ESNA – March 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Members In Attendance:

John McLachlanRichard PillardEmily RyzakColleen FitzpatrickJames & Tara HerouxEd Allan

Mary Chowdhury Joan Simpkins Gail Suyemoto

Non-Members in Attendance:

Stephen Quigley (Boston Sun)

Aaron Michelwitz, State Rep

Luigi Natale (Aaron's office)

Harry Collings (80EB)

Barbara Boylan (80EB)

Kim Crucioli (Mayor's Liaison)

Sophia Wang (Councilor Flynn's

office)

TREMONT REDESIGN

- More information to come. They are starting to raise the sidewalks
- https://www.boston.gov/departments/transportation/tremont-stret-design-project

UPDATE from MA State Representative Aaron Michelwitz

- **Redistricting**: Due to redistricting, we will be losing Aaron as our rep. His district is the most populated at 6000 constituents. He is losing our district Ward 3, Precinct 7 as well as another district.
- **Jon Santiago** will be our State Rep beginning January 2023
- **Items working on**: Retaining mail-in ballots, Passing a bill to give undocumented residents access to driver's license, Budgeting

PRESENTATION on proposed development at 80 East Berkeley St by Druker Co.

- **Public meeting:** scheduled for 3/14. Need to register.
- **Building previously approved** in 2013, but the use of space has changed. Thus, they need to go through approval process again. More info at link below.

http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/80-east-berkeley-street

• **Concerns Expressed:** Traffic backups, Shadows on Berkeley Gardens (not an issue due to orientation), Laboratory use --- smells and sounds with ventilation, (developers have agreed to only allow Biosafety Levels 1 and 2 in the building. Any community benefit to Castle Square?

RINGGOLD PARK (Emily Ryzak)

- Clean up: more information coming soon
- Easter Egg Hunt this year: more details to come
- Volunteers: always happy to have more

PETERS PARK (Mary Chowdhury**)**

- Clean up: scheduled for Saturdays May 14 & October 15 (rain dates on Sundays)
- New shed onsite: for storing clean up/landscaping tools

WATSON PARK (John McLachlan)

- **CPA Funding:** despite Parks Department support, Watson did not receive CPA funding this year. Parks expressed some desire to help move things forward, e.g., include design for Watson Park as a line-item in the next budget proposal.
- Clean-up: more information coming soon

CHILACATES PARKING SPOTS

According to Kim from the Mayor's office, they are only allowed one spot not the current 3-4 spots. Kim has reached out to BTD.

^{**} Kim Crucioli asks that she be notified of any events in the parks.