



September 23, 2014

By Electronic Submission

Mr. Brian Golden
Acting Director
Boston Redevelopment Authority
One City Hall Plaza, 9th floor
Boston, MA 02201

Re: New Sweeney Field Athletics Complex, Boston

Dear Director Golden:

On behalf of our client, Wentworth Institute of Technology (“Wentworth”), we are pleased to submit this Letter of Intent in connection with the proposed Sweeney Field Athletics Complex project (the “Proposed Project”) in the Mission Hill neighborhood of Boston. This submission is being made in accordance with the Mayor’s Executive Order dated October 10, 2000 Relative to the Provision of Mitigation by Development Projects in Boston, as amended.

Founded in 1904, Wentworth Institute of Technology is an independent, co-educational, nationally ranked institution offering career-focused education through 19 bachelor’s degree programs in areas such as applied mathematics, architecture, business management, computer science, computer networking, construction management, design, engineering, and engineering technology. The Institute also offers master’s degrees in architecture, construction management, facility management, and technology management. Wentworth is a leader in engineering, technology, design, and management education and is well known for its academic excellence and cooperative education (co-op) program, as well as community service and support for the economic growth of the region.

The Proposed Project will be constructed at 600-620 Parker Street on the site of an existing 403-car surface parking lot that Wentworth has owned since the 1970s. The Proposed Project involves the creation of a state-of-the-art athletic playing field atop a single-story structure that will contain approximately 330 parking spaces accessed from Halleck Street. The proposed athletic field will be level with Station Street and will serve the Wentworth athletic programs and also community-based athletics programs as part of Wentworth’s ongoing commitment to the Mission Hill community. The Proposed Project will dramatically improve the urban streetscape on all edges of the project site by lowering and covering the on-site parking uses, and will create new opportunities for community athletic activities.

The Proposed Project is included in the current Wentworth Institutional Master Plan (IMP), but is subject to Large Project Review under Article 80B of the Boston Zoning Code (the “Code”). Because the Proposed Project is included in Wentworth’s IMP in substantially the same configuration as is currently contemplated, no further zoning relief will be required to construct the Proposed Project.

The total Gross Floor Area of the Proposed Project is approximately 110,000 gross square feet. Parking for approximately 330 cars will be provided.



The Proposed Project represents civic improvement to the Mission Hill neighborhood by transforming a large open-air surface parking lot into a multi-use athletic field that will benefit both Wentworth and the surrounding community.

On behalf of the entire development team, we look forward to working with you, BRA staff, the City of Boston, and the community at large in furtherance of this \$30 million investment in the City of Boston.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yann K. Tsipis". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Yanni K. Tsipis
Senior Vice President

cc: Ms. Zorica Pantic, Wentworth Institute of Technology
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Ms. Sandy Pascal, Wentworth Institute of Technology
Mr. James Greene, Rubin & Rudman