MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

June 29, 2021
Held virtually via Zoom

5:00pm
Project: MGH Clinical Building, West End
Present: Commissioner Andrea Leers, Commissioner David Hacin, Commissioner William Rawn

DISCUSSION: Since the project last came before the Commission on May 11, 2021, the project team made modifications to the building base and soffit overhangs, studied the integration of the Winchell School façade, and developed the N. Anderson Street Arcade. Conversation focused on ground floor height and expression on the exterior as it relates to the public realm, and about the public nature of the arcade. Public comments concerned continue requests for substantial preservation of the Winchell School. Commissioners feel the team has resolved many of the issues discussed at Design Committee, and project will return to the full Commission for a vote.

6:00pm
Project: 819 Beacon, Fenway
Present: Commissioner Andrea Leers, Commissioner David Hacin, Commissioner William Rawn

DISCUSSION: The presentation highlighted revised massing strategy including studies and before and after images, as well as a detailed presentation of the public realm. There is a significant grade change on site that a pocket park traverses. The project team also presented many contextual images and diagrams as requested at the last Commission meeting. Changes to the massing were well received. Commissioners would like to see further development of the landscape design as it relates to the building massing. The project will continue in Design Committee.