

PLATE 2







# Appendix D

## Response to Comments

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### Introduction

This appendix provides Boston College's responses to comment letters that have been submitted to the Boston Redevelopment Authority by various regulatory review agencies as well as the general public as part of the review of the Institutional Master Plan Notification Form (IMPNF) dated December 5, 2007. The following sections provide a response to each substantive individual comment that appears in a particular comment letter, pursuant to the BRA Scoping Determination on the IMPNF dated February 2008.

The comment letters appear immediately following this section. Each of the comment letters is assigned a corresponding identification number as shown below in Table 1. The individual comments appearing in the comment letters are flagged in these respective documents and assigned a code number. The enumerated comments/responses correlate with the code numbers that appear on the comment letters.

Table 1  
Comment Letters on IMPNF

Letter	Commenter
1	Boston Transportation Department
2	Boston Transportation Department - Transportation Access Plan Guidelines and Scope of Work
3	Boston Environment Department
4	Boston Water and Sewer Commission
5	Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
6	Massachusetts Historical Commission
7	City of Newton, Department of Planning and Development
8	Boston City Councilor John R. Connolly
9	Boston City Councilor Sam Yoon
10	Boston City Councilor Stephen J. Murphy
11	State Senator Steven A. Tolman
12	State Representatives Kevin G. Honan and Michael J. Moran, and City Councilor Mark S. Ciommo
13	Allston-Brighton Boston College Community Task Force
14	Charles River Watershed Association
15	Brighton Allston Improvement Association
16	Chestnut Hill Reservoir Coalition, Inc.





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Letter	Commenter
59	Shani and Jonathan Traum
60	Susan Heideman
61	Brenda Pizzo and Kevin Tringale
62	Renee Shapiro and Mimi Rhys
63	Danielle Goyette
64	John and Marlene Duarte
65	Bob Pessek
66	Michael Pahre
67	Ellen Millman
68	Mark Alford
69	Alisa Brennan
70	Ludwik Gorzanski
71	Wilma Wetterstrom
72	Lisa Hirsh
73	Dorothy Weitzman
74	Sharon Cayley
75	Kirsten N. and Henry S. Ryan
76	Fred Salvucci
77	Lorraine Bossi
78	Dajun Pang and Chianping Ye
79	Alessandro Selvig (2/3/08)
80	Christina A. Clamp and Donald H. Gianniny
81	Howard Wong
82	Gregg Lebovitz
83	Dongli Chen
84	Fran Gustman
85	Brenda Pizzo
86	Leland Webster
87	Jack Grinold
88	The Rev. Dr. Ted J. Gaiser
89	Phoebe Erb Gallagher
90	Ellen Chajes
91	Esther and David Kashnow
92	Barbara Goldstein
93	Ellen Berezin
94	Daniel A. Davis
95	Lewis Shepard
96	Michael Weisskoff
97	Connie Gilbert, and Paula and Roy Rosenstock
98	Mary Blackburn
99	Tatyana and Robert Goldwyn
100	Nicholas and Michelina Tawa

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Letter	Commenter	
101	Arlene Raven	
102	Eleanor Druckman	
103	Sandra Kilbride	
104	Ringer Park Partnership Group	
105	Mark D. Trachtenberg	
106	Donna Taube	
107	Janet Kenney	
108	Glenn Walker	
109	Kristine Walker	
110	Brenda Pizzo and Kevin Tringale (1/28/08)	
111	Barbara Moss	
112	Glory Dalton (1/28/08)	
113	Bret Silverman	
114	Nancy L. Chadburn	
115	John W. Freeman	
116	William P. Marchione	
117	Mark Bacon	
118	Gridth and Steven Ablon	
119	Kerri Theleman	
120	Steven B. Gopen	
121	Andrea Wolf	
122	Joanne and John Robert Powers	
123	Robert Copen	
124	Glory Dalton (1/12/08)	
125	Chuck Latovich	
126	Alessandro Selvig (10/12/07)	
127	Lisa McDonough	
128	Peter G. Dalton	
129	Angela Sciaraffa	
130	Ada Freedman	
131	Yeckezkal Gutfreund	
132	Donna Tramontozzi	
133	Mary Ellen Davis	
134	Joan Spanbauer	
135	Georgia T. Belezos and Nichoit-LT*0.00N4 -SoGele	AleEva M. Webs G. (2/5)

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## Comment 8

*The proponent should clearly illustrate the off-campus on-street and off-street parking spaces and on-campus on-street and off-street spaces. This illustration should also include regulatory parking such as Resident Parking.*

## Response

The Parking subsection and Figure 9-17 in Chapter 9,



## Response



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Comment 15

*The proponent should show in detail how the cont*



# **Letter 2**

## **Boston Transportation Department Transportation Access Plan Guidelines and Scope of Work**

This Letter 2 document is the Boston Transportation Department's standard access plan guidelines and scope of work. The IMP transportation study addresses transportation elements required by the BTM. No itemized responses are required.







## Response

Boston College's leadership in enhancing environmental performance through the Campus Consortium for Environmental Excellence membership is described in the Leadership section of Chapter 10, *Environmental Sustainability*.

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Comment 9





## Response

Chapter 7, *Athletics Facilities*,



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Comment 16

*BLC staff strongly encourages a thorough study of alternatives to rehabilitate or incorporate*



## Response

If chemical cleaning or abrasive blasting is required, the University will comply with all regulations related to these activities as required by the City of Boston's Air Pollution Control Commission.





## Response

Available mode share and vehicle occupancy information is provided in Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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### Comment 27

- *The number of undergraduates who carpool/vanpool and the percentage of undergraduates this represents.*

## Response

Available mode share and vehicle occupancy information is provided in Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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### Comment 28

- *The number of graduate, law, special program students who commute in SOV and the percentage of graduate, law, special program students this represents.*

## Response

Available mode share and vehicle occupancy information is provided in Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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### Comment 29

- *The number of graduate, law, special prog*





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### Comment 35

- *If a student is enrolled in a practicum or internship for one semester, is the parking permit good only for that semester?*

### Response

Yes

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### Comment 36

- *Why is shuttle offered to Cleveland Circle on the C branch of the Green line and to Reservoir Station on the D line of the Green Line when there is a B line stop at Chestnut Hill and Commonwealth Avenue, one block from Cleveland Circle and two blocks from Reservoir Station?*

### Response

Boston College is served directly by the B Branch at the Boston College stop. The service to Cleveland Circle and the Reservoir stop provide service to transit users with destinations in Brookline along the C and D branches of the Green Line. This service to these stops also accommodates people who live or shop in those areas or are destined for locations near Cleveland Circle or the Reservoir stop. In addition, there are considerable differences in walking distances to these stops.

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### Comment 37



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Comment 39





# Letter 4



## Response

Boston College will coordinate with the Commission on a project-by-project basis. Boston College will submit to the Commission the required plans, details and supplemental documents as required through the Boston Water and Sewer Commission's Site Plan Review process and General Services Application.

