

MINUTES
DESIGN COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION

September 10, 2019

5:00pm, Room #937A, 9th Floor, Boston City Hall

Project: **776 Summer Street**, South Boston

Present: Commissioner Linda Eastley, Commissioner David Manfredi, Commissioner Paul McDonough, Commissioner William Rawn

DISCUSSION: The focus of this Design Committee presentation and discussion was infrastructure and transportation across the project. The project team, represented by Stantec Architects, presented diagrams of street plans and sections to depict the proposed transit network and presented data about anticipated trip generation and traffic flows. The project anticipates 3000 new employees on the site; as such, much of the discussion focused on the logistics of traffic and queuing around the parking garages and streets that connect to Summer and E 1st Streets. The proposal draws pedestrian and bike connections through the site to better connect the revitalized waterfront park to Medal of Honor Park and Christopher Lee Playground to the south of the site. Commissioners asked detailed questions about circulation implications. Much attention was paid to Elkins Street which breaks the normalized street grid with a canted experience through the site.

The Project team used a digital presentation and model to outline their approach and project updates, and answered questions from the BCDC Commissioners present. The Project will return to Design Committee.