

Making the Just City: A Story at Four Corners

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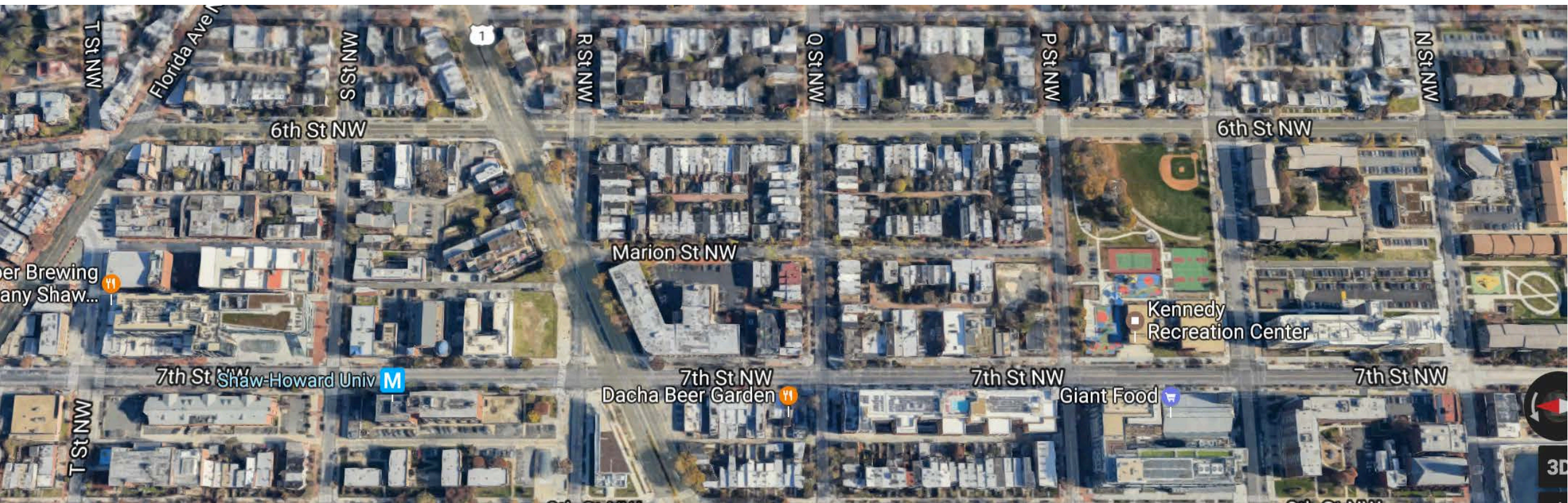


