

CHAPA Virtual Chapter 40B Conference

SESSION TWO: FOSTERING GOOD DESIGN
JANUARY 21, 2021, 3:00-4:45 P.M. | VIRTUAL ZOOM CONFERENCE

Chapter 40B Basics 3:00-3:30 P.M.

• Edward Marchant, Lecturer in Urban Planning and Design, Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Panel Discussion and Q&A 3:30-4:45 P.M.

- MODERATOR: Judi Barrett, Principal, Barrett Planning Group LLC
- MUNICIPAL TOOLKIT ON DESIGN REVIEW: Maria Morelli, Senior Planner, Town of Brookline
- PROJECT EVOLUTION FROM SITE APPROVAL TO CONSTRUCTION: Clifford Boehmer, Co-founder and President, Davis Square Architects

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CHAPTER 40B CONFERENCE SPEAKERS & PANELISTS

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EDWARD MARCHANT

Ed Marchant has been actively involved with the development of residential and commercial real estate over the past fifty years. As Director of Development at GBCD, Inc., now known as The Community Builders (TCB), Mr. Marchant worked with a wide range of community-based housing sponsors in the development of numerous affordable and mixed-income housing projects throughout Greater Boston. His involvement with mixed-income housing and public housing continued as a Vice President at John M. Corcoran & Co., where he also worked on several commercial projects. As an independent real estate advisor since 1990, Mr. Marchant has worked with a variety of private, public, and institutional clients on assignments ranging from the development of a single project to the planning and development of large scale, mixed-use projects.



JUDI BARRETT

Judi Barrett is the founding principal and managing director of Barrett Planning Group LLC. She brings 33 years of planning and community development experience as a consultant and community and economic development professional with state and local government. Judi has devoted her career to building the capacity of cities and towns to solve difficult public policy questions and to develop effective leadership and advocacy skills. She has prepared numerous city and town comprehensive plans, neighborhood revitalization plans, zoning ordinances and bylaws, and housing studies. She is well known for her work in affordable and fair housing policy and inclusionary zoning. A frequent panelist at regional and national conferences and a guest lecturer for planning programs, Judi is also a technical assistance resource and trainer for city and town officials and non-profit boards.



MARIA MORELLI

Maria Morelli, AICP, is an urban planner with experience in land use, urban design, sustainability, affordable housing, and economic development. A Senior Planner for the Town of Brookline, she manages development review for multifamily and other large-scale major impact projects, including the permitting over 800,000 square feet of affordable-housing projects under Chapter 40B in the last four years. Working in a municipality with eight local historic districts, treasured green space, dense commercial corridors, and experiencing climate vulnerability and growing housing needs, Maria uses design principles to provide a framework for successfully integrating housing projects in various neighborhood contexts. She is passionate about increasing access to affordable, sustainable housing to achieve resilient human-scale communities through pragmatic planning techniques that underscore why good design matters.



CLIFFORD BOEHMER

Clifford Boehmer is a co-founder and President of Davis Square Architects and a Principal of its predecessor, Mostue & Associates Architects. In 1989, he was a founder of Dirigo Design, a small Fort Point firm specializing in single-family homes. Cliff's current responsibilities focus on site and project feasibility analysis, conceptual and schematic design, master planning and programming, project advocacy with government and funding agencies, neighborhood engagement, permitting, and renovation/adaptive reuse of historic buildings. He reviews state-funded housing proposals for the Massachusetts Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) and consults with many communities and developers in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Before pursuing a full-time architectural career, Cliff was known throughout the Early Music world as a maker of historically informed keyboard instruments. His housing designs, musical instruments, and architectural photographs have been published in magazines, journals, and city guides. He sits on boards of the Cambridge Society for Early Music and the Boston Clavichord Society.

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