

South Boston Waterfront District Municipal Harbor Plan Renewal and Amendment

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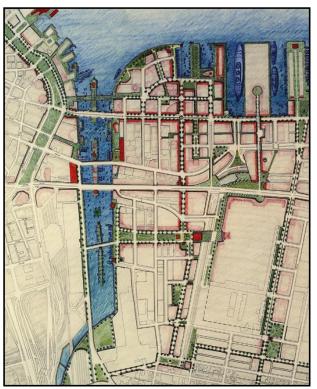




Seaport Public Realm Plan

Planning Objectives:

- Promote Access to Harbor
- Preserve Industrial Port
- Establish a Vital Mixed Use District
- Develop as an Integral Part of Local and Regional Economy
- o Ensure Community Benefits from Growth







Chapter 91 Policy Objectives:

Preserve and Promote Water Dependent Uses





o Ensure Non-Water Dependent Uses serve a proper public purpose







Chapter 91 Building Dimensional & Use Standards:

- o Height (55')
- o Lot Coverage/Open Space (50%)
- Setback from Shoreline (Water Dependent Use Zone)
- o Pedestrian Access Network Harborwalk
- Facilities of Public Accommodation (FPA) -Commonwealth Tidelands
- Activated Open Space Commonwealth Tidelands
- Facilities of Private Tenancy (FPT)
- New Pile Supported Structures



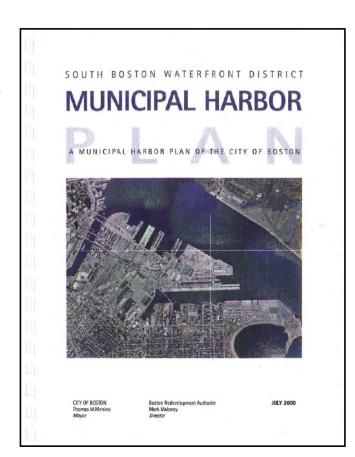


Harbor Plans

- Substitutions: Modifications to the 8 Dimensional Standards may be more or less restrictive
 - o Height modest in size in relation to planning area
 - Lot Coverage relatively condensed in footprint in relation to planning area
 - Setback (WDUZ) alternative distances
- o **Offsets**: Linked to less restrictive Substitutions to ensure that adverse impacts to the public's interests will be mitigated, compensated or otherwise offset on an area-wide basis.

Substitutions + Offsets = Comparable or Greater Public Benefit

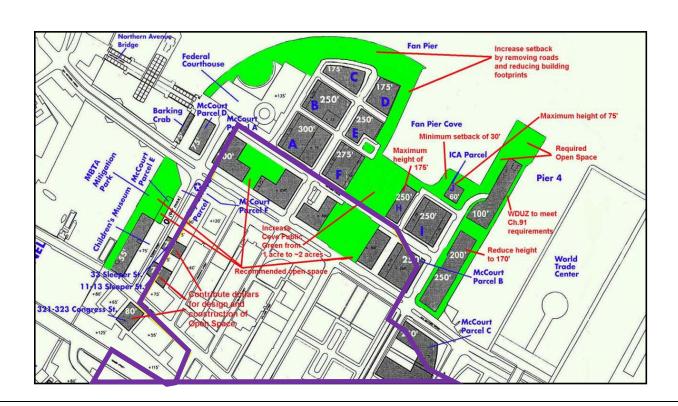
 Amplifications: Enhance or add greater detail to discretionary, nondimensional requirements of Ch. 91