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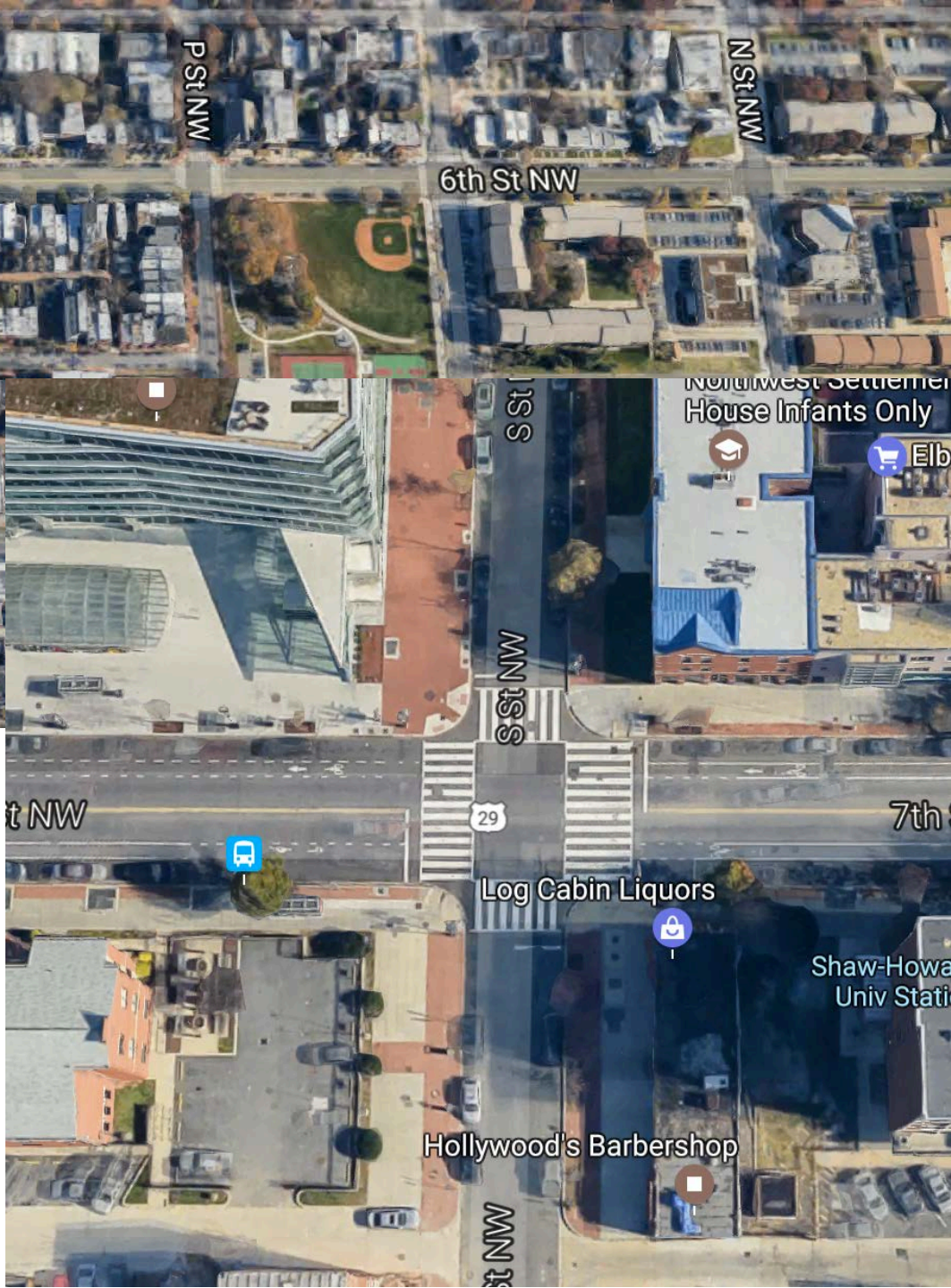
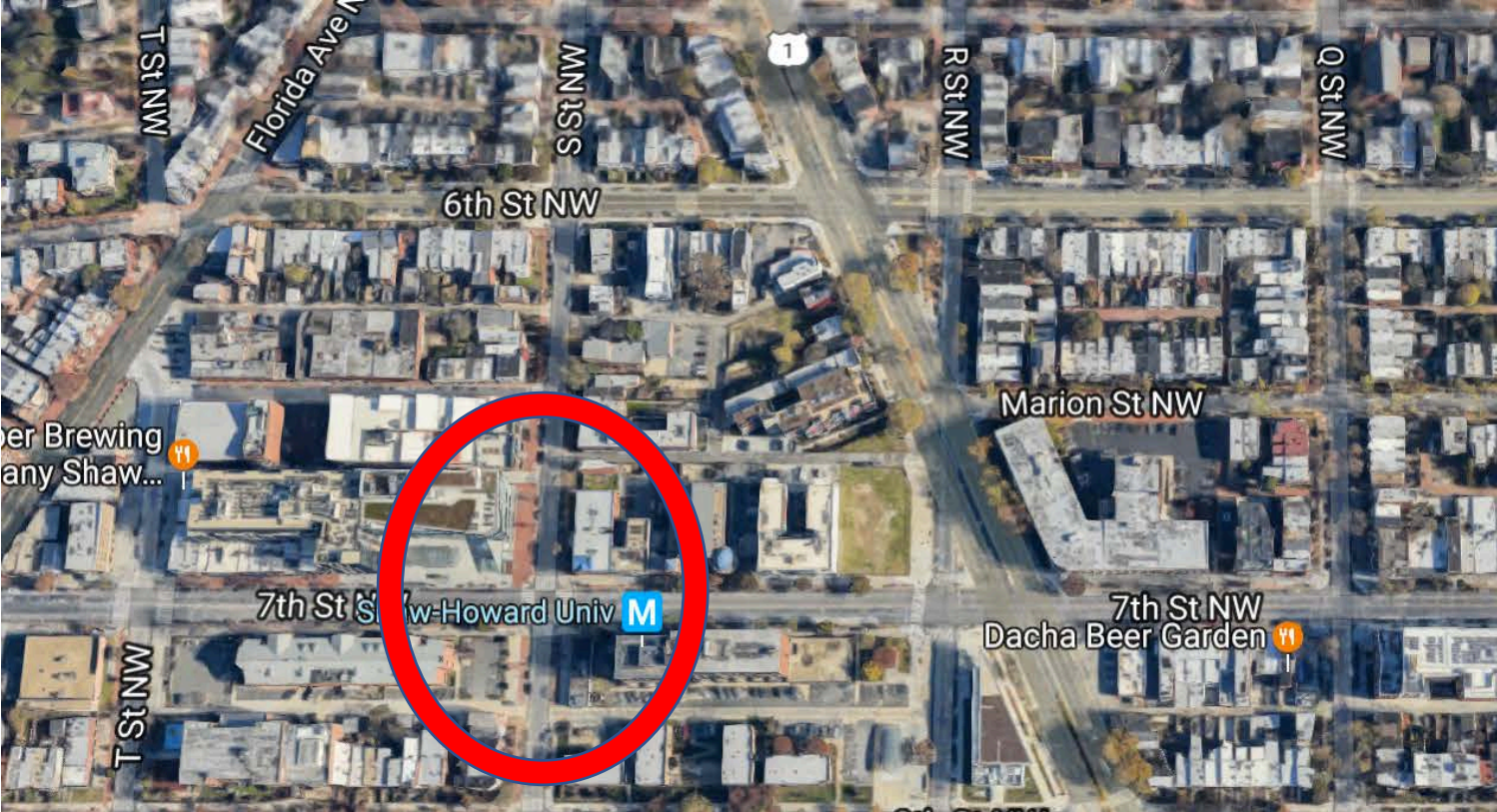
Across from our starting point at ONE DC

Every building has a story!



