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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

PLANNING BOARD

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

FROM:

STEVEN D. GIOIOSA, P.E.

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2019** 

SUBJECT: SERVEDWELL NEW BEDFORD

**CASE #19-17** 

1480 EAST RODNEY FRENCH BOULEVARD

Attached please find (4) sets of 24" x 36" revised plans together with (12) sets of 11" x 17" plans for the Cisco New Bedford waterfront development. These plans have been revised in response to comments received from Planning Board members at the last public hearing as well as input from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) relative to the Chapter 91 Waterways Program;

The major changes made to date for this project are as follows:

- 1. The addition of concrete wheel stops along the 10 parking spaces located along the southerly boardwalk to protect pedestrians from vehicles being parked;
- 2. Modification of the event area to add a block paver zone adjacent to the seasonal kiosks and stage. In addition to improving the long term stability of this area, this addition was made to enhance ADA compliant access to these site features;
- 3. Elimination of the grass event space and replacing this surface with a sand base to promote a greater waterfront feel to the area;
- 4. The event area perimeter fencing has been extended to provide a more complete delineation of the space and to establish more defined access points;
- 5. Elimination of parking and access drives from a portion of the northeast corner of the site;

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- 6. Relocation and expansion of the bicycle rack storage areas for the site. The racks originally proposed near the portable rest room structure have been eliminated. An expanded bicycle rack area has been added near the boardwalk and dock area with a rack capacity for 55 bicycles. Additionally, a single, (11) bicycle capacity rack has been proposed at the southeast corner of the restaurant;
- 7. The access aisle along the northerly boardwalk has been shifted south to create a minimum 3' wide landscaped buffer strip to create a visual and physical break from the boardwalk as requested; and
- 8. Elimination of (1) parking space near the northwest end of the boardwalk.

We understand that the DPI has additional comments that will need to be addressed. Some of their comments require input from the project architect and these revisions will be completed and approved by DPI prior to the start of construction.

We look forward to reviewing these changes at an upcoming Planning Board meeting.

cc: Servedwell New Bedford, LLC Michael A. Kehoe, Esq. Jay Marmon