

PLAN: Downtown

14 December, 2018—Call for Advisory Group Nominations

Dear Downtown Boston Community Member,

As we embark on PLAN: Downtown, Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) are seeking nominations for community members to serve on an Advisory Group (AG). Members of the AG will assist the City's planning team in several tasks related to the initiative including:

- Community outreach efforts
- Reviewing the consultant's tasks and their findings
- Evaluating existing conditions analyses
- Participating in the development of a vision, goals, and principles for the Future Downtown
- Assessing development scenarios and their associated impacts
- Proposing viable recommendations that will ultimately inform new urban design and development guidelines and potential zoning regulations

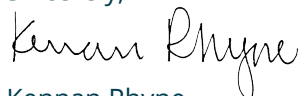
Through the planning process, AG members and the Downtown community at-large will explore issues related to the preservation, enhancement, and growth of Downtown Boston within the context of past planning studies and the recent transformation of the district into a vibrant mixed-use neighborhood. The Plan will include the area roughly bound by State and Court Streets, the John F. Fitzgerald Surface Road, the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90), and the Boston Common and will not include land governed by an existing Institutional Master Plan (IMP), such as the Tufts Medical Center. Please see the attached preliminary study area map for more information.

The AG should be a diverse representation of the interests of the Downtown Boston community. Nominations should include those with knowledge about the local community, such as local residents (including both renters and owners), local business owners, property owners, workforce employees, students, and local advocacy groups; as well as those with technical expertise including architects, planners, and both for-profit and non-profit developers.

Nominees should be available to commit to attending both public workshops and intermediary AG meetings from early 2019 through mid-2020. Each meeting is expected to last approximately 90 minutes, and a schedule of the frequency and the location of these meetings will be discussed at the first AG meeting. Additional information regarding AG roles and responsibilities and the AG nomination form are attached and posted to the BPDA project website (bostonplans.org).

Please return completed nomination forms to the BPDA via email (Kennan.Rhyne@boston.gov) or mail (Kennan Rhyne, Boston Planning & Development Agency, 1 City Hall Square, 9th floor, Boston, MA 02201) by Friday, January 4, 2019, at 5:00 PM. We look forward to working with you and the Downtown Boston community.

Sincerely,



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Preliminary Study Area Boundary

(Subject to Change)

