REQUESENS PALACE GARDEN

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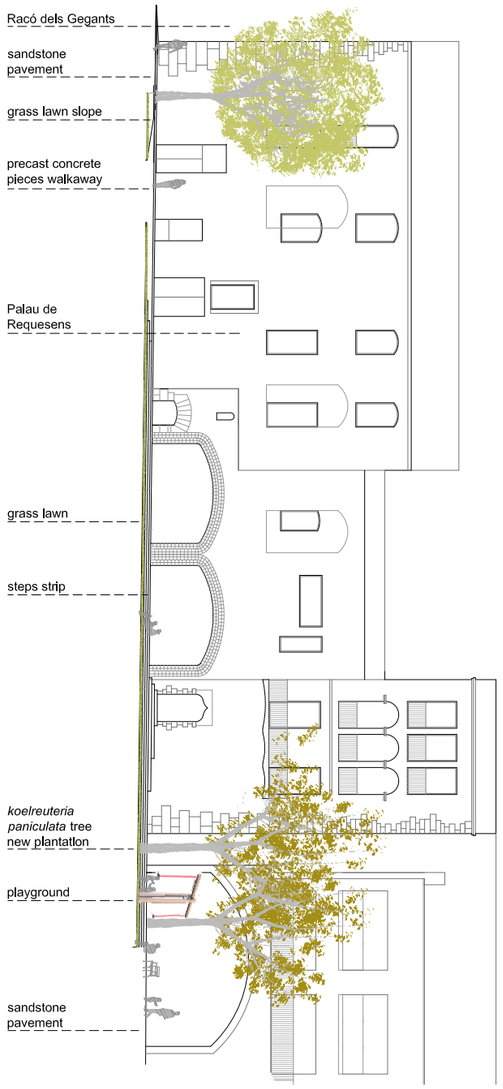
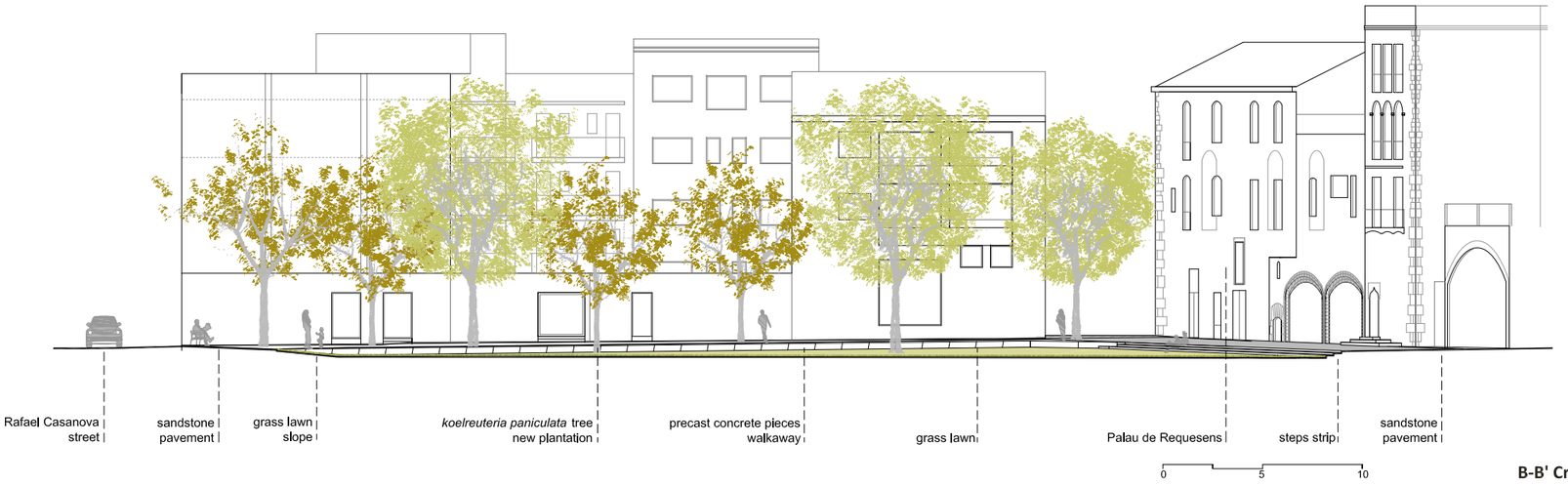


A-A' Cross-section

DESCRIPTION OF THE INTERVENTION

The space is structured in a clear geometry that solves pedestrian paths and situates the façade of the Requesens Palace as a backdrop. An area paved with sandstone extends to the façades that delimit the space. The paved flat area is carved out of the middle, by way of a cloistered structure, and surrounded by grassy lawns, which are depressed 40 cm with respect to the pavement. This green area has its own life and personality, designed for free and flexible uses, in which only the existing trees and a children's playground, limited to one of the ends, interfere with the overall visual continuity. A diagonal walkway of large-sized prefabricated concrete pieces was created for pedestrian traffic, making it possible to cross through the green area without stepping on the grass and focusing the garden's perspective on the approach to the palace's façade. The sunken green space aims to be a reference to the original height of the Palace. This difference in level clearly reveals the geometry of the perimeter of the paved area and dissuades pedestrians from walking on the lawns, resulting in a green area with its own life and a degree of protection from the surroundings. The three existing plane trees, in good condition, are kept and complemented with the planting of goldenrain trees (*Koelreuteria Paniculata*) around the border of the area. The gardens are lit by a combination of lamps on the façade and corten steel columns with projectors, seeking integration with the tree trunks.

General plan of the intervention



B-B' Cross-section