

WASHINGTON PLACE LIASION COMMITTEE MEETING #2 – February 27, 2018 Minutes

Old Business

1-01 Demolition Preparation – Prerequisite steps underway

- Asbestos and Hazardous Materials Abatement – E&F Environmental, a subcontractor of Skinner Services is in the process of removing various areas of asbestos-containing materials within the various buildings. This is expected to take another two weeks to complete. This work is being conducted in accordance with EPA regulations
- Heating Oil Tank Cleaning – Cyn Environmental is in the process of pumping out the excess heating oil remaining in the tanks on the property. Once the oil is removed, they are scrubbed clean and will be disposed of by the demolition contractor.
- Cutting Utilities – Trilennium Services is Scheduled to complete cut and caps of water and sewer utilities as a prerequisite of demolition. There is approximately 4 days of work, which should wrap up this week depending on weather. Expect some lane closures for this work. This work will begin on Washington Street and progress around the site to Walnut Street.
- Fencing – Temporary construction fence has been placed and will be secured once Newtonville Camera vacates the premises March 1. **This fencing will be cleaned up and wrapped with a vinyl screen once demolition work is complete.**
- Rodent Control – Waltham Pest Control will place rodent baits at the perimeter of the property to control any potential rodent displacement from demolition starting March 1. **Committee requests an update on the success of this effort.**

1-02 Demolition Process overview – what to expect

- Timing – 4-6 weeks from start, expected Start March 19
- **See the 1/23/18 Construction Update #1 for what to expect during demolition**

1-03 Update Website – Include regular construction updates on separate tab

- First update is posted. Subsequent updates will be posted as significant changes.
- Updates will be posted to the website www.wpnewton.com and will be emailed to those who subscribe to the mailing list
- During the course of demolition, emails will be sent to the mailing list to identify what the expected upcoming work will be. **The main concern is that the immediate abutters know when to expect the structures adjacent to their property to be demolished.**

- 1-04 Abutter Notifications – Send informational flyer in addition to certified mailing
- Both certified mailing and flyers have been distributed
 - Certified mailings have been sent to the property owners of record within 300 feet of the properties to be demolished.
 - Summary flyers have been delivered door to door to properties on Lowell, Foster, Page and Walnut near the project.

- 1-05 Truck Traffic/Police Details
- Meeting with Public Works and Police Dept. March 1. Expect one point of entry from Washington Street with police detail.
 - Revised circulation plan is attached. **This plan will be discussed March 1.**
 - **Obtain Austin Street construction schedule and confirm coordination with Washington Place.**

- 1-06 Abutter Surveys – 5 completed Friday Feb 23. **Remainder to be completed Friday March 2.**

- 2-01 Demolition Details – Expected Start third week in march
- Abatement underway – this is expected to be complete in the next two weeks
 - Water and Sewer Cut and Caps underway – Expected to be complete March 2
 - Utility Disconnections ongoing – Electric telephone and gas to be completed

- 2-02 Consistency Plans – Three exterior renderings of a slight modification to the 140-unit plan were reviewed briefly. Mark Development is in the process of considering how to reconcile these changes with the approved board order plans.