

## **CAMBRIDGE HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

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November 23, 2015

To: Property Owners in the Reservoir Hill Study Area

From: Sarah Burks, Preservation Planner

Re: Reservoir Hill NCD Study Committee Appointments and Meeting Schedule

Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, has appointed the seven member study committee for the Reservoir Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Study. The appointees are Peter Ellis (16 Highland Street), Bob Higgins (9 Buckingham Street/1 Highland Street), Arch Horst (55 Brewster Street), Bracebridge Young (88 Appleton Street) and the following three members of the Historical Commission: Joe Ferrara, Chandra Harrington, and Susannah Tobin.

The study process will assess the character and history of the neighborhood, the development potential of each property under current regulatory conditions, the unique aspects of the neighborhood that are valued by its residents, and the jurisdiction and boundaries of a potential district. Meetings will be held in common with the membership of the Cambridge Historical Commission which, by statute, is the study committee for a potential expansion of the existing Old Cambridge Historic District. Regardless of the eventual result at the end of the study, the process generates greater understanding of the history of and current conditions in the neighborhood. A map of the study area and other information about the study are posted here, <a href="http://www.cambridgema.gov/historic/districtsHistoricProperties/reservoirhill">http://www.cambridgema.gov/historic/districtsHistoricProperties/reservoirhill</a>.

We will meet on the following Wednesdays from 6:00 - 7:30 P. M.:

December 9, 2015	April 13, 2016
January 13, 2016	May 11, 2016
February 10, 2016	June 8, 2016
March 9, 2016	June 29, 2016 (if needed)
March 30, 2016	July 13, 2016 (if needed)

The first meeting on December 9 will take place at Lesley University's Washburn Commons, Room 103 located at 10 Phillips Place, Cambridge (see map on reverse). The building is accessible from the campus courtyard with a ramp on the southern end of the building nearest Sherrill Library. All meetings are open to the public and we hope that there will be a good turnout from the neighborhood for an open and collegial discussion of the topics to be covered.

<u>Please note:</u> Due to Lesley's class scheduling calendar, only the first meeting has a confirmed location. Another mailing will be sent to you when we have confirmed the location of the 2016 meetings.



Lesley University's Brattle Campus map, http://www.lesley.edu/campus/brattle/

What: Reservoir Hill Study Committee meeting Date: December 9, 2015 6:00 P.M.

Location: Lesley University's Washburn Commons, Room 103, 10 Phillips Place, Cambridge 02138