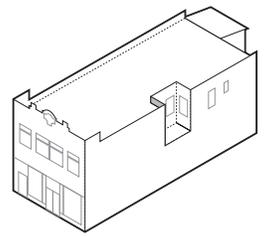




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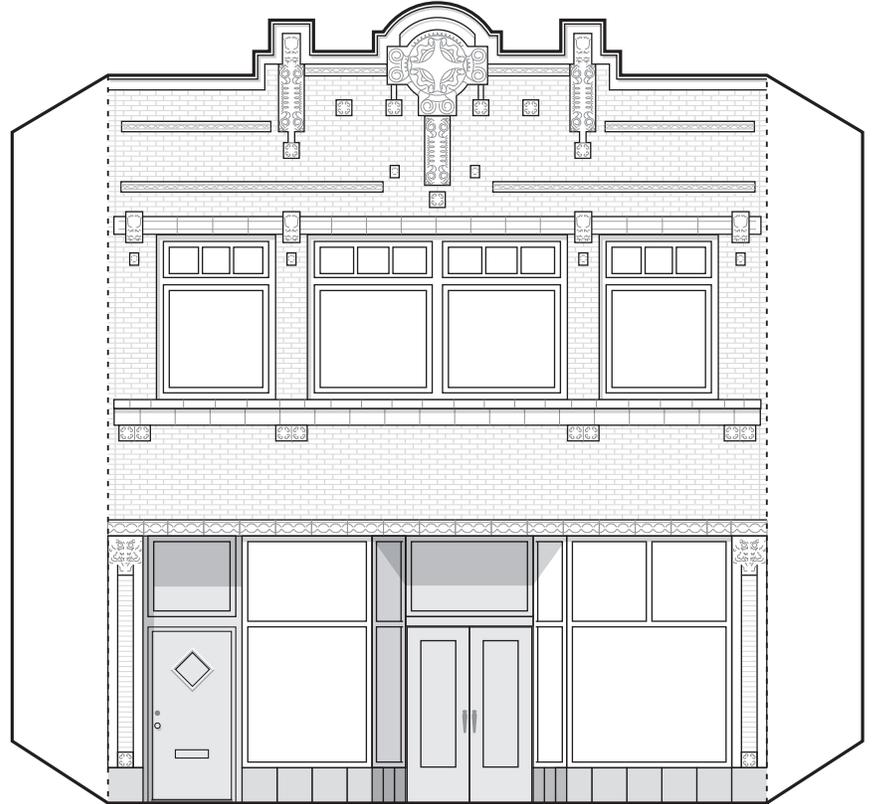
Mixed-Use Storefront



The busier streets of Chicago are lined with commercial buildings and some apartment housing. In the real estate boom of the 1910s - 1920s, many commercial buildings were built along new streetcar lines expanding into new residential areas on the city's urban edges. Called "taxpayer blocks," these developments were built quickly to provide rental income for property owners who speculated that land values would increase and the buildings would later be replaced by something larger.

Despite these temporary intentions, building owners invested in attractive facade designs to entice retail tenants. One popular style labelled "Sullivan-esque" used mass-produced terracotta ornaments in compositions imitating Louis Sullivan's distinctive style (without the architect's blessing).

Nowadays these small storefronts are important for the neighborhood economy. The old buildings usually have cheaper rent and allow easier entry for entrepreneurs to open new restaurants or retail shops. What business would you like to see in this space?

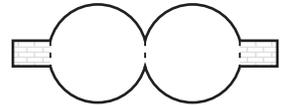
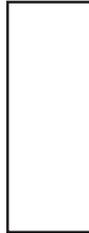


