# Charlesgate West plans shared with community

The community got a look at the latest design for a housing development with ground-floor retail proposed for 2 Charlesgate West in the Fenway during a virtual meeting sponsored by the Boston Planning and Development Agency on Dec. 15.

Scape, the British real estate developer which is also redeveloping 1252-1270 Boylston St., into a 477-unit apartment building, is proposing a 251,000 square-foot building, comprising 400 residential housing units, 3,000 square feet of ground floor retail, and 75 below grade parking spaces, at the corner of Ipswich Street, where Charlesgate turns from the Bowker Overpass onto Boylston

The proposed building would be "stepped down" to align with neighboring buildings on the Charlesgate West side, said Brett Benston, a principal at the Boston design firm, Utile, while the lost height would be redistributed on Ipswich Street along the "High Spine" of the Massachusetts Turnpike, where it would reach its maximum height of 23

Other features of the design include an internal courtyard aligned with neighboring buildings, said Bentson, as well as a public staircase and elevator to connect Ipswich Street with the Emerald Necklace on the east side of the proposed building.

Improvements along Ipswich Street are also planned as part of the project, said Bentson, including widening the sidewalk by the Bowker Overpass, which would extend to the Boston Conservatory, as well as installing a bike-sharing system and adding street trees with planting beds to support them.

The building's lower wing along Boylston Street would relate in massing and materials to the Back Bay Fens apartments

Bryan Chou, an associate principal with Boston's Mikyoung Kim Design, said the new building could serve as a "new gateway for the Fenway district in its entirety," while stitching together a long-missing "disconnect" between the Back Bay Fens and the Charles River Esplanade.

Improvements to the area now proposed by the Charlesgate Alliance and the Emerald Necklace Conservancy would also help "make it a very valuable site," said Chou, as the project would also aim to reinvigorate a long-underutilized site that has become a "pass-through" space.

A vegetive buffer would be created on the Boylston Street side and on the through-path, which, said Chou, would "really be an extension of the Fens with the soft scape and the planting involved in the area."

A shadow study for the project, said Bentson, indicates that new shadows created by the project during Summer Solstice would be limited to Ipswich Street and the Fens, while during the Autumn Equinox, all new shadows would be limited to the Turnpike. The shadow impact during Winter Solstice would be similar to what is expected during the Autumn Equinox, he added, with some additional shadow "crawling across to

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### WARD 4 AND 5 HOLD HOLIDAY PARTY



Massachusetts State Rep Jay Livingstone speaks to the gathering on Tuesday night, for Ward 4 and Ward 5 members and local elected officials who held a Holiday Pary at La Petit Robert on Columbus Ave. See more photos on pages 6-8.

# BVHDC approves dormer at Fayette St.

By Lauren Bennett

At its December 14 hearing, the Bay Village Historic District Commission (BVHDC) approved a gabled dormer on the front facade of 32 Fayette St.

Architect Paul McNeely explained that the dormer would have four wooden double hung windows and a slate roof, and the existing slate roof will also be repaired. Additionally, minor repairs to the masonry will be made as needed, and the homeowners are also asking to replace the existing windows, which will be in a different application.

The dormer will be used as another bedroom, McNeely said.

Commissioner Steve Dunwell asked if there was a precedent for such a dormer, as he said it appears to be a "pretty big change."

McNeely said that while this particular building has not been modified, other buildings in the neighborhood have similar dor-

Joe Cornish, Director of Design Review for the Boston Landmarks Commission said that there are "dormers on almost all the rowhouses across the street," and dormers are permitted per the BVHDC guide-

Commissioner Anne Kilguss lives across the street from this proposal, and said her dormer also has four windows.

"This is very much in keeping

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# Baker administration recommending masks for indoor spaces; deploying National Guard

By Lauren Bennett

Governor Charlie Baker and Secretary of Health and Human Services Marylou Sudders held a press conference on December 21 to provide updates on COVID-19 in the Commonwealth.

The administration announced that the mask guidance has been updated to recommend that face coverings are worn in indoor set-

tings, regardless of vaccination status. It was also announced that up to 500 National Guard members will be available to respond to calls across the state.

Sudders said that with the staffing shortage in hospitals, the National Guard will help fill in the gaps, leaving more health care professionals "to provide higher levels of care," she said.

Sudders also said that as of

December 27, elective procedures will need to be canceled or postponed.

"Our hospitals remain ready to care for the urgent needs of the residents of the Commonwealth," Sudders said.

With cases rising sharply and the emergence of the Omicron variant, the state is encouraging

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# EDITORIAL

# HAVE A MERRY -- AND SAFE -- CHRISTMAS

The holiday season usually is the most wonderful time of the year.

But Christmas, 2021, is anything but wonderful, even for those of us who are among the most fortunate in our society.

Our collective stress and anxiety levels are at an all-time high thanks to the recent arrival of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, which has upended the holiday plans for many of us.

Each and every day, the virus is killing almost 1300 Americans, a statistic that has become mind-numbingly routine. That figure still is well below the 3000 deaths per day a year ago at this time, but still, it translates into 500,000 deaths per year.

Hospitals once again are at full capacity in many states, with coronavirus patients filling emergency rooms and crowding-out those who have other health issues.

This was not the scenario we had envisioned a few months ago, when it appeared that we had COVID-19 under control.

For those of us who are fully-vaccinated with three shots of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines (or one J&J plus one of the those other two), the effects of the Omicron variant are proving to be fairly mild, akin to having a bad cold.

But for anyone who is unvaccinated, infection with the Omicron variant is proving inescapable thanks to its high-degree of transmissibility. And as the statistics demonstrate, the chances of becoming seriously ill are dangerously-significant.

Although the pandemic has eviscerated the usual holiday celebrations that bring together family, friends, and colleagues, adding to our mental health issues, especially for older Americans, the toned-down holiday season offers us an opportunity for reflection, a chance to reach an appreciation for the things that really matter in our lives: The health and safety of ourselves and our loved ones, as well as the urgent need to assist those who find themselves in dire straits this holiday season.

