

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development JOSEPH A. CURTATONE, MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

Office of the Executive Director

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TO:

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone

FROM:

Monica R. Lamboy, Executive Director J

DATE:

March 24, 2011

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of a \$50,000 award from the Massachusetts Department of

Environmental Protection (DEP) for assessment activities at the former Kiley Barrel

Site (RTN 3-2849)

The Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) respectfully request that you forward this report to the Board of Aldermen requesting their acceptance of a fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000) Brownfield Coalition from Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (Mass DEP). The grant shall be used for on-site assessment activities at the former Kiley Barrel site.

BACKGROUND

In 2010, the Patrick/Murray Administration selected the former Kiley Barrel site for additional assistance from its Brownfield Support Team (BST). The BST is comprised of representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), MassDEP, MassDevelopment, Attorney General, Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission and the City. The BST's purpose is to focus resources on particular brownfield sites in order to foster redevelopment. The former Kiley Barrel site was selected for its tremendous potential as a catalyst project in Union Square considering its proximity to the future MBTA transit station.

GRANT FUNDING

Upon review of the City's Revised Phase II and Phase III Chapter 21 E site assessments, DEP and EPA have requested additional ground water and soil testing, mapping and analysis for particularly metals and stratification analysis of PCB contamination.



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The DEP is contributing \$50,000 to fund their requested scope of work at the Former Kiley Barrel site. These funds will be utilized in conjunction with a new award from MassDevelopment in the amount of \$297,400.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

It is recommended that the Board of Aldermen:

Accept the \$50,000 Brownfield Coalition Grant from Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to fund assessment activities at the former Kiley Barrel site.



