

October 27, 2014

Mr. Rick Knowland, Sr. Planner City of Portland 389 Congress Street Portland, ME 04101

Subject: Federated's midtown Project

**Zoning Information Requested** 

Dear Rick:

As requested by Jeff Levine, attached please find the Zoning Review for the midtown project. I have attached a CD of the review for filing.

If you require any further information, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

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# midtown Development

## **Zoning Review for Preliminary Level III Site Plan Review**

By Division, Section, sub-section

#### **Division 17 B-7 Mixed Use Development District Zone**

Section 14-295 Permitted Uses:	
(a) Commercial Uses	All contemplated commercial uses are allowed
	as included in the first 23 use items on the list
	in this subsection. No surface parking use is
	proposed on any of the land comprising the
	midtown development.
(b) Residential Uses	midtown will include multi-family dwellings
	allowed under use item 1.
(c) Public Infrastructure	Pad-mounted outdoor switchgear and
	transformers will be provided by CMP to
	service <b>midtown</b> as allowed under use item 1.
	Landscaped (planted and paved) pedestrian
	plaza areas will be provided between
	midtownOne and Two (courtyard and mews)
	and at the west end of midtownThree
	(terrace) as allowed under use item 3.
(d) Institutional	No institutional uses are proposed
(e) Other	No drive-up retail or repair facilities, no
	transportation facilities, and no wind energy
	facilities are proposed on the land comprising
	the <b>midtown</b> development.

Section 14-296 Conditional Uses:	
(a) uses conditioned by Planning Board	
1. Commercial Uses	No conditional commercial uses are proposed.
2. Industrial Uses	No industrial uses are proposed.
3. Structured Parking	midtownTwo contains structured parking.
a.1. Ground Floor Use	The entire ground floor, other than the area
	required for access to and egress from the
	parking decks above, will be devoted to retail
	use under items 1 to 23 of section 14-295 (a).
a.ii. 35 ft. Setback from primary street	Due to the reduced dimension of the property
right-of-way	between Somerset St and the Bayside Trail the
	Somerset façade is set back to 10 feet.
	Applicant seeks conditional use permit to
	allow parking garage and a waiver to allow the
	façade set back less than 35 ft. from primary
	street right-of-way.

a.iii. Façade design	The entirety of all four facades of the structure
	which are visible from public ways will be
	architecturally composed, designed, and
	detailed in accordance with the B-7 Design
	Standards; the facades will feature green
	screens composed of living plant material.
4. Utility Substations	No enclosed buildings or built structures as
	described in this sub-section are proposed.
5. Buildings greater than 125 ft. high	No buildings of height greater than 125 feet
	are proposed for the <b>midtown</b> development
(b) Uses conditioned under Section 14-474	None of the listed uses are proposed

Section 14-298 Dimensional Requirements	
(c) 2.a. 10 ft. Maximum Street Setback	All facades including the garage are setback no
	more than 10 feet from Somerset, Pearl,
	Chestnut, and Elm Streets. The Pearl Street
	façade of <b>midtownOne</b> is setback to allow
	future widening of Pearl Street right of way.
(g) Maximum Building Height per Overlay	Buildings are in A and B zones with respective
Мар	maximum heights of 125 and 105 ft.
	midtownOne in the A zone is 72 ft. high;
	midtownTwo in the B zone is 92 ft. high;
	midtownThree and Four in the A zone are 72
	ft. high. All buildings comply.
(h) Minimum Building Height	A zone minimum height is 4 floors; B zone
	minimum height is 3 floors. All buildings are
	six or more floors, therefore in compliance.

Section 14-299 Performance Standards	
(a) Enclosed dumpsters	All proposed refuse and recycling containers will be held within the <b>midtown</b> buildings awaiting pick-up.
(b) Noise	No processes within the <b>midtown</b> buildings are expected to generate noise greater than 60 dBA daytime/50 dBA nighttime. Roofmounted mechanical equipment will not generate noise greater than this standard at 4'0" above grade at the <b>midtown</b> property line or at the nearest nearby residential property line.
(c) Vibrations	No proposed activities within the <b>midtown</b> buildings are expected to produce vibration perceptible at the property line without instruments.

