



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Second Floor Meeting Room, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts

GENERAL BUSINESS

Update, Brian Murphy, Assistant City Manager for Community Development

Adoption of Meeting Transcript(s)

Board of Zoning Appeal Cases

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7:00 p.m. The HYM Investment Group Zoning Petition to amend Article 13.70 Planned Unit Development in the North Point Residence District of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge in the following way, replace clause (ii) of Section 13.73.1 with the following:

(ii) No off street parking is provided except as permitted by the Planning Board in a Special Permit up to 0.5 spaces per 1,000 gross square feet.

The purpose is to allow limited amounts of off-street retail parking which is not currently allowed in the North Point District.

8:00 p.m. PB#198, Discovery Park, located west of the Alewife T Station between Route 2 and Acorn Park Drive in West Cambridge, two amendments. The first request is for a Minor Amendment to decouple future Buildings 500 and 600, and for Design Review Approvals of Buildings 400 and 500 and Garage B as required by Condition 2 of the Special Permit. The second request is for a Major Amendment to the Special Permit to allow construction of Building 600 as a 82,000 square foot hotel in place of the previously proposed 120,000 square foot office/research Building 600. That request also seeks special permit relief to allow the hotel's main entrance to face the Discovery Park campus rather than Route 2 and to reduce the articulation of the façade and roofline along Route 2 pursuant to Sections 20.63.7, 20.64.3(1) and (2) of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance. The Design Review of the hotel will take place during this public hearing. The applicant is BHX, LLC as Trustee of Acorn Park Holdings Realty Trust (Bulfinch).

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