The Planning Board of the City of Cambridge will hold a public hearing on September 15, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., conducted remotely (see below for directions) on a petition by BMR-Third LLC, a subsidiary of BioMed Realty, L.P., to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge by creating a new overlay zoning district entitled “Planned Unit Development at Canal District Kendall” in the area between Third Street and Second Street and north of Broad Canal, and to amend Article 13 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by creating a new Section 13.200 “Planned Unit Development at Canal District Kendall” (PUD-CDK).

The Canal District Kendall would allow, in addition to 1,291,090 square feet of Existing Gross Floor Area and subject to PUD permitting procedures, development on a site identified as 585 Third Street and/or a site identified as 330 Third Street or “Gas Transfer Station Parcel.” The additional development would include either an additional 450,000 square feet of Gross Floor Area plus a required 15,000 square-foot Community Arts Facility with a maximum building height of 230 feet, or an additional 550,000 square feet of Gross Floor Area plus a required 30,000 square-foot Arts and Culture Center with a maximum height of 250 feet, subject to additional requirements in the latter case. The proposed new section includes requirements, standards, and procedures for special permit review and approval of new proposed development within the PUD-CDK district.

Copies of the petition are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts and at the Community Development Department, 344 Broadway, and online at www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/zoninganddevelopment/zoning/amendments. Questions concerning the petition may be addressed to Liza Paden at 617/349-4647 or lpaden@cambridgema.gov.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to statewide emergency orders limiting the size of public gatherings in response to COVID-19, this meeting will be held with remote participation and will be closed to in-person attendance. Members of the public can view the meeting online or on cable television within Cambridge, provide comments before the meeting in writing to planningboardcomment@cambridgema.gov, and attend virtually online or by telephone.

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www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/zoninganddevelopment/planningboard/remoteplanningboardmeetings

A link to attend the meeting virtually will be posted in advance on the Meeting Agenda: https://cambridgema.iqm2.com/citizens/default.aspx?DepartmentID=1071

If you do not have a computer or e-mail address, please call Swaathi Joseph at 617-349-4668.

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