We hope that all of our readers will heed the warnings of our public health officials and that those with the means to do so will help the vast numbers of our less-fortunate fellow Americans.

We wish all of our readers a merry -- and safe -- Christmas.

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## GUEST OP-ED

## Gift ideas for Christmas

BY Dr. Glenn Mollette

This Christmas give somebody the gift of mercy and forgiveness. Be broad with your giving and generous. We all need a lot of both. For such a joyful holiday of cheer, giving and yuletide merriment there is much to be stressed about.

Typically, people have been stressed about all the holiday parties, gatherings and Christmas scheduling. This year there is more stress related to sickness, masks, vaccinations, Omicron, natural disasters, filled hospitals, massive numbers of funerals and inflation. The last couple of Christmases have not been life as usual for most of us.

You may have watched Chevy Chase in National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. He becomes over the top stressed out when his Christmas lights won't work and he literally kicks, stomps and curses a blue streak across his yard. It's a funny scene. Mostly because in some way we've all been there a time or two.

Most of us enjoy giving if we can. We enjoy giving to

the people we love. Christmas trees, decorating, eating and gatherings are all a part of the season. However, we become frustrated when we lose sight of the big picture. The big picture includes looking around and beyond our Christmas pain. Millions of people would simply be thrilled to have the problems that some of us have. Many people are in the nursing home and will never go to the mall again. Some have a terminal disease and this may be their last Christmas. Depression will weigh heavy on many who have lost their homes, buried loved ones or experienced financial devastation from medical care or natural disasters. Most of these people would love to have a house to decorate or gifts to buy for a loved one.

Celebrate Christmas this year. Give away some special gifts. Give gifts that money can't buy or time cannot fade. Give love, give forgiveness and give some mercy. Extend these generously to yourself. If you can't give them to yourself it's impossible to give them to oth-

The little baby that Christmas

celebrates became a man and taught people that we should love God and love others as we love ourselves. Herein is part of the rub. Too often people stop loving themselves. Life becomes imperfect, we fail, get hurt or mad and we kick Santa or the reindeer across the yard. Unfortunately, we don't stop there. We go into Ebenezer Scrooge bah humbug mode. We don't get our groove back and miss out on some of Christmas' most wonderful characteristicsmercy and forgiveness.

The Christmas story is about a child who came to show us the way. He showed us how to love, forgive and be merciful. Some of the people in your life probably need it more than you know. Give generously and start with yourself.

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Commonwealth Avenue."

Additionally, a wind study for the project identified "one area we need to pay close attention to," said Bentson, with a landscaping screen being developed in the "coming weeks" to address this anticipated problem.

Fenway resident Sandeep Karnik said he's "very excited about seeing the corner redeveloped," but added he preferred an earlier project design, which he described as "curved and easy on the eyes," as well as "a beautiful design, not as boxy."

In response, Andrew Flynn, CEO of Scape North America, said "rounding out the counters is maybe something we can explore and take up with the design team."

In contrast, Elizabeth Fahey, also a resident of the Fenway, said she thinks the building is excessively tall as proposed and believes reducing its height would help to minimize the wind

"You're now trying to put together the remnants of Charlesgate Park in a refashioned way," said Fahey. "To have that totally in the shade...would just be

awful." Flynn replied that the project team is still looking at how the building's proposed height relates to its shadow and wind impacts, something the project team "will continue to detail in future meetings."

Scape also remains "very open minded" in creating the units, said Flynn, in an effort to attract a "versatile tenant base in terms of affordability and attainability" across various sectors of the

Regarding the possibility of increasing the height of the proposed building, Flynn said the project team "remains open minded while being mindful of the scale" and added they would "explore [this option] if people think that's the best path forward," especially it could result in the production of more affordable residential units on site.

As for the size of the units, Flynn said they would be consistent with 1930s, '40s, and '50s housing stock as opposed to micro-units.

Tim Horn, president of the Fenway Civic Association, said he is pleased more housing coming to this part of the Fenway,



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A rendering of the development project proposed for 2 Charlesgate West.

and that he anticipates the new staircase would be a "really great improvement," although he remains especially concerned regarding the ongoing issue with "constant graffiti" in the area of the park owned by the Department of Conservation and Recreation near the Muddy River.

"Maybe, this would be a good

opportunity to partner with DCR on the graffiti," added Horn.

In 2006, the building's previous owner, a division of Boston-based Trans National Properties, made an ill-fated proposal to build a 29-story residential tower on the site in a plan that garnered widespread opposition from neighbors, as well as from

the Red Sox organization.

Visit <a href="http://www.bos-">http://www.bos-</a> tonplans.org/projects/development-projects/2-charlesgate for more information on the project, as well as to provide your input before the public comment period for the project closes on Jan.

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residents to wear face coverings in indoor settings, but it is not a requirement.

Sudders added that the "vaccine and boosters are highly effective in protecting against severe illness, hospitalization, and death."

Baker thanked Governor healthcare workers for all that they do. "You're working in wildly challenging and difficult times," he said, also thanking the National Guard for their sup-

He said that with various anxieties floating around related to the pandemic, he reassured residents that the tools that are now available, especially vaccines and testing, are the best defense against the virus.

"Going to school is safe," Baker said, adding that it's "also healthy for children to be with each other and with trained, caring adults."

He also said that "we know vaccines work," and that out of five million fully vaccinated Massachusetts residents, "only two percent" have tested positive for the virus, and "97 percent of breakthrough cases never end up in a hospital."

Nearly two million Massachusetts residents have gotten a third dose of the vaccine, Baker said, and those who are unvaccinated are "31 times more likely to just test positive than someone with that third dose." The "vast majority of people" hospitalized with the virus have not been vaccinated."

He continued, "all that means, among other things, is that we know for sure that vaccines offer tremendous protection from illness, better than any other mea-

Baker said that at-home rapid tests are available at various sites throughout the state, and "hundreds of testing sites" statewide

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are ready to serve residents. More than two million free rapid tests have been distributed statewide. "Use them before you get together with your friends and others," he said.