South Boston Waterfront MHP - Inner Harbor

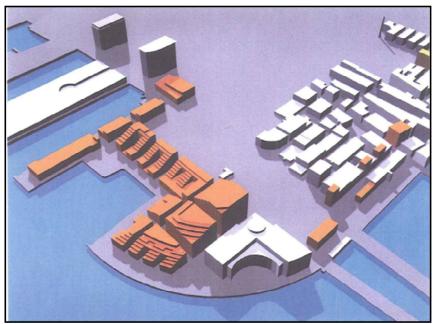
 Water Dependent Use Zone Substitution

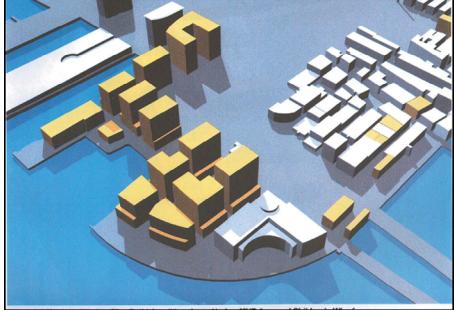




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o Height Substitution



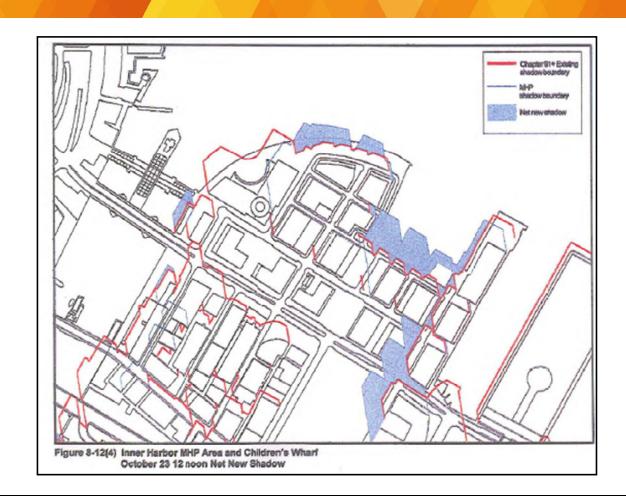




Evaluating Shadow

Net New Shadow:

- Shadow Protection Zone
- Proposed Massing Chapter 91 Compliant Massing
- o Areas in Shadow for 1 Hr. or Longer
- o October 23rd





Evaluating Wind

BRA Design Criteria:

- 1. Effective Gust Velocity of 31 mph Not to exceed
- 2. Pedestrian Level Wind Standards Mean wind speeds

Level of Comfort

1. Comfortable for Sitting

2. Comfortable for Standing

3. Comfortable for Walking

4. Uncomfortable for Walking

5. Dangerous

Wind Speed

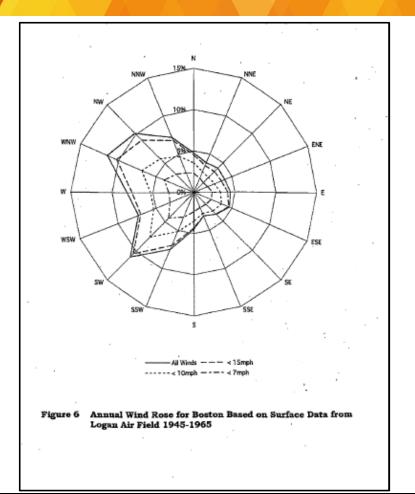
<12 mph

>12 and <15 mph

>15 and <19 mph

>19 and <27 mph

> 27 mph





2000 MHP Offset Framework

- Commensurate with negative impacts of the substitute provision;
- Provide offsets coincident with the completion of the project;
- o Be in accordance with the following guidelines:
 - o In-kind offset in a proximate location
 - Increasing the performance standard of another quantitative requirement
 - Qualitative measures that will promote tidelands objectives





2000 MHP Offset Framework

- Must also be above and beyond base line requirements of MHP
- o 2000 MHP Examples:
 - o Civic, Cultural or Educational Programming interpretive signage, public art
 - o Harborwalk signage and maps
 - o Water Transit Requirements facilities and subsidies
 - o Public Space Amenities public restrooms, ferry ticketing
 - o Dedicated Space for Short Term Dockage





2000 MHP Offset Formula – Inner Harbor

Benefits specified to offset impacts from shadow:

Fan Pier:

