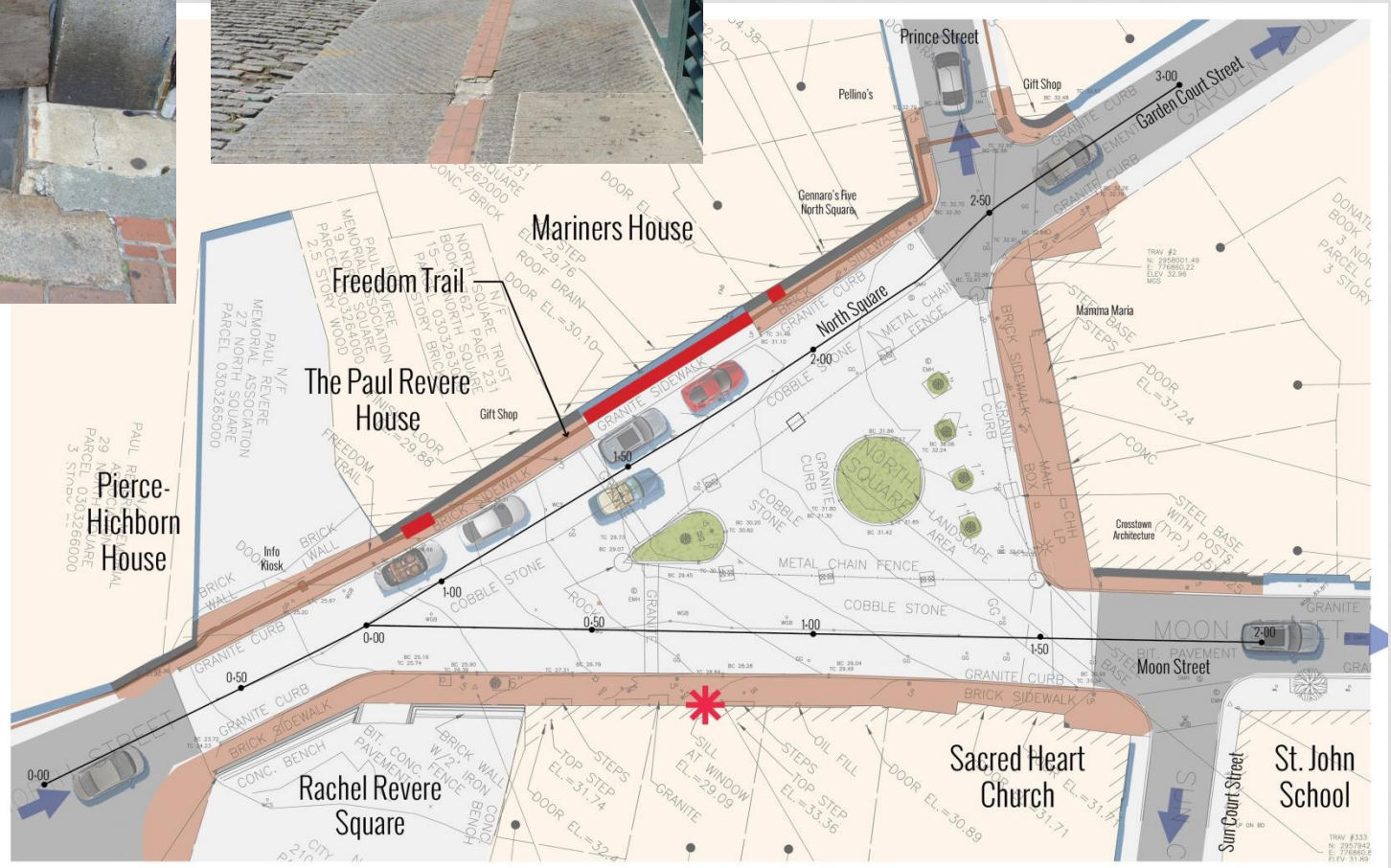


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# Existing Conditions

# Areaways

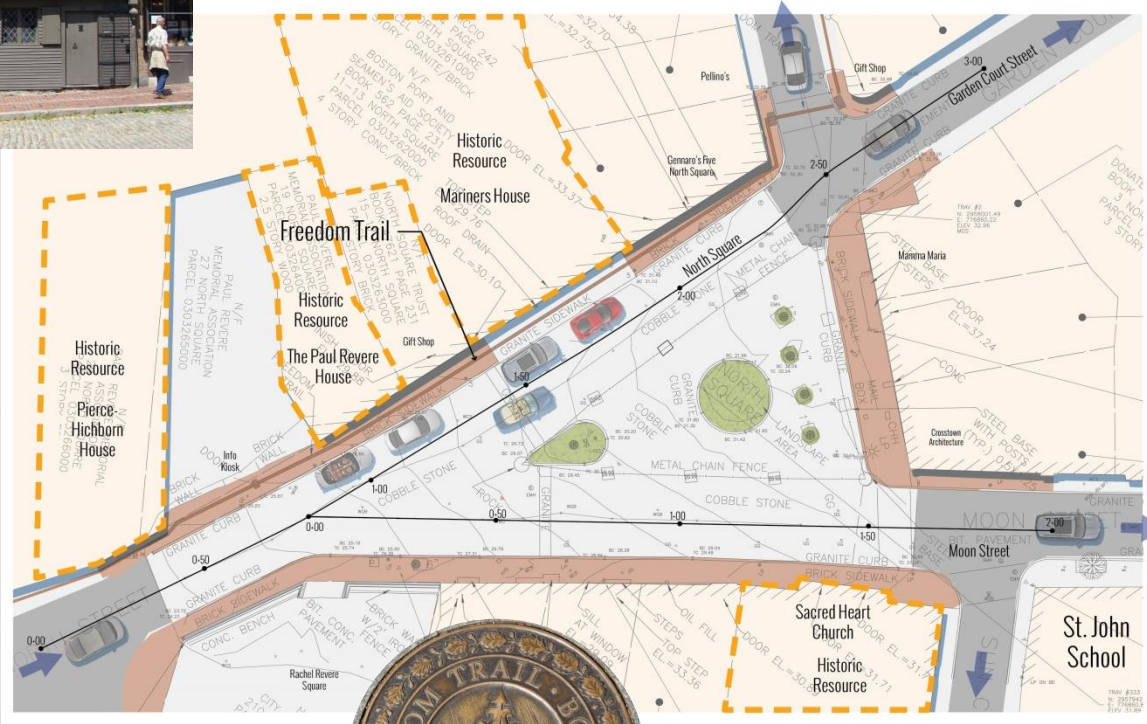


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# Existing Conditions

# Historic



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## General

- The design should reflect the history of the Square and the surrounding buildings
- The Square is not currently pedestrian friendly
- Concerned about mixing vehicles and pedestrians
- The process needs to merge the historic properties' needs with the community's (resident's) needs
- The design must be careful not to impact these uses as they bring business to the Square
- Concern about students/others hanging out after the restaurants close
- A water feature should be considered

## Materials

- Cobblestones are an important aesthetic for the Square

## Maritime Chain

- The chain is an important element of the Square
- It prevents cars from parking in the triangle
- The chain around the Square is from "Old Ironsides"

## Traffic/circulation

- The Square should be for pedestrians first and vehicles second

## Amenities

- The Square should include amenities for sitting and resting

## Rachael Revere Park

- North Square and Rachael Revere Park designs should be a collaborative effort between Parks



# Project Coordination



Rachel Revere Park



# Existing Conditions

# Project Area



Mariners House

The Paul Revere House

Pierce-Hichborn House

Rachel Revere Square - Boston City Parks - (Currently in Design)

