
MMC Site Plan Check In meeting 3/1/2018

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Hello all

Key points from the **3/1/18** Site Plan Review meeting with MMC:

(Please let me know if I have missed anything important; note that these are intended as an "aid de memoir" and not as formal minutes)

Congress Street Closure - DELIVERY ROUTES

- At the 2/15 meeting reviewers questioned the proposal to route steel deliveries (from North, June 4 to June 28, starting at 5am; 3-4 /day) along Washington Ave and Congress
 - City staff advised route should avoid Washington completely due to planned construction work
 - Route must avoid downtown Portland and Congress
 - Keep delivery vehicles on I295 longer - maybe I295 to Forest /Park ? Deering; maybe Fore River Parkway
 - Turners were going to speak to the trucking company again and get back to us
- Turners had discussed further with trucking company
 - Looked at a number of alternatives
 - Those at the meeting preferred the incoming route to be High to Congress to Ellsworth
 - Those at the meeting basically OK with exit route (Bramhall to Deering to Park) but may need tweaking re turn onto Park

Congress Street Closure - COORDINATION RE SEADOGS GAMES

- There are about 22 Seadogs Home games during the period of the closure

- Seadogs hire police for crossing in front of stadium
- Public comment at PB had highlighted large number of peds throughout the area before/after a game, including at Boynton (PM weekday particularly problematic)
- SO requested specific *Seadogs Management Plan* that thinks through and addresses the pedestrian issues
- JS suggested flaggers at key points would help
- AG of MMC confirmed he would set up a meeting with Seadogs and invite City reps

Congress Street Closure - COORDINATION WITH MDOT

- MDOT need to approve closure of Congress; variable message boards on I295; temporary signal at Weymouth
- Meeting likely Monday afternoon 3/5

Congress Street Closure - COORDINATION WITH METRO

- SO and BH will meet with METRO
- SO requested a *METRO Management Plan* to clarify changes

Congress Street Closure - Package of info needed

- MMC was requested to provide (asap) a *Presentation* re the detours that can be used to inform others eg councillors and residents; to include what was considered re detours and how the plan has been developed
- A final single detour schedule and responsibilities for action was requested of Turners prior to start of detours and closure; DRAFT for submission (may be separate docs) on March 12th:
 - *Framework Schedule* needed for PB Hearing (final needed by 3/21)
 - Between now and when construction starting: Management and Action Plans as follows:
 - *Signage Plan* (work being done and maintained by North East Safety) (RD's Signage Plan needs some revisions as suggested) (sign locations being marked in orange paint week of 3/19 to 3/23)
 - *Signals Plan* (run by Jeremiah Bartlett)
 - *Communication Plan* and *Telephone Tree* including re media - to clarify who to contact directly (who will always answer 24 hrs) to take decisions re any problems during the closure
 - *Seadogs Management Plan* (see notes above)
 - *METRO Management Plan* (see notes above)
 - *Advance Work Plan* regarding what and who to upgrade street eg striping and paving
 - *Schedule* running up to and including the closure- when signals set to flashing (suggested 1 week ahead); when Boynton goes one-way (suggested 2 weeks ahead) to include other actions such as who inspecting and monitoring
 - Include a *Tracking System* for complaints so action is immediate

SCHEDULE BETWEEN NOW AND CONGRESS ST CLOSURE:

- **12 MARCH:** MMC submit the plans and schedules as listed above
- **15 MARCH:** Meet room 209 (9am) to discuss the submitted package - will include communications folks
 - Likely to be last discussion as part of the site plan review; meetings to continue in order to coordinate and will move to Turners Construction office under the East Tower
- **27 MARCH:** Planning Board anticipated to give Site Plan approval including re CMP for East Tower and Visitors Garage - final comments requested from reviewers by 3/21
- **Thursdays 9AM:** Please keep the Thursday 9am, slot available for ongoing meetings with MMC on the St Johns Garage Site Plan; Nell Donaldson in Planning will coordinate re those

Next Meeting:

March 15 Meeting: Room 209 9am - *to discuss the more detailed plans (as listed above and to be circulated 3/12) that comprise the overall Construction Management during the Congress Street closure*

(NO MEETING THURSDAY MARCH 8TH)

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