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## Comment 4



## Response

If needed, Boston College will apply for a Termination Verification Approval Form for a Demolition Permit on a project-by-project basis.

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### Comment 7



## Response



*Notice of Intent and the pollution prevention plan prepared pursuant to the Permit should be provided to the Commission, prior to the commencement of construction.*

### **Response**

Boston College will apply for a NPDES General Permit for Construction from the EPA, on a project-by-project basis.

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### **Comment 15**

*In conjunction with each site plan and General Service Application submitted, Boston College must submit to the Commission's Engineering Customer Service Department a detailed stormwater management plan.*

### **Response**

Boston College will coordinate with BWSC on a project-by-project basis. The Proponent will submit to the Commission the required plans, details and supplemental documents as required through the Boston Water and Sewer Commission's Site Plan Review process and General Services Application.

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### **Comment 16**



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Comment 18





# Letter 5

## Massachusetts Water Resources Authority

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Comment 1



# Letter 6

## Massachusetts Historical Commission

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Comment 1





# Letter 7

## City of Newton Department of Planning and Development

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Comment 1



## Response

As a primary tenet of the IMP, surface parking (with the exception of a small number of handicapped and services spaces) will be replaced by structured parking. Most of the surface parking will be removed during the 10-year plan. In the full build out of the plan, approximately 17 acres of roads and surface parking are removed from the Chestnut Hill Campus and approximately 5 acres of roads and surface parking are removed from the Brighton Campus.

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## Response

Pick-up and drop-off areas will be included in the site design for new residence halls



## Response

Boston College will continue outreach into the future with the Boston College Neighborhood Council and the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, when appropriate, on campus development plans beyond the 10-year term of the IMP.

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### Comment 11

- *Articulation of buildings and footprints that foster a sense of community within the campus and complement existing structures along the streetscape in terms of scale and design, as viewed from within the campus and from the public streets. While the College has worked to provide itself with additional green space inside the campus, it would be inconsistent with its community service mission to wall itself off from surrounding neighborhoods.*

## Response

Creating visual and usable openings between community and campus is an IMP goal. To facilitate this, proposed buildings were pulled away from corners of the campus to create views and green gateways.

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### Comment 12



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#### Comment 14

- *Orientation of the new Humanities Academic Building and the Academic Building for Nursing and Social Work so they are pulled away from the corner of College Road and Beacon Street and from an archway that both greets visitors entering from the outside and embraces an interior courtyard.*

#### Response

Boston College appreciates the continued feedback regarding setbacks in Newton, and will continue coordination with Newton officials as plans for new buildings in Newton progress.

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#### Comment 15

- *Additional landscaping of existing parking facilities.*

#### Response

The majority of surface parking will be removed from the Chestnut Hill campus during the period of the 10-year IMP. New landscape areas on all parts of the



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Comment 18

- *Limits on the acquisition of single-family residences in abutting neighborhoods and any further campus expansion into existing residential areas.*

Response





## Response

While the proposed seating capacities of 1,500 seats for the baseball field and 500 seats for softball field are certainly greater than the capacities at the current facilities, they will actually place the University at the low end of the conference range. For a comparison of seating capacity with other peer institutions, see Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*.

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### Comment 4





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Comment 7

*Boston College must increase the number of environmentally-friendly transportation alternatives for its staff and students. In order to reduce air pollution and alleviate traffic congestion, Boston College must establish in*



# Letter 9

## Boston City Councilor Sam Yoon

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### Comment 1

*I urge Boston College to work with the neighborhood to implement a plan that is agreeable to everyone. The residents of Brighton need to be assured that this planned expansion will not negatively affect them. This is something that both Boston College and the BRA are responsible for.*

### Response

Boston College believes that its IMP is in the best interest of the University and the community of which has been a part for the past 95 years. The University will continue to work with the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force and various neighborhood and community organizations.



# Letter 10



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Comment 4

*The Chesterfield Sandstone is a representative of the 400' to 500' thick, 25' to 30' thick, 10' to 15' thick, 5' to 10' thick, 2' to 5' thick, 1' to 2' thick, 1/2' to 1' thick, 1/4' to 1/2' thick, 1/8' to 1/4' thick, 1/16' to 1/8' thick, 1/32' to 1/16' thick, 1/64' to 1/32' thick, 1/128' to 1/64' thick, 1/256' to 1/128' thick, 1/512' to 1/256' thick, 1/1024' to 1/512' thick, 1/2048' to 1/1024' thick, 1/4096' to 1/2048' thick, 1/8192' to 1/4096' thick, 1/16384' to 1/8192' thick, 1/32768' to 1/16384' thick, 1/65536' to 1/32768' thick, 1/131072' to 1/65536' thick, 1/262144' to 1/131072' thick, 1/524288' to 1/262144' thick, 1/1048576' to 1/524288' thick, 1/2097152' to 1/1048576' thick, 1/4194304' to 1/2097152' thick, 1/8388608' to 1/4194304' thick, 1/16777216' to 1/8388608' thick, 1/33554432' to 1/16777216' thick, 1/67108864' to 1/33554432' thick, 1/134217728' to 1/67108864' thick, 1/268435456' to 1/134217728' thick, 1/536870912' to 1/268435456' thick, 1/1073741824' to 1/536870912' thick, 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# Letter 11



# Letter 12

## State Representatives Kevin G. Honan and Michael J. Moran, and Boston City Councilor Mark S. Ciommo

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### Comment 1

*Alternatives: Boston College must provide alternatives to the athletic fields on the Brighton campus.*

### Response

Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, provides a discussion about alternatives to the athletic fields on the Brighton Campus.

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### Comment 2





*remain between the residential houses and the fields for public walkways for the residents to enjoy?*

### **Response**

General pedestrian access to the Brighton Campus will continue. Use of the athletic







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*Another concern is the accessibility of the Lake*



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## Response

The use and safety of the Chestnut Hill Reservoir is the responsibility of the DCR and Massachusetts State Police. The University will continue to work in cooperation with both parties.

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### Comment 23

*Setbacks from the Reservoir, a no-build buffer zone, and alternatives to building dormitories on Sheà Field need to be scoped.*

## Response

Chapter 4, *Planning Framework*, includes a discussion about the University's involvement in planning efforts within the Chestnut Hill Reservoir.

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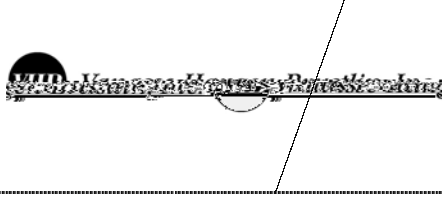
# Letter 13

## Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force

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### Comment 1

*Boston College should be required to assess and present alternative locations, sizes, and seating configurations for the baseball stadium. These alternative plans (unlike the IMPNF) must include specific measurements and distances between the proposed stadium and*



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Comment 4

*There is overwhelming opposition to the use of artificial turf on*





## Response

See the Retention of Edmonds Hall section in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

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### Comment 8

*Boston College should be required to assess and present alternative locations for the Recreation Center.*

## Response

The University considered three alternate locations for the proposed Recreation Center including the More Hall site and two sites within Shea Field.

