



# FORT POINT CHANNEL LANDMARK DISTRICT COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Held virtually via Zoom

#### June 9, 2022

**Commissioners Present:** David Berarducci, Thomas Rodde, and Susan Goganian

**Commissioners Absent:** Lynn Smiledge, John Karoff

**Staff Present:** Gabriela Amore, Preservation Planner; Rachel Ericksen,

Preservation Planner

A full recording of the hearing is available at: <a href="https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/fort-point-channel-landmark-district">https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/fort-point-channel-landmark-district</a>

There were no members of the press present.

**6:09 PM:** Chair D. Berarducci called the public hearing to order. He explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. He also briefly explained how to participate in this online hearing. He then called the design review hearing to order.

#### I. DESIGN REVIEW HEARING

#### APP # 22.0919 FPC

**ADDRESS: 305 CONGRESS STREET** (Continued from 4/14/2022 Hearing)

Applicant: Keenan Brinn

Proposed work: Install small cell facility on an existing Boston light pole; replace existing pole to accommodate new antenna and equipment cabinet.

**Project Representatives:** Keenan Brinn was the project representative.

**Documents Presented:** Photos of existing conditions and plans of the proposed work.

**Discussion Topics:** Commissioners discussed the harbor lights and if there were any doubles on the street. All singles on the street right now. DB suggested replacing the light across the street from the proposed location with a similar fixture. Involving Boston lighting was just to see if they had a plan for the street lights on Congress Street. Also discussed including more context in the application.

**Public Comment:** Michael O'Herron commented that color of the antennae should be more discrete and not black against the glass skyscraper. Sara McCammond asked about







the proposed style, Paula Goldberg commented that lights go all the way down Congress street.

S. Goganian motioned to approve the application as submitted. T. Rodde seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (Y: DB, TR, SG) (N: None) (ABS: LS, JK).

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#### APP # 22.0924 FPC

**ADDRESS: A STREET** (Continued from 4/14/2022 Hearing)

Applicant: Keenan Brinn

Proposed work: Install small cell facility on an existing Boston light pole; replace existing

pole to accommodate new antenna and equipment cabinet.

Applicant: Ashlea Andrews

Proposed Work: Install new signage.

**Project Representatives:** Ashlea Andrews was the project representative.

**Documents Presented:** Photos of existing conditions and plans of the proposed work.

**Discussion Topics:** Commissioners discussed the size of the proposed signage, especially when compared to the Trader Joe's sign, the reduction of the number of vinyls, the halo lighting and installation for the aluminum pan sign and that there be breathing space between the lintel and the sign itself.

**Public Comment:** None.

T. Rodde motioned to approve the application with the provisos that the sign should match in height with the Trader Joe's sign and that the sign is installed into the mortar joints and not the brick. J. Karoff seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 (Y: DB, LS, TR, JK) (N: None) (ABS: SG).

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#### II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL

#### **APP # 22.1143 FPC**

**ADDRESS: 332 CONGRESS STREET** 

Proposed work: Remove and replace steel channels, repair brick masonry, repoint, and paint steel to match existing.







## APP # 22.1052 FPC ADDRESS: 15 CHANNEL CENTER STREET

Proposed work: Repoint rear façade.

D. Berarducci motioned to approve the Administrative Review/Approval applications as submitted. J. Karoff seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: DB, LS, TR, JK, SG) (N: None) (Abs: None).

### III. RATIFICATION OF 3/10/2022 AND 4/14/2022 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

L. Smiledge motioned to approve the 3/10/2022 and 4/14/2022 hearing minutes. S. Goganian seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: DB, LS, TR, JK, SG) (N: None) (Abs: None).

#### IV. ADJOURNMENT: 6:57 PM

S. Goganian motioned to adjourn the hearing. T. Rodde seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: DB, LS, TR, JK, SG) (N: None) (ABS: None).