He urged residents to don masks indoors, and said that resources that were not available a year ago are helping to save lives and keep people safe.

"A new case today does not mean the same thing a new case meant a year ago," he said. "Vaccinated people may test positive, but their chances of dying or getting seriously ill—they pale in comparison to so many riski-

er behaviors out there. If you're boosted, your risk of getting sick is even lower."

Baker said that when it comes to celebrating the holidays with family and friends, "getting vaccinated and getting a booster if you're eligible is the best thing you can do this holiday season for you and your family."

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# Our Lady's Guild House Restoration Coalition submits bid to acquire Fenway building

Staff Repor

Our Lady's Guild House Restoration Coalition has submitted a proposal to acquire the historic Our Lady's Guild House (OLGH) to preserve both the property and its longtime charitable purpose as affordable single room occupancy (SRO) housing for low- and moderate-income women.

Located in the Fenway neighborhood, Our Lady's Guild House is a 137-room charitable lodging house for women created by Cardinal (then Archbishop) Richard J. Cushing in 1947 at the suggestion of Boston's lead-

ing Catholic women and organizations. For decades, the property was operated as a haven for single women without the means to pay for other housing, including low-wage working women, retirees, and other senior and disabled women. OLGH Restoration Coalition is comprised of OLGH resident leaders and Fenway neighborhood activists who have joined to save the historic property and to maintain it as affordable SRO housing for women, along with their partner, a community-based 501(c)(3) land trust.

OLGH is owned by OLGH, Inc., a Massachusetts charitable

corporation founded by Cardinal (then Archbishop) Cushing in 1947. Its members and board are currently made up of nuns who belong to Daughters of Mary of the Immaculate Conception, a religious order based in New Britain, Connecticut, which owns a 131-acre New Britain campus. The Daughters first announced that the building was for sale on November 5, 2021.

They hired Colliers International Boston, a large commercial real estate company, which sought bids by December 1, 2021. Colliers said a buyer would be chosen soon thereafter.



The state's November total unemployment rate increased by one-tenth of a percentage point at 5.4 percent, the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development announced Friday.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics' preliminary job estimates indicate Massachusetts gained 16,800 jobs in November. This follows last month's revised gain of 26,400 jobs. The largest over the month private sector job gains were in Leisure and Hospitality, Professional, Scientific, and Business Services, and Educational and Health Services. Since the employment trough in April 2020, Massachusetts has gained 519,500 jobs.

From November 2020 to November 2021, BLS estimates Massachusetts gained 196,000 jobs. The largest over the year gains occurred in Leisure and Hospitality; Professional, Scientific, and Business Services; and Education and Health Services.

The November unemployment rate was 1.2 percentage points above the national rate of 4.2 percent reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The labor force increased by 14,100 from 3,726,300 in October, as 8,200 more residents were employed, and 5,900 more residents were unemployed over the month.

Over the year, the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was down by 3.0 percentage points.

The state's labor force participation rate – the total number of residents 16 or older who worked or were unemployed and actively sought work in the last four weeks – was up three-tenths of a percentage point at 66.3 percent. Compared to November 2020, the labor force participation rate is up 0.4 percentage points.

### November 2021 Employment Overview

Leisure and Hospitality gained 5,400 (+1.7%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 53,900 (+20.4%) jobs were added.

Professional and Business Services gained 3,400 (+0.5%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 44,200 (+7.7%) jobs were added.

Education and Health Services gained 2,200 (+0.3%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 26,300 (+3.5%) jobs were added.

Construction gained 1,900 (+1.1%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 10,700 (+6.7%) jobs were added.

Other Services gained 1,100 (+0.9%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 6,600 (+5.8%) jobs were added.

Manufacturing gained 700 (+0.3%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 9,000 (+3.9%) jobs were added.

Financial Activities gained 300 (+0.1%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 1,400 (+0.6%) jobs were added.

Government gained 2,000 (+0.5%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 18,300 (+4.3%) jobs were added.

Trade, Transportation and Utilities lost 100 jobs (0.0%) over the month. Over the year, 18,700 (+3.4%) jobs were added.

Information lost 200 (-0.2%) jobs over the month. Over the year, 6,800 (+7.8%) jobs were added.

#### **Labor Force Overview**

The November estimates show 3,537,500 Massachusetts residents were employed and 202,900 were unemployed, for a total labor force of 3,740,400. The unemployment rate was up one-tenth of a percentage point at 5.4 percent. Over the month, the November labor force was up by 14,100 from 3,726,300 in October, with 8,100 more residents employed and 5,900 more residents unemployed. The labor force participation rate, the share of working age population employed and unemployed, was up by 0.3 percentage point at 66.3 percent. The labor force was up 18,900 from the November 2020 estimate of 3,721,600, as 129,200 more residents were employed and 110,400 fewer residents were unemployed.

The unemployment rate is based on a monthly sample of households. The job estimates are derived from a monthly sample survey of employers. As a result, the two statistics may exhibit different monthly trends.



Our Lady's Guild House at 20 Charlesgate West in the Fenway.

### BPDA approves programming change to a portion of Back Bay's Parcel 12

By John Lynds

Last week the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) board approved a minor change to the Parcel 12 project in the Back Bay.

The board voted to approve a request to convert a portion of the project's office space to lab/ life sciences space in the already previously BPDA approved project.

On October 27 the Samuels & Associates team filed a Notice of Project Change (NPC) with the BPDA to affirm the proposed programming uses of the office component of the project, which presents no additional impact or material change to the project.

"The NPC seeks to affirm the use of up to approximately 118,191 square feet of the project as life sciences/research and development space," the team wrote in its NPC filing. The 118,191 square feet was originally intended to be programmed as office space.

The development team said the proposed Parcel 12 Project offers an opportunity to repair a barren section of Boylston Street and Massachusetts Avenue disrupted by the Turnpike, and to knit together the Back Bay and the Fenway, and the South End and the City of Cambridge.

