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MEMORANDUM

To:

Cambridge Planning Board

From:

Joseph E. Barr, Director 🔏

Date:

July 12, 2018

Re:

Cambridge Crossing Parcel I Design Review (PB#179).

The Cambridge Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department (TP&T) has been working with DW NP Properties, LLC (an affiliate of DivcoWest) on the Design Review for Parcel I. The development on Parcel I proposes approximately 475 to 500 residential units (approximately 390,000 Gross Square Feet), 238-250 automobile parking spaces, 448-525 long-term bicycle parking spaces, and approximately 73 short-term bicycle parking spaces. The Project is part of the larger Planning Board Special Permit #179 for Cambridge Crossing (formerly known as NorthPoint).

TP&T met with DivcoWest and their project team on May 11, 2018 and reviewed the loading dock and parking garage locations, the sightlines for vehicles and trucks exiting the site, the slope for the parking garage ramp, the automobile and bicycle parking plans, and other items. Furthermore, TP&T has continued to work with DivcoWest and has reviewed the Project's site plans dated June 15, 2018, July 3, 2018, and the recently updated site plans dated July 11, 2018.

Based on staff review, overall TP&T supports the Parcel I Design Review plans, including the loading dock and parking garage access off Dawes Street. Most recently TP&T has been working with DivcoWest on the proposed locations for the 73 short-term bicycle parking spaces. TP&T believes the most recent site plan dated July 3, 2018, best disperses the short-term bike racks around the site, although some further fine tuning may still be needed.

If the Parcel I Design Review is approved by the Planning Board, during the Building Permit review process, TP&T will continue to work with DivcoWest, in coordination with the Community Development Department (CDD), and make sure that the final locations for the short-term bike racks will be most effective and fit with the landscape and open space plan.

Lastly, TP&T wants to thank DivcoWest for their ongoing coordination and cooperation with us on this exciting Northpoint district and we look forward to continue to work with DivcoWest as this project moves forward.