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Douglas J Kelleher 90 Braintree Street, Allston

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On behalf of ALP 90 Braintree Owner, LLC, Epsilon is pleased to submit the enclosed Article 85 application for the building located at 90 Braintree Street, Allston.

The building proposed for demolition is part of the residential development proposed at the site. The building at 90 Braintree Street was constructed in 1959 as a commercial building.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed materials, please do not hesitate to contact me at (978) 461-6259.

**ASSOCIATES** 

Sincerely,

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### APPLICATION ARTICLE 85 DEMOLITION DELAY REVIEW

Mailing Address: Environment Dept Boston City Hall, Rm 709 Boston, MA 02201

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APPLICATION #	
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SIGNIFICANT	
HEARING DATE	

SCAN AND EMAIL TO BLC@BOSTON.GOV AND MAIL HARD COPY

I.	PROPERTY ADDRESS	90 Braintree Street, Allston

NAME of BUSINESS/PROPERTY

The names, phone numbers, postal and email addresses requested below will be used for all subsequent communications relating to this application. Environment Department personnel cannot be responsible for illegible, incomplete or inaccurate contact information provided by applicants.

#### II. APPLICANT ALP 90 Braintree Owner, LLC

ATTEICANT				
David Wamester	Representative			
CONTACT NAME	RELATIONSHIP T	O PROPERTY		
c/o Anchor Line Partners, One Post Office Square	e, Suite 4100	Boston	MA	02109
MAILING ADDRESS	CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE
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PROPERTY OWNER	CONTAC	T NAME		
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#### III. DOES THIS PROPOSED PROJECT REQUIRE **ZONING RELIEF**? Yes

IF YES, PLEASE INDICATE STATUS OF ZBA PROCESS See attached

(If necessary, attach additional pages to provide more information.)

#### IV. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED DEMOLITION:

A BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE PROPOSED WORK MUST BE GIVEN IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW, OR THE

APPLICATION WILL *NOT* BE ACCEPTED. This description should describe the structure(s) to be demolished and the proposed condition of the site after demolition, including any proposed new construction or site improvements. Additional pages may be attached if necessary to provide more detailed information. See also 4. on page two.

The Project will include the construction of a six-story multifamily residential building which will include approximately 85,000 square feet of gross floor area, approximately 120 dwelling units, and interior ground-floor and basement parking for about 60 vehicles. The Project Site, at 90 Braintree Street, is approximately 23,360 square feet and is currently occupied by a 5,130-square-foot commercial building with rectangular footprint. Built in 1959, the one-story, flat-roofed building exterior features praging over concrete-block walls with metal standing-seam cladding applied on the upper half. Its facade, which faces east along Penniman Road, consists of a centrally located entryway and punched window openings. The north and south elevations each feature a loading dock, metal service door, and punched windows. Windows throughout are metal split-sash set within glass-block surrounds. The rear elevation abuts the parcel to the west. See attached for additional project information and details.

- V. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION: The following is a list of documents that MUST be submitted with this application. Failure to include adequate documentation will cause a delay in the review process and may result in a rejected application. No documents should be larger than 11x17.
  - 1. PHOTOGRAPHS: 3x5 or larger *current* color photographs of the property, properties affected by the proposed demolition and surrounding areas must be labeled with addresses and dates. Major elevations of the building(s) and any neighboring properties are required. All photographs must be keyed to a map (see below) to provide a thorough location description. Images from the internet are not acceptable.
  - 2. MAP: A map showing the location of the property affected by the proposed demolition must be submitted with this application. The map must be an 8 ½ x 11 portion of a street map, such as from a BPDA locus map or an internet mapping site.
  - 3. **PLOT PLA**N: A plot plan showing the existing building footprint and those of buildings in the immediate vicinity must be submitted with this application. Assessing parcel maps will be accepted, if the footprint of the relevant structure(s) is illustrated.
  - 4. PLANS and ELEVATIONS: If a new structure is being planned, a site plan, building plans and elevations of the new structure(s) must be submitted. If no new building is planned, submit plans for site improvements and a written narrative describing the proposed use and treatment of parcel. (Parking, landscaping, clear debris, fill excavations, etc.) Do not submit sheets larger than 11x17.
  - 5. **PROOF OF OWNERSHIP:** Proof of ownership must be submitted with the application. A copy of a property deed, property tax assessment bill, or other official documentation of property ownership is required.

NOTE: Copies of all documentation submitted with this application (photographs, maps, plot plans, etc.) should be retained by the applicant should additional copies be necessary for a commission hearing. Additional materials will be requested if a hearing is required.

