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PIC COVID-19 Update, Temporary Practices

With the ongoing public health concerns surrounding the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the Public Improvement Commission (PIC) has implemented the following temporary practices and procedures in an effort to promote social distancing and to comply with federal, state, and local directives:

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Until further notice, <u>only one</u> full-size set of all PIC plans (rather than the customary three) is required to
 be submitted by the relevant filing deadline. All PIC plans, including revised versions, are required to
 also be submitted electronically as .pdf's.
- A project may be considered eligible for a New Business agenda only if a 100% complete submission package (one hard copy of everything, including plans) is delivered to the PIC office by 4:00 PM on the Thursday prior to the target PIC hearing. Incomplete and/or piecemeal submissions will not be placed on a hearing agenda. For additional information on submission requirements, please reference the relevant PIC procedural checklist(s) found online: boston.gov/PIC#related-documents.
- In addition to the typical hard-copy submission, all prospective New Business projects are also required to submit a digital copy of all submission materials (plans as noted above, signed petitions, agency responses, etc.) to PIC@boston.gov.
- All dissemination of PIC plans to <u>Public Agency</u> and <u>Utility Company</u> reviewers should be done via email; certified mailings are no longer necessary.

HEARING LOGISTICS

- Upcoming <u>PIC hearings</u> will tentatively be held as scheduled using either the Zoom or Google Meet teleconferencing platform.
- Hearing participants will be digitally connected, per the City's Department of Innovation & Technology.

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 All project team members attending the hearings should be prepared to be seen on camera and each should be identified and introduced at the beginning of their project's presentation. At least one project team member should be prepared to share their screen and present at least the subject PIC plans.

Members of the public are strongly encouraged to participate in the hearings virtually; all hearings will
continue to be televised and may also be viewed online via <u>Boston TV</u>.

 Written testimony for all agenda items will continue to be accepted via email; testimony should be directed to <u>PIC@boston.gov</u>.

STAFF AVAILABILITY

 While City Hall is now generally open to the public, please continue to contact PIC staff (<u>PIC@boston.gov</u>) ahead of time to confirm staff availability to receive any hard copy submissions and to schedule a delivery time. Unannounced/unexpected in-person deliveries may not be able to be accepted by City Hall staff.

 PIC staff will <u>not</u> be accepting in-person meetings until further notice; requests for phone and teleconference meetings will be accommodated to every reasonable extent. Such requests should be scheduled in advance via email.

PIC staff will continue to be available via email during normal business hours.

These practices should be considered in effect immediately and will remain in effect until further notice by PIC staff. Updates to these practices will be posted as appropriate. Please feel free to contact <u>PIC@boston.gov</u> should you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Todd M. Liming, P.E. Chief Engineer



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November 3, 2022 - Hearing Agenda Boston City Hall room 801 - 10:00 AM

Hearing Minutes

HM 1. At the request of the Public Improvement Commission staff, the Acceptance of the Minutes of the PIC hearing held on October 20, 2022.

Utility Pole Hearing

UP 1. On a petition by Verizon New England Inc. for a **Utility Pole Installation** within **Belgrade Avenue** (public way), West Roxbury, to install one new private utility pole to be located on its southwesterly side at address no. 408, northwest of Kenneth Street/Beech Street.

Public Hearing Continued

PHC 1. On a joint petition by Trinity Stuart Primary Condominium Trust and the Boston Planning & Development Agency for the **Vertical Discontinuance** of a portion of **Stuart Street** (public way), Boston Proper, located at the side of 40 Trinity Place generally northeast of Trinity Place, vertically above the grade of the sidewalk.

(NB 10/6/2022; PH 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Discontinuance Plan, Vertical, Trinity Place and Stuart Street, Boston Proper" 1 sheet dated September 22, 2022.

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Public Hearing

- PH 1. On a joint petition by the City of Boston Transportation Department and the City of Boston Public Works Department for the making of **Specific Repairs** within the following public ways in West Roxbury, consisting of curb realignment, roadway and sidewalk reconstruction, as well as new and relocated pedestrian ramps, stormdrain infrastructure, driveway curb cuts, raised crosswalks, speed humps, and a median island:
 - South Street between Bussey Street and Washington Street/Firth Road;
 - Florence Street between Cummins Highway and Blakemore Street;
 - Firth Road between Florence Street and Washington Street/South Street;
 - Sycamore Street at Florence Street;
 - Brookdale Street at Florence Street;
 - Archdale Road between South Street and Washington Street;
 - Basile Street between Washington Street and Lindall Street;
 - Lindall Street between Cummins Highway and Murray Hill Road;
 - Murray Hill Road between Washington Street and Florence Street;
 - Bexley Road between Washington Street and Florence Street;
 - Mosgrove Avenue between South Street and Washington Street;
 - Lesher Street between South Street and Washington Street;
 - Stellman Road between Washington Street and Fawndale Road;
 - Granfield Avenue between Washington Street and Fawndale Road;
 - Fawndale Road between Washington Street and Stellman Road;
 - Bradeen Street southwest of Washington Street.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a set of plans entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Specific Repair Plan, Neighborhood Slow Streets, Lower South Street & Vicinity, Roslindale." 21 sheets dated October 20, 2022.

