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March 13, 2023

Honorable City Council  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

To the Honorable City Councilors:

I am pleased to reappoint James Doolin of 104 Fairway Drive, Newton 02465 as a member of the Urban Design Commission. His term of office shall expire on March 1, 2026 and his appointment is subject to your confirmation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warmly,

Ruthanne Fuller  
Mayor

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**Application Form**

**Profile**

JAMES

First Name

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Middle Initial

DOOLIN

Last Name

[Redacted] \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

104 FAIRWAY DRIVE

Home Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Suite or Apt

Newton

City

MA

State

02465

Postal Code

**What Ward do you live in?**

Ward 3

[Redacted] \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate Phone

Harvard Allston Land Company

Employer

Senior Advisor

Job Title

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Urban Design Commission: Submitted

**Interests & Experiences**

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

**Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?**

I have served on the Commission for several years. In that time our work has expanded beyond the sign applications and fence appeals to review of a variety of development projects throughout Newton that typically are proceeding under Special Permit. In addition, as authorized by the City Council the UDC's work on reviewing and confirming consistency with guidelines for major projects has been interesting and important work, including Northland on Needham Street and Mark / Alexandria at Riverside. Further, the recent effort at Village Rezoning will be looking for UDC input as well as input to the overall zoning ordinance revamping.

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**James P. Doolin**

104 Fairway Drive, Newton, Massachusetts 02465

**SKILLS**

Leading Complex Real Estate Development Projects  
Maximizing Landowner Asset Value  
Leveraging Infrastructure as Catalyst to Development  
Advancing Mission and Balancing Stakeholder Interests  
Leading Master Planning and Design Review  
Implementing Principles of Sustainability and Resiliency  
Preparing and Delivering Presentations

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Doolin Advisors**

**Principal (2018 - Present)**

Provides real estate development advisory services focused on institutional and public clients. Advisor to the Harvard Allston Land Company's Enterprise Research Campus project. Tishman Speyer selected as developer, mixed-use development includes lab / office, hotel, residential, conference center, and substantial public open space. Services being provided include RFP preparation, developer evaluations, legal documents review, design review, and diversity and inclusion initiative.

**Massachusetts  
Port Authority**  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Chief Development Officer (March 2013 - June 2018)**  
**Acting Chief Development Officer (March 2012 - March 2013)**  
**Deputy Director for Planning and Development (1995 - 2012)**

Oversaw the planning and execution of commercial real estate development projects by private developers, Massport's public realm investments, infrastructure investments, and land acquisition. Directed developer solicitations and negotiated complex, long-term ground leases. Directed associated market, transportation, infrastructure, permitting, and other technical analyses and strategic plans. Responsible for all administrative, budget, and staff and asset management functions; direct report to the CEO. Primary external contact with real estate developers and senior managers at BPDA, MBTA, MassDOT and MassDEP.

Staff: 18

Portfolio: Over 6 million square feet; including office, hotel, residential, restaurant, retail, and seafood processing.

Projects of note:

*Office:* John Hancock / Manulife HQ, Fidelity Seaport WTC Campus.

*Hotel:* Omni South Boston Waterfront Hotel, Hyatt Place Hotel, Boston Waterfront Renaissance Hotel, Seaport Hotel.

*Residential:* Park Lane Seaport Apartments, Waterside Place, Gables Seaport Apartments, Lincoln Properties Parcel K Apartments, Roseland East Pier Apartments.

*Retail / Restaurant:* Liberty Wharf.

*Infrastructure and Open Space:* South Boston Waterfront Transportation Center, South Boston Maritime Park.

*Permitting and Strategic Plans:* Commonwealth Flats Strategic Plan and EIR, Port of Boston Economic Development Plan, South Boston Transportation Plan, Northern Avenue Waterfront Development Plan, Commonwealth Flats Design Guidelines.

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**Sasaki Associates, Inc.**  
Watertown,  
Massachusetts

**Senior Associate (1985 - 1995)**

Responsible for all facets of planning and project management for public and private clients. Focused on integration of placemaking / public realm and economic development. Completed a variety of complex urban, waterfront, and institutional projects in the Northeast, Midwest and Mid-Atlantic regions. Lead multidisciplinary consultant teams, was primary client interface, directed public presentations and undertook strategic marketing and proposal preparation.

*Projects of note:* Cleveland Indians Progressive Field and Cavaliers Quicken Loans Arena Master Plan, Harvard University Boston Campus Master Plan, Charleston SC Naval Base Reuse Plan, Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame Redevelopment Plan, Northeastern University Campus Master Plan, University of South Carolina Campus Master Plan

**Brian F. Mooney Associates**  
San Diego, California

**Senior Associate/Group Manager (1983-1985)**

**Urban Plan / SP Group West**  
Irvine, California

**Project Manager / Senior Planner (1979-1983)**

**Maryland Water Resources Administration**  
Annapolis, Maryland

**Staff Planner (1978-1979)**

**EDUCATION**

**Master of Regional Planning**

Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning  
University of Pennsylvania

**Bachelor of Science**

Department of Natural Resources  
University of Connecticut

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Urban Land Institute  
US Green Building Council

**INSTRUCTION / PRESENTATIONS**

MIT Center for Real Estate; Co-Instructor, Real Estate Development Studio 2020, 2021

Numerous presentations in public / community meetings and to professional organizations (ULI, NAIOP, APA)

Guest Lecturer / Visiting Critic – Harvard Graduate School of Design, Northeastern Department of Architecture, MIT Center for Real Estate

**PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

American Association of Landscape Architects  
*General Design Award of Honor 2006*  
Massport South Boston Maritime Park

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Progressive Architecture  
*Urban Design Award 1994*  
The Cleveland Gateway Project (MLB Indians and NBA Cavaliers)

**CIVIC**

Member City of Newton Urban Design Commission, 2003 - present

ULI 'Urban Plan' Curriculum Volunteer, 2007 - present

Centre Street Food Pantry, Volunteer, 2018 - present

Massachusetts Master Gardener Association - Certified Master Gardener (CMG)

Newton Girls Basketball Association Board (2004-2010), President (2007-2009)

Board Member Newton Girls Softball (2006 - 2011)