

Minutes

Boylston Street Corridor Study Committee

December 6, 2021 12:00PM

Held remotely via Zoom

Committee members (in attendance noted by Y/N):

John VanScoyoc, Chair	Y	Wendy Friedman	Y	Tom Nally	Y
Rachna Balakrishna	Y	Joe Gaudino	Y	Carlos Ridruejo	Y
Deborah Brown	Y	Wendy Machmuller	Y	Mark Zarrillo	Y

Staff & consultants present: Kara Brewton, Sophie Robison

Meeting materials included: agenda, MassDOT Memo, presentation on 10 Brookline Place Committee (10BPC), EDAB Bio-Lab Sciences Report

Guests included: Jennifer Dopazo Gilbert, Fred Perry, Perry Grossman, Allison Hastings, Betsy DeWitt, David Harellick, Brian Kane, Paul Saner, Matt Hyatt, Tad Champion, Linda Pehlke, Luke Lavery, Joshua Currier, Katha Seidman, Marianne Lee, Bill Reyelt, Christine Lau, Jennifer Sullivan, Susan Kaplan

Kara Brewton opened the meeting, noting that it was being held remotely on the Zoom platform due to COVID, and after checking that all participants' audio/video were working well, and Kara announced that the meeting was being recorded.

John VanScoyoc explained that today's meeting would focus on final review of a letter from the Committee to MassDOT.

BSCSC Memo to Select Board for MassDOT

Kara Brewton reviewed the memo and noted two comments for discussion. No further edits were offered by Committee members.

BSCSC voted to approve the memo as written and forward it to the Select Board by roll call vote (CR, WF, DB, TN, JG, MZ, RB, WM, JVS).

10BPC Update

Sophie Robison gave an update on the progress towards the 10 Brookline Place Committee. Discussion covered how LBSCS' work will be included in the 10BPC process, and the changes to tax revenue based off the new development. Committee members expressed the need for the process to be sensitive to residents, given their recent experiences living through so much change and construction. The Committee also discussed the role of the eventual Design Advisory Team

in this process, and differences/similarities between this process and the recent process for the Welltower development.

Conversation with the Public included:

There were no comments from the public.

Next Steps

- To move the BSCSC report forward, the following steps will need to be taken:
 - Staff working on budget to identify consultant funding
 - Create a document that overviews key points of conversation between the BSCSC and developers to be an eventual appendix to the greater BSCSC report
 - Staff will provide guidance on whether or not a subcommittee needs to be formed during report formation
 - Goal of presenting BSCSC report at the spring 2022 Town Meeting (conversations around zoning and by-laws would need to happen by mid-March)
- Sophie asked the group to consider lessons from past projects similar to the 10 Brookline Place Committee, and to think about how the BSCSC would specifically like to be engaged through the process.

Closing

No further meetings in December. Next meeting in January. Kara will share EDAB Lab/Bio Report.

**Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:53 pm.