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**DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION**

May 14, 2019

5:00pm, Room #937A, 9th Floor, Boston City Hall

Project: **Seaport Square Parcel P**

Present: Andrea Leers, Anne-Marie Lubeanu

DISCUSSION: This design committee furthered the review and critique of façade texture, hierarchy, and material transition that began at the presentation for the full Commission. The depth of material changes and setbacks should be more distinct, and the Commission needs to better understand the project in its surrounding context.

The Project team used a digital presentation to outline their approach and project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Project will return to Design Committee.

6:00pm, Room #933A

Project: **MassDOT Air Rights Parcel 12**

Present: Andrea Leers, Anne-Marie Lubenau, William Rawn

DISCUSSION: The design committee session on April 9, 2019 focused on the major public realm and massing changes to this project. In response to comments from the Commission and the public, the team furthered the design of the buildings and modified the open space to foster an urban plaza, active stairway, and green seating space. Commissioners responded asking the team to simplify the architecture and think carefully about the building scale along Boylston Street. They expressed support for the public space pressed the team to focus on views from the turnpike inbound lane.

The Project team used a digital presentation and model to outline their approach and project updates and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Project will return to Design Committee.

7:00pm, Room #937A

Project: **Suffolk Downs Master Plan- Open Space**

Present: Anne-Marie Lubenau, William Rawn

DISCUSSION: The project team walked through the existing open space conditions at Suffolk Downs, highlighting the wetlands and features that will be incorporated into the open space design. The Commission discussed phasing, connections, and need for design guidelines.

The Project team used a digital presentation to outline their approach and project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Project will return to Design Committee.