Shaw, D.C.

Corner 1



Our First Stop

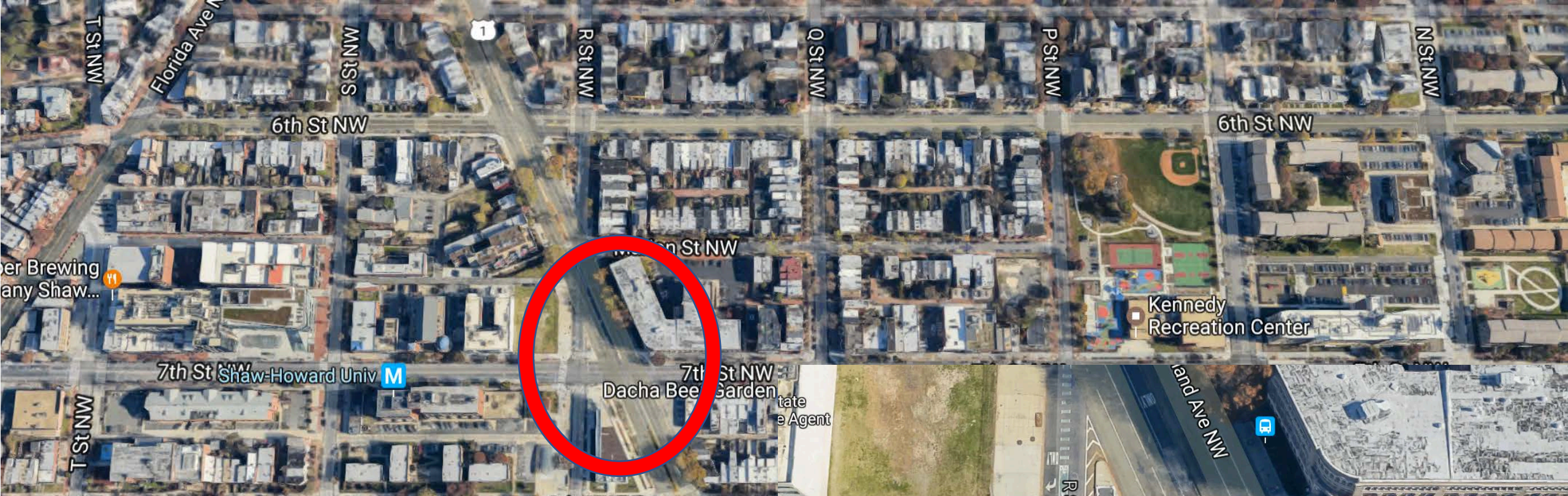


Parcel 33
Progression Place

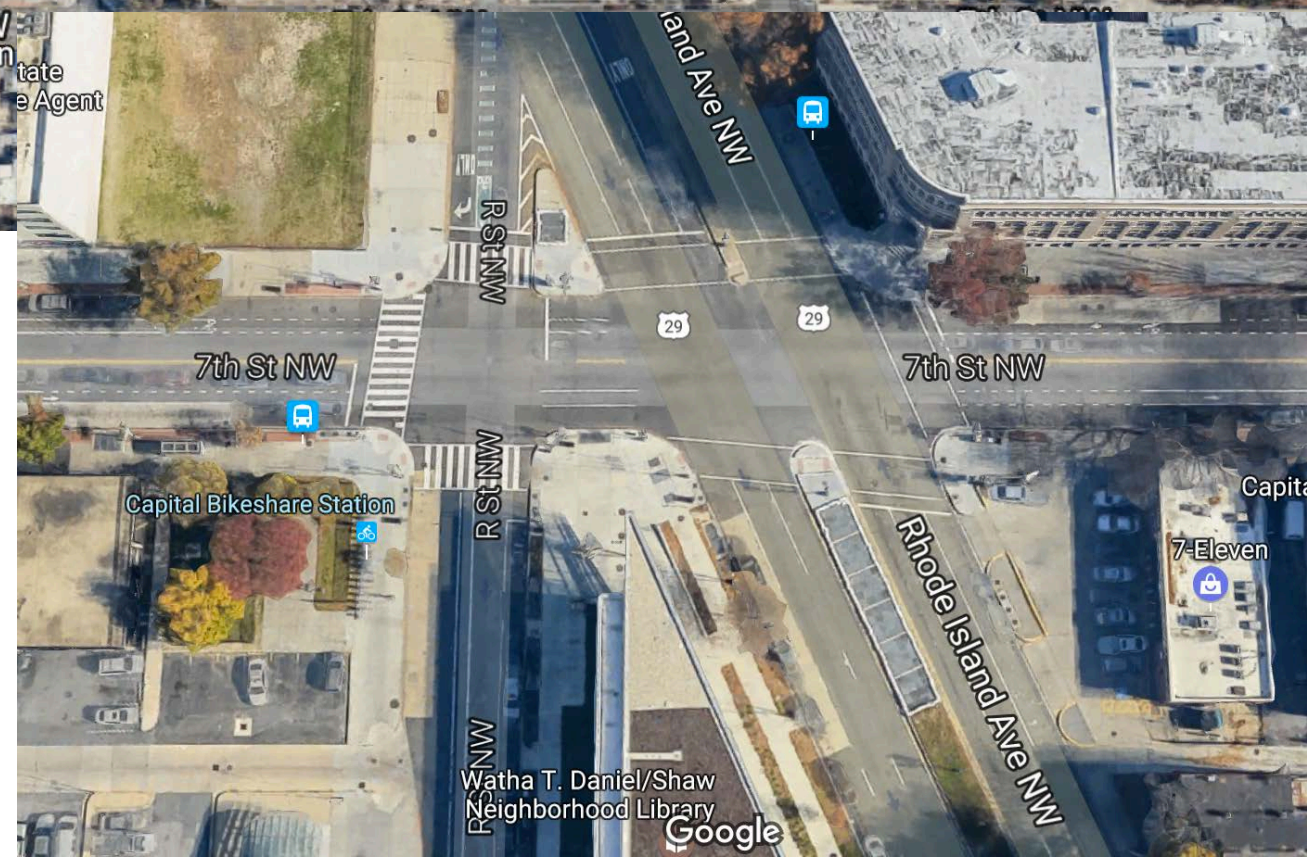