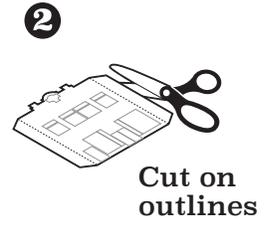
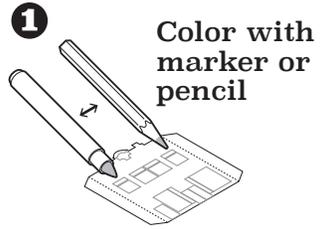
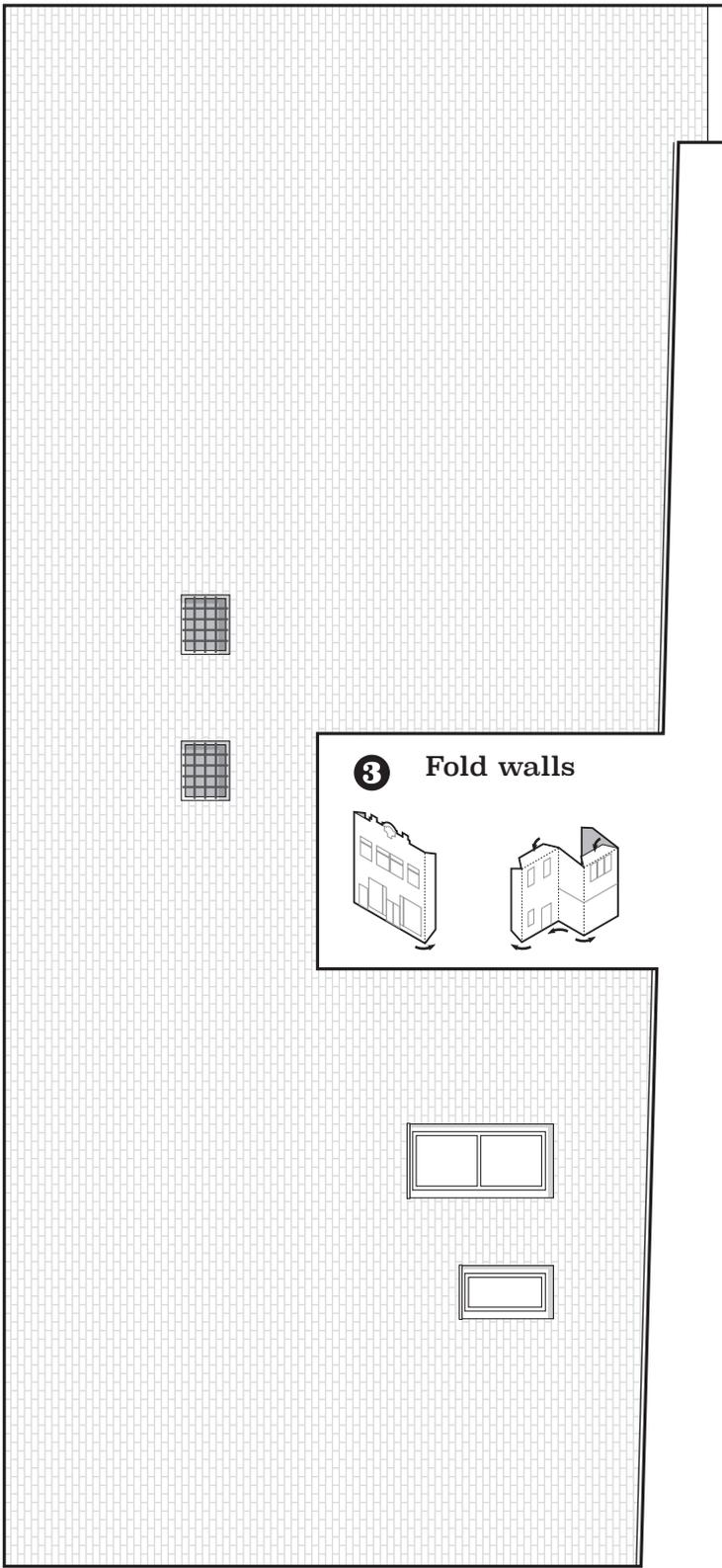
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Mane Street Cuts

