

# Boston Redevelopment Authority

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The Honorable Michael Flaherty  
President  
Boston City Council  
One City Hall Square  
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Re: Proposed Minor Modification of the Downtown Waterfront – Faneuil Hall Urban  
Renewal Plan

Dear Councilor Flaherty:

In accordance with the policies adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority ("BRA") Board on December 21, 2004, with respect to proposed urban renewal actions of the BRA, I am hereby notifying the Boston City Council that the BRA proposes to adopt a minor modification to the Downtown Waterfront – Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Plan.

The purpose of the proposed BRA action is to facilitate the creation of open space available to the public. The BRA proposes to take action on this minor modification on April 6, 2006.

I enclose copies of the proposed minor modification resolution. If you have any questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tom Miller, Director of Economic Development, at (617) 918-4424.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Mark Maloney

cc (all with enclosures):

Members, Boston City Council  
Tom Miller, BRA  
Heather Campisano, BRA  
Michael Kineavy, Office of the Mayor  
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APRIL 6, 2006

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RE:  
MINOR MODIFICATIONS OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE  
DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT/FANEUIL HALL URBAN RENEWAL AREA,  
PROJECT NO. MASS. R-77, WITH RESPECT TO PARCEL A-3N AND PARCEL  
A3-N-1**

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**WHEREAS**, the Urban Renewal Plan for the Downtown Waterfront/Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-77 (the "Plan"), was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") on April 24, 1964 and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on June 8, 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1101 of Chapter XI of said Plan, entitled "Modification", provides in pertinent part that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Authority where the proposed modification will not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the opinion of the Authority that the minor modifications hereinafter provided with respect to Parcel A-3N and Parcel A-3N-1 in the Downtown Waterfront/Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Area are consistent with the objectives of the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority is cognizant of the requirements of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30, Section 61 through 62H, as amended, and its implementing regulations (collectively, "MEPA") with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed modifications to the Plan are necessary to effectuate the development of Parcels A-3N and A-3N-1 in the Downtown Waterfront/Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Area.

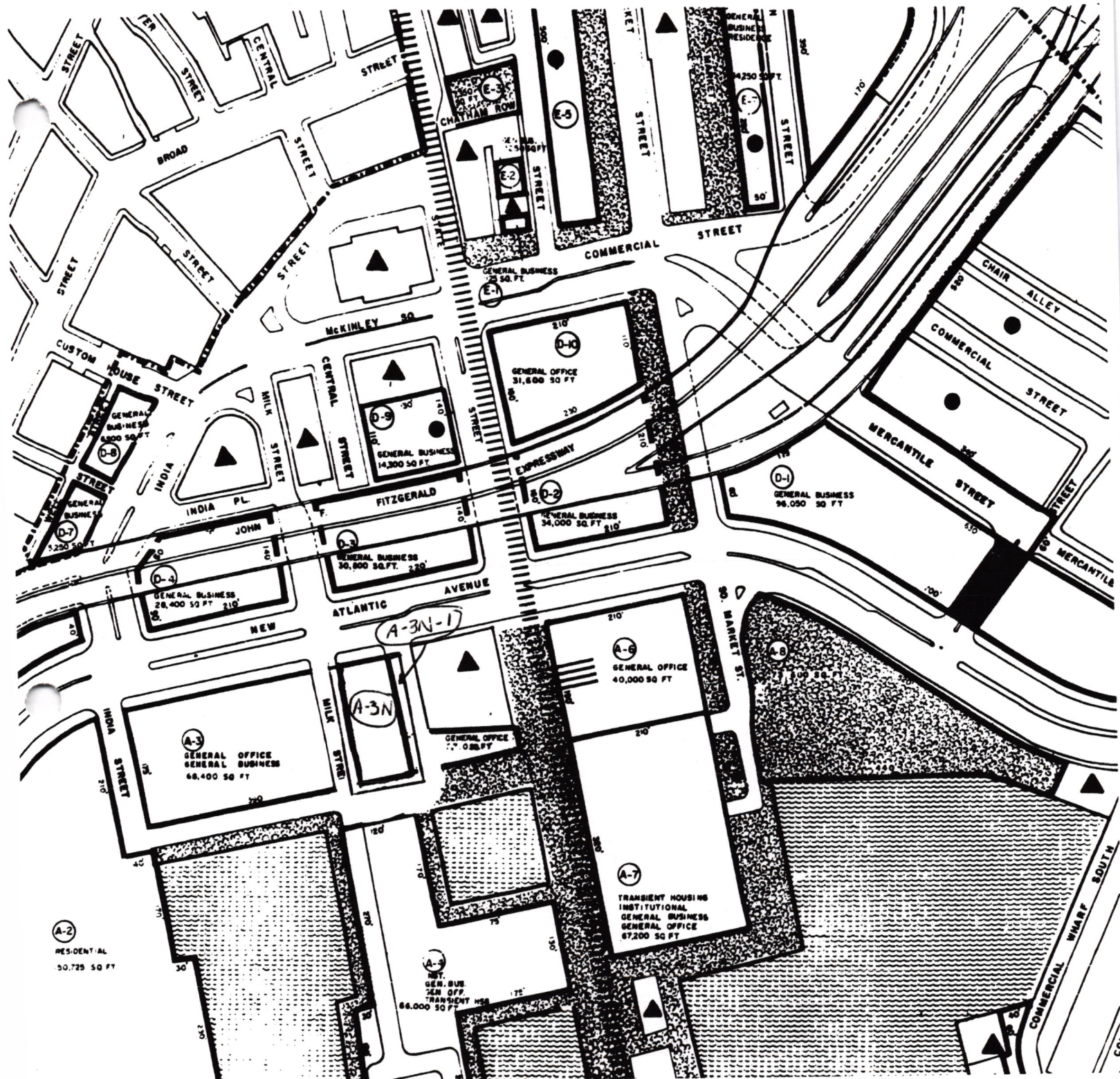
**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Boston Redevelopment Authority as follows:

1. That, pursuant to Section 1101 of the Plan, the Plan be, and hereby is, amended as follows:
  - (a) That Map 1 entitled "Property Map" is hereby modified as follows:
    - (i) By creating Parcels A-3N and A-3N-1 as shown on the attached Map; and
    - (ii) By designating Parcels A-3N and A-3N-1 as properties to be acquired;
  - (b) That Map 2 entitled "Proposed Land Use" is hereby modified as follows:
    - (i) By designating the Proposed Land Use of Parcels A-3N and A-3N-1 as open space available to the public; and

(c) That the Table entitled "Table of Land Use and Building Requirements" in Section 503 entitled "Specific Land Use and Building Requirements" is hereby modified by adding Parcels A-3N and A-3N-1 as follows:

Site Designation	Permitted Use	Max. Bldg. Ht.	Max. FAR	Min. Parking Spaces	Vehicular Access	Arcades or Ground Floor
A-3N	Open Space Available to the Public	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
A3-N-1	Open Space Available to the Public	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

2. That the proposed modifications are found to be minor modifications and do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan.
3. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be, and hereby are, continued in full force and effect.
4. That it is hereby found and determined pursuant to MEPA that the foregoing modifications of the Plan and any proposed development undertaken pursuant thereto, will not result in significant damage to or impairment to the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.
5. That the Director be, and hereby is, authorized to proclaim by certificate these minor modifications of the Plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHM 7207.1 Circular dated August, 1974, if applicable.



Map No. 1  
 Property Map  
 Downtown Waterfront - Faneuil Hall  
 Urban Renewal Area