

MEMORANDUM

TO: Aldermen
Members of the Public
Petitioners

FROM: Marc C. Laredo, Land Use Committee Chairman
Alexandra Ananth, Chief Planner for Current Planning

RE: SP #119-15, Austin Street Public Hearing Schedule

DATE: June 30, 2015

The following is an overview of the intended public hearing schedule and topics for this project. Please note this schedule is subject to change. If you have questions please email Linda Finucane, at lfinucane@newtonma.gov to confirm dates as we get closer to the anticipated meetings. Additional meetings will be added if necessary.

#119-15	28 Austin Street	Project Planner: Alexandra Ananth
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To redevelop a municipal parking lot with a mixed-use building and 127 public parking stalls

This project has already had public hearings on June 2nd and June 9th, 2015. The anticipated schedule going forward is as follows:

July 21st - Layout and discuss the framework for how the Committee will approach this project. Discussion of the legal questions that have been raised to date. Answers to many questions raised at the June public hearings will be posted on the webpage for this project (http://www.newtonma.gov/gov/aldermen/special_permits/special_permits_2015.asp) and will be distributed in a memo in advance of this meeting but will not necessarily be discussed on this evening. There will be opportunity for additional Committee/Aldermen questions and public comments.

September 24th – Discussion of the Planning Department’s vision for Newtonville and how this project fits within that vision. Design of the building, the plaza, Bram Way and the new municipal parking lot. Answers to some of the financial and economic questions raised may also be answered. There will be opportunity for additional Committee/Aldermen questions and public comments.

October 6th – Discussion of the design for Walnut Street and how this project fits within that design. Parking, traffic and infrastructure. There will be opportunity for additional Committee/Aldermen questions and public comments.

October 20th – Hold for left over topics from September as needed (design). There will be opportunity for additional Committee/Aldermen questions and public comments.

October 27th or 29th – Hold for left over topics from October 6th as needed (transportation). There will be opportunity for additional Committee/Aldermen questions and public comments.

November 10th and 12th – Final presentation, final public comments, close public hearing. Draft Board Order.

November 16 – Target date for Board of Aldermen.