- The More Hall site was too constrained to accommodate the facility.
- Two sites within the Shea Field area also were studied. The first, along St. Thomas More Road, was dismissed as it precluded the corner open space that is a foundational principle of the plan and because of height and massing concerns.

The second Shea Field option, immediately adjacent to the Beacon Street parking garage, would preclude necessary parking and football practice fields in this area.

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### Comment 9



## Response

This role is performed by the Boston Transportation Department. Boston College will not fund an independent analysis of traffic, transportation and parking plans.

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## Comment 11

*Boston College should be required to strictly*



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## Comment 14

*Working with the BRA, Boston College should design and build dormitories of six to eight stories, enabling the college to house more of its students on campus. The Task Force notes that dorms of this height are consistent with the scale of recent residence halls built on the Chestnut Hill Campus.*

## Response

To meet the consistently expressed desire of the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force, neighb





## Response

The University has been asked to study alternative housing accommodation on its Lower Campus, including Shea Field. These options are described in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

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### Comment 20

*In light of community feedback concerning additional sites for undergraduate housing, the*



## Response



## Response

The University will maintain the buffer zone of trees and vegetation along Lake Street, the Foster Street rock outcropping and portions of the orchard area on the east







## Response

Boston College is evaluating the anticipated utility demand associated with the proposed projects. Concepts being considered include “clustered” utilities for heating and cooling plants on the main campus.

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### Comment 4

*“The Scope to be issued by the BRA should*



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Comment 6

*“Each and every aspect of the design and planning for the campus, whether it relates to public realm improvements, density or massing considerations, or even the open space framework, realm .4(s)9534*

*campus development will have on resource areas such as the Chestnut Hill Reservoir and Chandler’s Pond.*



University Center, dining facilities, and other residence halls and along St. Thomas More Road to the MBTA station. As has been past experience, students living on campus will use the Reservoir for typical recreation purposes such as jogging and walking. Some may also use Chestnut Hill Driveway to reach Cleveland Circle although most will use the Boston College Shuttle service. In all cases, Boston College students living in on-campus housing are subject to the student code of conduct and supervision by Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for a description of Boston College's comprehensive program for assuring appropriate student behavior both on and off campus.

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#### Comment 8

*“The IMP Scope should therefore require an analysis of neighborhood-scale infrastructure, and detail what upgrades, improvements or redesign may be needed to accommodate not only the new buildings in the IMP but the total anticipated campus needs over the coming decade. The infrastructure assessment should include an analysis of opportunities to reduce impacts through conservation measures, alternative infrastructure elements, or innovative technologies.”*

#### Response





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## Response

Please refer to Chapter 10, *Environmental Sustainability*, for information on Boston College's water efficiency measures, including the Dining Services Department's commitment to ongoing research of energy and water efficient technologies when replacing and purchasing new equipment. No cost and low cost conservation practices like some of those suggested above will also be tested in pilot applications.

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## Comment 22

*CRWA recommends the following standards and goals for specifically sustaining water resources: "Use water-efficient industrial*







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*CRWA recommends the following standards and goals for specifically sustaining water*

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Comment 42

*CRWA recommends the following standards an*





# Letter 15

## Brighton Allston Improvement Association

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### Comment 1

*We therefore urge the BRA to seek revisions to Boston College's proposed Institutional Master Plan that would locate all its undergraduate students in the traditionally residential sections of the Chestnut Hill campus. To achieve this goal, Boston College should preserve Edmonds Hall as dormitories, increase the number of dorms proposed for the "Mods" site, and build higher than proposed within the inner campus.*

### Response

Boston College proposes to add 50 beds on the More Hall site and 60 beds on the Shea Field site compared to what was proposed in the IMPNF (the IMPNF proposal for the More Hall site was 70 beds more than Boston College's original proposal for the site). See Chapter 6,







## Response











## Response

Such studies are within the purview of the MBTA and beyond the scope of Boston College's IMP transportation analysis.

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### Comment 6

*To foster the use of bicycle transportation, Boston College should work with Boston and Newton to help plan, fund, and design bicycle accommodations running from the MBTA C and D lines to the campus as well as for Lake Street and Commonwealth Avenue. Transportation policies and projects should promote meaningful mode shifts away from single-occupancy vehicles (SOVs) and provide significant incentives and facilities to encourage cycling and transit use.*

## Response

Boston College looks forward to collaborating with the City of Boston in its planning of on-street bicycle accommodations. See the Bicycle sections of Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*, for discussions of bicycle accommodations on campus.

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### Comment 7

*Academic: The Master Plan should detail to the*



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Comment 9







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Comment 16







## Response

The Brighton Campus garage will be accessible to permitted users at all times. It is anticipated, however, that most faculty, staff and visitors will arrive and depart during normal business hours. Limited overnight parking will be made available to permitted campus users on an as needed basis.

The proposed location for the garage is in the interior of the campus 190 feet from the Lane Park neighborhood. The building will contain standard lighting for safety and security. No noise controls are necessary for typical garage operations.

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### Comment 28

*Boston College must commit to adding its students to the list of people ineligible for Resident Parking permits at the Boston Transportation [ing permit97359T831te1 cm/Im49 DoQq1.4071 cm004 T8*



## Response

The results of a survey of on-street parking around the campus are presented in the Parking subsection of the Existing Conditions section of Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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Comment 31



## Response

Boston College appreciates the suggestion and will investigate the potential benefit of bicycle racks on buses.

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### Comment 35

*Provide additional incentives for those carpooling or cycling to campus, such as preferential or discounted parking, discounts on lockers in the Rec Plex, etc.*

## Response

See the descriptions of existing and planned transportation demand management (TDM) measures in Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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### Comment 36



## Response



# Letter 18

## Hobart Park Neighborhood Association

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### Comment 1

*Boston College should house all of its undergraduate students on-campus by 2018, excluding those who commute from their family homes in the greater Boston area or those who are studying at other institutions;*

### Response

To meet the consistently expressed desire of the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force, neighb

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community throughout its campus. The beds on the Brighton Campus will remove up to 500 students from the surrounding community and place them under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

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Comment 3

Comment 6



# Letter 19

## Aberdeen – Brighton

### Residents Association, Inc.

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#### Comment 1

*I can say with certainty that the number one issue for our neighborhood is for Boston College to house 100% of its undergraduate students in on-campus dormitories.*

#### Response

To meet the consistently expressed desire







# Letter 20



## Response

The height of the baseball facility is 14 feet between the field and concourse level.

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Comment 6



## Response





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Comment 14

*At what time will lights on the playing fields be turned off?*

**Response**

The University anticipates ending field or court activities at 9:30 p.m. and a “lights-out” time of 10:00 p.m. The proposed time limit, however, does not preclude finishing a game in progress. When the fields are not in use, the lights will be off.

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Comment 29

*What hours and days will the construction take place?*

**Response**

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## Response

The University will install landscaped screening and buffering.



