Ward 8 is a moderately regular ward-shape, contains around 550 blocks, and contains the neighborhood area of Burnside. Burnside is sometimes called “the Triangle” because it is bound by three railroads: the Illinois Central on the west, Rock Island on the south and Norfolk-Southern on the east.

Burnside was always a bit physically isolated, and during the latter half of the 20th Century it became economically isolated, as well.

Architecture can’t fix things for Burnside, but it can let people know Burnside exists. Chicago has lots of things, but no mountains and no pyramids. Burnside could have a pyramid. Made of concrete blocks, it would be for everyone. You can climb it. And not only would the city finally see Burnside, the citizens of the Triangle, 200 feet higher in the sky, could finally look back.
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