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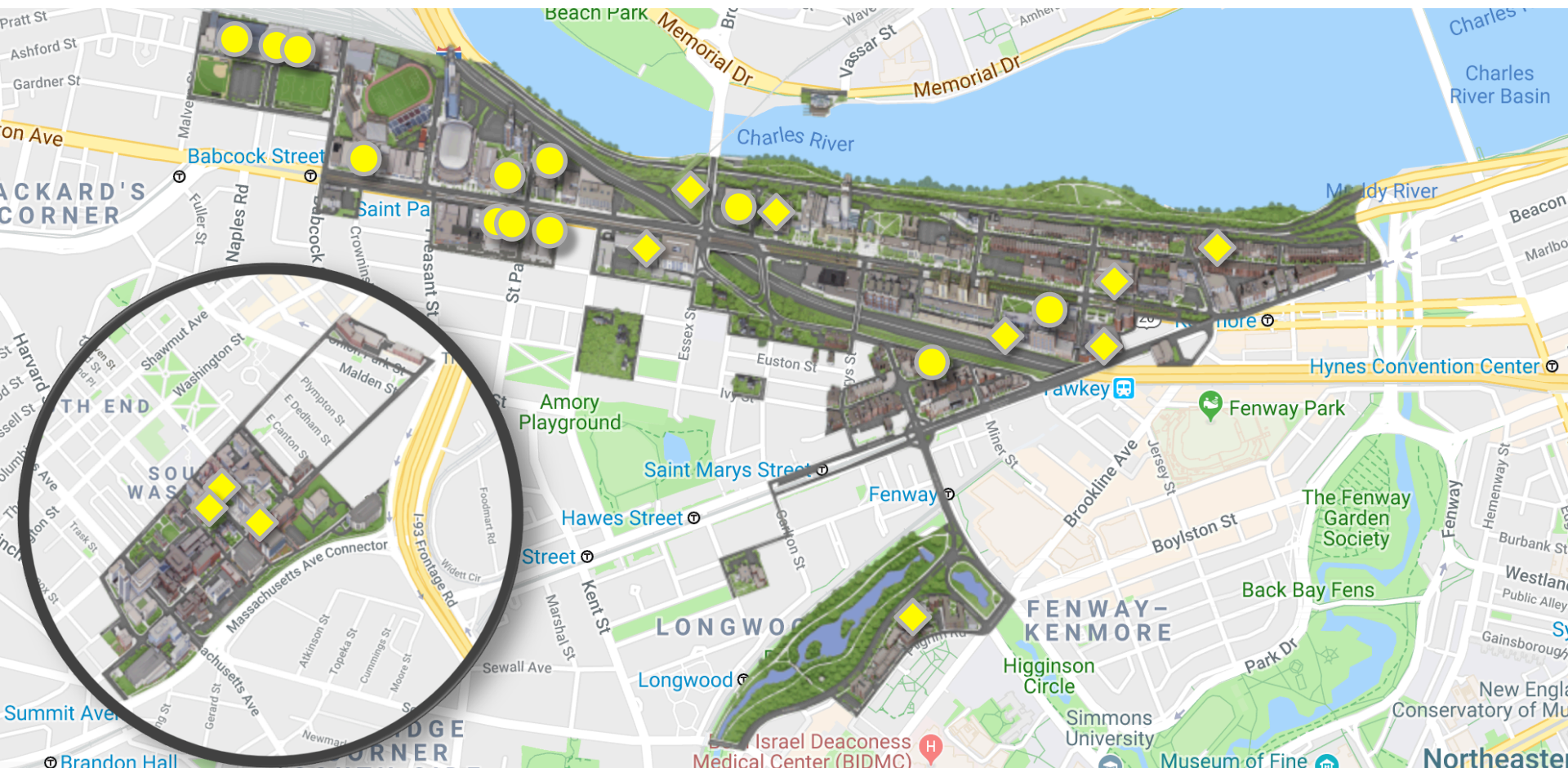
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BU Green Roof Feasibility Study



