

Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission 2009 filing deadlines and hearing dates.

The recently designated Fort Point Channel Landmark District (FPCLD) encompasses roughly 55 acres across the Fort Point Channel from downtown Boston. This area, including the land, was entirely developed by a single corporation: the Boston Wharf Company, which filled the site mainly from 1837-1882. The Boston Wharf Company initially specialized in the storage of sugar and molasses, and gradually expanded its interests to become a major developer of industrial and warehouse properties served by ships docking in Boston Harbor, and by the railroad. The Boston Wharf Company laid out and constructed streets which they named for company officers and prominent tenants, parceled out lots, and erected nearly all of the buildings in the FPCLD from the designs of their own staff architects. Among the chief industries located in the FPCLD was the wool trade. During the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries Boston developed into the principal marketplace for wool for apparel and fabrics in the United States. The buildings of the FPCLD represent an unusually coherent and well-preserved collection of late nineteenth and early twentieth century lofts that reflect a critical period of social, economic, and physical development in the city and the region.

The Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission (FPCLDC) will review Applications for Certificate of Design Approval, which will be required for all exterior work proposed within the district. You may read the Study Report and Standards and Criteria (Design Guidelines) at: www.cityofboston.gov/environment/fpc

Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission (FPCLDC) hearings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 5pm in the Piemonte Room, City Hall 5th floor. The first FPCLDC hearing will be in August provided there are agenda items for a hearing. Hearing agendas will be posted on the City of Boston calendar and mailed to commissioner, applicants, property abutters and interested parties prior to each hearing.

The hearing dates for the remainder of 2009 are as follows:

<u>COMMISSION</u>	<u>FILING DEADLINE</u>	<u>HEARING DATE</u>
FORT POINT CHANNEL	<i>Thursday, July 30</i>	<i>Thursday, August 13</i>
Meets 2nd Thursday	<i>Thursday, August 27</i>	<i>Thursday, September 10</i>
5:00 P.M.	<i>Thursday, September 24</i>	<i>Thursday, October 8</i>
Piemonte Room	<i>Thursday, October 29</i>	<i>Thursday, November 12</i>
Boston City Hall, 5 th Floor	<i>Wednesday, November 25 *</i>	<i>Thursday, December 10</i>

** Denotes a change from regular filing or hearing date to accommodate public and religious holidays*

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