The team plans to create a mix of dynamic mixed use development with ground-floor uses that will activate the street, repair the discontinuity in the urban street wall left behind by the Turnpike Extension, and improve the experience for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists, as well as those using the wide array of nearby public transit options.

"Designed holistically to address nearby public infrastructure needs, the project has the capacity to improve a long overlooked swath of Boston's urban fabric," said the NPC. "The Project proposes a mix of uses that will complete the ends of Boylston and Newbury Street by providing a vibrant hub on the Parcel 12 Air Rights parcel that will consist of approximately 325,000 square feet of office uses, 70,000 square feet of retail and restaurant uses, and 150,000 square feet of residential or hotel uses, as well as a below-grade parking garage with approximately 150 parking

## FRESH AND LOCAL

# Sweet Potato Stash

by Penny & Ed Cherubino

The perfect thing for a busy cook is a stash of something in the refrigerator that will let them whip up a healthy meal in minutes. For us, roasted sweet potatoes are becoming that resource. Imagine arriving home hungry and tired on a Monday evening. If you had prepared a few sweet potatoes over the weekend, you could turn those into a quick meal with other pantry items or leftovers.

### Roast, Steam, or Both?

We usually roast our sweet potatoes in the toaster oven. After a good scrub with a vegetable brush, they can be roasted whole, cut into slices, planks, halves, or quarters. The cut depends on the size, how much time you have, and how you plan to use them. You can even mix cuts on the same tray as long as you turn and remove each version when it's ready.

Cutting them will give you flat surfaces to brown until gold-

en. Leaving the vegetable whole gives you the option of stuffing it with something you love. Planks and slices give you a platform for open-face sandwiches. A toss in olive oil and a light sprinkle of salt is all that is needed before they roast at high temperature until tender.

Steaming is a second cooking option. You can do this on the stovetop, in the microwave, or pressure cooker. Nik Sharma, the author of "The Flavor Equation," has been experimenting with a combo method. "I've been testing new ways to improve on roasting sweet potatoes in the oven, and I found that a combination of steaming and roasting works great for a dish like this for both the texture and the extra set of aroma molecules that comes through." He explains, "The first step, partial steaming, keeps the moisture inside the sweet potato while cooking, and the second step, uncovered roasting, helps create a robust flavor profile."

Don't worry, this two-step

sweet potato dance doesn't require an extra pan. Nik cuts the tubers in half, slathers them in butter, salts, and steams them (cut side up) for 20 minutes on a sheet pan tightly covered in foil. Then he uncovers the pan, turns the cut side down, and finishes the roasting step of the process. You can opt for olive oil and a covered roasting dish.

### Quick Meals

With a high-powered blender, we can have a sweet potato soup in minutes. Penny pops roasted sweet potatoes, some sautéd onions, half an apple, and chicken stock into the blender and processes it increasing from low to high speed. In about 5 minutes, steam starts coming out of the top of the blender, and "It's soup time!"

We love anything on toast, and here you have the option of using roasted sweet potato planks as the toast or topping slices of toast with something made with pieces of your stash. You can mash a sweet potato as



We followed Nik Sharma's recommendation to first steam and then roast sweet potatoes and loved the results.

in avocado toast or chop it and mix it with a compatible protein like chickpeas, shredded chicken, or eggs.

We have a whole list of quick meals that welcome the flavor, fiber, and nutrition of sweet potatoes. We can add them to a hash, chili, frittata, curry, soup, fried rice, stir-fry, and grain bowl. One member of this team has been known to stand at the kitchen counter and make a meal of unadorned, roasted sweet potatoes.

We can stuff whole ones with scrambled eggs, curry, chicken salad, greek salad, avocado, salsa, onions, and peppers. You can even turn them into a dessert by filling them or topping them with pecans, brown sugar, and marshmallows!

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest. com with your suggestion.

# Back Bay, surrounding area's weekly COVID infections increase once again

By John Lynds

With the Omicron COVID variant now the most prevalent variant sweeping across the US—making up nearly 75 percent of all new cases—the Back Bay and the surrounding areas's weekly COVID positive test rate rose once again ahead of the Christmas Holiday.

COVID infections spreading like wildfire Boston Mayor Michelle Wu announced Monday a new initiative to require vaccination in certain indoor spaces in the city, including indoor dining, fitness, and entertainment establishments. The new "B Together" initiative will begin January 15 and will phase in second vaccine doses and youth vaccination requirements. Both patrons and employees of indoor venues will be required to show proof of vaccination and the indoor mask mandate remains in effect.

"Vaccines are the most powerful tool we have to fight this pandemic. Vaccination saves lives, and closing vaccination gaps is the best way to support and protect our communities, businesses, and cultural institutions during this pandemic," said Mayor Wu at a City Hall press conference Monday. "The vast majority of COVID-related hospitalizations are of unvaccinated individuals, which is impacting our entire healthcare system and compromising the health of our communities. Today's steps to protect community members in certain indoor establishments and throughout our city workforce will help ensure that everyone in Boston will be safe. City government must take down barriers and direct our resources for easy access to testing and vaccination to protect our city and all of our communities."

According to the weekly report released Monday by the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), 2,693 Back Bay, Beacon Hill, North End, West End and Downtown residents were tested and 6.2 percent were positive. This was a 29 percent increase from the 4.8 percent that tested positive between December 6 and December 13. The weekly positive test rate is up 100 percent in the area since December 6.

However, the citywide weekly positive test rate remained

the same last week. According to the BPHC 30,754 residents were tested and 6.7 percent were COVID positive--this was the same percentage reported by the BPHC on December 13.

One hundred sixty seven additional residents have been infected with the virus between December 13 and December 20 and the total number of cases in the area increased to 4,846 cases overall since the pandemic began.

"COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations are on the rise in Boston. The B Together initiative is just one component of a multilayered, comprehensive strategy that the city has implemented to address COVID-19 and promote the health and safety of Boston residents," said Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission Dr. Bisola Ojikutu. "We must also ensure that every Bostonian has easier access to vaccines and boosters, and we will be rolling out new sites across the city."

Starting January 15, 2022, patrons of covered businesses will be required to show proof of vaccination upon entering the

premises. The order states that

individuals can demonstrate vaccination by showing their CDC vaccination card or a photo of their card, any official immunization record or digital image from a pharmacy or health care provider, or on any COVID-19 vaccine verification app. The city also announced plans to create its own app, modeled on the successful Key to NYC app that has supported the vaccine requirement effort in New York City.

Businesses included will also be required to post a notice at all entrances. The city will begin a weeks-long campaign to educate residents and businesses about the new policy, utilizing city outreach workers and inspectional services. Businesses found not in compliance will receive verbal and written warnings. Repeat offenders may be subject to fines.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus increased four percent last week and went from 92,170 cases to 95,790 confirmed cases in a week.

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### WARD 4 AND 5 MEMBERS HOLD HOLIDAY PARTY

On Tuesday night, Ward 4 and Ward 5 members and local elected officials held a Holiday Pary at La Petit Robert on Columbus Ave. Some candidates for the 2022 State Election attended the event as well.



Boston City Councilor Kenzie Bok speaks to the gathering.



The winner of the Ward 4 desert competition was Aaron Dy with his Ube Coconut Cake.



Bob Binney and Marius Gnalis.



Councilor Ed Flynn And Margaret McKenna.



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### WARD 4 AND 5 MEMBERS HOLD HOLIDAY PARTY



Boston Myor Michelle Wu (2nd from left), City Councillors Ed Flynn, Julia Mejia (5th from right), and Kenzie Bok (5th from left), Council-Elect Tania Anderson, and Ruthzee Louijeune (2nd from right), Massachusetts State Reps Aaron Michlewitz and Jay Livingstone, Ward 4 Chairperson Jonathan Cohn (center), and members Carol Lasky (3rd from right) and Amelia Aubourg.



Ward 4 Chairperson Jonathan Cohn (center) with Boston City Councilors Tania Anderson and Ruthzee Louijeune.



Larry Bell and Andrea Olmsted with Massachusetts State Rep Aaron Michlewitz.

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# of Units	# of bedrooms	Estimated Square Feet	Rent	Maximum Income Limit	# built out for mobility impairments
1	1	652 SF	\$1,435	60%	0
6*	2	821 SF	30% HH Income	30%	0
31	2	821 SF	\$1,717	60%	3
7*	3	1101 SF	30% HH Income	30%	0
9	3	1101 SF	\$1,979	60%	2

\*6 Homeless Set-aside units (4, 2-bedrooms and 2, 3-bedrooms) will be filled through direct referral from HomeStart. For more inform please contact us at the email address or phone number below. For direct referrals, please visit <a href="https://www.homestart.org/boston">https://www.homestart.org/boston</a>

Minimum Incomes Set by owner + based on # of bedrooms + Area Median Income (AMI)				Maximum Incor DND + based on hou Area Median Income	usehold size
# of bedrooms	30% AMI	60% AMI	Household size	30% AMI	60% A
1-Bedroom	\$22,650	\$45,300	1	\$28,200	\$56,
			2	\$32,200	\$64,
	407100	dr. ( 700	3	\$36,240	\$72,
2-Bedroom	\$27,180 \$54,360	4	\$40,260	\$80,	
3-Bedroom	\$31,410 \$62,820	5	\$43,500	\$87,	
		6	\$46,710	\$93,	

Minimum incomes do not apply to households with housing assistance (Section 8, MRVP, VASH) Applications are available during the application period for 60 days, from December 13, 2021 – February 11, 2022.

application visit <a href="https://www.holtzerparkapts.com">www.holtzerparkapts.com</a> or to have a paper copy <a href="https://holtzer.Park@tcbinc.org">holtzer.Park@tcbinc.org</a> or call 617-747-3445 | TTY: 711.

plications may also be picked up in person at our sister community, Amory Street Apartments, located at 125 Amory Street, Boston MA 02119 beginning on Monday, December 13, 2021, through Friday, February 11, 2022, from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm.

We will be holding 2 Information Sessions at the below dates, times and locations:

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Day	Date	Time	Location
Tuesday	January 4, 2022	3:00 PM - 7:00 PM	125 Amory Street, Boston MA 02119
Sunday	January 23 2022	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	95 Hyde Park Avenue Boston MA 02130

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### WARD 4 AND 5 MEMBERS HOLD HOLIDAY PARTY



Ward 4 Committee Member Carol Lasky brings in a desert offering.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu speaks to the gathering.



Massachusetts State Rep Aaron Michlewitz speaks to the gathering.



Boston City Councilor Julia Mejia speaks to the gathering.



Boston City Councilor-elect Tania Anderson speaks to the gathering.



Massachusetts State Senator Nick Collins speaks to the gathering.

# Wu announces actions to increase affordable housing

By Sun Staf

Mayor Michelle Wu on December 21 announced a series of actions to increase affordable housing and stabilize communities, commissioning two feasibility studies to shape updates to Boston's policies. First, a study of the existing Inclusionary Development Program requirements and market conditions will consider how Boston can achieve or exceed 20 percent affordability in new construction, up from the current level of 13 percent. The Mayor is also considering taking executive action alongside the study to reduce the number of units that trigger affordability rules and deepen affordability levels. Secondly, a study of Linkage fees will assess the feasibility of increasing funding for affordable housing and workforce training from new development, including from lab space.

Mayor Wu also announced the start of an audit of all Cityowned property to leverage the city's significant real estate holdings to create more affordable and supportive housing.

The Mayor confirmed that she will be submitting a revised home rule petition in January for a real estate transfer fee to generate new resources for affordable housing, while expanding property tax relief for senior homeowners who have been longtime owner-occupants of their homes.