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Corner 2



The Second Stop



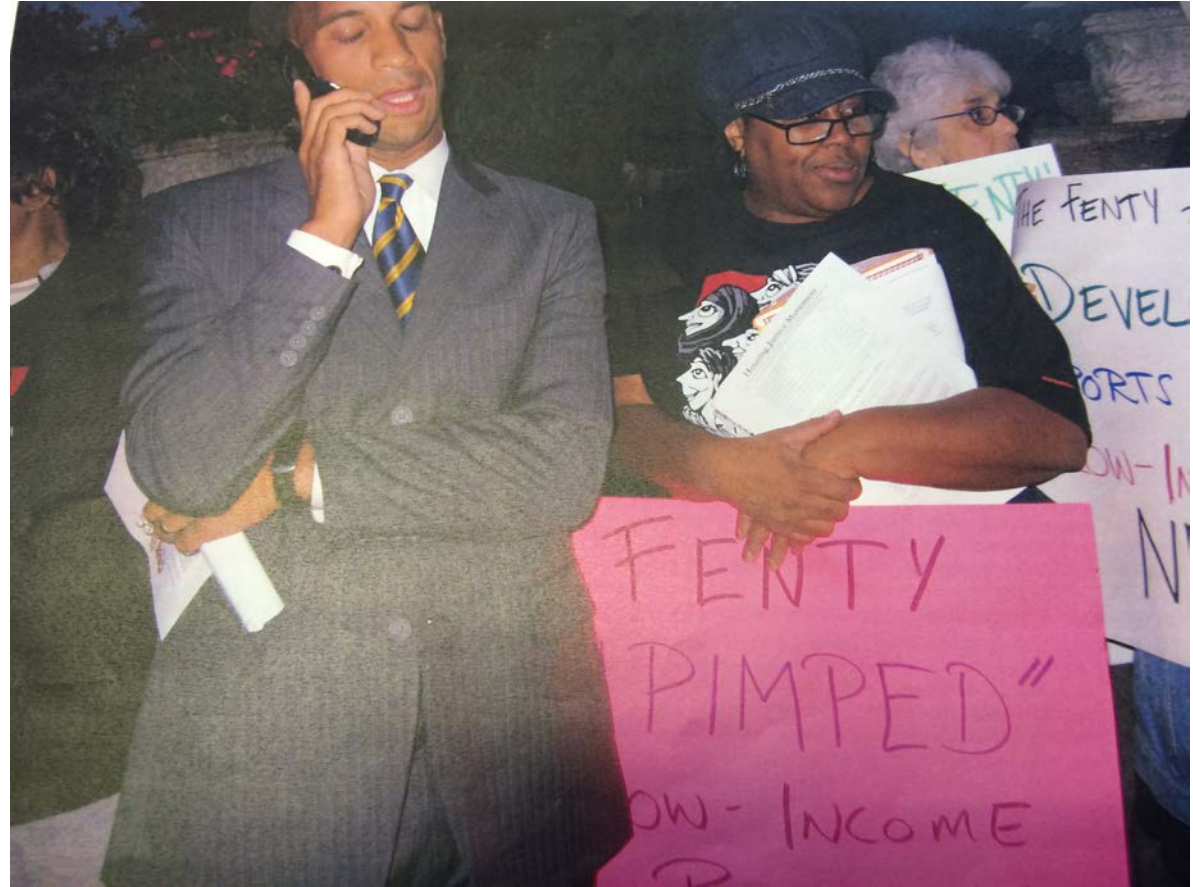


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