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Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) – Special Education

Special Education spaces proposed for this project were approved by DESE via correspondence dated August 13, 2021. Refer to section 6B.3.2-04 within this submission for copy of the letter from DESE.

Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC)

Project Notification Form was submitted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission on 6/25/2020 in compliance with 950 CMR 71.00. No written response was received within 30 days (950 CMR 71.07 (2.)(f)) The project does not exceed relevant thresholds.

Office of the Inspector General (OIG) – CM-R

The Office of the Inspector General has approved the application to use the Construction Management At-Risk delivery method for Northeast Metro Tech. A copy of the approval letter from the OIG (dated March 23, 2021) can be found in section 6A.3.3-01a of the MSBA Design Development Submittal.

Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Office (MEPA)

MEPA review determined that no further action is required.

Environmental Notification Form (ENF)

The Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) thresholds, as included in 301 CMR 11.03 were reviewed by the design team for this project. The project does not meet any of the thresholds required to submit an Environmental Notification Form.

Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

The project does not meet any of the threshold required to submit an Environmental Notification Form (ENF). The Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs makes the determination if an Environmental Impact Report is required after review of an ENF (which is not required for this project).

Article 97 Land Disposition Policy

No Article 97 land so agency review not required.

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MASSDEP)

No agency review or action required.

Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MASSDOT)

No agency review or action required; the project is not adjacent to any state highway layout.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH)

Not applicable.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

The proposed project will disturb more than one acre of land and is therefore subject to the requirements of the NPDES program. A Notice of Intent (NOI) will need to be filed with EPA New England by the owner and contractor 14 days prior to the start of site construction. In conjunction with the EPA NOI filing, a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) that specifies the means and methods that will be used for erosion and stormwater runoff control during construction was prepared by the Construction Manager.

Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (AAB)

Currently, the project does not have any unique circumstances that require a variance from the Access Board.

Town of Wakefield - Fire Department

The project design coordination with the Fire Department, is ongoing. The Construction Manager will be working with the fire department on obtaining a blasting permit prior to the start of construction.

Town of Wakefield - Wetlands Permitting

Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) fixing the limits of the wetland resource areas was issued in July of 2021. A copy of Form WPA 4B can be found in section 6A.3.3-01b of the MSBA Design Development Submittal.

A Notice of Intent (NOI) for the proposed work was filed in September of 2022 with public hearings beginning in October of 2022. It is expected that the public hearing will be closed and the Order of Conditions issued in February of 2023.

Town of Wakefield - Utility Connections (Sewer & Water)

Final configuration of water and sewer connections to be reviewed by the Town of Wakefield DPW prior to the start of construction. Review and issuance of the connection permits to be completed by the Construction Manager prior to the start of construction.

Town of Wakefield - Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC)

The team will meet next with the Town of Wakefield TAC in early 2023 regarding creation of an intersection.

Town of Wakefield - Local Zoning

An analysis of the proposed project design as it relates to local zoning has been performed by the Design Team.

The project Team provided a design update to Wakefield town departments, including the Building Department. The School District is working with their attorney to complete the application to the Zoning Board of Appeals as advised by the Building Department.