MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

August 24, 2021

5:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: 819 Beacon Street, Fenway
Present: Commissioner Deneen Crosby, Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner Mikyoung Kim, Commissioner Mimi Love, Commissioner Kirk Sykes

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to outline their approach and project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Commissioners discussed the project's revised open space strategy, and advised further refining it to reach a more public feeling along Beacon Street. The Commissioners also discussed the new massing for the project and encouraged the proponent's to further explore how to engage the street and the public realm. Several members of the public spoke, complementing the process but also commenting on the size of the project and its connections to the surrounding area. The Project will continue in Design Committee.

6:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: 323-365 Dorchester Avenue, South Boston
Present: Commissioner Deneen Crosby, Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner Jonathan Evans, Commissioner Mikyoung Kim, Commissioner Mimi Love

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to outline their approach and project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Commissioners discussed the project's landscaping and context, and advised the proponents to adjust the project to include a middle scale between the grand architectural and the pedestrian. The Commissioners also praised the continued progress of the project and encouraged the proponents to think more about how to activate the new and existing streets around the project. Several members of the public spoke to praise the project and encourage an efficient review process. The Project will continue in Design Committee.