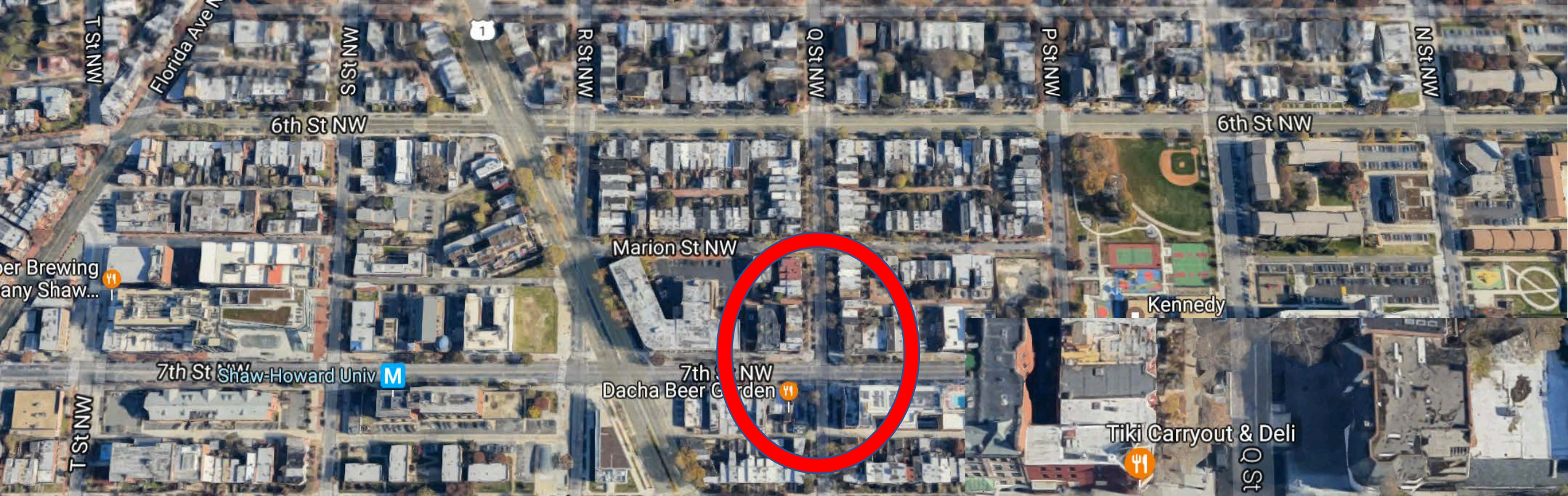
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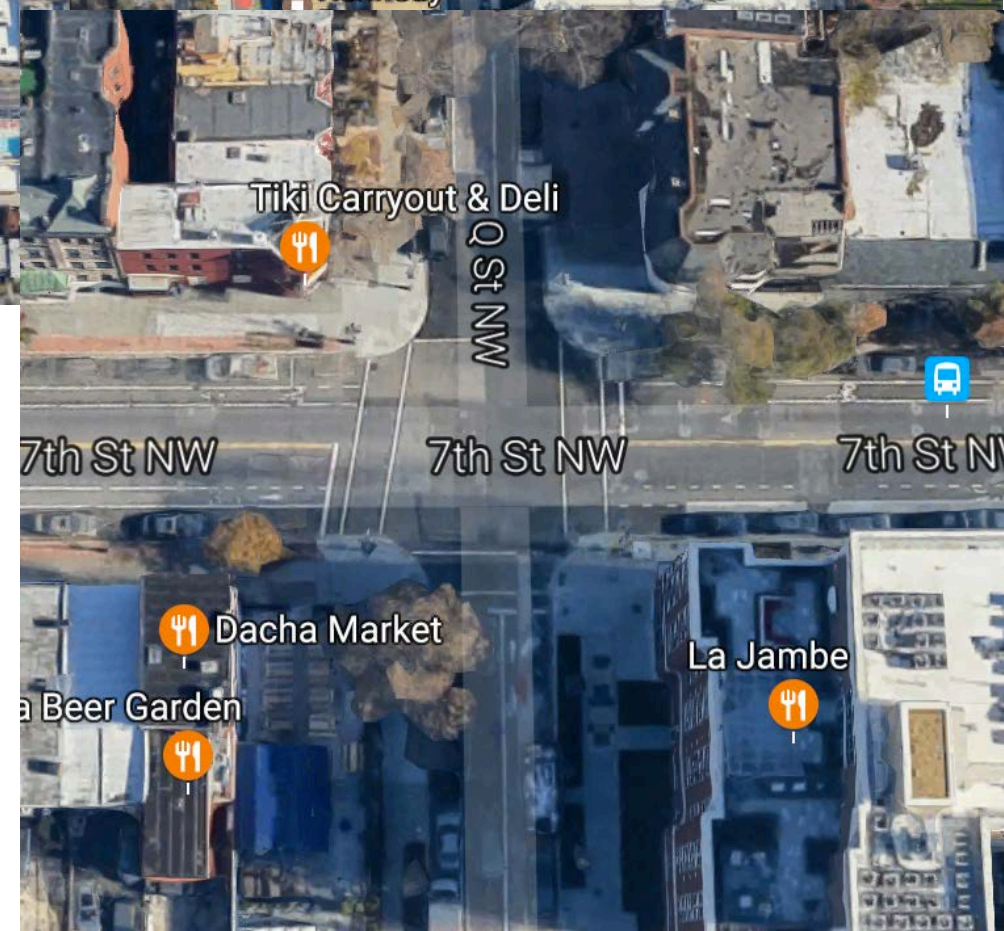




