## Jacksonville Urban Relay

## A Multi-modal Hub and Public Place for the Urban Core

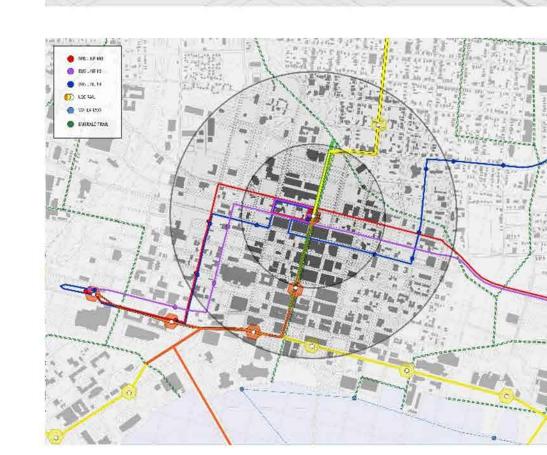
Jacksonville Multimodal Transportation Hub is a proposal to replace the existing Rosa Parks Transit station with a new multi-modal hub and much-needed public space for Jacksonville's urban core. The project is in the Church district, which borders the Springfield neighborhood on the north and the central core downtown district to the south. The Ultimate Urban Circulator (U2C) is a transit-oriented development plan (TOD) by the Jacksonville Transit Authority, intended to increase public transportation access for neighborhoods surrounding the central downtown.

The project incorporates mixed-use residential and office spaces along with other programs, including a hotel. The transportation hub proposal expands retail and restaurants in the district, introduced on multiple levels. Incorporating this into the program allows the project to be a landmark and gateway for creating a rich urban experience. Currently, only three bus routes and the skyway pass through the proposed transportation hub site, acting as a pass-through space. Introducing new mixed-use development and public space with an urban canopy overlooking the Emerald Trail initiative will create an urban place in the city for meeting and gathering. The urban canopy design brings people and green landscape up to a level that can overlook the surrounding neighborhoods.

The Transportation Hub has three main components. The urban canopy, which has a public plaza and social steps for people to lounge on. The mixed-use commercial functions are distributed at the intersection of the skyway, the bus stop, and the Emerald trail bicycle route underneath. The hotel and green spaces are located on the upper levels, above the canopy, which provides views of the city and the nearby centennial park, incorporating green spaces. The upper public plaza includes green spaces and some hardscape space to allow for sitting and lounging out. Sunshade louvers and trees provide shade. Large social stairs with seating areas offer access to the upper public plaza and the canopy from both sides of the block. Along Union Street, a Market square is proposed, offering flexible space that could allow for food trucks or kiosks.

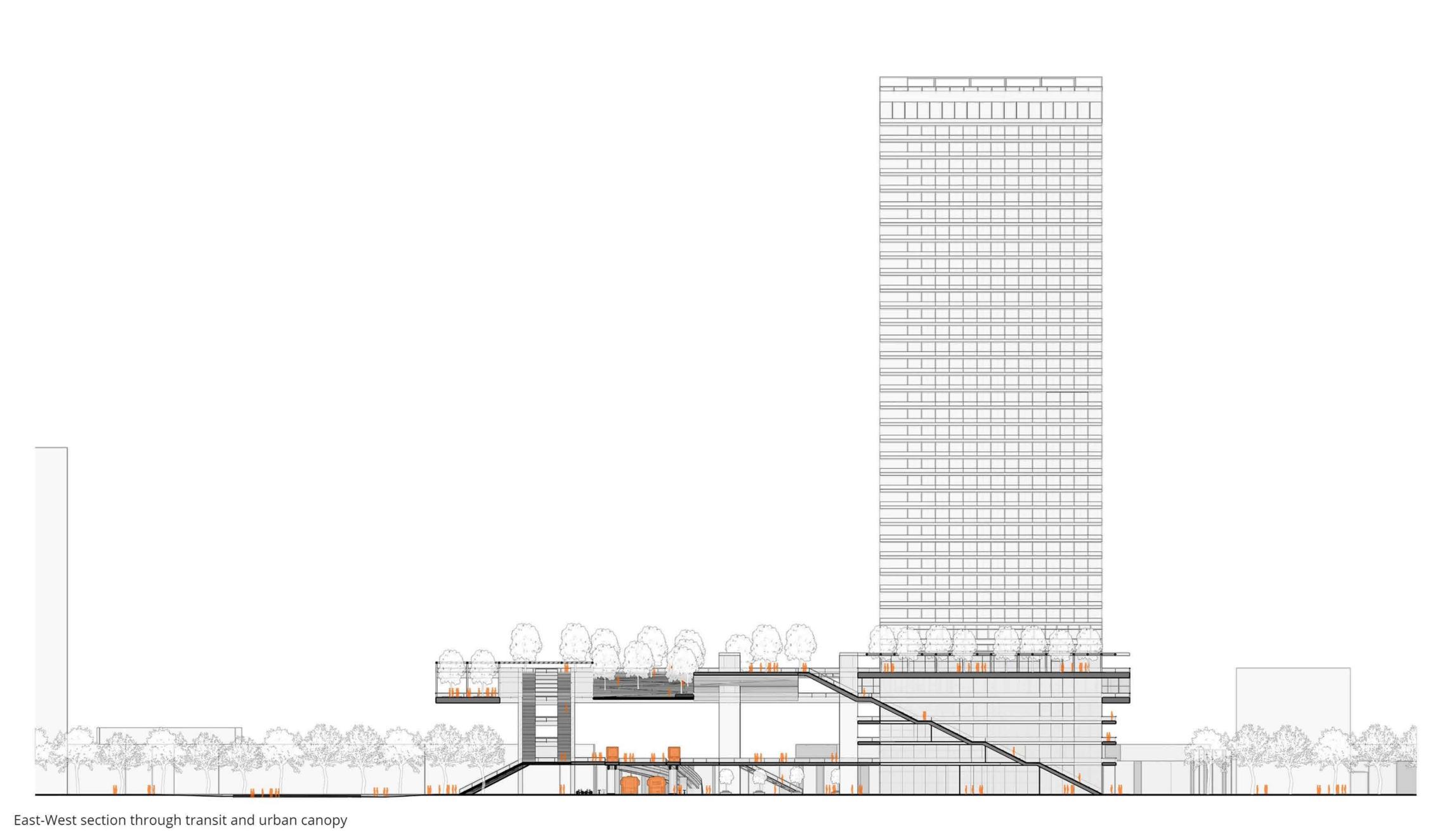
The Jacksonville Multimodal Transportation Hub will serve as a gateway to downtown from the north, encourage alternative mobilities, and create a much-needed public amenity in the urban core.







