

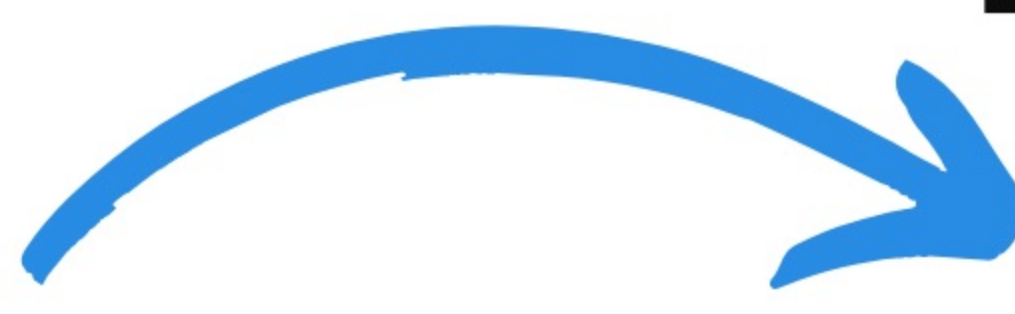
# HOUSING AND REAL ESTATE

## Housing Recommendation Spotlights

### KEY ACRONYMS

- AFFH: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
- BIFDC: Boston Interagency Fair Housing Development Committee

### HOUSING PRODUCTION: WHAT IS AFFH AND HOW CAN IT WORK IN ROSLINDALE?



- AFFH went into effect as part of Article 80 of the Zoning Code in March 2021
- It applies to projects over 50,000 square feet and Planned Development Areas with a residential component
- All projects are reviewed by BIFDC, which makes recommendations based on area context and Plans to serve the fair housing needs of the community

- In Roslindale, AFFH can be used to create **more housing opportunity for voucher holders** through targeted marketing interventions
- AFFH requirements can also produce **more larger units sizes (2+ bedrooms)** for income-restricted households with children

### STABILIZATION: HOW DOES PARCEL ACQUISITION WORK AND WHERE ARE THERE OPPORTUNITIES IN ROSLINDALE SQUARE?

- The City of Boston's Planning Department owns and can acquire parcels of land throughout Boston.
- When there are **vacant or underutilized parcels** the Real Estate division within the Planning Department can acquire and develop these parcels through disposition to create new affordable, equitable, and resilient uses.
- See the example to the right of a public parcel disposition in Dorchester

555-559 Columbia Road, existing



555-559 Columbia Road, proposed



### HOUSING PRODUCTION: HOW DOES PUBLIC PARCEL DISPOSITION WORK AND WHERE CAN IT BE USED IN ROSLINDALE SQUARE?

- The disposition process for publicly owned parcels starts with public meetings that help shape the **development and design guidelines** for Request for Proposals ("RFP") to redevelop the site.
- Proposals are evaluated based on how well the redevelopment strategy aligns with the goals of the RFP.

ROSLINDALE SQUARE PLAN AREA:  
PUBLIC PARCELS