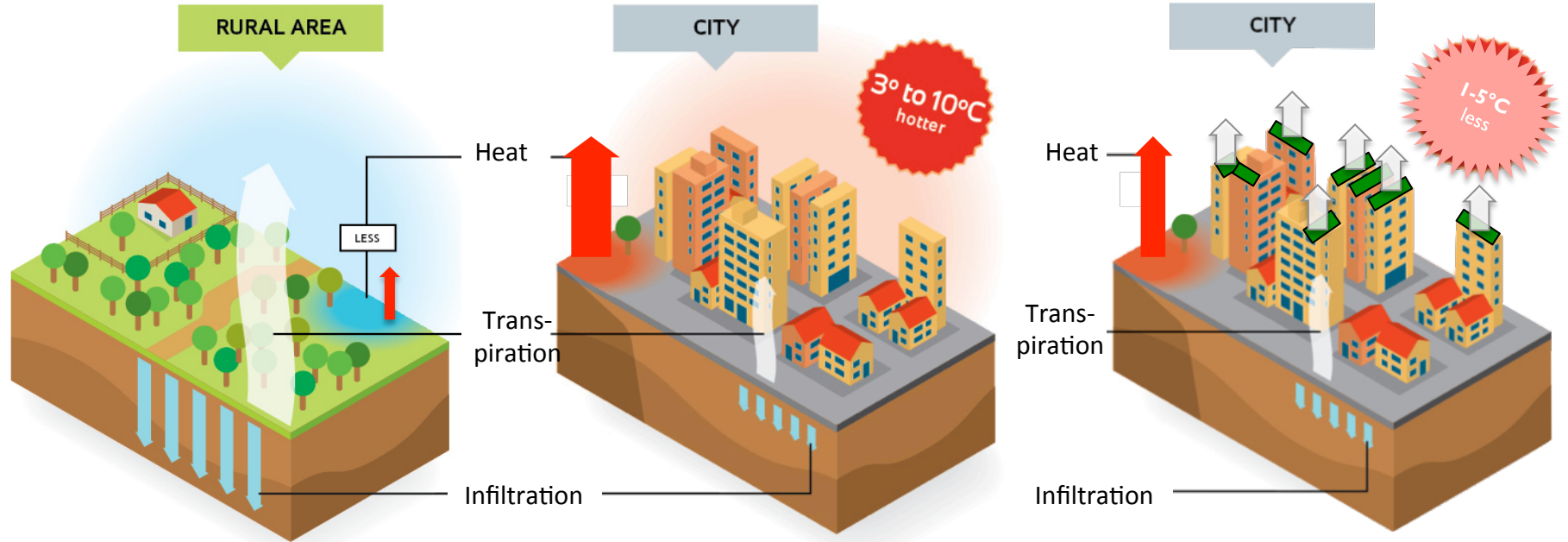
Project Goal: BU SOLAR to Green Roof Feasibility Study

A detailed map of the Fenway-Kenmore neighborhood in Boston, Massachusetts. The map highlights various locations for a solar and green roof feasibility study. Yellow circles and diamonds are placed on several buildings and rooftops, indicating potential sites for solar panels or green roofs. The map includes major streets such as Memorial Drive, Huntington Avenue, and Huntington Avenue. Key landmarks like Fenway Park, the Hynes Convention Center, and the Charles River are also visible. A circular inset in the bottom left corner provides a closer look at a specific area, showing a building with a yellow circle on its roof, suggesting a potential site for a green roof or solar panels. The map is titled 'Project Goal: BU SOLAR to Green Roof Feasibility Study'.