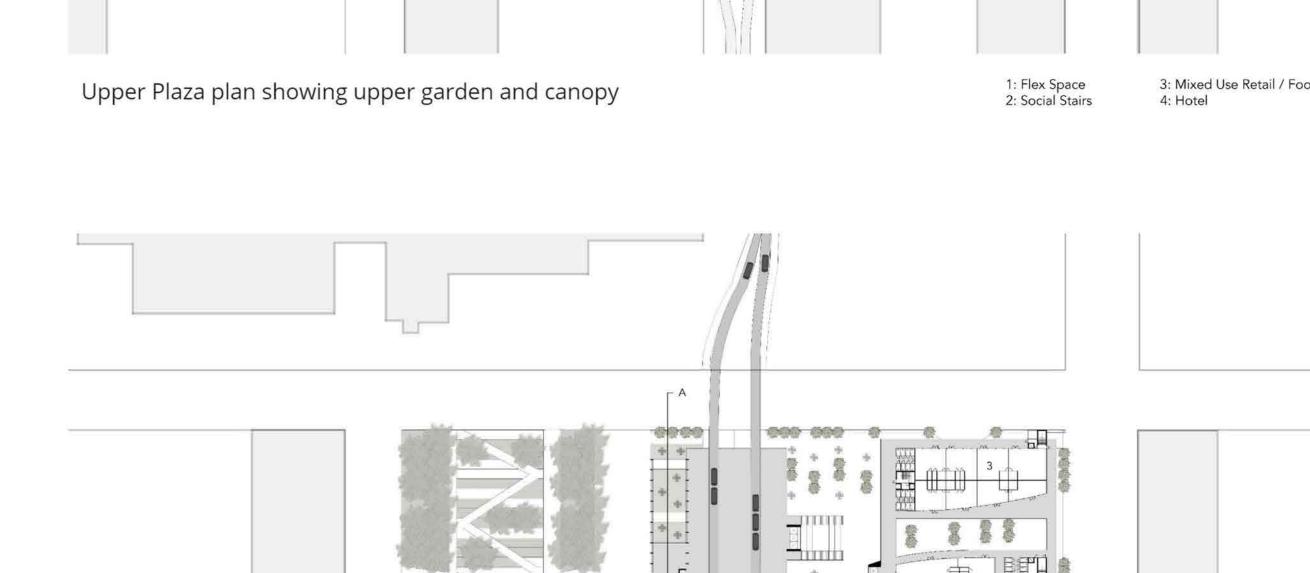






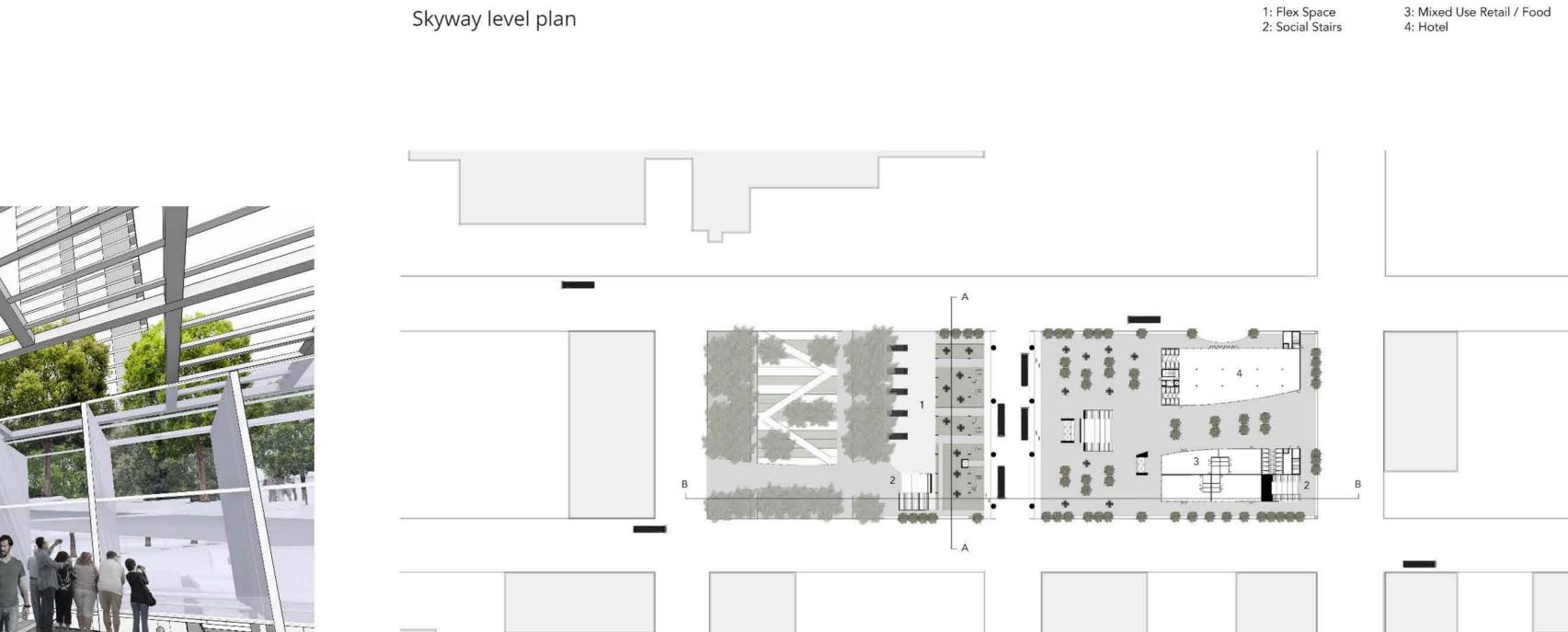




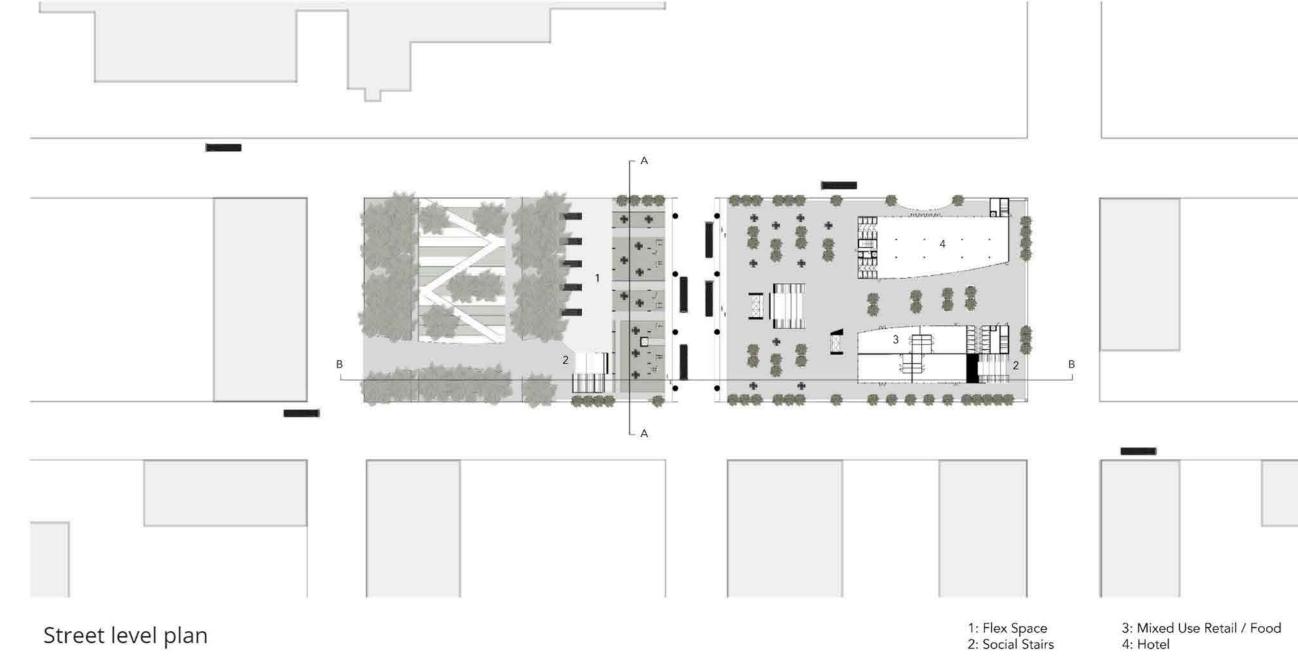




View of upper social steps and canopy



View of social stairs from skyway



Street level plan