

Historic and Archaeological Resources

This chapter presents an overview of the identified historic and archaeological resources on and in the vicinity of Boston College's thr

Contributing buildings within the area are considered to be all buildings that are more than 50 years old and retain integrity.

- y *Pama Gardens (BOS.JZ)* This area consists of nine residential apartment buildings. The MHC did not comment on the National Register eligibility of this area.
- y *Upper Foster Street Area (BOS.JY)* The Upper Foster Street Area contains several residential subdivisions that date between 1914 and 1940 as well as a small number of 19th century houses, mainly on Foster Street, that pre-date this period. The MHC has made the opinion that this area meets the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.²
- y *Upper Chestnut Hill-Fergreen Area (BOS.JX)* The Upper Chestnut Hill-Fergreen Area was determined by the BLC (November 2006) to be 21 TFAI-6.2(o)2 (for listing in the N T J-T o.c.

New Construction

Planned construction on the Brighton Campus includes the following (see Chapter 5, *Proposed Institutional Projects*):

- y The Brighton Athletics Center, which includes intercollegiate baseball and softball fields, one intramural playing field and support facilities. The existing site consists of playing fields and no structures will be impacted by the development of the complex.
- y A new 500-space parking garage on a currently undeveloped site just south of Brighton Athletics Center project.
- y A 14,000 sf Library Storage building just north of the existing Seminar Library. Construction of Library Storage building may have a visual impact on the Seminar Library.
- y A Fine Arts District, consisting of an approximately 55,000 sf Fine Arts/Museum complex of linked buildings of four to five stories and a height of 60 feet, and an approximately 30,000 sf auditorium with 1,200 seats, primarily for University use. This district will be located on Commonwealth Avenue between the former Cardinal's Residence and the former Creagh Library. These new buildings may have a visual impact on the former Cardinal's Residence and the former Creagh Library.

No archaeological investigations have been conducted on the Brighton Campus. To date no archaeological resources have been identified that could be impacted by the proposed institutional projects. Boston College will conduct an intensive (locational) archaeological survey of the campus after consulting with MHC on the appropriate methodology, should any of the projects require state involvement.

Renovation of Existing Buildings

Boston College plans to renovate five buildings on the Brighton Campus. One of those buildings is St. William's Hall, which was added to the existing Boston College IMP in an IMP Amendment approved in 2006. Renovations are also planned for the STM Library (former Seminar Library), Bishop Peterson Hall, the Chancery and the Creagh Library. The proposed renovation of the STM Library is addressed in an IMPNF for an IMP Amendment and a PNF submitted by Boston College to the BRA on October 12, 2007. The renovation of Biso1 T.80. T 6 (for t)-6.7paril fo-3.TDo.r7tP

Demolition

The only demolition on the Brighton Campus currently anticipated in the next 10 years is the St. John's Seminar Service Building (MHC #BOS.15234), which is a contributing element of the Chancellor-St. John's Seminar Complex. Boston College plans to demolish the service building and create landscaped open space to replace open areas lost to new construction and to create a buffer between the planned garage and adjacent residential properties. The service building was constructed in the 1960s and serves as a garage and maintenance building. It was identified as a contributing element of the Chan

- y Chestnut Hill Historic District (NWT.O, NWT.AJ, and NWT.EG) is listed in the National Register of Historic Places (September 4, 1986 and February 16, 1990) and is a local historic district regulated by the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission. The Chestnut Hill Historic District contains approximately 168 properties and is located immediately south of the Boston College Chestnut Hill Campus. The Chestnut Hill Historic District also contains a number of buildings that are currently owned by the University, including the entire Hammond Triangle area.

- y Upper Chestnut Hill - Ferngreen Area (BOS.JX) consists of a number of residential structures and the Ferngreen Cemetery. The Upper Chestnut Hill - Ferngreen Area is contiguous to the northeastern portion of the Boston College Chestnut Hill campus as well as the southern portion of the Boston College Brighton Campus. The area has been recommended eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as an historic district and the Cemetery was also recommended as individually eligible.⁵

- y Commonwealth Avenue Historic District (NWT.AB) is listed in the National Register of Historic Places as an historic district (February 16, 1990) and is included in the Newton NR MRA 1908-1940 (February 16, 1990). The Commonwealth Avenue Historic District contains 321 properties and is located immediately north and east of the Boston College Chestnut Hill Campus and does not include any resources associated with the MBTA system. MHC noted that they additionally consider that the eastern boundary of the district (which currently terminates at Mt. Auburnia and near Algonquin Road in Newton) should actually extend to the Boston-Newton city line in order to include the entirety of the Commonwealth Avenue historic Carriage area.⁶

- y Monadnock Road Historic District (NWT.AE) is listed in the National Register of Historic Places as an historic district (February 16, 1990) and is included in the Newton NR MRA 1908-1940 (February 16, 1990). It contains 89 properties and is located immediately east of the Boston College Chestnut Hill Campus.

- y Quinc Road - Maflower Road - Priscilla Road - Old Colony Road Area (NWT.BA) is an inventoried area immediately east of the Boston College Chestnut Hill Campus and includes a number of properties that are currently owned by the University. The Area Form does not indicate how many properties are included in the Area.

- y There are also a number of individually inventoried properties (not located in areas or historic districts) that are located immediately north and east of the Chestnut Hill Campus.

Unlike the Brighton Campus, the Chestnut Hill Campus was subject to a reconnaissance archaeological and architectural survey in 1994 in conjunction with the previous Boston College IMP. The survey identified areas that were considered to be archaeologically sensitive and, as a result, the MHC requested that they be subject to additional archaeological survey.

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of Edmonds Hall. The construction of this project is not expected to have an impact on significant cultural resources.

Newton Portion of the Chestnut Hill Campus

Planned construction on the Newton portion of the Chestnut Hill Campus includes the





