MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

February 22, 2022

5:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: Harvard Enterprise Research Campus, Allston
Present: Commissioner Jonathan Evans, Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner David Manfredi

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to present updates to the project, focusing specifically on the conference center (the “Treehouse”). The project was well received by the Commissioners, who asked clarifying questions about transparency, window patterns, material longevity, and egress. With no major changes or comments, the Commissioners agreed that the project should return to the full Commission, with special attention paid to maturity and timeline of the landscaping around the Treehouse in the next presentation.

The Project will return to the full Commission for a vote.

6:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: Dorchester Bay City, Dorchester
Present: Commissioner Jonathan Evans, Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner David Manfredi

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to outline their development since the last meeting with the Commission, giving an overview of the site plan and basic organization of the project with focus on community outreach, public realm interactions, and infrastructure. The Commissioners praised the project’s scope and scale, and recommended further study of the project’s internal connections through the use of sections spanning the whole plan and site diagrams. A member of the public spoke to encourage the project to further focus on bike safety, community benefits, and housing affordability.

The Project will continue in Design Committee.