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**Subject: New CRA Project** 

Hi Kathy,

Although I am not "from the neighborhood", I spend a lot of time in the Kendall Square/East Cambridge area. I have been attending most meetings of the East Cambridge Planning Team and I'm also attending meetings of a subcommittee of the ECPT which has been formed to help make the Sullivan Courthouse Development truly be "a good neighbor" after so many years of being an eyesore.

The State is on schedule to sell the Sullivan Courthouse to Leggat-McCall (click this news article on the <u>latest scheme</u>) and the subcommittee is exploring ways to reduce the height of the existing building, tie the project in a constructive way to the city-owned parking garage on the next block and the Cambridgeside Galleria and Charles Waterfront.

The subcommittee would like to meet with the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority to tour the area and explore ways that the CRA could facilitate the redevelopment of the two blocks as a whole.

They would arrange some time on your May 15th agenda and also host a site visit with interested members of the Board. I have copied Rhoda Fantasia, who is chairing the subcommittee.

Thanks.

Tom

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Courthouse/Garage Block Clockwise from bottom: First Spring Third Thorndike