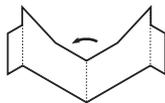
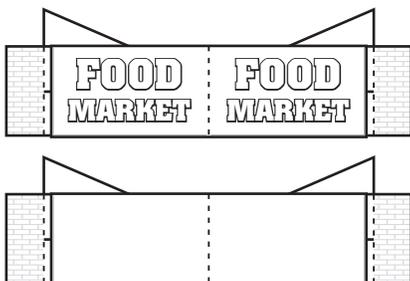
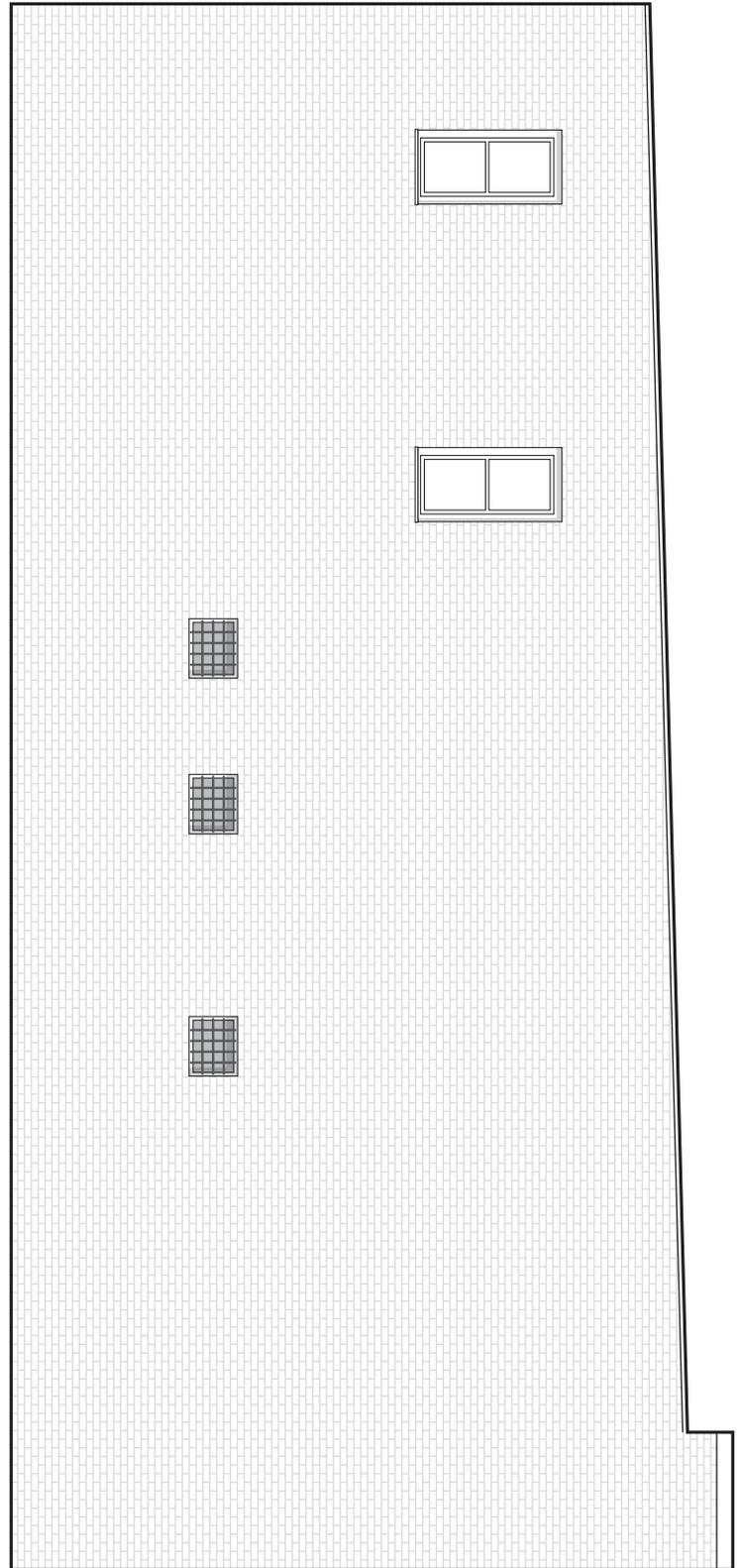
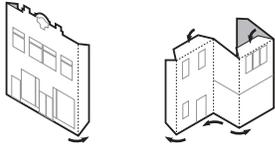
Knick-Knacks & More

