



Massachusetts Gaming Commission
101 Federal Street, 12th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

2017 COMMUNITY MITIGATION FUND
2017 Transportation Planning Grant Application
BD-17-1068-1068C-1068L-11234

APPLICATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2017.

Please complete the entire application.

	City of Boston	APPLICATION #1 of 2
1.	NAME OF MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNMENT ENTITY/DISTRICT	
2.	Boston Transportation Department DEPARTMENT RECEIVING FUNDS	
3.	James E. Gillooly, Deputy Commissioner NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING OF FUNDS	
4.	One City Hall Square, Room 721, Boston, MA 02201 ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING OF FUNDS	
5.	617-635-3843 James.Gillooly@Boston.Gov PHONE # AND EMAIL ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING OF FUNDS	
6.	Gina N. Fiandaca, Commissioner, Boston Transportation Department NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO COMMIT FUNDS ON BEHALF OF MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY	
7.	One City Hall Square, Room 721, Boston, MA 02201 ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO COMMIT FUNDS ON BEHALF OF MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY	
8.	617-635-3669 Gina.Fiandaca@Boston.Gov PHONE # AND EMAIL ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO COMMIT FUNDS ON BEHALF OF MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY	
9.	Wynn Boston Harbor NAME OF GAMING LICENSEE	

1. IMPACT DESCRIPTION

Please describe in detail the transportation related impact that is attributed to the construction or operation of a gaming facility. Please provide support for the determination that the construction or operation of the gaming facility caused, is causing or may cause the impact.

Application (#1 of 2) for the Use of the City's of Boston's Reserve Funds

Prior to the Gaming Commission's decision to award a gaming license authorizing Wynn Boston Harbor to locate a casino/hotel along Broadway in Everett, the City of Boston had a concept plan in place for the reconstruction of Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue. Now that the casino/hotel is a certainty, the City is reassessing its prior plan and will be in active planning/design mode for the next 3 years. As provided by the MEPA documentation related to the casino/hotel development, some 70 % of the traffic generated by the casino/hotel is expected to go through Sullivan Square. As such, the City is revisiting the prior design for Sullivan Square/Rutherford with the intention of having the final design reasonably accommodate the casino/hotel traffic.

2. PROPOSED USE OF PLANNING FUND

Please identify below the manner in which the funds are proposed to be used. Please provide documentation (e.g. - invoices, proposals, estimates, etc.) adequate for the Commission to ensure that the funds will be used for the cost of planning to mitigate the transportation impact from the construction or operation of a proposed gaming establishment. Please describe how the planning request will address the specific transportation impact indicated. Please attach additional sheets/supplemental materials if necessary.

The Boston Transportation Department has a contract with Tetra Tech, Inc. under which they will provide 25% engineering design services relative to the reconstruction of Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue in Charlestown. This contract is for \$3,949,254 with 80% funded by Federal Highway. The City will be required to cover 20% or \$789,851 of the cost. Under this application, the City requests using the \$100,000 now in a reserve account held by the Gaming Commission to fund a portion of the City's costs under the Tetra Tech, Inc. contract.

3. IMPACT CONTROLS/ADMINISTRATION OF IMPACT FUNDS

Please provide detail regarding the controls that will be used to ensure that funds will only be used to plan to address the specific impact. If non-governmental entities will receive any funds, please describe what reporting will be required and how the applicant will remedy any misuse of funds.

All funds expended under the Tetra Tech contract will be related to the design of the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue project. Funds will only be paid out to Tetra Tech upon their documentation of appropriate costs that they have incurred in providing work under the scope of their contract with BTM.

4. RELEVANT EXCERPTS FROM HOST OR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY AGREEMENTS AND MASSACHUSETTS ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (MEPA) DECISION

Please describe and include excerpts regarding the transportation impact and potential mitigation from any relevant sections of any Host or Surrounding Community Agreement. Please also briefly summarize and/or provide page references to the most relevant language included in the most relevant MEPA certificate(s) or comment(s) submitted by the community to MEPA. Please explain how this transportation impact was either anticipated or not anticipated in that Agreement or such MEPA decision. If planning funds are sought for mitigation not required under MEPA, please provide justification why funding should be utilized to plan for such mitigation. For example, a community could provide information on the significance of potential impacts if trip generation totals exceed projected estimates.

The City made clear repeatedly in its comments to MEPA during the review of the casino/hotel project that it had a plan for the reconstruction of Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue that would not support the presence of the Wynn Boston Harbor casino/hotel. So at this juncture, now that the casino/hotel's presence must be considered a given, the City has directed its design consultant to re-examine the options for the design of the roadway project in order to complete a design that will support the requirements of the casino/hotel, amongst other traffic generators, for the long term. This includes a thorough examination of the relative merits of an all-surface design option with other options that would include one or more underpasses.

CERTIFICATION BY MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY

On behalf of the aforementioned municipality/governmental entity I hereby certify that the funds that are requested in this application will be used solely for the purposes articulated in this Application.



Gina N. Fiandaca, BTD Commissioner

January 31, 2017

**Signature of Responsible Municipal
Official/Governmental Entity**

Date

APPROVAL OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION

On behalf of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, the Commission hereby authorizes the payment from the Community Mitigation Fund in accordance with M.G.L. c. 23K as outlined in this Application.

Executive Director

Date

Ombudsman

Date