



# CITY OF BOSTON

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The **BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION** will hold a public hearing: **BOSTON, MA**

**DATE:** Tuesday, 25 February 2020

**TIME:** 4:00 P.M.

**PLACE:** Boston City Hall, Room 900

Subject of the Business Meeting/Public Hearing will be action on the agenda below, and such other business as may come before the Commission in accordance with Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

Applications are available for public inspection, by appointment during business hours at the offices of the Environment Department. Applicants or their representatives are required to attend, unless otherwise indicated below. Sign language interpreters are available upon request.

*After 5:30 PM, enter and exit City Hall at the Dock Square entrance on Congress Street (across from Faneuil Hall).*

#### **I. DESIGN REVIEW HEARING 4:00 P.M.**

##### **20.799.19 Commonwealth Avenue Mall (Between Arlington Street and Kenmore Street)**

Applicant: Elizabeth Vizza, Friends of the Public Garden

Proposed work: Landscape and lighting improvements at the Collins statue and Garrison Statue.

##### **20.800.4 Boston Common – Boston Common Garage and Parade Ground**

Applicant: John R. Donahue, Massachusetts Convention Center Authority

Proposed work: Repair to below ground garage structure to prevent water infiltration. Work includes removal of and replacement of grass, top soil and sub-grade materials with limited asphalt walk path removal, repair of sub surface structures, repair of area drain bodies and piping, protection of tree and root structures, installation of temporary walk paths, and protection of Pope John Paul II Monument.

##### **20.787-.229.07 Charles River Esplanade**

Applicant: David Hoogasian, Extenet Systems, Inc.

Proposed work: Replace existing utility pole located opposite and south of Blossom Street and attach a wireless communications antenna at the top of the new pole and side-mounted communication shroud containing radio equipment.

##### **20.788.229.07 Charles River Esplanade**

Applicant: David Hoogasian, Extenet Systems, Inc.

Proposed work: Replace existing utility pole located in vicinity of the intersection of Storrow Drive and Charles River Dam Road and attach a wireless communications antenna at the top of the new pole and side-mounted communication shroud containing radio equipment.

##### **20.798.245.11 Harvard University Medical School, 689 Huntington Avenue (a/k/a 10 Shattuck Street)**

Applicant: Meaghan Doyle

Proposed work: Change design of previously approved ADA ramp located between Gordon Hall and the Countway Library. Proposed work includes removing an existing stair, installing ramp, and rebuilding a new staircase.

**20.801.134 Hutchinson Building, 32-54 Province Street (a/k/a 23-20 Bromfield Street)**

Applicant: Richard LaGrassa

Proposed work: At corner storefront, remove roller gates, and replace windows and window frames.

**20.725.28 Boston Young Men's Christian Union Building, 48 Boylston Street**

Applicant: Joseph Fitzpatrick

Proposed work: Installation of exterior signage including: two blade signs at Boylston Street façade; and two awnings and a blade sign at the east elevation of the building along Marty's Way.

**20.801.134 Richard Bond House, 88 Lambert Avenue**

Applicant: Elizabeth Whittaker, Merge Architects

Proposed work: Demolish two storage sheds and later addition to house, and construct two blocks of rowhouses, each containing four units.

- ii. **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL:** In order to expedite the review process, the commission has delegated the approval of certain work items, such as those involving ordinary maintenance and repair, restoration or replacement, or which otherwise have a minimal impact on a building's appearance, to commission staff pending ratification at its monthly public hearing. **Having been identified as meeting these eligibility criteria and all applicable guidelines, the following applications will be approved at this hearing:**

► Applicants whose projects are listed under this heading **NEED NOT APPEAR** at the hearing.

Following the hearing, you will be issued a Determination Sheet to present at the Inspectional Services Department (1010 Massachusetts Avenue) as proof of project approval when applying for permits. ISD personnel will send an electronic copy of your building-permit application to the commission staff for review. (To avoid potential confusion, the text of your building-permit application should be consistent with the project description given below.) Commission staff will accordingly authorize the execution of the work, attaching any applicable provisos, reflecting the relevant guidelines and precedents.

► **PLEASE NOTE THAT FOLLOWING ISSUANCE OF THE DETERMINATION SHEET NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ISSUED** for the applications listed below. The electronic building-permit application as annotated by commission staff will constitute your Certificate of Appropriateness; this will be valid for two years from the date of the hearing. The applicant is required to notify the commission of any project changes; failure to do so may affect the status of the approval.

If you have any questions not addressed by the above information, please contact staff at 617.635.3850 or BLC@boston.gov. Thank you.

**20.792.5 Boston Common – Frog Pond**

Applicant: John Schaub, The Skating Club of Boston

Proposed work: Temporary placement of bistro tables, chairs, picnic tables, and planters adjacent to the Frog Pond Pavilion – location, design, and layout remains unchanged since 2010 season.

**20.791.5 Boston Common – Frog Pond**

Applicant: John Schaub, The Skating Club of Boston

Proposed work: Temporary placement of Carousel between the Parade Ground and the west end of the Frog Pond, along with ticket booth, fencing and ramp– location, design, and layout remains unchanged since 2010 season.

**20.790.5 Boston Common – Brewer Fountain Plaza**

Applicant: John Schaub, Friends of the Public Garden

Proposed work: Temporary placement of bistro tables, chairs, and umbrellas - layout remains unchanged since 2012 season. A piano and food trucks will be present daily.

**III. BUSINESS HEARING 6:00 PM**

**1. Discussion and vote on Design Review Applications.**

The Design Review Committee will present summaries of applications and make recommendations for a vote on each agenda item discussed at the Design Review Hearing, which met earlier in the evening in the same location.

**2. Review and ratification of hearing minutes from 1/14/2020 and 1/28/2020.**

**3. Discussion and vote on BLC's recommendation for the approval of the City of Boston through the City Council and Mayor of a preservation restriction agreement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 184 Section 32 on the Thomas Bailey Aldrich House, 59 Mount Vernon Street to be held by Historic New England.**

**4. Preliminary Hearing: Petition #267.20 – Richards-Follett-Pfaff Stables, 39 Stanhope Street, Boston MA.** Discussion and vote to accept for further study a petition to designate the Richards-Follett-Pfaff Stables, located at 39 Stanhope Street, Boston, MA, as a Boston Landmark.

**5. Updates**

**IV. PROJECTED ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 PM**

BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Lynn Smiledge (Chair), John Amodeo, David Berarducci, John Freeman, Susan Goganian, Jeffrey Gonyeau, Christopher Hart, Richard Henderson, Kirsten Hoffman, Thomas Hotaling, Felicia Jacques, Lindsey Mac-Jones, Diana Parcon, Brad Walker

cc: Mayor/City Council/City Clerk/Boston Planning & Development Agency/Law Department/Parks Department/ Inspectional Services Department/Boston Art Commission/Neighborhood Services/Owner(s)/Applicants/Abutters/Massachusetts Historical Commission/Boston Preservation Alliance