Sacred Heart Church

St. John School

Sun Court Street

N Square

North Street

Moon Street

Garden Court Street

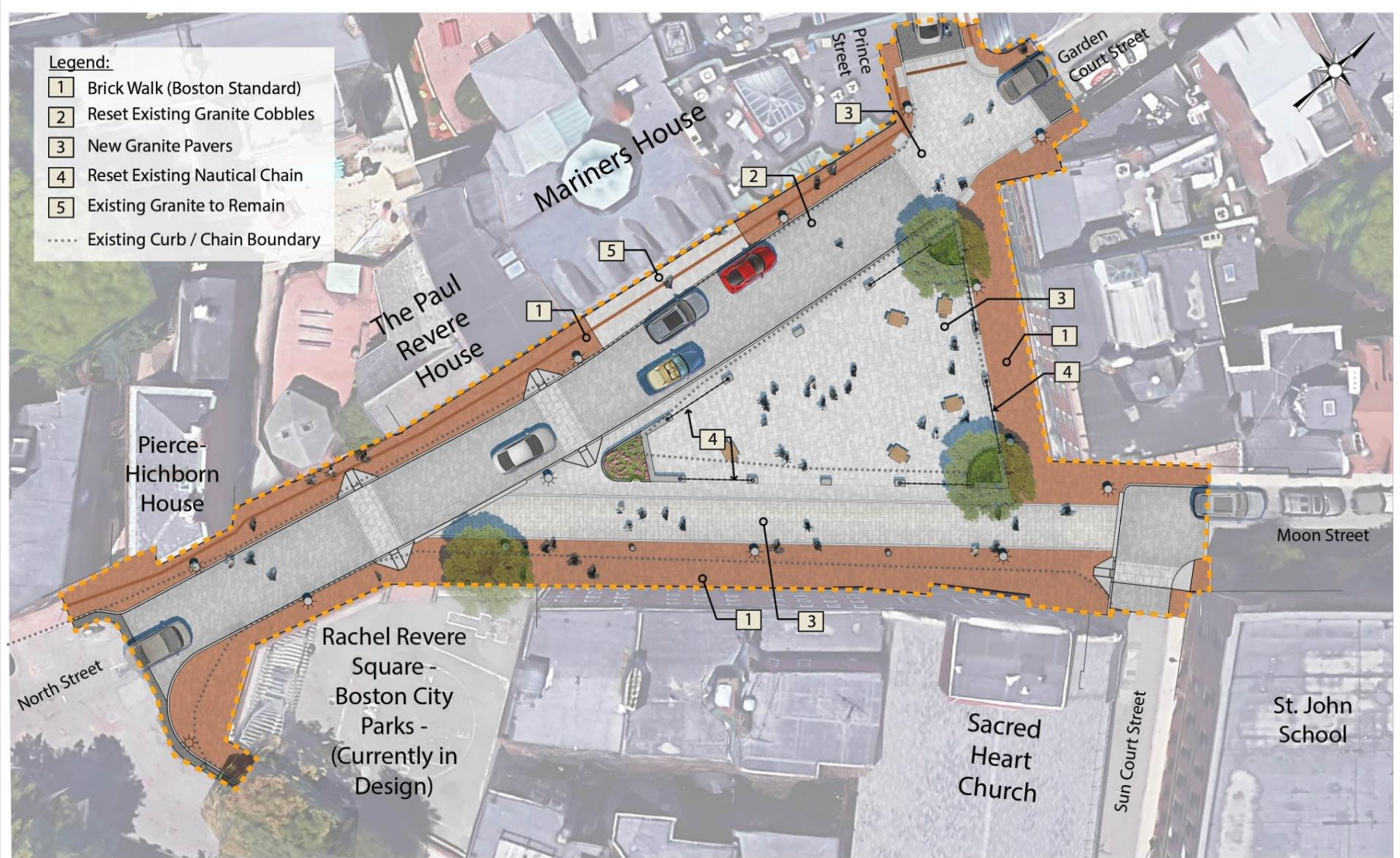
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# Concept #1



