# FACT SHEET – Chapter 91 License Application Accordia Partners LLP

## "Dorchester Bay City" – Mixed-Use Development Project Filled Commonwealth Tidelands of the Dorchester Bay, Boston

Accordia Partners LLP has filed a Chapter 91 License Application with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) for a proposed mixed-use development at 180 & 200 Mount Vernon Street in Boston, Massachusetts. The proposed project is subject to M.G.L. Chapter 91 and the regulations at 310 CMR 9.00 and must apply for and receive a Chapter 91 license.

MassDEP is initiating the public process for this application in order to receive public input on the project relative to Chapter 91 and the applicable regulations, which will include a 60-day public comment period and a public hearing. A copy of the Public Notice with information on how to review the license application, attend the public hearing, and how to submit comments can be found at the end of this Fact Sheet.

After the public process is complete and after completing the technical review of the application, including a review of written public comments received, MassDEP will issue a decision to approve or deny the license application.

#### **Location Information**

180 & 200 Mount Vernon Street in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

### **Project Information**

The Applicant proposes to redevelop the existing properties (approximately 15 acres within Chapter 91 jurisdiction) into a mixed-use development consisting of eleven (11) buildings with residential and commercial uses and Facilities of Public Accommodation, roadways, open space and public amenities, flood barriers, site grading, utility systems, and improvements to the existing streets and creation of a new street circulation system in and on filled Commonwealth and Private Tidelands of the Dorchester Bay.

The project required review pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Protection Act (MEPA - EEA # 16277), and received a certificate issued by the Secretary on January 16, 2024 (MEPA Environmental Monitor (state.ma.us) documenting that the project adequately and properly complies with MEPA. The project requires review pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act and has submitted a Notice of Intent to the City of Boston Conservation Commission.

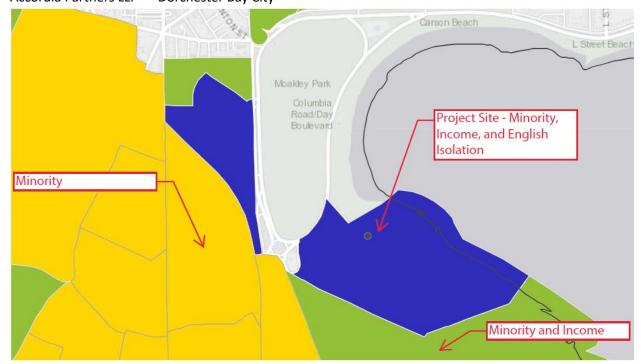
#### **Environmental Justice Populations**

The project site is located within a community defined as an EJ Population based on the Minority, Income, and English Isolation criteria as established in the 2021 EEA EJ Policy. The language map identifies Spanish or Spanish Creole 5.1% and Chinese 14.4% for languages spoken. See mapping tool at Environmental Justice Populations in Massachusetts. Enter the address "180 Mount Vernon Street, Boston" in the search bar labeled "find address or place" and also see the map below.

EJ Populations at and adjacent to 180 & 200 Mount Vernon Street – source EEA EJ Mapper (Environmental Justice Populations in Massachusetts).

MassDEP provides language access interpreter/translation services to limited English proficient individuals free of charge. If you need an interpreter for any documents and/or to participate in the public hearing, translation services can be found at the following link: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdep-language-translation-assistance">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdep-language-translation-assistance</a>.

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The Applicant conducted outreach to State, Regional, and Local Agencies, and to Environmental Justice community-based organizations intended to assist in reaching designated EJ populations as part of the MEPA process; a copy of the MEPA "Circulation List" is included as an attachment to this fact sheet.

In addition to availability of the application, Public Notice, and Fact Sheet through the links and contacts listed herein, this Chapter 91 Public Notice and Fact Sheet will be translated into Spanish, Chinese, and other languages upon request, and will be available at the Uphams Corner Branch of the Boston Public Library at 500 Columbia Road, Boston, MA 02125, at Harbor Point on the Bay Apartments Community Building at 270 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, MA 02125 and on the Project website at: https://www.baysideupdate.com/

### **Public Participation and Comment**

Project plans and documents for this Waterways Application are on file for public viewing electronically at the EEA ePLACE Public Access Portal: <a href="https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/">https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/</a> (enter application number 23-WW14-0008-APP in the Search Page in the "Record ID" field).

If you need assistance, please contact <a href="mailto:susan.you@mass.gov">susan.you@mass.gov</a> or if you do not have access to email, please leave a message at (617) 292-5929 and you will be contacted with alternative options.

This information is also included in the Public Notice, a copy of which is included herein, which will be published in a local newspaper and in the Environmental Monitor on February 23, 2024 (<a href="https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/MEPA-eMonitor/home">https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/MEPA-eMonitor/home</a>) and the public comment period will be open through April 23, 2024

This Fact Sheet and Public Notice will be posted to MassDEP's website at: MassDEP Public Hearings & Comment Opportunities | Mass.gov. Comments are to be submitted to Susan.You@mass.gov or mailed to MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program c/o Susan You, 100 Cambridge Street, 9th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.

After the application is administratively complete, including the public hearing and comment period, MassDEP will conduct its technical review of the application and will issue a decision, which will be subject to a 21-day appeal period.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application Number 23-WW14-0008-APP

**Applicant:** Accordia Partners LLC

Project Location: 180 & 200 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, Suffolk County

Notification Date: February 23, 2024

Remote Public Hearing: March 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrfuurpjsvEtVx-DpHgU7hil1XMAfyKpH7

Remote Public Hearing: March 21, 2024 at 6:00 pm

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYpcOCtqzgvGtw18oGad5Ajzr17Qszm6MZG

Public Comments Deadline: April 23, 2024

Public Notice is hereby given of the Waterways Application by Accordia Partners LLC for a Consolidated Written Determination (CWD) to authorize "Dorchester Bay City" an approximately 15-acre mixed-use development including eleven (11) buildings with residential and commercial uses and Facilities of Public Accommodation, roadways, open space and public amenities, flood barriers, site grading, utility systems, and improvements to the existing streets and creation of a new street circulation system in and on filled Commonwealth and Private Tidelands of the Dorchester Bay. The Applicant is requesting extended license terms pursuant to 310 CMR 9.15(b). The proposed project has been determined to be Nonwater-Dependent. The Department has identified that the proposed project is located in a community with an Environmental Justice Population. This notice is intended to reach the potentially affected Environmental Justice Population.

The Public Hearings will be held remotely on March 21, 2024 at 2:00pm and 6:00pm via Zoom. Prior to the meeting you can download and sign up for an account for this free software at <a href="https://zoom.us">https://zoom.us</a> on your phone, tablet, desktop or laptop computer. It is recommended that you test connectivity/ functionality in advance of the meeting.

Advance registration is required to participate in the Public Hearings. Please register using the following links above for the public hearings. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with the information needed to join the meeting from your device. MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program will conduct this public hearing in order to receive information to be used in its decision on whether to grant a CWD and Waterways Licenses pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways Application received by April 23, 2024 (Public Comments Deadline). Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten (10) citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include at least five (5) citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official.

Project plans and documents for the Waterways application are on file for public viewing electronically at: <a href="https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/">https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/</a> (enter 23-WW14-0008-APP in the Search Page in the field for Record ID). If you need assistance, please contact <a href="mailto:susan.you@mass.gov">susan.you@mass.gov</a> or if you do not have access to email, please leave a message at (617) 292-5929 and you will be contacted with alternative options.

It is recommended that documents and correspondence be filed electronically with the email address above, when possible. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program c/o Susan You, 100 Cambridge Street, 9th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.

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