MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

April 9, 2019

5:00pm, Room #937A, 9th Floor, Boston City Hall
Project: MassDOT Air Rights Parcel 12
Present: Deneen Crosby, Linda Eastley, Kirk Sykes

DISCUSSION: After several months of design work, the project team presented a new scheme for the Parcel 12 project that responded to comments about massing and ground plane from the Commission. The new scheme proposes a wide, two-level pedestrian plaza along Massachusetts Avenue and an expressive building design. Feedback focused on the relationships between pedestrian, bicycle, and transit routes, as well as connecting Boylston Street to Massachusetts Ave through the plaza.

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.

6:00pm, Room #933A
Project: Suffolk Downs Masterplan
Present: Deneen Crosby, Linda Eastley, David Manfredi, Kirk Sykes

DISCUSSION: Given the unprecedented scale and complexity of a multi-phase 161-acre Master Plan, the Suffolk Downs team Design Committee sessions have been challenged to delve into the details of the project. This meeting focused on dividing future discussion topics into categories of streets and entries, open space and resiliency, architecture/massing, and a final synthesized response to comments.

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