PH 2. On a petition by the City of Boston Public Facilities Department for the acceptance of a **Pedestrian Easement** adjacent to **Camden Street** (public way), Boston Proper, located on its northeasterly side at the rear of 396 Northampton Street, generally northwest of Columbus Avenue.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Pedestrian Easement Plan, Camden Street, Public Way, South End," 1 sheet dated October, 2022.

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PH3. On a petition by the City of Boston Public Facilities Department for the making of **Specific Repairs** within **Camden Street** (public way), Boston Proper, located at the rear of 396 Northampton Street generally northwest of Columbus Avenue, consisting of curb realignment, sidewalk reconstruction, as well as new and relocated pedestrian ramps, street lighting infrastructure, driveway curb cuts, and a raised crosswalk.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a set of plans entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Specific Repairs Plan, Camden Street, Public Way, South End," 2 sheets dated October, 2022.

PH 4. On a petition by 40 Soldiers LLC for the acceptance of a **Pedestrian Easement** adjacent to **Soldiers Field Place** (public way), Brighton, located on its northerly side at address no. 40, generally southeast of Soldiers Field Road.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Pedestrian Easement Plan, 40 Soldiers Field Place, Public Way, Brighton," 1 sheet dated July 29, 2022.

PH 5. On a petition by 40 Soldiers LLC for the making of **Specific Repairs** within **Soldiers Field Place** (public way), Brighton, located on its northerly side at address no. 40, generally southeast of Soldiers Field Road, consisting of curb, roadway, and sidewalk reconstruction, as well as new and relocated specialty pavement, street lighting infrastructure, street trees, and driveway curb cuts.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Specific Repairs Plan, 40 Soldiers Field Place, Public Way, Brighton," 1 sheet dated September 28, 2022 (Revised October 28, 2022).

- PH 6. On a joint petition by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Comcast, Crown Castle, Eversource, Extenet, National Grid, Verizon, and Vicinity Energy for a **Grant of Location** to relocate existing utility infrastructure within the following public ways in Boston Proper and Roxbury:
 - Massachusetts Avenue generally between St. Stephen Street and St. Botolph Street;
 - Huntington Avenue generally between Public Alley no. 405 and Public Alley no. 820.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a set of plans entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Grant of Location Plan, Massachusetts Avenue & Huntington Avenue, MBTA Symphony Station Improvements, Public Way, Boston," 21 sheets dated October 19, 2022.

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- PH7. On a petition by Verizon New England Inc. for a **Grant of Location** with lead company status and no participants to install new telecommunication conduit with City shadow within the following public ways in Boston Proper:
 - Columbus Avenue generally at address nos. 607-627, between Camden Street and Northampton Street;
 - Camden Street northwest of Columbus Avenue.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Grant of Location Plan, Verizon, 627 Columbus Ave, Proposed Conduit Installation" 1 sheet dated July, 2022.

- PH 8. On a petition by Verizon New England Inc. for a **Grant of Location** with lead company status and no participants to install new telecommunication conduit with City shadow within the following public ways in Boston Proper:
 - Harry Agganis Way generally at address no. 33, north of Commonwealth Avenue;
 - Commonwealth Avenue east of Harry Agganis Way.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Grant of Location Plan, Verizon, 33 Harry Agganis Way, Proposed Conduit Installation" 1 sheet dated July, 2022.

- PH 9. On a petition by Verizon New England Inc. for a **Grant of Location** with lead company status and no participants to install new telecommunication conduit with City shadow within the following public ways in Roxbury:
 - Horadan Way generally at address nos. 2-8, northwest of Parker Street;
 - Parker Street generally at Horadan Way.

(NB 10/20/2022) As shown on a plan entitled "City of Boston Public Works Department, Engineering Division, Grant of Location Plan, Verizon, 2-8 Horadan Way, Proposed Conduit Installation" 1 sheet dated July, 2022.

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New Business

- NB 1. 44 Winter Street, Parish Street, East Street; Dorchester Pedestrian Easement, Vertical Discontinuances, Specific Repairs On a set of petitions by the City of Boston Public Facilities Department
- NB 2. Massachusetts Avenue @ 850 Harrison Avenue; Boston Proper Earth Retention License (Crane Pad) On a petition by Boston Medical Center
- NB 3. 101-121 Seaport Boulevard; South Boston Specific Repairs On a petition by Seaport Square Development Company LLC
- NB 4. **1-27 Boston Wharf Road**; South Boston **Projection License** On a joint petition by Seaport L-5 Title Holder LLC and Seaport Square Development Company LLC
- NB 5. Columbus Avenue, West Canton Street, Appleton Street; Boston Proper Specific Repairs On a petition by Friends of Crite Park
- NB 6. Congress Street @ 35 State Street; Boston Proper City Shadow Rental On a petition by Cambridge Network Solutions Inc.
- NB 7. Blue Hill Avenue, Hansborough Street, Johnston Road, Harvard Street, Livingstone Street; Dorchester Grant of Location On a petition by Extenet Systems Inc.
- NB 8. 44-46 Soldiers Field Place; Brighton Pedestrian Easement, Specific Repairs, Earth Retention License On a set of petitions by SFP Brighton LLC