VI. NOTARIZED SIGNATURES: Both the applicant's and the legal property owner's signatures must be notarized. In cases of multiple ownership, the chair of the condominium or cooperative association or authorized representative (such as a property manager) shall sign as owner; in cases of institutional ownership, an authorized representative of the organization shall sign as owner.

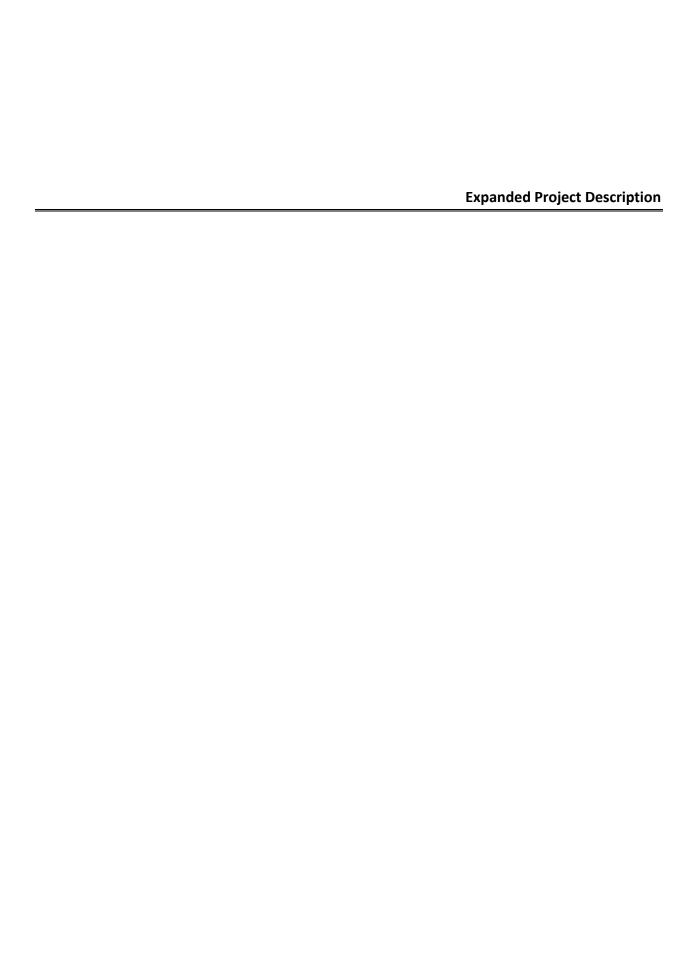
The facts set forth above in this application and accompanying documents are a true statement made under penalty of perjury.

APPLICANT OWNE  *(If build PRINT David Wamester, ALP 90 Braintree Owner, LLC PRINT	ding is a condominium or cooperative, the chairman must sign.)
On this day of	On this day of May in, 2023, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally** appeared David Wame Ster (name of document signer), proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which were pursonally levely with to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding or attached document in my presence.  While We (official signature and seal of Notary) My Commission expires:

Environment Department personnel cannot be responsible for verifying the authority of the above individuals to sign this application. Misrepresentation of signatory authority may result in the invalidation of the application.

Please review all instructions and documentation requirements carefully before submitting your application. It is your responsibility to ensure the application is complete before submittal. **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.** 

Once you have submitted the application, staff will review for completeness and will be in touch about next steps.



#### **Existing Building**

The Project Site at 90 Braintree Street includes a one-story parged concrete block building constructed in 1959 for commercial use. It has most recently been used as a carpenters union's training facility. The surrounding area consists of a mixed-use neighborhood of residential, commercial, and retail buildings. The Project Site is bound to the north by Braintree Street, a paved parking lot, and five-story apartment building. The Project Site is also bound by multi-family residences to the west, Penniman Street and an empty lot and four-story apartment building to the east, and the Penniman Road Garden and Play Area to the south. Attachment C contains a site locus map.

The building was constructed in 1959 for owner John Simourian for use as a freight terminal and was designed by the building's contractor, Alexander Astor of Watertown, Massachusetts. The building was converted into office space in 1983 and then converted into a training facility in 1991. The concrete parge building faces east towards Penniman Road and encompasses about a quarter of the approximate halfacre parcel at its northwest corner. A loading bay on the north elevation is accessed via Braintree Street. The remainder of the site is a paved surface parking area, accessed via Penniman Road; the lot is lined with metal fencing. Attachment D contains a plot plan.

The one-story building has a rectangular footprint and is approximately 115 feet in length and 40 feet wide. It is constructed of concrete block with concrete parging and standing-seam metal cladding along the top half of its façade (east elevation) and north and south elevations. The flat roof is covered with roll roofing. The façade features a centrally located entryway comprised of a metal-framed, full-lite door with transom and glass-block sidelights. Four bays of punched windows are located to the north of the entryway and five bays of punched windows are to its south. Windows throughout are split-sash with metal framing set within glass-block surrounds. A concrete ramp with a metal tube railing system is located at the northern end of the elevation and wraps around to the north elevation.

