

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA ZAPATA



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING CITY OF BOSTON'S OPPOSITION TO THE USE OF CHARLESTOWN FOR EVERETT STADIUM EVENT PARKING

- WHEREAS,** The Kraft Group has proposed the development of a professional soccer and event stadium in the City of Everett; *and*
- WHEREAS,** During a public presentation before the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, project representatives outlined a conceptual parking plan that identified multiple parking zones including half of Charlestown; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston, through its agreement with the Kraft Group, has established a clear framework governing transportation, traffic mitigation, and neighborhood protections related to the proposed project; *and*
- WHEREAS,** This agreement contemplates a comprehensive Event Transportation and Parking Management Plan (TPMP), to be finalized following review under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA), with the explicit goal of minimizing vehicle traffic impacts on Charlestown; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Under this framework, the City will utilize the TPMP to limit vehicular traffic entering and exiting Charlestown, monitor congestion at critical intersections such as Sullivan Square, and require additional mitigation measures should traffic exceed project thresholds; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The agreement further includes dedicated parking enforcement officers to ensure non-residents are not using City of Boston streets to park during events and ongoing annual review of event operations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Residents of Charlestown have consistently and clearly expressed that traffic and parking impacts are among their most serious concerns regarding this project. Public statements made at the time of the project's announcement emphasized that the stadium would be a transit-oriented project, minimizing reliance on personal vehicles and avoiding additional burdens on surrounding neighborhoods; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Any proposal to utilize Charlestown as a parking zone is inconsistent with both

the City's negotiated agreement and these stated commitments, and would undermine the integrity of the planning and review process; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED, That the Boston City Council urges the Boston Planning Department, the Boston Transportation Department, the Environment Department and all relevant municipal agencies to reject any proposal or modification that would direct stadium-related parking or traffic into Charlestown, and that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, the Mayor of Boston, Boston's Environment, Energy, and Open Space cabinet, Boston's Streets Cabinets, Boston Planning Department, the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, and the project's proponents.

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