



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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April 21, 2022

Mr. Brian P. Golden
Director
Boston Planning & Development Agency
One City Hall Square
Boston, MA 02201

RE: Request for Extensions to March 31, 2023 of Certain Boston Urban Renewal Plans

Dear Mr. Golden:

The Department of Housing and Community Development (the Department) is in receipt of the Boston Planning & Development Agency's (BPDA's) April 15, 2022 request for approval to extend the termination date of twelve Urban Renewal Plans until March 31, 2023. The twelve plans are identified as follows:

- Brunswick-King Urban Renewal Plan
- Campus High School Urban Renewal Plan
- Central Business District: South Station Urban Renewal Plan
- Charlestown Urban Renewal Plan
- Downtown Waterfront-Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Plan
- Fenway Urban Renewal Plan
- Government Center Urban Renewal Plan
- Kittredge Square Urban Renewal Plan
- Park Plaza Urban Renewal Plan
- South Cove Urban Renewal Plan
- South End Urban Renewal Plan
- Washington Park Urban Renewal Plan

The extensions are in accordance with the votes of the BPDA and the Boston City Council, and the approval of the Mayor of Boston. Over the past several months, BPDA staff has worked with the BPDA Board members, the Mayor of Boston's staff, and the Boston City Council to fully understand the potential impacts of allowing existing Urban Renewal Plans to expire. This work follows several years of community engagement in the neighborhoods to discuss with residents the BPDA's plan for the future of the existing Urban Renewal Plans in Boston.

The Department has determined that the proposed plan amendments extending these twelve urban renewal plans are Minor Plan Changes. The documentation submitted in support of the amendments complies with 760 CMR 12.03, "Plan Changes." The Department approves the requested plan extensions for these twelve plans as submitted. The new expiration date of each plan is March 31, 2023.

Two other plans (the Central Business District: Boylston-Essex Urban Renewal Plan and the Central Business District: School-Franklin Urban Renewal Plan) will be allowed to expire as scheduled on April 22, 2022.

If you have questions, please contact Maggie Schmitt, Urban Renewal & Relocation Coordinator, at (617) 573-1408 or Maggie.Schmitt@mass.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Louis Martin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Louis Martin, Director
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