## Response



# Letter 21

## Portina Road Community

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### Comment 1

*Keep all undergraduate student housing for BC on the Chestnut Hill Campus.*

### Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College will provide 220 additional beds on the Lower Campus, 560 beds in 2000 Commonwealth Avenue, and 500 beds on the Brighton Campus. Approximately 4,700 beds or 55 percent of all the University's beds are currently located on the Lower Campus. The proposed distribution of beds will allow for some increase in density on the Lower Campus without overburdening it. The housing plan allows Boston College to house students in smaller living communities which foster student formation that supports intellectual development and responsible student behavior. Providing housing for juniors and seniors on the Brighton Campus supports Boston College's guiding principle to provide a mix of uses to foster a vibrant and engaged community throughout its campus. The beds on the Brighton Campus will remove up to 500 students from the surrounding community and place them under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

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### Comment 2





## Response

Boston College's 10-year IMP for the Brighton Campus maintains much of the open space as green areas. Most development will take place on existing parking areas or adjacent to existing buildings. The density of development on the campus will be considerably lower than that found on the Chestnut Hill Campus.

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Comment 4



## Response

The plan for the property maintains Foster Rock as a natural feature. While the rock area will not be fenced, Boston College will prevent inappropriate activities from occurring on the site.



# Letter 22

## William F. Galvin

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### Comment 1

*As the planning agency of the City, the BRA must ask the critical question as to why Boston College should be allowed to demolish its largest single dormitory facility which was built with public underwriting less than thirty years ago and which is removed from the residential neighborhood, be then allowed to relocate directly into the neighborhood consisting of families and permanent residents. As a planning concept, this is totally inconsistent with neighborhood preservation. All of the ancillary services that dormitories require must be evaluated such as food preparation, trash pick-up, laundry services, and vehicle activity.*

### Response

See the Retention of Edmonds Hall section of Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for a detailed discussion of why Boston College does not plan to retain the building for residential use. Placing housing on the Brighton Campus will not relocate students into the neighborhood. To the contrary, it will allow Boston College to relocate students from the neighborhood onto its campus where they will be under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. The planned housing will be located away from adjacent communities on the interior of the campus or next to Commonwealth Avenue.

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### Comment 2







# **Letter 23**

## **Colleen Salmon**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.





# **Letter 25**

## **Emily Gregory**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.





# **Letter 26**

## **Michael, Paula, Leo and Mildred Buckley**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.





# Letter 28

## Edward Berger

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Comment 1



# **Letter 29**

## **Mark Cintolo**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.



# **Letter 30**

## **Joseph Graveliese**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.



# **Letter 31**

## **Erik DeMarco**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.



# **Letter 32**

## **Ed McDonough**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.



# **Letter 33**

## **Ethan Sullivan**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.





# **Letter 34**

## **Paul Hynes**

Boston College appreciates your comment letter and thanks you for your support.





of Edmonds Hall in Chapter 6 provides a detailed explanation of the reasons why Boston College needs to demolish the building. The housing proposed for the Mods site will replace the existing beds to be demolished and open up part of the site for badly needed open space on the Lower Campus.





# Letter 37

## Charlie Vasiliades

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### Comment 1

*As many others have stated, there should be NO undergraduate dormitories north of Big 40 Drive. If you*



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### Comment 3

*To give credit where is due, in my opinion the overall Sasaki site plan for St. John is respectful of much of the existing natural features of the site-the wooded buffer along Lake Street is preserved, as is the ledge on foster Street, the playing fields near the Lake/Kendrick intersection, etc. **However, this is meaningless without this being recognized formally by BC applying a Conservation Restriction to these areas.***

### Response

While the University will not create permanent conservation easements, the University will maintain the buffer zone of trees and vegetation on the edge of the Brighton Campus along Lake Street and at the Foster Rock for the integration of the new main entrance of the



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Comment 6



# Letter 38

## Paul William Garber

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### Comment 1

*Without a new, properly graded crossover at Foster Street, which would probably require its own set of lights, I fear that the environmental impact of getting rid of a public way on St. Thomas More Road will far outweigh any advantage.*

### Response

See Access Alternatives Operational Analysis section of Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.





# Letter 39

## Jennifer Dnnih



# Letter 40

## Gwyneth Sheen

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## Response

The main entrance to the Brighton Campus will be on Commonwealth Avenue and the proposed garage will be located approximately one-quarter mile from Commonwealth Avenue along the roadway extending through the campus from the main entrance.

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Comment 4







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Comment 3



# Letter 43

## Charlotte N. Belezos

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### Comment 1

*Already the use of the Brighton property, the use of the Edison School parking lot and the utilization of St. Columbkille's property have created much havoc in our neighborhood particularly when it comes to traffic and park*







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Comment 3



# Letter 45

## Michelle Chambers

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### Comment 1

*When BC initially purchased the fields on Glenmont and Lake Street from the archdiocese we were assured that these fields would5 a io*



# **Letter 46**

## **Erica Sigal**



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Comment 3



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## Comment 7

*Please conduct a study of the anticipated pathways – paved and unpaved (created and trampled by students) – from Boston College’s “Brighton Campus” proposed dormitories across to various points including but not limited to: a) top of Grey Cliff Road, b) bottom of Grey Cliff Road, c) top of Lake Street, d) bottom of Lake Street hill by Lake Shore Drive; and e) proposed playing fields on the lo*



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Comment 10



# Letter 47

## Richard Wood

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### Comment 1

*In the ten or so meetings I attended, I witnessed chronic criticism over several aspect of the plan. Many of them well thought out and constructive. But above these many issues there were two overriding concerns stressed... (a) BC should house all of their students on the North side of Commonwealth Ave. (b) BC should house 100% of its students on campus.*

### Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College will provide 220 additional beds on the Lower Campus, 560 beds in 2000 Commonwealth Avenue, and 500 beds on the Brighton Campus. Approximately 4,700 beds or 55 percent of all the University's beds are currently located on the Lower Campus. The proposed distribution of beds will allow for some increase in density on the Lower Campus without overburdening it. The housing plan allows Boston College to house students in smaller living communities which foster student formation that supports intellectual development and responsible student behavior. Providing housing for juniors and seniors on the Brighton Campus supports Boston College's guiding principle to provide a mix of uses to foster a vibrant and engaged community throughout its campus. The beds on the Brighton Campus will remove up to 500 students from the surrounding community and place them under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.







# Letter 49

## Diana Selvig

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### Comment 1

*I respectfully submit that the BRA require Boston College to study and present alternatives to the construction of student housing on the Brighton campus, including but not limited to: 1) The maintenance and/or renovation of existing dormitory building/sites, particularly the Edmunds Hall building/site and the Flynn Recreation Center (Rec Plex) building/site, should it be demolished?*

### Response



The IMPNF proposal for More Hall represented an increase of 70 beds over the previous proposal. See Chapter 6, Student Housing Plan, for an analysis of alternatives for housing on the Chestnut Hill Campus.

