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The first drawing presents the Forest Hills Inn, Forest Hills, NY. This building is located at 1 Station Sq., on the south side of oval shaped courtyard, and opposite to Forest Hills Train Station (LIRR), in between 71st Ave (Continental Ave) and Greenway Terrace). The Forest Hills Inn is a part of development of "garden city" modeled after English examples started in 1906 under arch. Grosvenor Atterbury. The Inn was opened in 1912.

The Building has mix usage of hotel, apartment building shared Jade restaurant located at first floor. Building itself has distinctive size and it is a part of the gate to Forest Hills Gardens historic neighborhood. The main building has four stories, when adjust tower raise to eight stories. The important part of design of both parts take red clay roof tiles. On both sides of the building there are gates with segmental shaped arches with provide passages into farther building and the train station. The horizontal rhythm of the building is achieved by rows of the windows when the tower starches all composition vertically. The building walls were erected as a pattern of concrete grid which rectangular "panels" were filled up with red bricks. It resembles prussian wall.

The second building sits at the corner of 71st Ave and Ascan Ave and is currently used by Boston Market restaurant. The original character of the New York Corn Exchange building is mostly preserved except for large awnings added by restaurant which brooked original smooth spike design. Luckily the sharply pointed chimney stays intact. The roof is covered with red clay tiles when walls are painted white and red.

Those two buildings are part of the original development of Forest Hills started at the beginning of the XX century. Designed as a remote small town with quick and convenient commute to the city it keeps the unique character till now. While being a part of architecturally distinctive New York City neighborhood, at the same time presented buildings full fill practical functions of commercial or mix use in this busy district.

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