(d) Environmental Emissions  (e) Outdoor Storage of Vehicles  (f) Off Street Parking and Loading	Permanently installed combustion equipment or appliances are not contemplated at <b>midtown</b> ; therefore emissions will be only general residential ventilation. Emissions from autos using the garage are otherwise regulated (as mobile sources of emission not through building standards).  No vehicles will be stored outside at <b>midtown</b> . <b>midtownTwo</b> is a structured garage to provide off street parking for all uses in the development. The requirements of Division
	21 Off-street Loading do not apply to developments in the B-7 district per this subsection.
(g) Flood Plain Management	The <b>midtown</b> buildings do not have basements or cellars; the ground floor of all buildings will be constructed at an elevation above the FEMA 100 yr. predicted flood elevation.
(h) Glare, Radiation, Fumes	None of these will be emitted by the <b>midtown</b> buildings.
(i) Enclosure	Residential uses will be enclosed but for potential balconies, terraces, and/or French windows; retail uses will be enclosed but for possible food services use at courtyard and mews at midtownOne and Two and terrace facing the trail at Elm St. at the west end of midtownThree.
(j) Outdoor Storage	No outdoor storage by tenants of the midtown development will be permitted
(k) Odor	No obnoxious odors will be generated.
(I) Smoke	No smoke will be emitted
(m) Discharge into Sewers	Discharge to the sanitary sewer will consist only of ordinary domestic waste. No process waste of any sort is expected from <b>midtown</b> .
(n) Lighting	Lighting is expected to partially wash the sidewalks and trail but not to shine on adjacent properties. A partial waiver is sought from Technical Manual to allow higher lighting levels typical of retail areas.
(o) Building Entrances	All <b>midtown</b> buildings will have pedestrian entrances facing street frontages.

#### **Division 14 B-7 Signage**

Section 14-366.5 Applicability	A detailed review of this Division will be
	supplied with Signage Plan required for Level
	III Final Site Plan review of the midtown
	development.

## **Division 20 Off-street Parking**

Section 14-331 Definition	Off-street parking provided at <b>midtown</b> will be in a garage structure designed to meet the
	standards set forth in the Technical Manual
Section 14-332 Parking Requirements by Use	
(a) 3.a. Residential	One space per dwelling unit to be provided.  Does not apply: see Exception 14-332.2 (c)
(a) 3.b. Shared Use Vehicles	Shared use vehicles may be provided within the garage: one such vehicle will satisfy the requirement for eight residential spaces. <i>Does not apply: see Exception 14-332.2 (c)</i>
(h) Retail Stores	One space required per 200 sq. ft. of floor area in excess of 2000 sq. ft. not ground used for storage. <i>Does not apply: see Exception 14-332.2 (c)</i>
(I) Restaurants	One space per 150 sq. ft. of area not used for storage or food preparation. <i>Does not apply:</i> see Exception 14-332.2 (c)
Section 14-332.1 Zone Specific Exceptions	
(i) Parking in B-7 Mixed Use Zone	Parking in B-7 projects shall be governed by Section 14-332.2 (c)
Section 14-332.2 Categorical Exceptions	
(c) Parking Requirement in B-7 Zone	Parking for projects in B-7 zone shall be established by the Planning Board based on a parking analysis submitted by Applicant and upon recommendation of the City Transportation Engineer.
Section 14-332.3 Bicycle Parking	Bicycle parking will be provided by a combination of on-street hitches, and off street spaces in garage per 14-526(a)(2)
Section 14-334 Parking on same lot with use i	
(a) Distance from Principal Building	Applicant will seek exception from Planning Board for parking in <b>midtownTwo</b> to serve uses in all other buildings and to allow parking more than 100 ft., but not more than 1500 ft., from principal entrances of the residential buildings.

(b) Same Ownership	All four <b>midtown</b> buildings are in common
	ownership.
Section 14-341 Aisle Widths	Aisles in parking garage will be in conformance
	with Technical Manual.

# **Division 20 Off-street Parking**

Does Not Apply	Per Section 14-299 as noted above, Off-street
	loading is not required in the B-7 zone.

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