Finally, Mayor Wu announced that she will be forming a Rent Stabilization Advisory Group to consider the tools available and necessary to protect tenants and stem displacement, with a goal of drafting legislation for the next state legislative session.

"With these actions, we're taking our first major steps towards addressing Boston's housing crisis," said Mayor Wu. "Our city must build more affordable housing, leverage our wealth and resources to fight displacement, and protect tenants. Housing

must be the foundation for our recovery, and this work begins immediately."

"The Office of Housing is ready to implement these new policies to create additional affordable housing and increase tenant protections, ensuring that all Bostonians have a safe, affordable home," said Sheila Dillon, Chief of Housing. "The pandemic has shown everyone what we always knew – safe, affordable housing is critical to maintaining good health, economic stability, and is the cornerstone of stable neighborhoods."

"This is the bold leadership that Boston needs. I am incredibly excited by these steps and am confident that they are only the beginning of Mayor Wu's push for housing equity," said Councilor Lydia Edwards.

### INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The newly-named Mayor's Office of Housing is commissioning a feasibility study, to be completed within 150 days, to evaluate how to meet or exceed a 20 percent affordability requirement, up from the current level of 13 percent.

The Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) was initiated in 2000 to require private residential developers to contribute affordable housing resources as part of their market rate development. Through November 2021, developers have created a total of 3,627 units of income-restricted housing through on-site or offsite units. Contributions by developers to the IDP Fund have led to the creation or preservation of 2,319 additional income-restricted units, for a total of 5,946 units created because of the IDP. The IDP was last revised in December

"I applaud Mayor Wu for putting our communities first with these steps to reform IDP and make housing more affordable in Boston," said Noemi Ramos, Executive Director of New England United 4 Justice. "We are in a housing crisis with rising rents and soaring costs. We need leadership to move quickly and place housing at the top of the agenda, and that's exactly what the Wu administration is doing today. I support these measures as a first step toward delivering housing justice, and I look forward to partnering to make the urgent changes we need."

#### LINKAGE

Mayor Wu also announced today the commission of a new study required to make significant changes to Boston's commercial Linkage policy. Through the Linkage policy, large commercial real estate developers building new commercial space are required to make payments to the Neighborhood Housing Trust and the Neighborhood Jobs Trust to fund affordable housing and workforce training. This study is expected to be completed within 150 days.

As with the IDP feasibility study, recent legislation requires the completion of a new Linkage study in order for the City to make changes to the policy. Possible changes that will be considered include: increasing the per-square foot fee to invest in housing and job training, lowering the square footage threshold that triggers Linkage payments, applying the fee to each square foot of new developments that are subject to Linkage, speeding up the payment schedule by requiring full linkage payment for each building at the time that the building receives a building permit, and assuring that the City is maximizing fees received from all commercial uses, especially from Boston's current lab space boom. These changes would generate more funds for affordable housing and workforce training.

"We're delighted that Mayor Wu is moving forward on linkage, and that she's committing to a 150 day timeline," said Symone Crawford, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance. "Linkage was designed to mitigate the increased housing pressure and displacement of lowand moderate-income residents caused by large scale commercial development. The current linkage fee doesn't do that. We look forward to working with Mayor Wu to fix this."

"Linkage is the primary source for job training funding through the City, so we are thrilled that Mayor Wu is taking action on a nexus study," says Amy Nishman, Senior VP of Strategy at JVS Boston and president of the Job Training Alliance. "As Boston continues to recover, the development pipeline is strong, and the only way to ensure that Boston residents are eligible for the jobs being created is to fully fund effective job training programs."

# AUDIT OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY FOR HOUSING

Meeting a goal that Mayor Wu established on the campaign trail, City agencies have begun an audit of City-owned property and parcels to identify opportunities to develop supportive housing and affordable housing. The audit will be completed within the first 100 days of the Wu Administration.

### TRANSFER FEE

Mayor Wu further announced that she will be pursuing a revised Home Rule Petition to establish a transfer fee to support the creation of affordable housing. The petition would authorize the City of Boston to impose a fee on real estate sales above a certain threshold value. The funding generated would be dedicated to the Neighborhood Housing Trust for affordable housing development and preservation. The Home Rule Peti-

tion would also include property tax relief for senior homeowners who are longtime owner-occupants of their homes. A previous version, passed by the City Council in 2019, failed to pass the MA legislature. The Mayor will be submitting the new version of the transfer fee legislation to the Boston City Council in the new year.

### RENT STABILIZATION

Mayor Wu is also taking the first steps towards implementing rent stabilization in Boston by forming a Rent Stabilization Advisory Group. The members of this new advisory group will study local housing conditions. rent stabilization programs being administered in other cities and be tasked with making recommendations on the available and necessary means to protect tenants from displacement, with a goal to shape language for the next legislative session on Beacon Hill.

## MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING

Finally, Mayor Wu and Housing Chief Sheila Dillon announced that they are renaming the City of Boston's Department of Neighborhood Development (DND) as the Mayor's Office of Housing. This name change more accurately reflects the role that the former DND plays in the creation and preservation of affordable housing, and helping Bostonians obtain, maintain, and retain safe, affordable housing. The Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH) will develop and implement the City of Boston's housing creation and homelessness prevention plans and collaborate with local and national partners to find new solutions and build more housing affordable to all, particularly those with lower incomes. For more information, please visit the website.

### BVHDC (from pg. 1)

with what we have across the street," she said. "Personally, I think they're asking for what their neighbors such as me have, and I don't have any trouble with this."

McNeely said that the goal for this proposed former was to "emulate" the one that was directly across the street, and his team was able to pull up a photo of that dormer and those neighboring it

Dunwell said that though his opinion at first was that this was a "big change," he said that after seeing photos of the condition across the street from the proposal, "I feel more positive about this, so thank you."

Commissioner Tom Hotaling asked what the color of the dormer would be, and Cornish said that his "understanding" is that it would be an off-white color that matches the trim and window sash.

There was also some discussion over the proposed window size, and Hotaling asked if they

needed to be as large as they are proposed to be.