The north and south elevations are each comprised of two punched windows, a loading bay, and a metal service door. The rear (west) elevation features painted concrete block and is void of fenestration. Attachment B contains existing condition photographs of the building.

The existing building is not listed in the State or National Registers of Historic Places, nor is it included in the Massachusetts Historical Commission's Inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth.

#### **Project Description**

The redevelopment of the Project Site is planned as a new residential building containing approximately 85,000 square feet of gross floor area and 111 rental units, of which 19 will be affordable units. The Project will include approximately 9,500 square feet of open space to serve the Project's residents. There will be 58 parking spaces provided between a partially-at-grade garage and a below-grade garage. Ground level storage will be provided for 111 bicycles. Floor plans and renderings are presented in Attachment E.

Vehicular access in and out of the parking garage will be located on Penniman Road, away from the future pedestrian and bike traffic on Braintree Street. The parking garage will be located partially at grade with all accessible spaces and a direct connection to the lobby, and partially one level below grade with direct access to building elevators and stairs. The garage includes room for in-building loading, trash, mechanical, and electrical rooms.

The Project will enhance the quality of the public realm experience along Braintree Street and Penniman Road by implementing the goals presented in Boston's Complete Streets Design Guidelines. The design focuses on providing a welcoming and unobstructed pedestrian path along Braintree Street. The Proponent will ensure that proper lighting is implemented for safety and vibrancy. Where appropriate, the Project will utilize permeable surfaces, furnishings, and new street trees while ensuring that these improvements will not impede or obstruct the pedestrian path. The continuous unobstructed pedestrian path will continue down Penniman Road adjacent to small residential unit gardens, to the Penniman Road Garden and Play Area, and adjacent neighborhood.

Table 1-1 presents the Project's program.

Table 1-1 Project Program

Land Use	Proposed Size
Residential	111 units
Parking	58 spaces
Open Space	approx. 9,500 sq. ft.



#### **Zoning Relief**

The Project will require zoning relief to allow for multifamily dwelling use, as well as for floor area ratio (FAR) and building height relief. The Proponent anticipates a ZBA hearing in the coming months.





