



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board of the City of Cambridge will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 7:20 p.m. at the Second Floor Meeting Room, at City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts on a zoning petition by Forest City Commercial Group, to amend the Zoning Map by extending the Cambridgeport Revitalization Development District (CRDD) from Green Street to Massachusetts Avenue in the area adjacent to Blanche Street, and to amend Article 15.000 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge to increase the total allowed development in the CRDD Zoning District and to increase allowed building heights in specific areas of the district north of Green Street.

The petition also proposes other text changes to Article 15.000, including the following substantive changes: changes regarding required retail use on Massachusetts Avenue, changes regarding the applicability of Section 11.200; changes regarding the applicability of Large Project Review procedures and established Design Guidelines; changes regarding the applicability of Section 19.59 Open Space; and clarification of the applicability of Bicycle Parking requirements. Included with the petition is a Letter of Commitment describing the commitments and conditions Forest City will make, upon ratification of the zoning petition, with respect to (a) monetary contributions for public benefits that will mitigate the impact of the project on the community, (b) preservation of existing affordable housing, and (c) the creation of 20 new units of affordable housing.

Copies of this petition are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Cambridge, Massachusetts and at the Community Development Department, 344 Broadway, and online at <http://www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/zoninganddevelopment/Zoning/Amendments.aspx>. Questions concerning the petition may be addressed to Liza Paden at 617/349 4647 or lpaden@cambridgema.gov.
