

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF
CAMBRIDGE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

336 MAIN STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

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Development Program
Cambridge Redevelopment Authority

GENERAL STATUS REPORT

Kendall Square Urban Renewal Area

Environmental Impact Study (EIS): Written comments on the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) were delivered to Metcalf & Eddy, Inc. (M&E), on Monday, February 14, 1977. Under terms of the contract, M&E has twenty (20) working days, or one month, to prepare a final EIR for submission by the Authority to HUD for use in preparing a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The draft EIS will be distributed by HUD to Federal and State agencies and other interested parties for review and comment, and a maximum of 45 days will be provided before preparing a final EIS.

Project Approvals: The City Council, following a public hearing Monday night, gave unanimous (9-0) approval to the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Kendall Square Urban Renewal Plan. The City Council also approved unanimously certain street discontinuances, and an amendment to the original cooperation agreement.

Design Standards and Zoning Controls: Monacelli Associates and staff met with the Planning Board on Tuesday night, February 15, 1977, to review the work program and time schedule for preparing and implementing a new, special mixed-use (MXD) development district zoning classification for the project before June 30, 1977.

Wellington-Harrington Urban Renewal Area

Close Building (Will Scientific): The installation of new roof and brick work has been completed. Windows are being installed together with the plumbing and electrical systems throughout the building. The removal of the 90-foot chimney is nearing completion. Other interior work continues on the re-use conversion for 61 units of housing.

Portland Street Site: The Wellington-Harrington Citizen Committee's recommendation for an institutional/retail re-use mix has been submitted to the Authority, as has a request for the tentative designation of the Wellington-Harrington Development Corporation (WHDC) as developer.
