

## News

The comment period for Allston Yards in Allston has been extended to Friday, May 18, 2018. The Proposed Project will replace an existing retail center located at 60 Everett Street Allston with a mixed use project comprised of residential, office, grocery, restaurant, fitness and retail uses, as well as a new approximately 0.5-acre community green, activated with year-round programming to enhance public use and enjoyment.

[www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/allston-yards](http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/allston-yards)

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Mayor Martin J. Walsh and Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) have announced the release of the [2018 BCYF Summer Grants Request for Proposal \(RFP\)](#). Applicants may apply for a 2018 BCYF Summer Grant of up to \$5,000 to support fun, safe, enriching youth programming this summer. These grants will increase both the number and variety of programs serving youth, and will ensure that youth across the City have access to activities and opportunities this summer.

The grants range from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and will support summer programs in Boston neighborhoods. Ages to be served must range from 6-18 and may include young adults up to age 21. Programs must operate between July 11 and August 31. Last year, almost half of the 82 programs that were awarded funding had a sports, recreation, fitness or health-related focus, while others were art-based, educational or community and civic engagement opportunities. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. on Friday, May 18th. For more information including the RFP, please visit [Boston.Gov/BCYF](#).

Mayor Martin J. Walsh announced applications for the 2018-2019 SPARK Boston Council are now [available](#). The SPARK Boston Council is a group of volunteers charged with leading the City's efforts to engage Boston's young adult population.

Under the direction of the SPARK Boston Director, the 2018-2019 Council will spend the year using its talent and innovation to identify ways in which Boston can grow as an inviting, connected, culturally rich and sustainable place for young adults. Projects may include programming and projects on housing policy, economic development, equal pay, public art and neighborhood engagement. Throughout the SPARK Boston Council Term, members also hear from key members of the Mayor's staff as well as leaders within City Hall.

The 2017-2018 SPARK Boston Council is comprised of 38 Boston residents, who live in 20 different neighborhoods across Boston. This group includes entrepreneurs, designers, social workers, restaurant professionals, undergraduate and graduate students, community organizers, veterans and representatives from many other industries across the public and private sectors. Approximately a third of the Council are native Bostonians, while others grew up as far away as France, Cape Verde, India and Spain.

Last year, the SPARK Boston program received 180 applications for the Council, showing a robust interest for involvement and engagement. Projects for this Council cohort have included the launch of the neighborhood tour series, the continuation of the Chief Chat policy talk series, and the Millennial Homeownership Open House, a collaboration with the Boston Home Center to bring educational materials, lenders, and realtors to millennials.

Applicants must be Boston residents between the ages of 20 to 34 to apply for the Council. Applications for the Council can be [found here](#) and the submission deadline is July 16th, 2018. For more information, visit the [SPARKBoston Program](#).

Harvard in the Community May Newsletter: <https://mailchi.mp/harvard/may-happenings-at-harvard?e=3d77edabe9>

## Articles

West Station is a win for all commuters (Editorial Board, Boston Globe: May 10, 2018)  
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/opinion/editorials/2018/05/09/west-station-win-for-all-commuters/Md2AYFSd4UrqlSp623NC3J/story.html>

Walsh proposal would ban investors from renting out on Airbnb (Tim Logan & Milton J Valencia, Boston Globe: May 9, 2018)  
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/business/2018/05/09/walsh-moves-rein-rentals-through-services-like-airbnb/quD8dQcJMAGOhBzxVb4dLL/story.html>

Galvin employees filed election papers during business hours (Matt Stout, Boston Globe: May 9, 2018)  
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2018/05/09/state-elections-chief-employees-filed-campaign-papers-his-behalf-during-work-hours/mc53byLjmS0RxfxfdSLZ1N/story.html>

The BPDA Made a Spellbinding Interactive 3D Map of Boston (Spencer Buell, Boston Magazine: May 9, 2018)  
<https://www.bostonmagazine.com/news/2018/05/09/boston-3d-map-bpda/>

Harvard in Allston: A Double-Edged Sword (The Crimson Editorial Board, The Harvard Crimson: May 7, 2018)  
<https://www.thecrimson.com/article/2018/5/7/editorial-harvard-in-allston/>

