

# NORTH END/WATERFRONT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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# November 12, 2015 Meeting Agenda

Nazzaro Center, 30 North Bennet Street Informed and Involved Neighbors Make a Strong Neighborhood

## Reports

7:00 PM – 7:20 PM

- President's Report
- Membership Committee
- Parks & Open Spaces Report
- Zoning, Licensing and Construction Committee
- Public Safety Report

## **Zoning and Licensing Applications – Voting Items**

7:20 PM – 7:45 PM

#### 162 Salem Street, Theo's Cozy Corner Restaurant

Jovenil Batista Cristo, sole proprietor has applied to the Boston Licensing Board for a Common Victualler 7-Day Malt and Wine license for the restaurant. The restaurant is Unit 1B of a condominium at that address. It consists of 556.71 square feet on the first floor and 546.15 square feet in the basement. The restaurant has a seating capacity of 19 persons. The restaurant currently closes at 3:00 pm, but would stay open later if a license to sell wine and beer is awarded to it.

#### 7:45 PM – 8:10 PM

#### 536 Commercial Street

Alison Bonney has applied to the Board of Appeal to remove the proviso under BZC-31937 that the existing roof deck not exceed 150 square feet, to increase the roof deck to approximately 367 square feet, and to install a new guard rail 2 feet from the roof's edge. The plans submitted by the owner show provisions for plants at three sides of the deck, excluding the side facing Commercial Street.

The original proposal for the roof deck was presented to NEWRA at the July 12, 2012 meeting, where the members present voted to oppose the appeal. On August 7, 2012, the matter was heard by the Board of Appeal, where it was voted to support the appeal subject to the deck being reduced to 150 square feet, and new plans being submitted to and approved by the BRA.

### **Updates & Discussions**

8:10 PM – 8:30 PM

#### Project Oscar: The North End Composting Pilot Program Update & Discussion

Project Oscar is Boston's first 24-hour community compost program. Named after the Sesame Street character, the Oscar compost bins provide members of the community with a place to drop off food waste and participate in an environmentally-friendly form of waste disposal. The program launched on September 22, 2014. It is a result of a public-private partnership with innovation design firm, IDEO, consists of two key-pad locked containers for collecting food scraps that will be placed in two separate dense neighborhoods, East Boston and the North End.

#### 8:30 PM – 8:45 PM Friends of the Harborwalk, Discuss Possible North End Tours

Mike Manning of the Friends of the Harborwalk will give an overview of the goals and activities of the FHW group, as well as propose a NEWRA-hosted tour of the North End Waterfront Harborwalk possibly in December.

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## **Upcoming NEWRA Meetings**

NEWRA encourages all North End/Waterfront residents to become active members and participate in these neighborhood meetings. Meetings are open, and all are welcome! For more information, contact <u>info@newra.org</u>.

November Monthly Meeting	Thursday, November 12, 2015, 7:00 PM Nazzaro Center, 30 North Bennet Street
Zoning, Licensing and Construction Committee	Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 7:00 PM Mariners House, 11 North Square, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Executive Committee	Thursday, November 19, 2015, 7:00 PM ABCD Center, 1 Michelangelo Street
Parks and Open Space Committee	Tuesday, December 1, 2015, 7:00 PM ABCD Center, 1 Michelangelo Street
December Monthly Meeting	Thursday, December 10, 2015, 7:00 PM Nazzaro Center, 30 North Bennet Street



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