

## MEMORANDUM

SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

**TO:** BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND  
PETER MEADE, DIRECTOR

**FROM:** LINDA KOWALCKY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTIONAL SECTOR  
MANAGEMENT  
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**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
ALLSTON CAMPUS INSTITUTIONAL MASTER PLAN

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**SUMMARY:** This Memorandum requests authorization for the Secretary to schedule and advertise a Public Hearing, pursuant to Section 80D of the Boston Zoning Code, to be held at a date and time to be determined by the Director, to consider the Harvard University Allston Campus Institutional Master Plan.

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## INTRODUCTION

Harvard University (the “Proponent” or the “University”) is seeking an Adequacy Determination approving its Allston Campus Institutional Master Plan (“IMP”).

The IMP describes the projects that Harvard aims to complete over the next decade to realize strategic goals in both academic and community development. The IMP includes nine Proposed Institutional Projects (seven new buildings and two renovation projects) totaling approximately 1.4 million square feet of new building space and 500,000 square feet of renovation.

On October 19, 2012, the Proponent filed an Institutional Master Plan Notification Form (“IMPINF”) proposing this IMP. The Boston Redevelopment Authority (“BRA”) issued a Scoping Determination on March 29, 2013. On June 26, 2013, the Proponent filed the IMP in response to the BRA’s Scoping Determination.

## PROJECT/IMP REVIEW

The IMP is subject to Institutional Master Plan review pursuant to Section 80D of the Code. The IMP has been reviewed and discussed at multiple community meetings.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Based on the foregoing, BRA Staff recommends that the Secretary be authorized to advertise and schedule a public hearing regarding the IMP, as is required pursuant to Section 80D of the Code.

An appropriate vote follows:

**VOTED:** That the Secretary be, and hereby is, authorized to advertise a Public Hearing before the Boston Redevelopment Authority at a date and time to be determined by the Director, to consider the Harvard University Allston Campus Institutional Master Plan pursuant to Section 80D-5 of the Boston Zoning Code.