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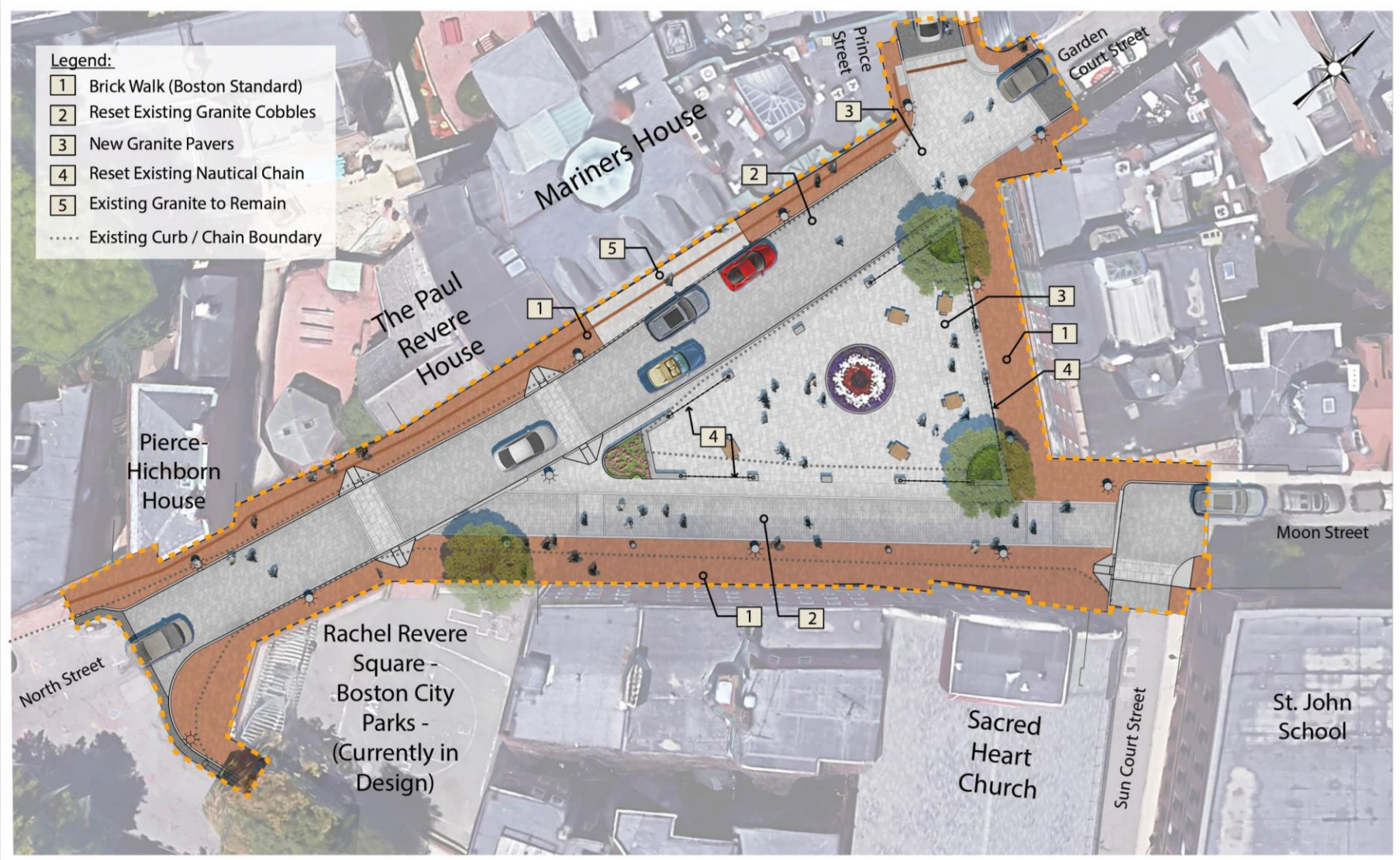