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Comment 4



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Comment 8

*5) Provisions for community access, not only for athletic uses but also for traversing the former St. John's Seminary property.*

Response

General pedestrian access to the Brighton Campus will continue. Use of the athletic fields will be limited to Boston College. As the project is designed, walkways and buffers between the residential houses and the fields will be considered.

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Comment 9

*In addition, I respectfully request that BRA require Boston College to consider or provide further particulars with respect to "green building" for all new construction and improvement ...*

Response

See Chapter 10, Environmental Sustainability.

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Comment 10. ~~Ad 6 maintaining and enhancing public pedestrian and bicycle access to the Brighton Campus.~~ Response





Brighton Campus along Lake Street, on the sloped area adjacent to Greycliff Road and on Foster Rock for the duration of the IMP.

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#### Comment 5

*The three college-owned properties at 188-196 Foster Street should be preserved. They date from the late 1800s and replacing them with modern buildings would change the character of Foster St. We do not object to their being rehabilitated and possibly their being incorporated with compatible, adjacent new building.*

#### Response

Housing for Jesuit faculty and graduate students of the Weston Jesuit School of



## Response

This role is performed by the Boston Transportation Department. Boston College will not fund an independent analysis of transportation and parking plans.





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### Comment 3

*I have no problem with the Foster Street site being used for seminary/graduate student housing provided that such use be mandated in perpetuity rather than for ten years in the Master Plan. It is also imperative that the unimproved road remain a footpath, not opened up as a roadway, to preserve the character and security of the Portina Road neighborhood, and that Foster Street rock area remain undeveloped*

### Response

Housing for Jesuit faculty and graduate students of the Weston Jesuit School of Theology is planned on the east side of Foster Street opposite St. Clement's Hall. It will be specially designed to meet the residential, educational and spiritual needs of Jesuit faculty and seminarians. The project will consist of five buildings, each containing a living and dining area, kitchen, several bedrooms and a chapel. They are designed to foster the formation of "small living communities." The three existing houses, which are in need of serious repairs, can not be incorporated into the concept for the small communities. Wiltshire Road next to the property currently provides pedestrian access between Foster Street and Portina Road. It is a public way owned by the City of Boston. The plan maintains Foster Rock. For further information on the Foster Street housing, see Chapter 5, *Proposed Future Projects*.

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### Comment 4

*Concerning the proposed athletic fields:*

- *No fencing around the baseball or softball fields, either at the former Archdiocese grounds or Shea Field;*
- *No use of the fields at night, no lights;*
- *No artificial turf;*
- *Seating should be limited to 500 for baseball and 200 for softball;*
- *Either a baseball field or softball field on Shea Field and the other on the former Archdiocese grounds. If on former Archdiocese grounds, located farther from Lane Park than presently proposed;*
- *If absolutely necessary, both fields on the former Archdiocese grounds, but with the above described restrictions, and moved farther back from Lane Park.*

### Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for discussions of these various topics.

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### Comment 5







# Letter 52

## Alessandro Selvig (1/8/08)

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### Comment 1

*The BRA's Article 51 (Zoning for Allston-Brighton's Neighborhood District) forbids construction of a stadium in both the St. John's Seminary Conservation Protection Subdistrict, and also in Boston College's Institutional Subdistrict (see attached).*

### Response

See Consistency with CPS and Article 29 Zoning in Chapter 4, *Planning Framework*.

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### Comment 2

*Furthermore, the BRA's Article 80 (Development Review and Approval) requires that a project be "...architecturally compatible with surrounding-r1din2 App6.7(p)366(t0041i,"041i,"041i,"D-0.0*



# Letter 53

## David Carlson

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### Comment 1

*What I don't want are buildings bringing light and noise to the reservoir and hence changing the rural oasis that the reservoir provides.*

### Response



# Letter 54

## Louise Bonar

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### Comment 1

*By 2018, BC should be required to provide on-campus housing for all of its undergraduate students (except those studying elsewhere or*





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Comment 5



# Letter 55

## John Ferguson

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-Year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 56

## Franeo Rufo

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Comment 1





# Letter 57



# Letter 58

## Mariano and Grace D'Antignana

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### Comment 1

*BC has proposed to build 2,000 seats. I strongly object to this as it's too large for the site and the neighborhood.*

### Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for a description of the proposed athletic facilities and discussions of their impacts.

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### Comment 2

*The playing fields must be limited to BC students and activities only.*

### Response



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Comment 5 *Why not build parking under the proposed buildings along Commonwealth Avenue?* Response



# Letter 59

## Shani and Jonathan Traum

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Comment 1





## Response

The decision to move the stop will be made by the MBTA after consideration of a number of factors, including pedestrian and vehicular safety.

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Comment 9



## Response

Boston College intends to use a three-dimensional model to illustrate its plans.



# Letter 60

## Susan Heideman

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Comment 1





halls and along St. Thomas More Road to the MBTA station. As has been past experience, students living on campus will use the Reservoir for typical recreation purposes such as jogging and walking. Some may also use Chestnut Hill Driveway to reach Cleveland Circle although most will use the Boston College Shuttle service. In all cases, Boston College students living in on-campus housing are subject to the student code of conduct and supervision by Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for a description of Boston College's comprehensive program for assuring appropriate student behavior both on and off campus.



# **Letter 61**

## **Brenda Pizza and Kevin Tringale**

Boston College recognizes the concerns you raised in your comment letter, dated





## Response

Based on available research, the University believes that the installation of synthetic playing surfaces is a wise investment, provides significant benefit to users, conserves



# Letter 63

## Danielle Goyette

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### Comment 1

*I oppose the building of dormitories on Shea Field, abutting the Chestnut Hill Reservoir...  
The renovation (and possible expansion) of Edmonds Hall and the construction of new five-  
story dorms on the Mods site would be much more appropriate solutions.*

### Response

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## Response

Retention of the stone walls and landscaping will be addressed during the design of the proposed buildings along Commonwealth Avenue.



# Letter 64

## John and Marlene Duarte

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Comment 1



# Letter 65

## Bob Pessek

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Comment 1





## Response

While the University will not create permanent conservation easements, the University will maintain a buffer zone of trees and vegetation on the edge of the Brighton Campus along Lake Street, on the sloped area adjacent to Greycliff Road and on Foster Rock for the duration of the IMP.



# Letter 66

## Michael Pahre

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### Comment 1

*The BRA should require BC to scope fully a housing option that would provide housing for 100 % of their undergraduates on the main Chestnut Hill and Newton campuses, without dormitories on the Brighton Campus.*

### Response

See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for the analysis of housing options.

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### Comment 2

*The BRA should require BC, as part of the approval of their IMP, to provide a conservation easement for part of the Brighton Campus in order to protect residential neighborhood buffer zones against future development.*

### Response

While the University will not create permanent conservation easements, the University will maintain a buffer zone of trees and vegetation on the edge of the Brighton Campus along Lake Street, on the sloped area adjacent to Greycliff Road and on Foster Rock for the duration of the IMP.

