28/14 CURB CUT REQUEST - PETER WASSERMAN - 1868 MASS AVENUE

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1) WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERING OUR REQUEST TO CLOSE AN EXISTING CURB CUT ON MASS. AVE. AND MOVE SLIGHTLY ~~2)~~ AN EXISTING CURB CUT ON UPLAND STREET, REDUCING IT'S SIZE FROM ~~APPROX.~~ 34' CURRENTLY TO 26'.

Jim ~~Prof~~ Piatt

2) WE HAVE SEEN A LETTER FROM THE PORTER SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION + WOULD SUPPORT THEIR SUGGESTIONS TO.
   1) CONTROL STOPPING LOCATIONS
   2) ALLOW RIGHT TURN ON RED @ MASS AVE
   3) ELIMINATE SOME PARKING ON UPLAND RD., WHICH SPACES MIGHT BE GAINED BACK BY THE CURB CUT CLOSING ON MASS. AVE.

3) IN OUR WORK WE CONSIDERED USING THE EXISTING CURB CUT ON UPLAND, <u>WHICH IS STILL AN OPTION</u>, BUT, IN THE END, FELT A DESIGN WHICH NARROWED THE CURB CUT AND MOVED IT AWAY FROM THE NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY WOULD BE SEEN AS AN IMPROVEMENT, HOWEVER, HAVING AN ENTRANCE WITHIN THE EXISTING CURB CUT WORKS WITH THE PLAN.

4) WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO CREATE A DEVELOPMENT THAT COMPLIES WITH THE LETTER OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND ITS SPIRIT BY ADDING RESIDENTIAL, INCLUDING 3 AFFORDABLE + 2 ACCESSIBLE ~~APPROPRIATE~~ HOMES, PLUS SMALL SCALE RETAIL, ~~ALL ACROSS FROM~~ ALL ~~SUBWAY STOP~~ CONTRIBUTING TO THE LIFE OF THE STREET.

5) WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THE CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE OUR REQUEST FOR THE CURB CUT + CURB CLOSING AS WE BELIEVE IT WILL LEAD TO A MORE ~~DESIRABLE~~ PLEASANT STREETSCAPE AND ~~EXPANDS~~ REDUCE THE EXTENSIVE VIEW OF CARS

6) HOWEVER, IF YOU CANNOT MAKE A DECISION TODAY WE WILL AMEND OUR PLANS TO WORK WITHIN THE EXISTING CURB CUT.

REMARKS BY JAMES H. PIATT, ARCHITECT 28 LAWRENCE ST