

Inspectional Services Department

Michelle Wu, Mayor

October 6, 2022

Via Electronic Email

Kendra Lara.
Boston City Councilor, District 6
Boston City Hall, 5th Floor
One City Hall Plaza Boston, MA 02201

Re: 17F Request related to 1905 and 1911 Centre Street, West Roxbury, 02132

Dear Councilor Lara:

We have received the attached demand for records under the Massachusetts Public Records Law, filed with the City Council pursuant to Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948. As an initial matter, please note that this response is limited to the Inspectional Services Department and does not include any potentially responsive documents or information from the Boston Planning and Development Agency, which is a separate City Agency. Specifically, your request seeks:

- 1. A breakdown of all properties for ISD issued demolition permits for buildings that were pending landmarks or designated landmarks on the date of issue.
- 2. Documentation of the date, time, and employee who approved ISD permit no. SF1360406.
- 3. An explanation for the issuance of a Stop Work Order following demolition of 1911 Centre Street.
- 4. Copies of all ISD and BPDA documents, including employee emails and text messages, related to 1905 and 1911 Centre Street, sometimes referred to as 1905-11 Centre Street, West Roxbury, dating 01/01/2013.

With respect to Request No. 1, enclosed please find a report of all exterior demolition and raze work type permits issued over the past 3 years and the inspection, Landmark, and Demolition Delay review history for them. These reviews include confirmation of approval from the Boston Landmarks Commission when relevant.

With respect to Request No. 2, Deputy Building Commissioner Marc Joseph issued Building Permit No. SF136O0406 on August 9, 2022. A copy of this permit is enclosed.

With respect to Request No. 3, Commissioner Sean Lydon issued a temporary Stop Work Order for the work under SF1360406 on Friday, August 12, 2022 to allow ISD staff to confirm that all internal procedures were followed and that all required documentation had been submitted in connection with the application for the demolition permit. Upon completing this review on August 17, 2022, ISD lifted the Stop Work Order at 1905 Center St. West Roxbury and allowed the demolition work to resume.

With respect to Request No. 4, attached are all responsive ISD documents related to this address, including emails. In addition, ISD Commissioner Sean Lydon received one text message, a copy which is also included.

We trust that this response satisfies your 17F request as it relates to the Inspectional Services Department. No responsive documents or information have been withheld from ISD's production.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the information and documents provided.

Sincerely,

Edward Coburn, Esq.

General Counsel

Inspectional Services Department