Harvard Square Kiosk

1. Recap Historic Preservation Approach
2. Conceptual Use Options
3. Conceptual Kiosk Envelope Options
Timeline

1912
Original Harvard Square subway headhouse

1928
Revised headhouse structure built to cover entrance to subway station

1981
Kiosk disassembled & stored during construction work on Red Line

1983
Relocated, Out of Town News kiosk

1978
Listed on National Registry of Historic Places (MHC Review)

2000
City Council designates Harvard Square a conservation district (CHC review)

2014
CDD and the Harvard Square Business Association publish the Harvard Square Vision Plan prepared by PPS

2015
CHC staff initiates (2) fundamental principles
1. “that all original material that remained after the conversion to a newsstand in 1983 should be preserved to the greatest extent possible…”
2. “…there should be no additional enclosure of the structure.”

2017
Landmark Designation Report 09/29/2017

2018
1983  

"...all original material that remained after the conversion to a newsstand in 1983 should be preserved to the greatest extent possible, and that there should be no additional enclosure of the structure.“
"Original" Kiosk

Harvard Square Kiosk - 1977

Harvard Square Kiosk
"Original" Kiosk
Out of Town News signage
news stands & magazine racks
exterior suspended curtain tracks

1983 Relocated Kiosk

interior
casework & electrical room
select interior light fixtures
interior heating & cooling systems

present day kiosk - exterior

aluminum framed storefronts

present day kiosk - exterior

south elevation fenestration, vents, doors & ramp
Landmark Designation Report Guidelines

Historic Preservation

- exterior signage
- brick flooring
- masonry and limestone piers
- perimeter brick wall with granite base
- metal cornice
- standing seam copper roof
- riveted iron structure & exposed wood beadboard
Preservation Research

Original Drawings
Preservation Research

Renovation Drawings
Masonry Opening Opportunities

Fenestrations

- restore glass and frames
- removal of magazine racks

original entrance into train
Kiosk and Plaza Relationships
Envelope Equation

(Interior Use + Exterior Use) x Historical Significance / Surrounding Site = Highest and Best Envelope for Flexible and Adaptable Uses
**Uses**

We realize that each plaza space will be supported differently based on the programmatic use of the kiosk and that the facade should respond accordingly.

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**Consolidated: variety of rotating events**

* flexible and adaptable spaces
* grow and change with the community, local business and visitor interests.
Uses

Daily Uses

Visitor Information

News

Temporary Uses

Family Activities

Performance/Events

Civic Functions

Social Seating

Board Games
Test Fit Use Scenario’s

High Tables (2)  *Adjustable Legs

Tables (4)

Stools (8)  *Stackable

Chairs (16)  *Stackable

Daily Uses

Visitor Information  News

Interior "flex" Space

Temporary Uses

Family Activities  Performance  Civic Functions  Social Seating  Board Games
Envelope Opportunities
Option: A (Traditional + Modern)
Option: A (Family Activities)
Option: A (Family Activities)
Option: A (Family Activities)

Section - East/West
Option: B Traditional + Folding Doors
Option: B

Siteplan - Diagram
Option: B (Performance/Events)
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Option: C (Traditional + Digital)
Option: C (Civic Functions)
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Option: D (Traditional + Folding Windows)
Option: D

Siteplan - Diagram
Option: D (Social Seating)
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**Option: D (Social Seating)**

Section - East/West
Option: E (Digital + Sliding Doors)

- Sliding Windows
- Sliding Windows
- Folding Doors
- Folding Doors

Key Plan

View - Southwest

View - Northeast
Option: E (Board Games)
Option: E (Board Games)

Section - East/West
Option: E (Board Games)
Character of the Place