Corner 3



The Third Stop







A Neighborhood's Changing Culture

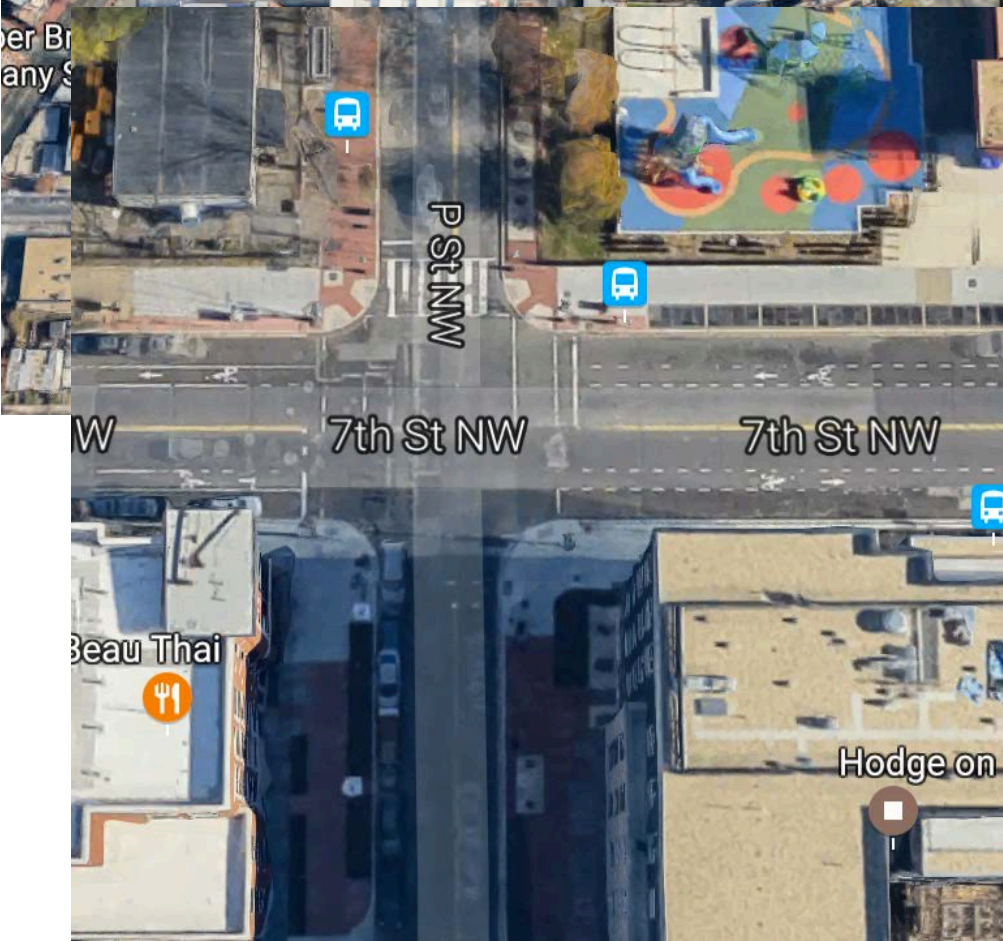
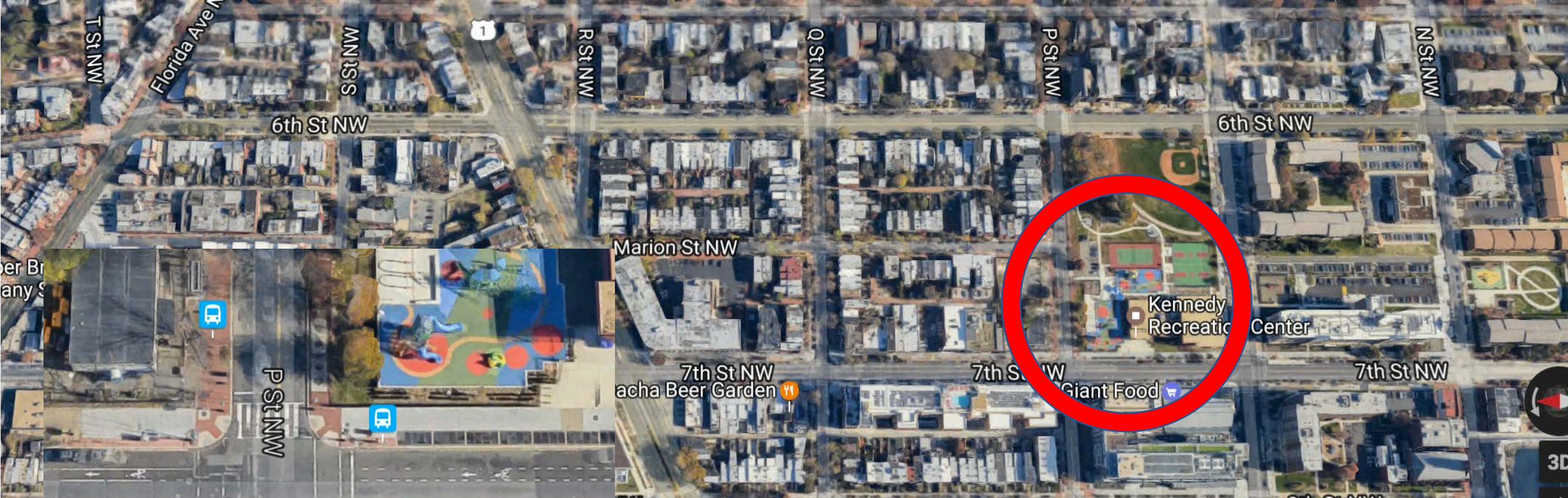




