Expansion Group Meeting
January 3, 2018, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Maine Medical Center
Dana Classroom 1

Minutes

Attendees
Emma Holder
Caitlin Aceto
Josef Kijewski
Moses Sabino
Anne Pringle
Brett Gabor (phone)
Lin Parsons
Garry Bowcott
Tuck O’Brien
Spencer Thibodeau
Walter Pochebit
Jeff Sanders
Penelope St. Louis
Al Green
Dennis Morelli
Gregg Scholler (Turner)
Dick Parsons (Turner)
Richard Martineau (Turner)

I. Welcome and Introduction

Jeff Sanders extended a welcome to the attendees and introductions.

II. City Update

Tuck referenced Hans Breaux’s email: He replied to the email and welcomed people to come in anytime to go over background. There is a planning board meeting scheduled on January 23. At that time another workshop and a hearing date will be scheduled. The next phase will be later in the spring and final phase wrapping up over the summer.

III. Neighborhood Topics

Charter Discussion - This topic will be brought back for discussion in February.

Minutes – We will condense minutes to accommodate sooner turn-around time.
Turner Presentation – Gregg Scholler and Dick Parsons – Senior Leadership at Turner Construction

Phase I Site Plan
Adding 2 floors to east tower and 3 levels to the visitor parking garage. Gregg and Dick reviewed proposed site plan logistics for the East Tower and visitor garage additions.

East Tower
A fence will be closing off portion of Wescott for entire period of East Tower construction – roughly 18 months (estimate start 4/15/18). Also propose closing Ellsworth for a half day to erect the crane and then a half day to dismantle the crane. The East Tower roof will also support the helipad, which will accommodate two pads.

Visitors Garage
The proposed staging area for the visitor garage will be Congress Street. The steel erection phase would require a 300 foot crane. After review of several laydown alternatives, closure of Congress Street is the proposed laydown site for the crane. It is estimated that Congress Street would need to be closed for 8 weeks to accommodate crane assembly and disassembly as well as steel erection. The proposed start date is May 19.

The proposed detour for this section of Congress Street (Gorrill Palmer traffic management plan) – Forest to Boynton to Weymouth. There was a lengthy discussion of the alternatives considered and the proposed detour route. MMC and Turner will be meeting with the City traffic engineers the week of January 8 to further review the proposed plan.

Utility Plant
To accommodate the new floors on the East Tower, the Chiller will be expanded. The additional chillers will not add ambient noise to the surrounding neighborhoods. During the work on the chiller, 1 lane of Gilman Street closed for a short period.

St. John garage images and design shown – 8 stories (Eagles) was shared with the group.

Large Neighborhood meeting January 10 at 5:30 in Dana Center

Tuck O’Brien reviewed the Planning Board workshop schedule for the site plan review. The first Planning Board workshop is January 23rd.
Bramhall square – 13 submissions displayed in Holt Hall – The square has been illuminated with lighting (fundraised $2,000). Emma will email the winner, etc. to expansion group

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