253,700 SF of shadow

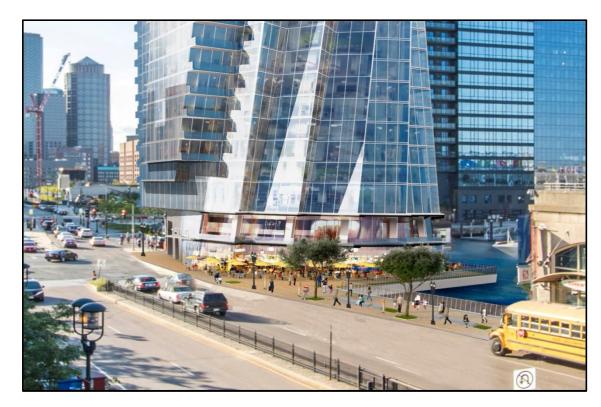
Pier 4:

34,600 SF of shadow

- Additional open space (2 SF Shadow:1 SF Open Space)
- o Civic, cultural and educational facilities (1:1)
- o Public water related facilities (1:1)
- o Water transportation subsidies beyond baseline for a max of 15% of offset total
- o Public Access Facilities for Boston Harbor Islands max of 10% of offset total

150 Seaport Boulevard Substitutions

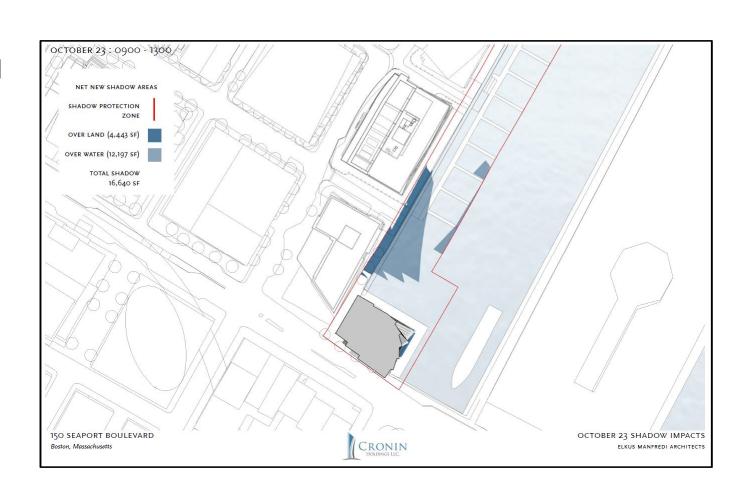
- \circ WDUZ Reconfiguration
- o Height Shadow
- o Lot Coverage/Open Space



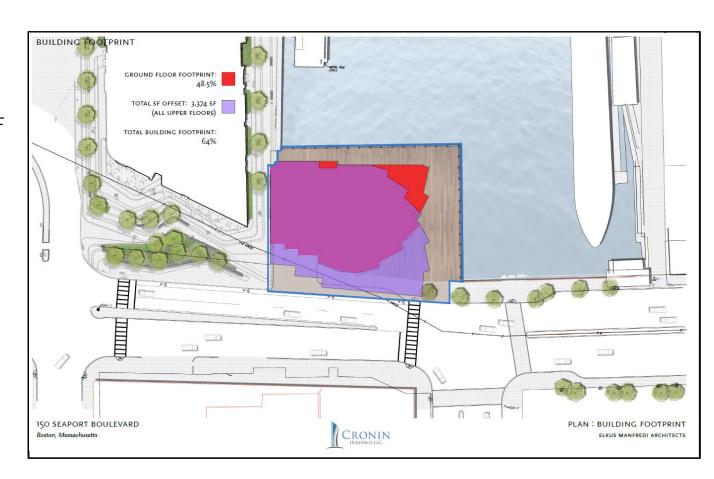
WDUZ: 208 SF



Shadow: 16,640 SF



Lot Coverage Over 50%: 3,374 SF



Reference:

Existing structures: 10,515 SF Chapter 91-compliant structure: 46,488 SF Proposed structure: 275,000 SF

Adjacent Buildings

 100 Pier Four:
 400,000 SF

 Pier Four Office Building:
 350,000 SF

 Seaport West:
 575,000 SF

 Seaport Sq. L2:
 425,000 SF

 Seaport Sq. M1 & M2:
 1,100,000 SF