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### Comment 3

*The BRA should require BC to fund independent peer review, to be managed by the BC Task Force (or other, suitable, independent body) of key elements of their IMP, particularly the traffic/transportation and environmental review portions.*

### Response

The review function is performed by the Boston Redevelopment Authority and the Boston Transportation Department. Boston College will not fund independent analyses of elements of the IMP.



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## Comment 6

*The three houses on the Foster Street parcel should not be demolished; instead, they should be incorporated into the proposed development.*

## Response

Housing for Jesuit faculty and graduate students of the Weston Jesuit School of Theology is planned on the east side of Foster Street opposite St. Clement's Hall. It will be specially designed to meet the residential, educational and spiritual needs of Jesuit faculty and seminarians. The project will consist of five buildings, each containing a living and dining area, kitchen, several bedrooms and a chapel. They are designed to foster the formation of "small living communities." The three existing









## Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for a description of the proposed uses of the athletic facilities.

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Comment 20









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Comment 34



# Letter 67

## Ellen Millman

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### Comment 1

*A written legal agreement for conservation of a portion of the green space, reasonable setbacks for buildings and attention to the impact of (noisy) foot traffic and cars are important issues [for development of the Brighton campus].*

### Response

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# **Letter 68**

## **Mark Alford**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# **Letter 69**

## **Alisa Brennan**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 70

## Ludwik Gorzanski

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Comment 1



## Response

When planning its facilities along Commonwealth Avenue, Boston College intends to respect the character of the roadway





# **Letter 71**

## **Wilma Wetterstrom**



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### Comment 3

*I am opposed to undergrad dorms on Shea Field next to the Chestnut Hill Reservoir.*

### Response

The design of the easternmost residence hall proposed for the Shea Field site has been reconfigured to provide a buffer of 60 to 180 feet between the building and St.



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Comment 6

*I request that the Conservation restriction for*



# Letter 72

## Lisa Hirsh

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Comment 1



# Letter 73

## Dorothy Weitzman

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Comment 1



# Letter 74

## Sharon Cayley

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Comment 1





# **Letter 75**

## **Kirsten and Henry Ryan Com**





*those recently built), and locate them throughout the Chestnut Hill campus. BC should substantially increase the number of beds on the two-story "Mods" site (temporary housing built in 1970) to accommodate more students on campus.*

## Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College will provide 220 additional beds on the Lower Campus, 560 beds in 2000 Commonwealth Avenue, and 500 beds on the Brighton Campus. Approximately 4,700 beds or 55 percent of all the University's beds are currently located on the Lower Campus. The proposed distribution of beds will allow for some increase in density on the Lower Campus without overburdening it. The housing plan allows Boston College to house students in smaller living communities which foster student formation that supports intellectual development and responsible student behavior. Providing housing for juniors and seniors on the Brighton Campus supports Boston College's guiding principle to provide a mix of uses to foster a vibrant and engaged community throughout its campus. The beds on the Brighton Campus will remove up to 500 students from the surrounding community and place them under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

Edmonds Hall does not provide an alternative for additional beds on Lower Campus because it is obsolete and in need of extensive repairs. The section entitled Retention of Edmonds Hall in Chapter 6 provides a detailed explanation of the reasons why Boston College needs to demolish the building. The housing proposed for the Mods site will replace the existing beds to be demolished and open up part of the site for badly needed open space on the Lower Campus.



# Letter 76

## Fred Salvucci

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### Comment 1

*The parking garage shown in the current plan fairly far north in the Seminary site will generate significant additional traffic on Foster Street, and create gridlock in Brighton Ceth in 5dlof85p31a*



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### Comment 3

*The Scope should require BC to develop alternative access plans for both sides of Commonwealth Avenue that do not involve the relocation of St. Thomas More Way, nor the destruction of the stone wall. The legitimate concerns for pedestrian safety and convenience at all crossings needs to be prioritized in all alternatives.*

### Response

See Access Alternatives Operational Analysis in Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*.

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Comment 6 *The Scope should require BC to develop a plan for the Seminary grounds which leaves the*



## Response

The University will maintain a buffer zone of trees and vegetation on the edge of the Brighton Campus along Lake Street, on the sloped area adjacent to Greycliff Road and on Foster Rock for the duration of the IMP.

Housing for Jesuit faculty and graduate students of the Weston Jesuit School of Theology is planned on the east side of Foster Street opposite St.7. Jesuit School on the edge o



community. This will be the first University sponsored mortgage program of its kind in the City of Boston. Details of the program are not available at this time.



# Letter 77

## Lorraine Bossi

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### Comment 1

*Intramural sports are a fine idea for this site, but not spectator sports. This large a crowd will generate more noise, rowdiness, and traffic will be of an impasse.*

### Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for a description of the proposed 27T2 1 Tf7.6048 0 TD-0.1 Tfli Tcop



## Response

Based on the housing distribution planned in the IMP, the Chestnut Hill Campus will house approximately 77 percent of undergraduate housing while the Brighton Campus will house just 6 percent.

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## Comment 5

*I would like to see a conservation restriction long term in perpetuity to preserve open space.*

## Response

While the University will not create permanent conservation easements, the







# Letter 79

## Alessandro Selvig (2/3/08)

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### Comment 1

*The college should justify its assertion that the existing Edmonds Hall, with 790 beds, cannot be renovated. Keeping this one dorm would obviate the need to create housing on the "Brighton Campus."*

### Response

Edmonds Hall does not provide an alternative for additional beds on Lower Campus because it is obsolete and in need of extensive repairs. The section entitled Retention of Edmonds Hall in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, provides a detailed explanation of the reasons why Boston College needs to demolish the building..

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### Comment 2

*The college should show why the current, fully operational facilities for baseball and softball sited on Shea Field are no longer adequate.*

### Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for a description of the need for the proposed athletic facilities.

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### Comment 3



## Response

The IMP parking plan replaces existing surface parking with structured parking located to meet the needs of all users on each campus. The garage on the Brighton campus is located on the main road through the campus and is easily accessed from Commonwealth Avenue. Its location puts it within a five minute walking distance of all users on the Brighton Campus. It will serve faculty, staff, visitors and students on the Brighton campus. See Chapter 9, *Transportation and Parking*, for an analysis of future parking supply and demand. Chapter 9 also describes Boston College's existing and future Transportation Demand management measures.

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Comment 5



# Letter 80

## Christina Clamp and Donald Gianniny

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### Comment 1

*A policy of requiring all undergrads to be housed on campus would address this problem but only if that policy restricts housing to the main campus. This should exclude development of dorms on Shea field because of its proximity to the Chestnut Hill Reservoir. Any new housing should be sited where the modular housing is. If Edmonds Hall is to be removed, then new housing should be placed in the same location.*

### Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College will provide 220 additional beds on the Lower Campus, 560 beds in 2000 Commonwealth Avenue, and 500 beds on the Brighton Campus. Approximately 4,700 beds or 55 percent of all the University's beds are currently located on the Lower Campus. The proposed distribution of beds will allow for some increase in density on the Lower Campus without overburdening it. The housing plan allows Boston College to house students in smaller living commut180 5.5(n)1.1(g t)2.7(h)1.1(e )TJ0 -1.4012



## Response

See Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, for a description of the proposed athletic facilities and discussions of their impacts.

