2016-2017 City of Newton

Memorandum



To: City Council

From: David A. Olson, City Clerk

Re: Washington Place Special Permit Discussion

Date: June 9, 2017

Councilors,

As requested at the June 5, 2017 City Council meeting, the following material regarding the Washington Place Special Permit discussion is provided here. Please find attached the material requested as well as answers to questions asked:

- 1. Marc Laredo's presentation at the Council meeting of the Land Use Committee discussions on the Washington Place items.
- 2. A Memo from Ouida Young providing the following material and answers to questions:
 - A Council Order that physically highlights the section that provides for the alternate plan of 140 units.
 - The plans of the building for both 140 and 160 units.
 - Can the Council Order actually allow for the flexibility of both 140 and 160 units?
 - Has the City done this before? It was suggested in the Land Use Report that the Chestnut Hill Development Special Permit did this, but in that case there was no difference in the footprint of the building. Has the Council done a special permit with footprint options?
 - Can there be two special permit Orders, one for the 140 units and one for the 160 units, and a Councilor can then choose which to support?
- 3. The fiscal impact of the difference between 140 and 160 units provided by the Planning Department?
- 4. A copy of Ouida Young's Memo explaining the buffer zone in reply to the protest. (The two page memo that Ouida provided on May 26 for the protest of this item is attached, as well as a longer memo provided by her back in January for the protest of #180-16.)