MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

November 23, 2021

5:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: 775 Huntington Avenue, Mission Hill
Present: Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner Anne-Marie Lubenau, Commissioner David Manfredi

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to present project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Commissioners appreciated the addition of aerial views and street-level views from around the surrounding neighborhood. The Commissioners then suggested changes to the massing and facade to simplify the project, in order to provide more clarity and consistency. The project team then presented updates to the project's landscaping plans, to which the Commissioners complimented material choice and suggested locations and ideas for further planting and development.

The Project will continue in Design Committee.

6:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: Bulfinch Crossing, East Parcel Redevelopment, Downtown
Present: Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner Anne-Marie Lubenau, 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 majority of the discussion focused on the building's impact on the public realm, especially the building's relationship to the various transit amenities nearby. The Commissioners also recommended the project team develop the project's relationship with the history of the site, and how that relationship could be expressed spatially. A number of members of the public spoke to ask questions of the project team.

The Project will continue in Design Committee.