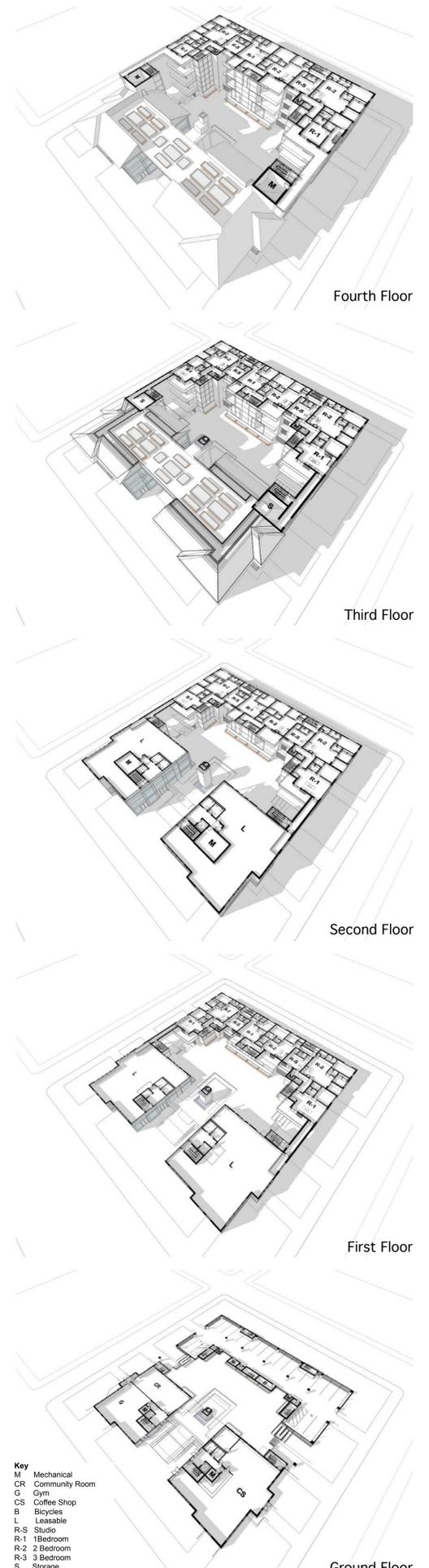
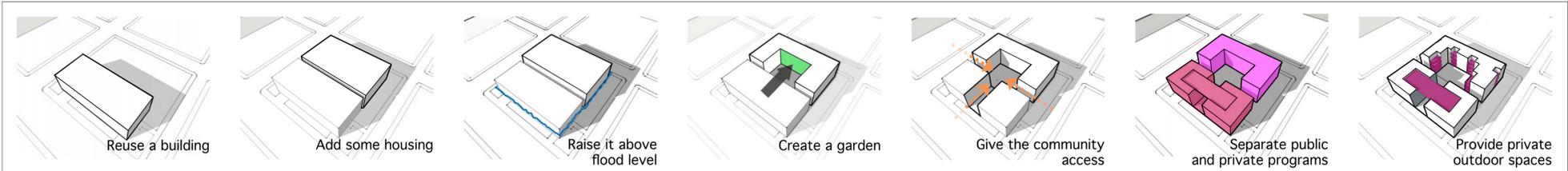
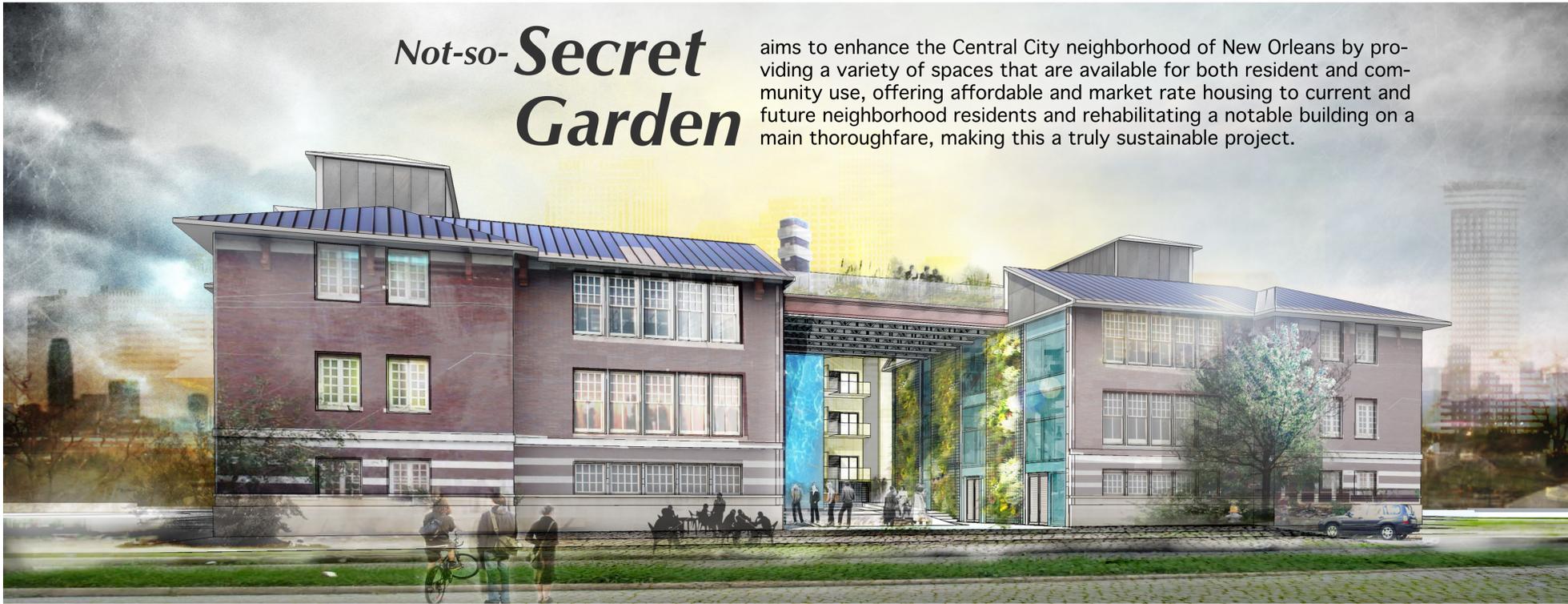
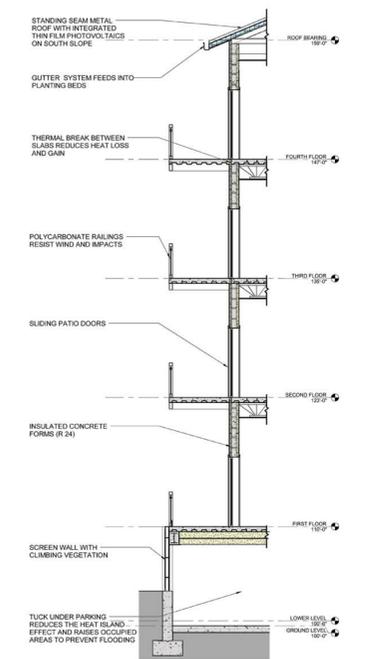
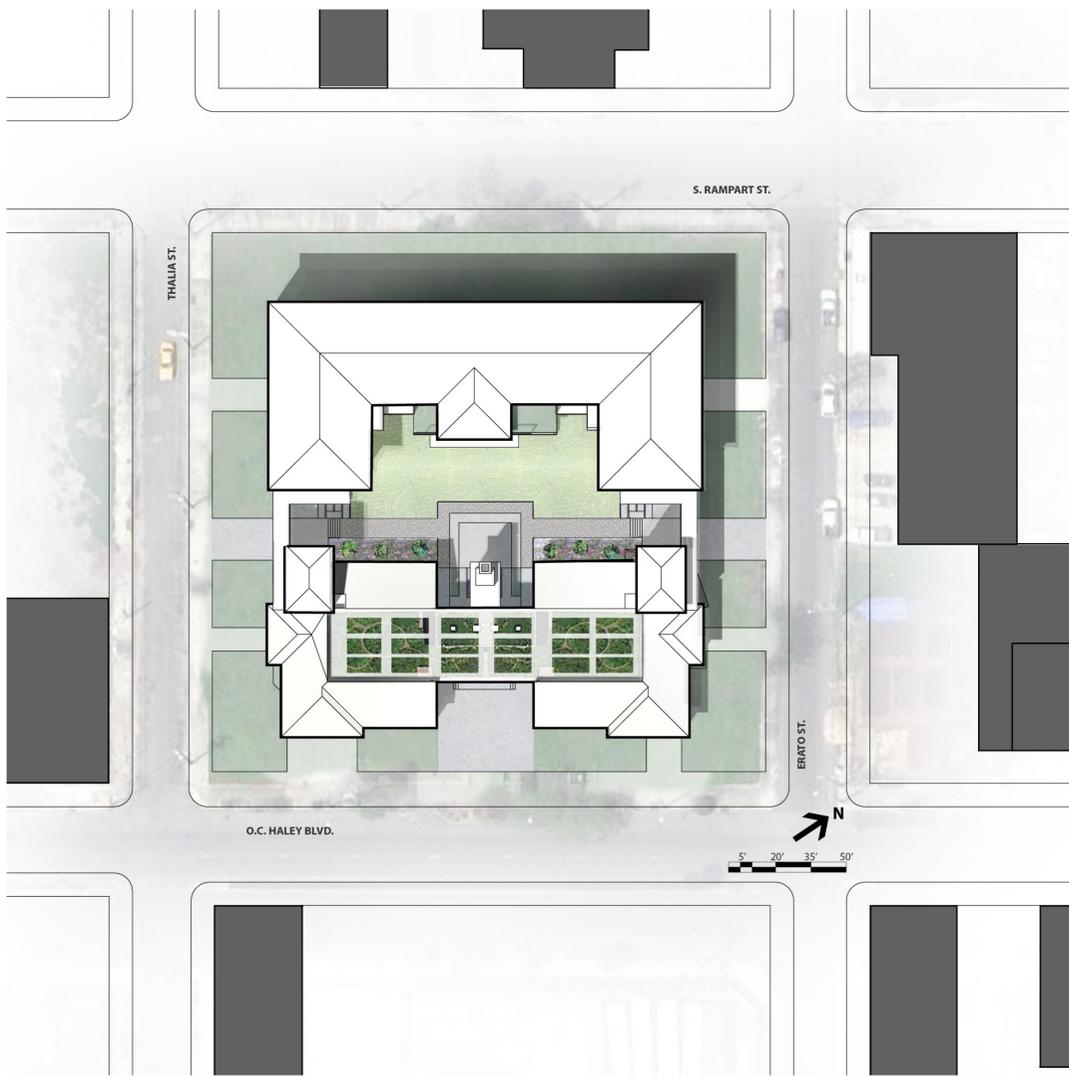


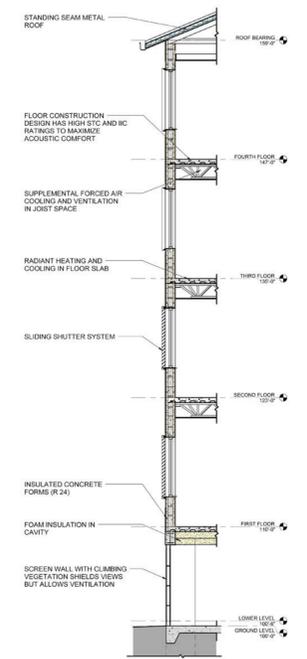
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aims to enhance the Central City neighborhood of New Orleans by providing a variety of spaces that are available for both resident and community use, offering affordable and market rate housing to current and future neighborhood residents and rehabilitating a notable building on a main thoroughfare, making this a truly sustainable project.





Building Section at S. Rampart



Building Section at Courtyard

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The design approach for this entry centers around creating a gradient of public, semi-public and private spaces. The gradient is established by housing commercial and community spaces in the renovated existing building and creating an addition containing the private residential units. A transitional, semi-public space is created in the protected, but publicly accessible central courtyard and visible terrace spaces for the units. Openings have been punched through the facades of the existing building and the addition in order to make the development porous and inviting to the community. Raising the first floor of the addition 10'-6" above ground level allows us to provide a screened area for tuck under parking and small glimpses of the courtyard beyond as well as needed flood protection.