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Comment 3



# Letter 81

## Howard Wong

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### Comment 1

*I am generally opposed to this project.*

### Response

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 82

## Gregg Lebovitz

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### Comment 1

*There are much better ways to approach BC's need for additional dormitory space. They have plenty of room to house all undergraduates on the Lower Chestnut Hill Campus (on, and near the Mods site). The Edmonds Hall/Mods/RecPl*



# **Letter 83**

## **Dongli Chen**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.





# **Letter 84**

## **Fran Gustman**

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# Letter 85

## Brenda Pizzo

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### Comment 1

*If Edmonds Hall is not torn down, but the Mods are and built in their place are high density dormitories, the problem will be solved for both the University and the neighborhood.*

### Response

Edmonds Hall does not provide an alternative for additional beds on Lower Campus because it is obsolete and in need of extensive repairs. The section entitled Retention of Edmonds Hall in Chapter 6 provides a detailed explanation of the reasons why Boston College needs to demolish the building. The housing proposed for the Mods site will replace the existing beds to be demolished and open up part of the site for badly needed open space on the Lower Campus.



# Letter 86

## Leland Webster

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Comment 1

*Build undergraduate housing suffic*



be designed in a way that respects the two major utility lines that run through the





# Letter 88

## The Rev. Dr. Ted J. Gaiser

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Comment 1





supervision by Boston College staff. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for a description of Boston College's comprehensive program for assuring appropriate student behavior both on and off campus.







# Letter 91

## Esther and Dovid Kashnow

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### Comment 1

*Although I am all in favor of increasing the number of students in college dormitories, it makes far more sense to increase the density of the students on the Chestnut Hill campus as this is closer to the other students and the general college facilities.*

### Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston



for the small communities. For further information on the Foster Street housing, see Chapter 5, *Proposed Future Projects*.





## Response



## Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College will provide 220 additional beds on the Lower Campus, 560 beds in 2000 Commonwealth Avenue, and 500 beds on the Brighton Campus. Approximately 4,700 beds or 55 percent of all the University's beds are currently located on the Lower Campus. The proposed distribution of beds will allow for some increase in density on the Lower Campus without overburdening it. The housing plan allows Boston College to house students in smaller living communities which foster student formation that supports intellectual development and responsible student behavior. Providing housing for juniors and seniors on the Brighton Campus supports Boston College's guiding principle to provide a mix of uses to foster a vibrant and engaged community throughout its campus. The beds on the Brighton Campus will remove up to 500 students from the surrounding community and place them under the direct supervision of Boston College staff. See Chapter 5, *Proposed Future Projects*, and Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*.

Edmonds Hall does not provide an alternative for additional beds on Lower Campus because it is obsolete and in need of extensive repairs. The section entitled Retention of Edmonds Hall in Chapter 6 provides a detailed explanation of the reasons why Boston College needs to demolish the building.

The housing proposed for the Mods site will replace the existing beds to be demolished and open up part of the site for additional needed open space on the Lower



*being residential use even though it is not. If the Jesuits housing will be built on Foster Rock, it must be written into any document that on other use may be made of this site.*

## **Response**



## Response

Building set backs will be determined during design and Large Project Review by the BRA. The IMP proposes buildings of 4 to 5 stories in height.





# Letter 93

## Ellen Berezin

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Comment 1



# Letter 94

## Daniel Davis

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Comment 1



# Letter 95

## Lewis Shepard

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### Comment 1

*I have been following the proposal put forward by B.C for dormitory construction in our neighborhood, especially in Shea Field. I feel the project deserves support from local residents.*

### Response

The proposed housing on Shea Field is necessary for Boston College to provide University housing for 100 percent of its undergraduate students. The housing will be designed in a way that respects the two major utility lines that run through the site, that respects the Reservoir by leaving open the site's southwest corner facing the Reservoir, and that limits the buildings to a height of 4 to 5 stories. Chapter 5 *Proposed Future Projects* describes the residences planned for the Shea Field site, and Chapter 6 *Student Housing Plan* discusses the need for accommodating students on the Shea Field site.

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### Comment 2



# Letter 96

## Michael Weisskoff

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 97

## Paula and Roy Rosenstock

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Comment 1



# Letter 98

## Mary Blackburn

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Comment 1



# Letter 99

## Tatyana and Robert Goldwyn

Boston College thanks you for your comment



# **Letter 100**

## **Nicholas and Michelina Tawa**

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# Letter 101

## Arlene Raven

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Comment 1





# Letter 102

## Eleanor Druckman

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### Comment 1

*The proximity of Shea Field to the Reservoir parkland means the paths will become a direct walking route for BC students from their dorms to Cleveland Circle. The overuse of the paths will lead to a deterioration of the Reservoir area. In addition, it will increase the noise level*

### Response

The proposed housing on Shea Field is necessary for Boston College to provide University housing for 100 percent of its undergraduate students. The housing will be designed in a way that respects the two major utility lines that run through the site, that respects the Reservoir by leaving open the site's southwest corner facing the Reservoir, and that limits the buildings to a height of 4 to 5 stories. As plans progress, the University will consider feasible measures to control noise impacts.

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Comment 2 ~~By the time of the planning process, the University had already determined the number of buildings to be constructed on Shea Field. The University will consider feasible measures to control noise impacts.~~



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Comment 3

*BC does not adequately police its students and/*



# **Letter 103**

## **Sandra Kilbride**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 104

## Ringer Park Partnership Group

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Comment 1





# Letter 106

## Donna Toule

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### Comment 1

*I am against having a baseball stadium near my backyard.*

### Response

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding the baseball field. As described in Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, the University considered a variety of potential impacts such as noise and lighting.





# **Letter 107**

## **Janet Kenney**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 108

## Glenn Walker

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Comment 1



# Letter 109

## Kristine Walker

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### Comment 1

*I believe it would be in the best interest of the neighborhood to keep the baseball stadium at Shea Field and put restrictions on lighting, forbid artificial turf, and limit uses of the rest of the athletic facilities.*

### Response

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding the baseball field. The 10-year IMP includes new student residences on Shea Field. The proposed housing on Shea Field is necessary for Boston College to provide University housing for 100 percent of undergraduate demand. As described in Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, the University considered a variety of potential impacts such as noise and lighting. The chapter also includes a discussion of the impacts of synthetic playing surfaces.



# **Letter 110**

## **Brenda Pizzo and Kevin Tringale (1/28/08)**

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Comment 1



# Letter 111

## Barbara Moss

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### Comment 1

*As both an advocate for open space, beautification, and clean living within the Brighton community I ask that a complete redesign placing all students on the main campus be taken seriously.*

### Response

As described in Chapter 4 *Planning Framework*, the University respects the high value of open space, natural and neighborhood edges and pedestrian paths throughout its campus. To meet the consistently expressed desire of the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force, neighbors, elected officials and the BRA for the University to house all of its undergraduate students, Boston College is presenting a revised housing plan that will meet 100 percent of undergraduate demand.



