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BAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.

**BVNA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

December 4, 2017

**EC Present:** Bethany Patten, Grant Simpson, Sarah Herlihy, Tim Kacich, Trish Gillis, Julie Reynolds, Aoife Austin, Jo Campbell, Danny Moll, Tom Parsi, Jamie Brewer, Clyde Bergstresser, Gaye Bok, Ben Beck, Allie Fitzgerald, Alex Balukonis, Nancy Morrisroe.

**Other:** Faisa Sharif (ONS), Beth Treffeisen (Boston Sun), Steve Dunnewell, Leslie Coleburn, Kate Kelley, Don Albanese, Paul Buta, Ariel Curtis, Andy Locke, Benjie Moll.

**Start:** The meeting commenced at 7:01 PM

**Planning:** Bethany and Sarah reported on their preliminary meeting with the Motor Mart developers (Boston Global Investors LLC) and architects (CBT architects) where presented plans for a high rise mixed-use commercial and residential tower at 201 Stuart St, aka Motor Mart Garage.

Developers reported having met with City. Residential tower on west side will consist of 300 units (200 rental, 100 condo); new retail; clean up street scape at Church St and Statler Park and creating a walkway from our plaza across Stuart Street – ultimately leading to Public Garden. Garage will stay. During construction, approx. 600 of the 1000 spots will remain open. Project will meet affordable housing – unconfirmed for onsite. Plan to start development summer 2018. Settled height at 278 feet height.

Developers reported having done testing of the shadow and it does not appear to be an affect. Did not show the study yet. Talked about construction and the effect on historical housing – they understand the issues. They may present to BVNA in January or February meeting and look for a vote in March.

This property does not within our Bay Village zone, however as an abutter, we will be heavily involved in the process. IAG selection in process, not decided.

**City Services:** Nancy reported on a number of ongoing projects:

Isabella Street reversal – still in process with the city.

Big Belly Trash Receptacle on Isabella St – still in process with the city.

Rats - Nancy asked neighbors on NextDoor to communicate their issues with her so she can share with the City

Non-residents parking in resident spots - Neighbor Andy Locke discussed difficulty of finding late night sports, and proposed Marginal Road parking usage with Chinatown; Faisa to check with BTM as it is their call regarding the use of Marginal Road.

Tow during late notice for EverSource – On Nov 9, neighbors on Peidmont street were not informed of EverSource work, and cars were towed. Faisa agreed to look into the tickets.

**Safety:**

Danny Moll reported on recent police activity: three arrests in neighborhood – one fighting and one domestic, additional arrest for drugs; crime 1% down year over year; discussed people who are homeless in winter;

Caritas - Caritas has added security enhancements – expect to be more selective with residents, Danny Moll visited the site.

Revere Hotel - Bob from the Revere Hotel reported that the Emerald Lounge will be closing as a nightclub, new restaurant to open with less noise.

Cancelled December meeting, next meeting planned for January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Social/Fund:**

Wreath hanging, tree lighting and holiday party were all a success. About 30 people attended wreath and tree lighting. Holiday party at Precint Kitchen + Bar attended by approx. 100 residents, and with visits from Sen. Boncore, Rep. Michlewitz, Faisa Sharif, and Sgt John Doris.

**Parks:**

Bethany reported on a recent meeting with the Friends of the Public Gardens where they request help managing Hempfest. The three-day festival is expensive, causes damage to the parks.

**Adjournment:**

The EC voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.