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Same Corner, Opposite Views

Corner 4



The Final Stop



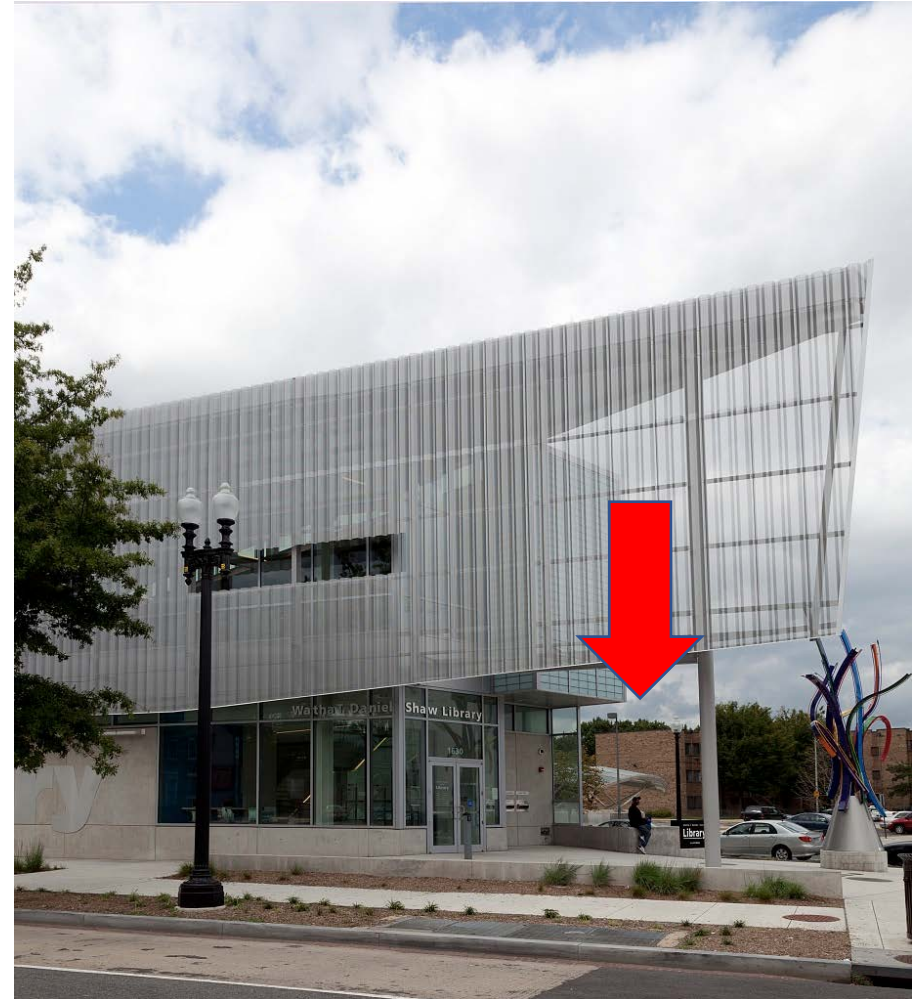
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**“Best Playground in the District –
New Horseshoe Pits (and lots
more) at Renovated Kennedy Rec
Center Playground in Shaw”**