BU Climate Action Plan Recommendations

Green roofs can address flooding and heat waves



Community Engagement: Green roofs can also produce food



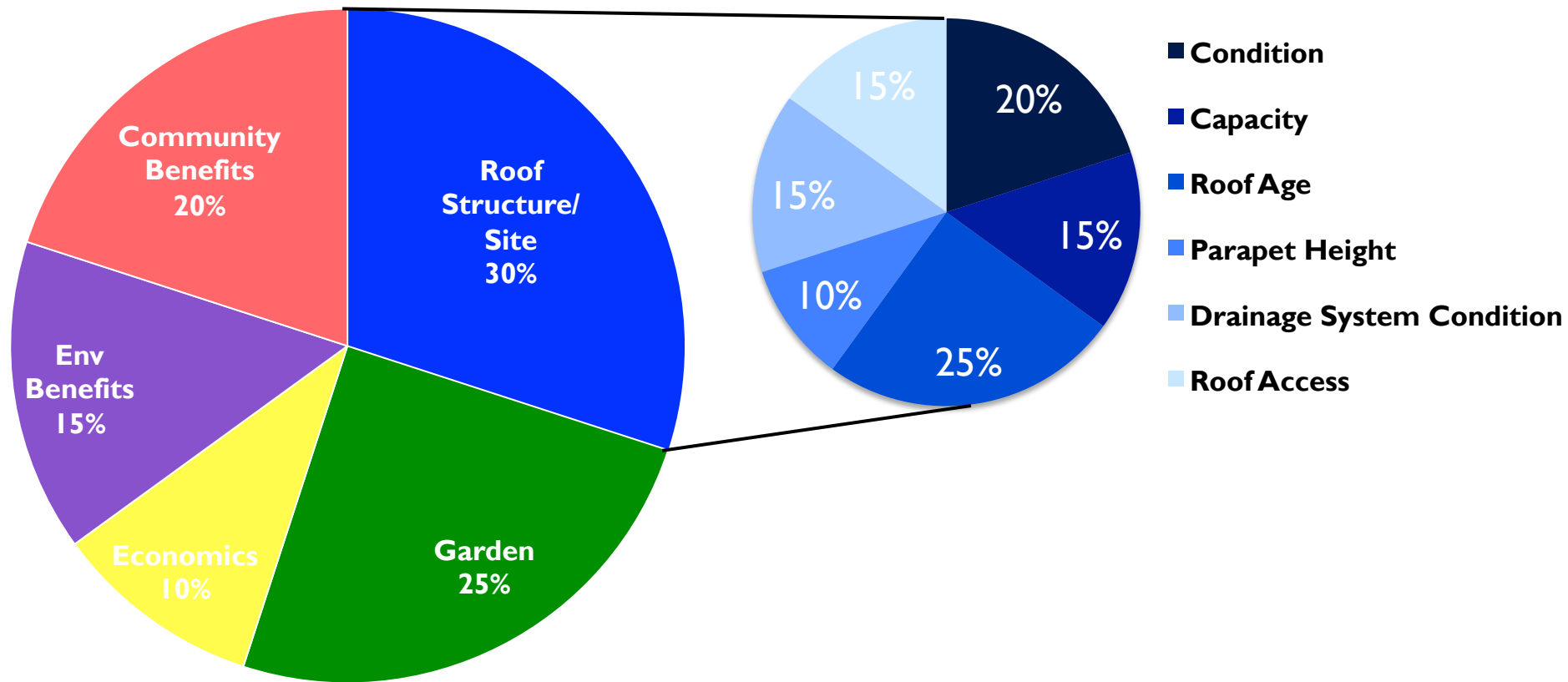
Community Engagement: Great places for community events



