

The Office of SALVATORE LaMATTINA Boston City Councilor - District One

August 10, 2016

Boston Redevelopment Authority, Board of Directors Boston City Hall, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor One City Hall Square Boston, MA 02201

Re: 151 Liverpool St- East Boston

Dear Mr. Chair and Members of the Board,

I enthusiastically support this project at 151 Liverpool St. This building is located on an industrial corridor of the neighborhood that has been a blight for decades and I feel that it would bring much needed life and activity to the block that is so desperately needed. The development team has worked with the community and surrounding businesses in nearby Central Square and has listened to their concerns and I feel that the project is even better because of it.

I am particularly impressed with the roof deck idea and the fact that this building will be mostly green. Providing a space that is multi-use on the roof is an excellent idea and a great way to incorporate open space. The green concept that the development team is incorporating is very environmentally friendly and something that I am aiming to accomplish as more development comes to the neighborhood. They are taking ideas that are already in place in Europe in regards to rain water run-off and energy efficiency and using them to run this building. This will save on cost and set a nice precedent for East Boston.

I am pushing for more homeownership in East Boston and this development is a prime example of the potential that East Boston has. I hope that my ringing endorsement will find favor with you and that you will move this project forward. Thank you for your time.

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Salvatore LaMattina Boston City Councilor, District 1



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July 20, 2016

Mr. Brian Golden, Director Boston Redevelopment Authority Boston City Hall, 9th Floor Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Golden,

I would like to express my support for the proposed residential development of 151 Liverpool Street.

After carefully reviewing the plans for the project there is no doubt that it will be a positive change and will benefit the community. The increase of units from five to six stories is manageable given that the number of parking spaces, thirty six, matches the number of units. Since the parking spaces are all underneath the building and there will be only one curb cut, it will actually increase on street parking by one space.

In addition, the proposed condominium/home ownership aspect will result in homeowners who will have a vested interest in the community in a more permanent way.

Aesthetically, there is no question that this project will be a vast improvement and upgrade of the current use of the space.

Cordially yours,

## John F. Kelly,

Executive Director East Boston Social Centers 501 (C) 3 # 042 104 257

Cc: Mr John Campbell, BRA



151 Liverpool Street Public Comments via website form			
Date	First Name	City	Comments
7/2/201	6 Susan	East Boston	I regret that at least the facade of the present structure at 151 Liverpool is not being retained. Interesting detail in the brick is being lost to a mediocre design with merely large massing. The proposed building really dumbs down the streetscape.
7/22/201	6 Shawn	East Boston	The representatives for Sal Lamatina for East Boston residents did not notify the abutters as they had specified to when this meeting at the social center would be held therefore nobody had showed up within the two buildings of 122 and 124 it was held with no notification sent out as we have argued the tower over our 47 foot high buildings & disagree with the height and the distance from the abutting buildings etc