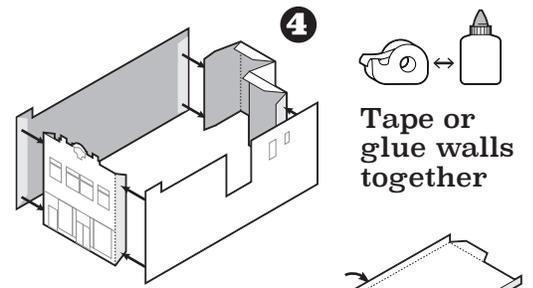
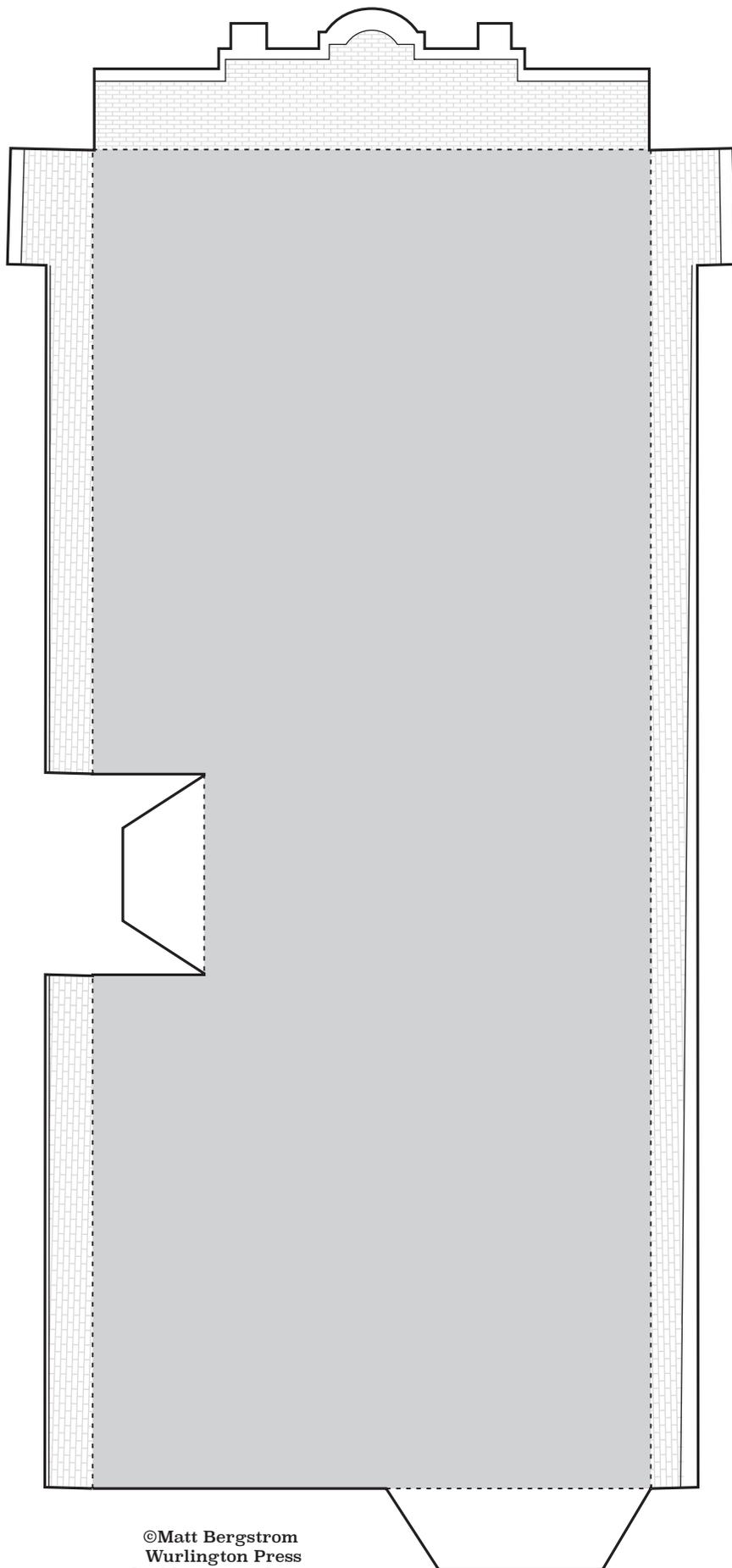
Windy City Pets



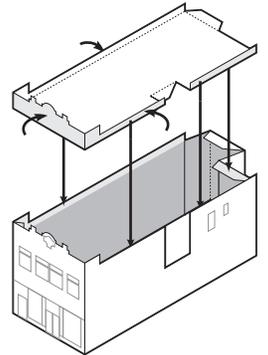


3 Fold walls

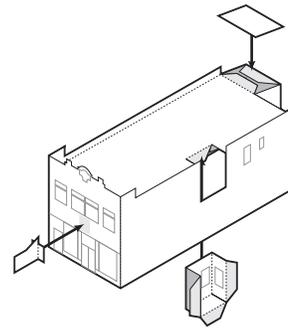




5 Fold roof walls up



6 Attach roof



7 Attach rear roof

8 Push window well up from below

9 Add optional sign

