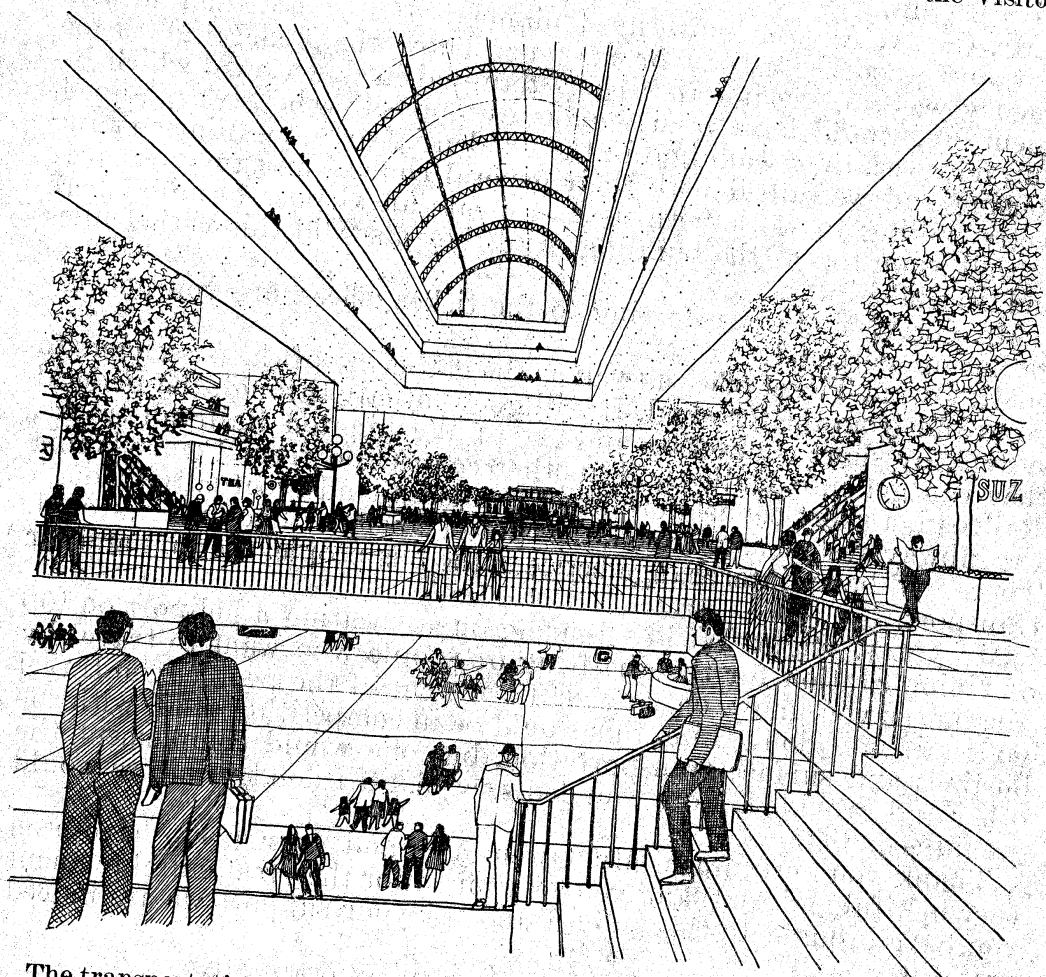


corporate material advantages to the city, in developing this project, is of great interest and gratification to the local civic groups who have endorsed and developed it.

To save the valuable time of the committee on September 13, 1967, I but briefly indicated the functions of our project without going into even the major details. I am pleased to have this opportunity to describe its main features more fully. The complex lies directly south of Mt. Vernon Square and is bounded by H Street, Tenth Street, New York Avenue, Mt. Vernon Square, Massachusetts Avenue and Sixth Street, all of course North West. This comprises an area of eight blocks. It might at first be considered that the project is of undue size. From our studies of its functions actually it is just large enough to house the features it will contain. Attached is a map showing our location and that of the Visitors Center (marked "A").



The transportation center is all below ground save for the local city buses which will be on 9th and 7th Streets. The underground area comprises three million square feet total on three equal-sized levels. The lowest level is for the interstate buses. The next is for the suburban buses and the first level underground is a pedestrian concourse. This connects by escalators and elevators to the lower levels and by an underground passageway under 8th Street to the subway station at 8th and G Streets. Equal access is provided to the street levels and to the pedestrian level above. Since parking facilities do not require as much head room, our architects have been able to fit four levels of parking into the three sub-levels described above. Attached is a sketch showing the underground area in cross section (marked "B").