

MINUTES

DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

January 4, 2022

7:00pm, Held virtually via Zoom

Project: 125 Lincoln Street, Leather District

Present: Commissioner Kathy Kottaridis, Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner David

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DISCUSSION:

The project team began by presenting changes that have occurred in response to BPDA and community feedback, especially with regards to height, massing, and site.

The Commissioners were positive about the ongoing development process, and encouraged the development team to continue to think about the balance between benefit to public realm and the proposed massing. The Commission spoke highly of the architecture and design of the project, but encouraged the team to think further about the impacts of the proposed height by responding to the shadow impacts on adjacent open spaces and on the low-lying buildings surrounding the site. Future meetings will involve discussion of the building's details, in hopes that resolving them will help solve issues presented by the height. Several members of the public spoke to support the project and its height, provided that adequate public benefit is provided as a trade-off.

The Project will continue in Design Committee.