For First Time, Arts First Travels to Allston (Truelian Lee, The Harvard Crimson: May 7, 2018)  
<https://www.thecrimson.com/article/2018/5/7/arts-first-allston/>

Why Did Harvard Decide to Move Across the Charles River? (WGBH, Boston Magazine: May 4, 2018)  
[https://www.bostonmagazine.com/sponsor-content-promo/?prx\\_t=HY0DAESoeAnnQA](https://www.bostonmagazine.com/sponsor-content-promo/?prx_t=HY0DAESoeAnnQA)

More Students Opt for On-Campus Housing (Cole Dady, The Heights: April 29, 2018)  
<http://bcheights.com/2018/04/29/more-students-opt-for-on-campus-housing/>

## Additional Events

### **Ernest Prussman Medal of Honor Statue Unveiling**

Allston Brighton Veterans (Rick Holahan)  
Monday, May 28, 2018 (Memorial Day) @ 11:00 am

Please follow us to Porter Belly's afterward.  
1 Murdock St, Brighton

### **Harvard University Neighborhood Coffee Hour**

Government Affairs & Community Relations at Harvard University

Thursday, June 7, 2018, 8:00 am – 9:00 am

The Neighborhood Coffee Hour gives residents a unique opportunity to speak directly with Government Affairs & Community Relations and staff from Harvard University about Allston/Brighton Planning & Development and the new community and campus that will be built. Areas of discussion could include institutional, the Enterprise Resource Campus, Beacon Park Yards, other Harvard Allston/Brighton holdings and current and future community benefits (products & services).

All participants will enjoy coffee and breakfast treats.

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168 Western Ave, Allston

### **Youth Engaged in Action Summer Program**

ABCD Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Opportunity Center

Mondays-Fridays, July 16 - August 3, 2018, 10:00am-2:00pm

Youth Engaged in Action (YEA) is a three-week summer program for Boston 13-year-olds. YEA builds on participant's abilities to become young leaders through awareness, advocacy and the opportunity to take action. Participants will receive a \$100 gift card and will be guaranteed a summer job through ABCD's SummerWorks program in 2019. To apply, please contact ABCD at 617-903-3640.

ABCD Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Opportunity Center

640 Washington Street, Suite 203, Brighton

### **Updated Events**

#### **Allston Board of Trade Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 @ 12:00 Noon

Please join us for the next ABOT meeting

Member and Guest Lunch Fee: \$12.00

RSVP to [allstonbot@gmail.com](mailto:allstonbot@gmail.com)

We look forward to seeing you there!

Harvard Ed Portal

224 Western Ave, Allston

Ann Faldetta, President

#### **Zoning Board of Appeal (Updates to Follow)**

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

Hearings: 10:30 am

Case: BOA-800771, Address: 11 Sawyer Terrace, Ward 21 Applicant: Alan Brennan

Article(s): 51 (51-9: Insufficient minimum lot size, Insufficient additional lot area per dwelling unit, Insufficient minimum lot width, Insufficient minimum lot frontage, Excessive F.A.R., Insufficient usable open space per dwelling unit. Insufficient front yard setback, Insufficient rear yard setback & Insufficient side yard setback) 51(51-56)

Purpose: Erect new 3 story 3 Family Dwelling.

Re-Discussions: 11:30 am

Case: BOA-772648, Address: 46 Hichbom Street, Ward 22 Applicant: Hichborn Partners LLC

Article(s): 51 (51- 19: Use Multifamily Dwelling Forbidden & Use Accessory Parking Forbidden) 51(51-20: Floor area ratio excessive, Building height excessive & Rear yard insufficient) 51(51-56: Off-Street Parking Insufficient & Off-Street Loading Insufficient)

Purpose: Seeking to combine three existing lot; parcel ID 2201893000, parcel ID 2201894000 and parcel ID 2201895000 into one parcel of 15.253 square feet. Also, to demolish the three existing structures and erect a 5-story residential building with 46 units and 50 parking spaces. (A1r750917-A1t750919-Alt750929).

Room 801, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

Boston City Hall

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