McNeely said that for egress purposes, he would have to check to see if the windows can be made any smaller, but Cornish added that since the applicant has to come back with a different application for the windows, that can be addressed later.

"I think this is lovely," Kilguss said of the proposal.

The Commission voted to approve the plan with the proviso that the owners and McNeely will work with Cornish on the minor details that still need to be worked out.

# MassDOT issues advisory to residents on holiday travel

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Mass-DOT) is encouraging members of the public to plan ahead for the holiday travel period in the coming weeks. Traffic volumes and public transportation are anticipated to be higher than normal. Drivers and public transportation ridership customers should use available real-time tools and resources for current travel conditions on major roadways such as dialing 511, visitingwww.mass511.com or using the GoTime mobile app, and check MBTA schedule information available at mbta.com/holidays and the weather forecast before leaving home.

"During this holiday season, we are reminding drivers to expect more people traveling by car, public transportation, and in airports and to plan for any trips by checking conditions ahead of time and building in extra time," said Transportation Secretary and CEO Jamey Tesler. "Make sure to drive sober and hands free, follow speed limits, and be patient as more people return to traveling this season."

The Highway Division is taking several steps to ensure safe and efficient travel on stateowned roadways. There will be no construction work on major arterial roadways from 5:00 a.m. on Friday, December 24, 2021, through the normal start of business at 5:00 a.m. on Monday, December 27, 2021, and from 5:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 30, 2021, through 5:00 a.m. on Monday, January 3, 2022.

In addition, the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane located on I-93 between Boston and Quincy will extend its afternoon hours by opening from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 23, 2021, and on Thursday, December 30, 2021. The HOV lane will be closed on Friday, December 24, 2021, and on Friday, December 31, 2021. Also, due to increased travel in and out of Logan Airport, the Sumner Tunnel swing lane will not be deployed on Friday, December 24, 2021, and Friday, December 31, 2021.

"We anticipate holiday travel on all roadways across the Commonwealth will be busy over the upcoming weeks, and we encourage the public to use readily available real-time traffic tools to help plan the timing of their travel," said Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. "We encourage all drivers to pay attention, slow down and not drive distracted so all travelers can safely reach their destinations." MassDOT strongly urges all drivers to minimize distractions by turning off or putting away cell phones, traveling the posted speed limit, driving sober and devoting full attention to what is ahead on the road. MassDOT encourages travelers to make an extra effort to be courteous on the roads and report to law enforcement any reckless driving.

RMV offices will be open on Friday, December 24, 2021, and Friday, December 31, 2021.

On Friday, December 24, 2021, the CharlieCard Store will close early, all subway lines and bus routes will operate a Saturday schedule, and all other modes will operate a weekday schedule. On Saturday, December 25, 2021, the CharlieCard Store will be closed, there will be no ferry service, all Commuter Rail lines will operate on a weekend schedule, and all other modes will operate on a Sunday schedule. On Friday, December 31, 2021, all subway lines will operate on a Saturday schedule with increased service after 3 p.m., all bus routes will operate on a Saturday schedule, and all other modes will operate on a weekday schedule. MBTA fares will not be collected after 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve. On Saturday, January 1, 2022, the CharlieCard Store will be closed, there will be no ferry service, all Commuter Rail lines will operate on a weekend schedule, and all other modes will operate on a Sunday schedule.

Additionally, for travelers getting to and from Logan Airport in Boston, please note:

MBTA Silver Line provides service between South Station and Logan's terminals every 10 minutes. Outbound service from Logan Airport to the South Boston Seaport District and South Station is free.

MBTA Blue Line provides subway service between points in Boston, North of Boston and Airport Station. Water transportation is also available from Downtown Boston and the Logan dock.

Massport provides free shuttle service to and from all terminals; the airport rental car center and the MBTA Blue Line Station.

Logan Express serves 3 locations including Framingham, Woburn, and Braintree. There are also several bus and taxi options available.

Massport continues to take a number of precautions at the airport in order to ensure passengers have a safe and healthy travel experience. These initiatives

Face coverings are required

for all passengers and visitors while at the airport.

Travelers departing from Logan should be aware of any travel restrictions at their desti-

Coronavirus testing is available at Logan Airport's Terminals E Arrivals level and Terminal C Departure level. The testing facility, XPresCheck, is offering a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or nasal swab test, a blood antibody test, and the rapid test.

For more information on traffic conditions, travelers are also encouraged to:

Dial 511 and select a route to hear real-time conditions.

Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides realtime traffic and incident advisory information and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions.

Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.

Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation wishes all members of the public a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

### **LEGAL NOTICES**

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Prime Storage - Boston Traveler St. located at 33 Traveler St. Boston, MA 02118 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures. com on 1/12/2022 at 12:00 PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Gregory Olaivar unit #206; Tiffany Holder unit #362; Mark Tedeschi/ Related Beal unit #380; Chris Labossiere unit #618; Benjamin Daniels unit #838; John McGaffigan/Related Beal unit #PK23 contents: Gray Nissan

SV Frontier. Massachusetts License Plate # 162T40, Vin# 1N6AD0EV9KN876808. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details. 12/23/21, 12/30/21

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12/23/21, 12/30/21

## Post Office closed on Christmas and New Year's

Post Office locations nationwide will be closed on Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, and New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan.

All Post Office locations will be open, and regular mail delivery will resume, on Monday, Dec. 27, 2021, and Monday, Jan. 3, 2022.

Some Post Office locations may have extended hours leading up to the holidays, while others may have limited hours on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24. There are currently no plans for limited hours on New Year's Eve, Friday, Dec. 31. Customers are advised to always check with their local Post Office for hours of operation.

Blue collection boxes with final collection times before noon will not be affected by an early closing Dec. 24.

If a box has a final collection time after noon, its mail may be picked up earlier. For mail pickup on Dec. 24, customers are asked to either put their mail into blue collection boxes by noon regardless of the final collection times posted on the box, or take their items to one of our more than 34,000 Post Office locations.