The Walk Back: Library Programming and Affordable Housing (maybe)





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The Issues,
Nationally

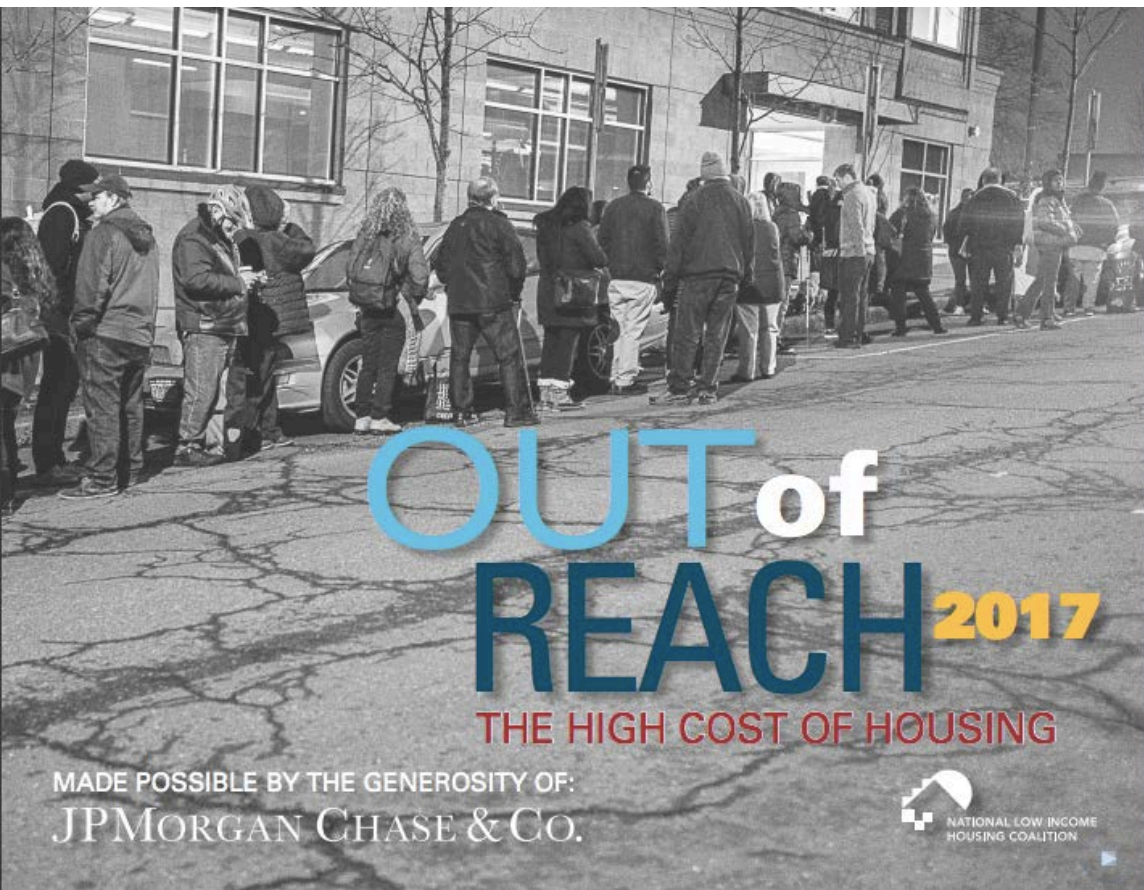
dened," meaning they spend more than a third of their income on rent.

As the city's population grows, the number of apartments available shrinks, particularly the cheaper ones. The median income for New Yorkers in 2015 was \$56,350 a year, which puts median housing costs at \$1,409 a month for rent and utilities, according to the New York University Furman Center. Yet in May, the median rent for a Manhattan apartment was \$3,475 a month, according to a Douglas Elliman report. To pay that much without being burdened, you'd have to earn \$139,000 a year.

"Rents have gone up, there's no doubt about that," said Vicki Been, the faculty director at the Furman Center and a former commissioner of the city's Department of Housing Preservation and Development. "At the same time, people's incomes have stayed flat. That's making housing less affordable."

And what about recent college graduates moving to New York in search of jobs and housing? While someone starting out in finance is looking at a median starting salary of \$70,000 a year, jobs in arts and entertain-

NY Times, Sunday Real
Estate, June 11, 2107



The Struggle is Widespread

In no state can a person working full-time at the federal minimum wage afford a two-bedroom apartment at the Fair Market Rent.

A renter earning the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour would need to work 117 hours per week to afford a two-bedroom rental home at the Fair Market Rent and 94.5 hours per week to afford a one-bedroom. In only 12 counties can a full-time worker earning the prevailing federal or state minimum wage afford a one-bedroom rental home.

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