90 Braintree Street, Allston





1. East elevation (façade) and south elevations, looking north



2. South and east elevations, looking north





3. Southern portion of parcel, looking south



4. South elevation, looking northeast





5. Southeastern portion of parcel, looking southeast



6. East elevation, looking southwest





7. East elevation, looking northeast



8. North elevation, looking east





9. North elevation, looking southwest



10. North and west elevations, looking southeast





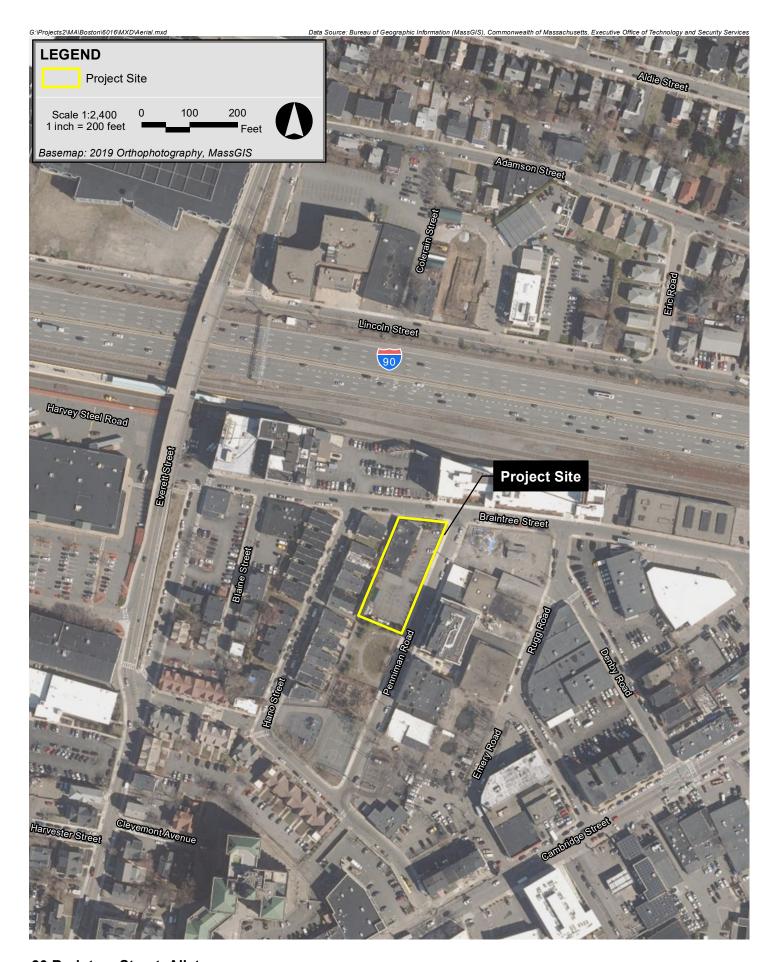
11. Main entryway detail



12. Window detail



**Attachment C: Locus Map** 









#### 90 Braintree Street, Allston







VIEW FROM PENNIMAN PARK





VIEW OF PENNIMAN ROAD ELEVATION





VIEW FROM BRAINTREE STREET

















Attachment F: Property Deed

#### Suffolk County - 20/20 Perfect Vision i2 Document Detail Report

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Grantees					
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#### MASSACHUSETTS QUITCLAIM DEED

EMRC Apprenticeship and Training Fund, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company (the "Grantor"), with an address of 1661 Worcester Road, Suite 302, Framingham, Massachusetts 01701, for consideration of Six Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$6,650,000.00), grants to ALP 90 Braintree Owner, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company, with an address c/o Anchor Line Partners, One Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109

#### with quitclaim covenants

That certain parcel of land situated in that part of Boston formerly Brighton in the County of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

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and 12/100 (103.12) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by the northwesterly line of Penniman Street, two hundred fifty

29/100 (250.29)

SOUTHWESTERLY by land now or formerly of the City of Boston, ninety-eight and

92/100 (98.92) feet; and

NORTHWESTERLY by lands of sundry adjoining owners, as shown on a Plan

hereinafter mentioned, two hundred twenty-one and 33/100

(221.33) feet.

All said boundaries are determined by the Land Court to be located as shown on a Plan drawn by Joseph Selwyn, Civil Engineer, dated July 7, 1958, as modified and approved by the Land Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as Plan No. 28587-A, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 64858.

The Grantor has elected not to be taxed as a corporation for the current tax year.

Reference for title is made to Certificate of Title No. 105620 duly filed with the Suffolk Registry District of the Land Court.

[SIGNATURE AND NOTARY PAGE TO FOLLOW]

Please Return To: NASS 4
First American Title Insurance Company
National Commercial Services
800 Boylston Street, Suite 2820
Boston, MA 02199 968366

#### EXECUTED under seal as of the 24th day of July, 2020.

EMRC Apprenticeship and Training Fund, LLC

Name: Robert E. Loubier, Manager

Name: Thomas J Gunning, Manager

#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex County, ss.

On this <u>24th</u> day of July, 2020, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Robert E. Loubier, and Thomas J. Gunning, Managers proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which were () driver's licenses or other state or Federal governmental document bearing a photographic image, () oath or affirmation of a credible witness known to me who knows the above signatory, or (X) my own personal knowledge of the identity of the signatory to be the persons whose names are signed on the preceding or attached document in my presence, and who acknowledged to me that they signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose on behalf of EMRC Apprenticeship and Training Fund, LLC.

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Notary Public

Commission Expires:

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Stephen J. Murphy Asst. Recorder of Land Court

Attested hereto

#### suffolk county registry of deeds Transfer Certificate of Title

Cert No: 136891 Book: 680 Page: 91

Document No: 909021

From Certificate No. 135874, Originally Registered May 31, 2019

In Registration Book 675, Page 74 for the Registry District of Suffolk County

This is to Certify that

ALP 90 BRAINTREE OWNER, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company, with an address c/o Anchor Line Partners, One Post Office Square

of Boston in the County of Suffolk and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is the owner in fee

simple, of that certain parcel of land situated in that part of Boston formerly Brighton, in the

County of Suffolk and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, situated on Braintree Street.

Said land is determined by the Court to be located as shown on a plan drawn by Joseph Selwyn, Civil Engineer, dated July 7, 1958, as modified and approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as Plan No. 28587-A, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 64858.

And it is further certified that said land is under the operation and provisions of Chapter 185 of the General Laws and that the title of said

#### ALP 90 BRAINTREE OWNER, LLC

to said land is registered under said Chapter, subject, however, to any of the encumbrances mentioned in section forty-six of said Chapter, which may be subsisting, and subject also as aforesaid.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of the Land Court, at Boston in said County of Suffolk

the third day of August in the year two thousand and twenty

at 12 o'clock and 47 minutes in the afternoon.

Attest, with the seal of said Court,

Property Address: 90 Braintree Street Land Court Case: No. 28587-A



# Memoranda of Encumbrances

Report Date: 08/24/2020

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