Customers who are unable to mail items before the scheduled collection box pickup times on Dec. 24 should visit the online Postal Locator tool at tools.usps. com to find Post Office locations that may be open late.

As a reminder, blue collection boxes are not serviced on Sun-

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

The City of Boston reminds you:

The legal drinking age is 21.



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Real Estate Transfers					
BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE		
<b>BACK BAY</b>					
Morris, Richard I	A Jelin Isenberg 2003	180 Beacon St #6G	\$3,200,000		
BFS1101 LLC	Fazio, Michael G	220 Boylston St #1101	\$2,500,000		
Jones, Lauren E	Kingsbery, Mary	50 Commonwealth Ave #801	\$1,450,000		
Wilmington RT	275 Newbury JV LLC	275 Newbury St	\$16,145,000		
Fien, Francis J	Mcgirr, Pamela A	38-40 Saint Botolph St #21	\$609,000		
J M Rogoff T 2016	Garmey, Ronald	400 Stuart St #18E	\$2,250,000		
Rosenzweig, Michael	Stuart Clarendon NT	400 Stuart St #22B	\$2,301,250		
Bkuda LLC	Richard C Kimball RET	95 Beacon St #2	\$515,000		
Touret, Natalie	Liu, Jiahau	342 Commonwealth Ave #8	\$675,000		
T A Kennedy 2020 T	Lot Oz RT	394 Marlborough St #3	\$531,000		
Pajak, Slawomir	Tramarjon LLC	425 Newbury St #PS161	\$80,000		
BEACON HILL					
Novak, Lawrence M	Smith, Sean R	21 Beacon St #8J	\$640,000		
Pizza, George A	21-4 Hancock Street RT	21 Hancock St #4	\$900,000		
Walton Holdings LLC	Hawthorne RT	9 Hawthorne Pl #110S	\$1,600,000		
Ruscic, Katarina J	Sinclair, Frank	8 Whittier Pl #8H	\$1,125,000		
BAY VILLAGE/SOUT	H END/KENMORE				
Kljat, Angelina	Pino, Joseph L	8 Garrison St #510	\$520,000		
Mercer, James A	Boucher, Peter B	26 Montgomery St #5	\$720,000		
Strickland, Gary	Simone, Michael	188 W Canton St #1	\$1,350,000		
Ratia, Tomas	241 West Canton St LLC	241 W Canton St #3	\$870,000		
Lam, Jamie	Cannata, Andrew J	12 Yarmouth St #D	\$870,000		
LDJ Development LLC	V&L Tosi RET	27 Bay State Rd	\$6,200,000		

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M C Peachey RET 2017	Dubowsky, Steven	412 Beacon St #1	\$1,570,000
Benavente, Jaime	Shaw, Barbara	456 Beacon St #4	\$660,000
Brackley, Marguerite M	Weiss, Jane C	492 Beacon St #33	\$925,000
Brennan FT	Lobo, Claudette P	12 Bond St #2	\$694,500
Connell, Nathan T	Muthiah, Senthil	10 Bradford St #1	\$1,370,000
Gardner, Andreia D	Sobin, Lindsay	34 Claremont Park #1	\$900,000
Missant, Jon	Guery, Alain V	529 Columbus Ave #25	\$1,200,000
Salavanti, Seroos	Koch, Dustin	21 Father Francis Gilday St	\$780,000
Ginty, David D	Roth, Deborah	40 Hereford St #1	\$1,955,000
Quillen, Jeffrey L	T J Folliard 4th T	100 Lovejoy Wharf #7G	\$1,599,000
Wang, Xiuping	Dawn Enterprises LLC	125 Park Dr #36	\$569,000
Katz, Alan W	Kiyota, Kate	32 Traveler St #411	\$649,900
Stavis, Joshua	Rowes Capital LLC	37 Upton St #5	\$1,180,000
Velikin, Albina	Kathleen T Reed T	120 W Concord St #2	\$645,000
Rottner, Joshua	Brunts, Eve M	150 W Newton St	\$4,100,000
Takacsy, Denes	Allied Residences LLC	88 Wareham St #601	\$749,900
K Crowley Kavanagh Left T	Filmore Farm Limited LLC	1313 Washington St #227	\$822,500
Caesar, Mark	Siegel, Jolie M	1721 Washington St #302	\$840,000

WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN					
Leibly, Frank J	Lois J Lingeman T	28-32 Atlantic Ave #333	\$710,000		
Mitty, Roger	ICSA US Real Estate Inc	2 Avery St #25D	\$2,000,000		
Leaverton Waite FT	Zhao-Chen, Bin	99 Fulton St #6-1	\$685,000		
Egan, James T	Romano FT	86 North St #203	\$760,000		
CN Rowes Wharf LLC	Mary M Jacobs RET	20 Rowes Wharf #TH7	\$3,050,000		
Mei, Xiangyi	Div Sumner Street LLC	99 Summer St #603	\$469,900		

## ATTENTION TO DETAIL

By Penny Cherubino

### THIS WEEK'S ANSWER

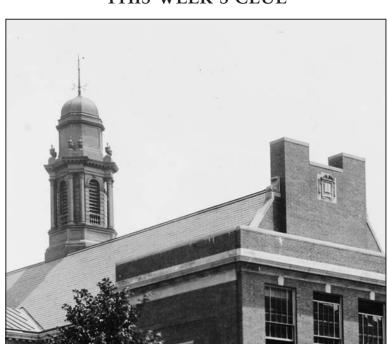


The windows in the last clue are on 801 Boylston Street designed by CBT architects. A groundbreaking was held on June 8, 1998, for what was to be a Planet Hollywood location which explains the searchlight motif on the decorative panels. However, the building was sold in 1999 due to declining sales at other Planet Hollywood locations according to the Boston Business Journal.

You'll find the next clue in the Fenway.

Do you have a favorite building or detail you would like featured? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

### THIS WEEK'S CLUE





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