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Peter M. Meade, Director
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Boston City Hall, 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02201

**Re: Notice of Project Change for Nashua Street Residences (Downtown)
Letter of Intent under Executive Order of October 10, 2000—**

Dear Director Meade:

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This letter is being written with respect to the Nashua Street Residences Project (the "**Project**") on a project area comprised of air rights over a Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority garage adjacent to the TD Garden. This Project was the subject of a Project Notification Form submitted by the Boston Garden Development Corporation (the "**Original Developer**") on April 2, 2004 and a Draft Project Impact Report submitted on October 15, 2004, and was approved by the Authority through a Preliminary Adequacy Determination Waiving Further Review on April 7, 2005. A Notice of Project Change was submitted by the Original Developer on May 25, 2005 and was approved by the Authority on August 10, 2006. As approved, the Project consisted of 363 residential condominium units with 270 parking spaces, lobby space and related amenities. The Project required zoning relief under the Zoning Code, which was granted by the Zoning Board of Appeal.

AvalonBay Communities, Inc. (the "**Proponent**") proposes to file a further Notice of Project Change for the Project. As modified, the Project will consist of 503 residential units, which will be either rental or condominium, and 219 parking spaces, with lobby space and related amenities. The height of the Project will not exceed the prior approved height of 415' and, as noted, the number of parking spaces is being reduced from the previously approved number of 270. Modification of the previously-granted zoning relief under the Zoning Code will be required.

In connection with the earlier review of the Project, a 12 member Impact Advisory Group ("**IAG**") was appointed consistent with the Mayor's Executive Order of October 10, 2000. The purpose of this letter is to advise the Authority of the Proponent's intent to file the Notice of Project Change so that an IAG may be reconstituted to provide input in the review process.

We are very excited about moving forward with this Project and look forward to working with you, your staff, elected officials, community members and the Impact Advisory Group in the review of the Notice of Project Change.

Sincerely,



Scott Dale
Senior Vice President of Development

cc: Ms. Heather Campisano
Mr. Geoffrey Lewis