Rendering



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# Concept #2



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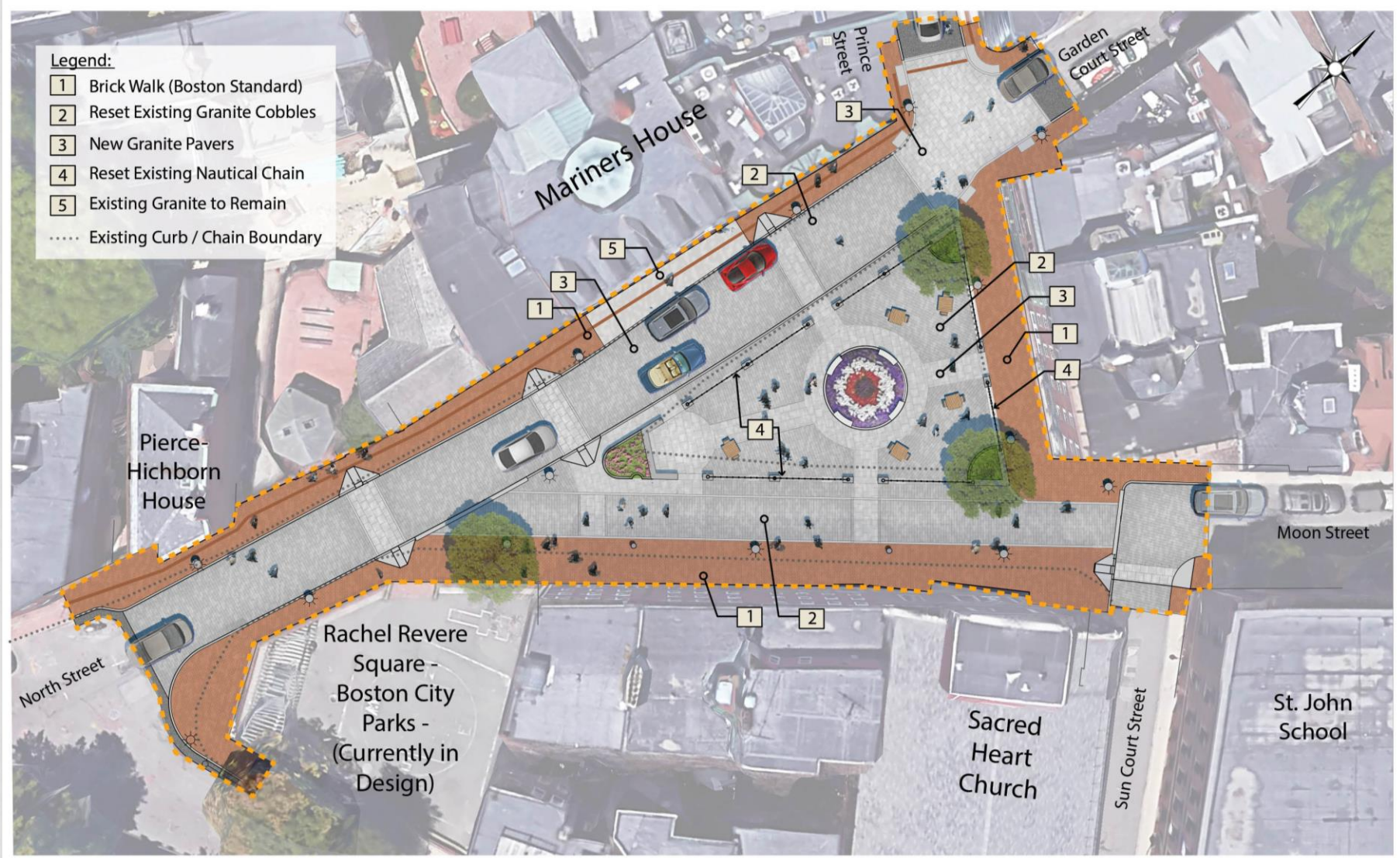
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# Concept #3



Plan



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# Concept #3



Rendering

# Discussion



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