# Letter 112

## Glory Dalton

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Comment 1



# **Letter 113**

## **Bret Silverman**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 114

## Nancy Chadburn

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### Comment 1

*The noise and the increase in foot traffic around the reservoir that would result from hundreds of students living in this location [Shea Field dorms] would cause considerable disturbance not only to walkers and runners... but to wildlife... and wildflowers.*

### Response

The proposed residence halls on Shea Field are not expected to have any negative effect on the Reservoir. The students living in the proposed buildings will largely

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# **Letter 115**

## **John Freeman**



# **Letter 116**

## **William Marchione**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 117



# Letter 118

## Gridth and Steven Ablon

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Comment 1



# Letter 119

## Kerri Theleman

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### Comment 1

*...I do feel that putting dorms in an area [Shea Field] that cannot be readily monitored internally would be just caus*



# **Letter 120**

## **Steven Gopen**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you



# Letter 121

## Andrea Wolf

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### Comment 1

*I am very disturbed about the proposed new dorms and their interference with the access and beauty of the Chestnut Hill Reservoir... please reconsider the planning of this space.*

### Response

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# Letter 122

## Joanne and John Robert Powers

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### Comment 1

*Any expansion at the newly purchased property at St. John's Seminary should be limited to academic and/or research facilities and should include the preservation of open space.*

### Response

To meet the goal of housing 100 percent of its undergraduates on campus, Boston College proposes to develop new housing in several different locations, including the Brighton Campus. As outlined in Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College College propose





# Letter 123

## Robert Copen

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### Comment 1

*For future use it is critical that the Reservoir*



# Letter 124

## Glory Dalton

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Comment 1



# Letter 125

## Chuck Latovich

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### Comment 1

*Should the stadium be approved, I would ask that the following items be vetted thoroughly:*

- *Use of the chief stadium should absolutely be limited to BC league games.*
- *Use of the stadium at nights should be kept to a minimum, and no later than 10:00 PM, although 9:00 PM would be preferable.*
- *A maximum number of night games should be agreed upon and imposed.*
- *Use of the stadium and other facilities should not be extended widely to the community at large.*
- *Likewise, the use of playing fields, parking garage, tennis courts, and other outdoor facilities, etc, should stop at a specified time, and absolutely no later than 10:00 PM.*
- *The use of artificial turf must be examined and installed only after environmental impacts have been understood and determined to be harmless.*
- *Noise controls should be examined.*
- *Drinking restrictions should be examined for events and imposed.*

### Response

Chapter 7, *Athletic Facilities*, includes a discussion on items referenced above including types of users of the athletic facilities on the Brighton Campus, schedule of uses, nighttime lighting and synthetic playing surfaces. See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*, for a description of Boston College's comprehensive program for assuring appropriate student behavior both on and off campus.





# Letter 127

## Lisa McDonough

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### Comment 1

*I think BC should focus more on its academic mission and consider some small scale use for the site [Brighton Campus].*

### Response

With the acquisition of the Brighton Campus, Boston College was presented with an historic opportunity to address space issues that had hindered its campus for decades, and to develop the University in a way that would fulfill its Strategic Plan and its academic mission of fostering the intellectual development and the religious, ethical and personal formation of its students.





# Letter 129

## Angela Sciaraffa

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### Comment 1

*Is there anything we can do to lessen the impact on our neighborhood? Can there be plan modifications? Could Shea Stadium stay where it is currently located?*

### Response

To meet the consistently expressed desire of the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force, neighbors, elected officials and the BRA for the University to house all of its undergraduate students, Boston College is presenting a revised housing plan, including new student residences at Shea Field, that will meet 100



# **Letter 130**

## **Ada Freedman**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.





# Letter 131



# Letter 132

## Donna Tramontozzi

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### Comment 1

*Since the purchase of St. John's by BC, we have had a major increase in noise by teams using the field. The football camp is particularly irksome. Right now, the noise is restricted to daylight. However, a baseball stadium with lights does not suggest the same pattern of use.*

### Response

Under RCAB ownership, BC's intramural rugby and frisbee teams were allowed to



# **Letter 133**

## **Mary Ellen Davis**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# **Letter 134**

## **Joan Spanbauer**

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# Letter 135

## Georgia Beleyou

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 136

## Eva Webster

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### Comment 1

*I cannot emphasize enough the importance of Boston College housing all of its undergraduates in on-campus dormitories.*

### Response

To meet the consistently expressed desire of the Allston Brighton Boston College Community Task Force, neighbors, elected officials and the BRA for the University to house all of its undergraduate students, Boston College is presenting a revised housing plan that will meet 100 percent of undergraduate demand.

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### Comment 2

*BC dorms must be sited at the central part of the Lower Campus*

### Response

Boston College proposes to add 50 beds on the More Hall site and 60 beds on the Shea Field site compared to what was proposed in the IMPNF (the IMPNF proposal for the More Hall site was 70 beds more than Boston College's original proposal for the site). See Chapter 6, *Student Housing Plan*





## Response

Housing for Jesuit faculty and graduate students of the Weston Jesuit School of Theology is planned on the east side of Foster Street opposite St. Clement's Hall. It will be specially designed to meet the residential, educational and spiritual needs of Jesuit faculty and seminarians. The project will consist of five buildings, each containing a living and dining area, kitchen, several bedrooms and a chapel. They are designed to foster the formation of "small living communities." The three existing houses, which are in need of serious repairs, cannot be incorporated into the concept for the small communities. For further information on the Foster Street housing, see Chapter 5, *Proposed Future Projects*.







## Response

Chapter 4 *Planning Framework* includes a section on buffers and preserves. The University is considering including feasible



# Letter 138

## Donna and Jim Maguire

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# **Letter 139**

## **Ilene Solomon**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 140 anonymous

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Comment 1



## Response

See Chapter 4, *Planning Framework*, for a discussion about the University's open space network and its efforts to enhance and preserve the aesthetic beauty of its campus.

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## Comment 5

*Encourage the proper restoration and low impact use of the existing architectural structures and landscape. Creation of new parking garages, dormitories, and any other buildings that would disrupt the aesthetic and historical beauty of this area should be discouraged.*

## Response

As described in Chapter 4, *Planning Framework*



# Letter 141 anonymous

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Comment 1



# **Letter 142**

## **Eva Webster (1/29/08)**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.





# **Letter 143**

## **Jim Solomon**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 144



# **Letter 145**

## **Jennifer King, et al.**

Boston College thanks you for your comment



# **Letter 146**

## **Janet Gold**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.



# Letter 147

## P.J. Szufnarowski

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Comment 1



# Letter 148

## Charles and Nancy Mueller

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Comment 1





## Response

As described in Chapter 6 *Student Housing Plan*, Boston College co





# **Letter 150**

## **Alessandro Selvig, et al (2/5/08)**

Boston College thanks you for your comment letter and recognizes the concerns you have raised regarding its 10-year IMP. Responses to your concerns are addressed in specific chapters of the IMP.