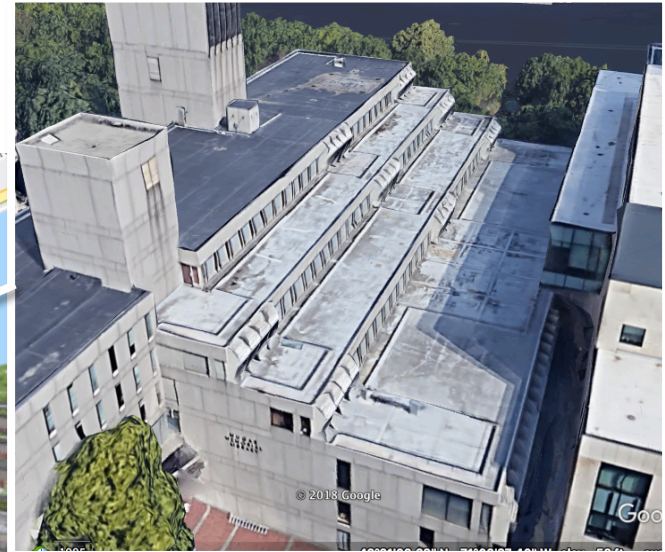
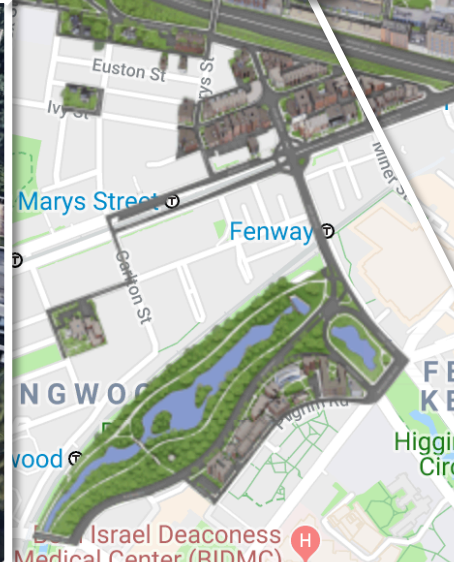
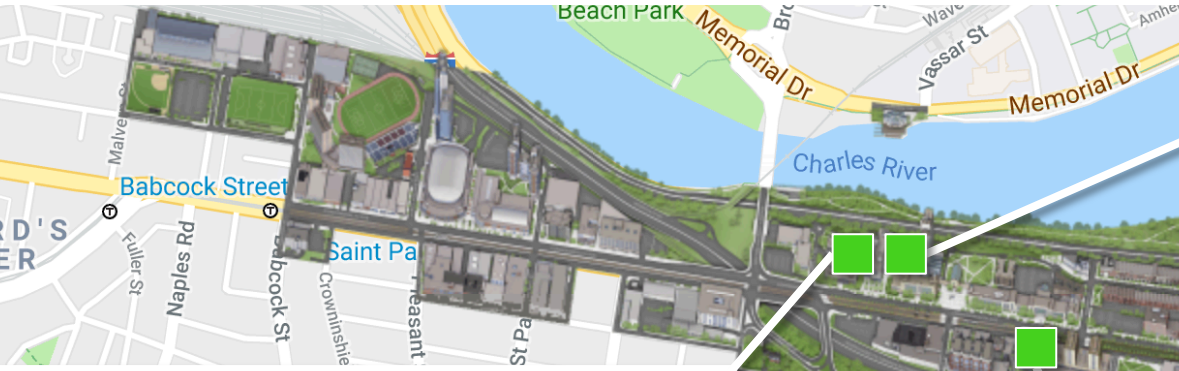
Developed a BU Building Green Roof Suitability Grading System

Category	Subcategory	% of Subcategory	State	Grades	% of Total
Roof Structure/Site	Condition	20.0%	Excellent or Failed	10	6.0%
			Good	8	
			Satisfactory	5	
			Bad	1	
	Capacity	15.0%	>155 lbs	10	4.5%
			55 - 155 lbs	9	
			30 - 55	8	
			15 - 30	7	
			<15 lbs	1	
	Roof Age	25.0%	< 3 years or > 18 years	10	7.5%
			3 - 8 years	7	
			8 - 18 years	2	
			Unknown	1	
	Parapet Height	10.0%	High	10	3.0%
			Small	1	
			None	1	
	Draining System Condition	15.0%	Good	10	4.5%
			Satisfactory	6	
			Bad	1	
	Roof Access	15.0%	Solid wide stairs	10	4.5%
			N/A	10	
			Narrow wood stairs	7	
			Stairs+Fixed ladder	6	
			Extension ladder	3	
			None/lift required	1	
30%					

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BU Green Roof Feasibility



A Vision of Campus for the Future, in an Ideal World and Lessons Learned



Project Goal

- What is your project?
 - Describe the theme of your project, its scope, and mission
 - How does your project benefit the community?
 - Where are you doing this work?
 - Who are your partners?
 - How far along are you in your project?
 - Any other details you think help the audience understand what you are working on

How do you engage with the community?

- If partner organization, how do you engage the community during new projects?
- If faculty, how does your department's or institute's project goals engage with the community?
- If student, how will the outcome of your project engage the community?

In an ideal world...

- If partner organization, describe what urban environmental projects you would like to carry out if you had an endless budget
- If faculty, describe what (additional) tools and skillsets are available to carry out community engaged partnership projects that can make a difference
- If students, describe what new skills you think other students should develop to engage with partners in the future OR describe what you learned and what skills you applied.