MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

September 20, 2022

5:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: 244-284 A St, South Boston Waterfront
Present: Commissioner Jonathan Evans, Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner Andrea Leers, Commissioner Anne-Marie Lubenau, Commissioner William Rawn

The project team used a digital presentation to give an overview of responses to comments from both the community and the commission, focusing on updates to open space, public realm, and architecture. The Commissioners were pleased with the changes, and believed that the treatment of the public realm (edge conditions, integration of the Harborwalk, different hierarchies) would be an excellent addition to the neighborhood. For the project's return to the full Commission, the team was encouraged to further explain how the proposed open space will fit into the larger network of open spaces around the area in terms of program and material. Several members of the public spoke in support of the project.

The Project will return to the full Commission.

6:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom
Project: Mary Ellen McCormack Redevelopment, South Boston
Present: Commissioner Jonathan Evans, Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner Andrea Leers, Commissioner Anne-Marie Lubenau, Commissioner William Rawn

DISCUSSION:

The Project team used a digital presentation to show plan and massing diagrams explaining the development of the site plan and proposed heights. The Commissioners encouraged to think about the massing across the site more wholistically, beginning with a unified massing approach across the site, then breaking the site down into zones before making smaller-scale massing adjustments. The Project team was encouraged to develop a physical massing model to quickly iterate different heights. A member of the public spoke in favor of increased height on the site.

The Project will continue in Design Committee.